

## **FOG DELAY NOTIFICATION PROCESS**

During periods of reduced visibility (200 feet or less), delays in home-to-school transportation services may be required. District personnel assesses the need for delays and makes notifications to parents and students through various methods.

Transportation delays typically become necessary during the central valley's fog season which runs from approximately November through February each school year. Please become familiar with the notification options that are listed below and choose the option(s) that work best for you and your family.

When a delay in school bus service is announced, we recommend that you do not send your child to the bus stop until the delayed time has elapsed. (For example: if the regular pick-up time is 8:05, and a 1-hour delay has been announced, the bus will arrive at 9:05 for the delayed pick-up). Remember that on foggy days when a transportation delay is not announced, buses may still be running slightly behind schedule due to reduced visibility and slower traffic.

### **❖ AUTOMATED TELEPHONE NOTIFICATION**

The District will make notification to parents and students through an automated telephone message. In order to take advantage of this option, please complete a registration form and return it to your student's bus driver as soon as possible.

#### On Foggy Days:

- Announcements of a delay in morning transportation will be sent to high school and day school students beginning at 6:25am.
- Announcements of a delay in morning transportation will be sent to elementary school students beginning at 7:00am.
- If you have signed up and DO NOT receive a telephone message, school bus service has not been delayed.
- Please do not call the transportation department, school office, or the local radio stations for fog delay information. This will tie up the telephone lines and delay the notification for everyone.

### **❖ PUBLIC RADIO ANNOUNCEMENTS**

In cooperation with local radio stations, the District will make public service announcements regarding delays in transportation service due to reduced visibility. If you wish to use this option, follow the instructions below.

On Foggy Days:

- Please listen to the local radio stations listed below. Announcements of a delay in morning transportation usually begin around 6:15am.
- If you DO NOT hear an announcement about Manteca Unified School District, it generally means that the school bus service is not delayed.
- Please do not call the transportation department, school office, or the local radio stations for fog delay information. This will tie up the telephone lines.
- Delays in transportation service will be broadcast over the following radio stations:
  - 95.1 KHOP
  - 97.0 KESP
  - 97.7 KWIN
  - 98.8 KWNN
  - 99.3 KJOY
  - 103.3 KAT COUNTRY
  - 104.1 THE HAWK

❖ **TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION LINE**

This option allows parents and students to call and get information in the form of a recorded message. Please be aware that this is a single line telephone and answering machine. You may need to call several times if the line is busy in order to get through.

On Foggy Days:

- Call the transportation delay notification line (209) 858-0800 to determine if transportation services are delayed. The telephone line message is usually updated by 6:15am.
- Please do not call the main number of the transportation department, school office, or the local radio stations for fog delay information. This will tie up the telephone lines and delay the notification process for everyone.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON FOG RELATED DRIVING & SAFETY TIPS,  
PLEASE VISIT THE FOG UNIVERSITY WEB PAGE AT:**

[WWW.FOGUNIVERSITY.COM](http://WWW.FOGUNIVERSITY.COM)

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