



Daily Bus Transportation Guidelines: 2023-2024

All Riders must be registered in order to ride the bus. It may take several days for new registrations to be processed. If you are a new rider and have not registered, please plan ahead and register as soon as possible.

Each bus will be sanitized daily with all high touch surface areas wiped down.

AM PICK-UP

- Route times are approximate.
- Students should be ready 10-15 minutes ahead of the listed times for at least the first few weeks. As the schedule pattern develops, parents can adjust this margin. Keep in mind that route times cannot be exact and will vary somewhat with weather and other factors.
- Keep good communication with your driver throughout the year if riding patterns change.

PM PICK-UP

- Route times are approximate.
- Busses are scheduled to depart Luther at 3:20pm, dependent on shuttles coming from La Crosse.
- Communicate with your child via cell phone in the first few weeks on arrival times if possible. Again, schedule patterns will develop in those first few weeks.

Here Comes the Bus App information is enclosed. This app will allow you to see the location of your child's bus during real-time.

Code for Luther's four buses and all La Crosse School District Buses:	87866
Code for Onalaska School District Buses:	29513

If you have specific pick-up/drop-off questions, please contact GoRiteway directly at: 608-881-6370.

2023-24 TRANSPORTATION



School District Routes:

Under Wisconsin state law, if a parent chooses a religious school, their public school district must transport the student(s) to the religious school free of charge (or pay a contract fee to parents) if the religious school is within the public school district or live miles from its district boundary. The family generally must live more than two miles away from the religious school to qualify for Transportation. To be placed on the rider list, parents should contact their district of residence:

<u>School District of La Crosse</u>	Go Riteway 608-881-6370
<u>School District of Onalaska</u>	Ready Bus 507-895-2349
	Onalaska Transportation Director 783-5489
<u>School District of Holmen</u>	Transportation Department 526-4752
<u>School District of West Salem</u>	Transportation Department 786-4356

(does not provide bussing, but may pay a fee to parents to help reimburse costs. Please see chartered routes below for bussing to Aquinas Middle School and High School)

Chartered Routes:

Aquinas Catholic Schools will continue its cooperative agreement with Luther High School to serve students who do not have access to public school transportation. This agreement gives students of our Catholic and Lutheran High Schools access to the chartered bus routes of both schools, greatly expanding our transportation network and making Catholic high school education more accessible to families in surrounding communities. Limited bus service is available to ACS elementary schools for families who do not have access to a Catholic school in a local parish. These bus routes are chartered through Go Riteway.

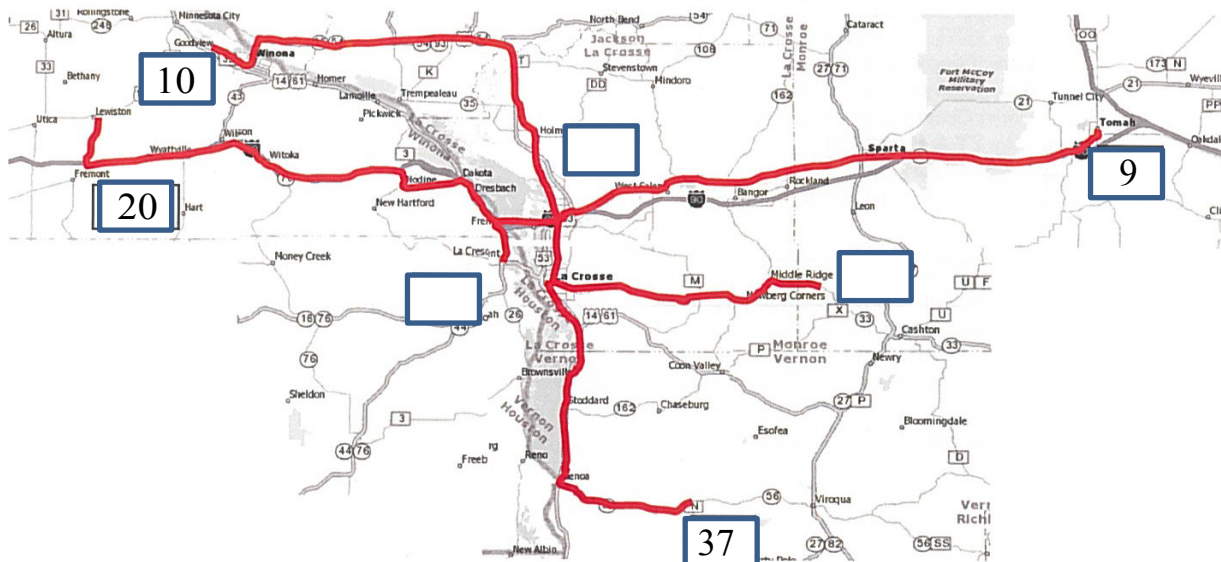
To add your name to the rider list for one of these chartered routes, please contact Go Riteway at 608-881-6370. Go Riteway will be able to answer any questions and give more details on pickup locations and schedules as the rider list is initialized.

School Calendars:

Chartered routes will operate on days when ACS and/or Luther High School are scheduled to be in session. If one school is scheduled to be closed and the other is scheduled to be in session, chartered routes will still run for students of the school that is in session. However, if no student from that school regularly rides a particular route. Go Riteway may choose to not offer that route on those days.

School district routes will continue to run on days that ACS is scheduled to hold classes, but the public school district is scheduled to be closed. Bus service for long holiday periods (i.e. Spring Break) may be adjusted based on ridership levels and interest.

AQUINAS/LUTHER CHARTERED ROUTES



Aquinas/Luther High School Bus Transportation: 2023-2024

In an effort to reduce bus transportation costs the Board of Control adopted the policy that the Luther High School buses follow the most direct and convenient routes with designated pick-up points. It is, therefore, often necessary for students to come a short distance to meet the bus. Any requests for a bus to deviate from the route may be made to the Board of Control.
Please note that these routes are subject to change at the discretion of Luther High School.

Luther Route #9 (Bus #2356) **Tomah, Sparta, Bangor, West Salem Route**

AM 6:00	PM* 4:45	St. Paul Church - Tomah
6:15	4:25	Hwy 16 and Co Hwy A
6:30	4:10	Wal-Mart Parking Lot (Sparta)
6:40	4:00	The Vault - Rockland
6:50	3:50	St Paul's Church - Bangor
7:00	3:40	Linda's Bakery - West Salem
7:05	3:35	Kwik Trip - West Salem (pick up on Griswold Ave.)
7:10	3:30	Hwy 16 & Maple Lane
7:20	3:20	Luther High School

Luther Route #10 (Bus #2386) **Winona, Hwy 54, Galesville, Holmen, Onalaska**

AM 6:05	PM* 4:47	Altura Post Office
6:14	4:38	Cenex - Rollingstone
6:25	4:27	Goodview - Trinity Lutheran Church on 37 th Ave between 8 th & 9 th St
6:30	4:20	Pick up at 5 th St and High - P.M. drop at St. Matthew's
6:40	4:13	Spur Station by lights (WI side: corner of Hwy 35 and Hwy 54)
6:45	4:07	Hwy 35/54 @ Sommers Road
6:50	3:59	Centerville Curling Club
7:00	3:50	Dollar Store - Galesville
7:15	3:35	Festival Foods Holmen (East end of building)
-----	3:40	Sandlake Rd & Pinecrest (PM drop only)
7:25	3:35	Rolling Oak & Sandlake Rd. - Onalaska
7:35	3:20	Luther High School

Luther Route #20 (Bus #2024) **Lewiston, Ridgeway, Nodine, and Dakota**

AM 6:05	PM* 4:35	Kwik Trip (Hwy 14) - Lewiston
6:14	4:26	Wyattville
6:30	4:10	Witoka
6:50	3:50	Nodine Store
7:00	3:40	Dakota Fire Station
7:10	3:30	First Lutheran Church, La Crescent
7:30	3:20	Luther High School

Luther Route #37 (Bus # 2387) **Genoa, Stoddard & La Crescent Route**

AM 6:00	PM* 4:20	Zion Lutheran Church
6:20	4:00	Zzip Stop - Genoa
6:30	4:10	Kwik Trip (Stoddard)
6:30	4:10	St. Matthew's Church (Stoddard)
7:00	3:35	La Crosse Central High School
7:30	3:20	Luther High School

IMPORTANT

AM Routes

Please plan on arriving at least 10 minutes prior to the designated stop times.

PM Routes

These times are general reference points. PM ridership is rather varied which can have a greater impact on times. As the school year progresses, you should see more consistent pick-up times for your child.

* approximate times

Updated: 5-31-23

Transfer Buses (When La Crosse School District is not in Session)

La Crosse School District Students

AM Pick-up Central to Luther
 Logan to Luther

PM Pick-up Luther to Central
 Luther to Logan

Aquinas Shuttle (Luther to Aquinas) Bus #2386

AM Luther → Aquinas HS/MS → Blessed Sacrament → Cathedral
PM Cathedral* → Blessed Sacrament → Aquinas HS/MS → Luther**

* Cathedral student will be bussed to Blessed Sacrament on another bus

** Students will then transfer to one of the four Luther Routes

Luther to Providence/Immanuel Shuttle (AM & PM) Bus #2024

NEW THIS YEAR - HERE COMES THE BUS APP

Download the HERE COMES THE BUS app and register. This app will allow you to see your son/daughter's route and where the bus is located. This will help you make sure that your children never miss the bus! We're excited to be able to offer this feature this year. Watch for more detailed information to follow. This app is still not operational. We will keep you posted!

Daily student transportation for our routes is contracted with GO RITEWAY. The cost is included in tuition.

In addition to the four routes contracted by Luther, the Holmen, Onalaska and La Crosse School Districts transport our students who live within these public-school districts.

- When La Crosse doesn't have school, our students who live on non-city routes must get to an in-city route or to school on their own.
- On planned 2-hour delay days, students who ride school busses provided by the La Crosse or Holmen school districts, must contact those district bus offices 2 days prior to the delay day to request bussing. (e.g. September 23 planned 2-hour late start means that parents should contact these bus offices no later than September 21 during regular office hours to request bussing.)
- The Onalaska school district will not provide bussing in the AM for delayed start days. (PM bussing will be provided as normal.)

West Salem School District contracts with parents to transport their own children.

Contacts: Courtney McCollough, Luther Transportation Assistant: 608-783-5435 ext. 1134 mccocour@luther.k12.wi.us
GO RITEWAY: 608-881-6370
Holmen School District Transportation: 608-526-4752
Onalaska School District Transportation: 608-783-5489 ext. 5148

Aquinas students primary contact is Ted Knutson ted.knutson@aquinasschools.org

Guidelines for Bussing 2-hour Weather Delays

Luther's FOUR busses will run their normal routes with pick-up times 2-HOURS later than normal days.

- Tomah – Bus #9
- Winona – Bus #10
- Lewiston – Bus #20
- Genoa/Stoddard – Bus #37

Students who ride area school district busses need to follow the guidelines below for pick-up

La Crosse School District Bus (608-881-6370)

Contact Go-Riteway by 7:30 am to arrange for pick-up that day. If you do not call, no pick-up will be made.

Holmen School District Bus (608-526-4752)

Contact Holmen School District Transportation by 7:30 am for pick-up that day. If you do not call, no pick-up will be made.

Onalaska School District Bus

Onalaska School district will not make any delayed pick-ups. Please make a plan of action ahead of time for how you will handle these 2-hour weather delays.

Here Comes the Bus

Go Riteway and Luther High School are happy to announce the adoption of an innovative mobile device app and website entitled, Here Comes the Bus®.



Here Comes the Bus allows you to view the real-time location of your child's school bus on your smartphone, tablet or computer. With it, you will have the information you need to send your children to the bus stop at just the right time, helping to protect them from inclement weather and other roadside dangers. What's more, you'll have peace of mind knowing your children haven't missed the bus. Here Comes the Bus is a free app that enables you to:

- See the location of your child's bus both before and after school
- Confirm that your child's bus has arrived at the bus stop, at school or both
- Receive a push notification* or email message when the bus is near your stop, has been substituted, or when we have important information to relay

Here Comes the Bus is powered by Synovia Solutions™, makers of the GPS-tracking technology used by Luther High School and Go Riteway to increase safety and cost savings as it relates to our school bus fleet. Available in three languages (English, Spanish and French), the Here Comes the Bus app can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

To sign up or to learn more about Here Comes the Bus, visit <http://www.herecomesthebus.com>. Should you have any questions, please contact Go Riteway at 608-881-6370

If you need to contact Here Comes the Bus customer support, please go to: www.help.herecomesthebus.com/en/support/home and click on "Contact Support." You will be asked to provide the following information:

- Your name
- The School District of La Crosse ID Code – 87866
- Email address used for your Here Comes the Bus account
- **Luther Riders** - Your child's first and last name, and student ID number – Student ID can be found under Skyward Family Access. Click the "Portfolio" tab on the left, then click the "Here Comes the Bus Report", then a popup will open where you can click on "View Report" to open the report with your child's ID number on it.
- **Non-Luther Riders** - Please contact Go Riteway (608-881-6370) for your child's student ID.
- Description of the question