## **HCPSS Connect**

2024-2025 Transportation Opt-In



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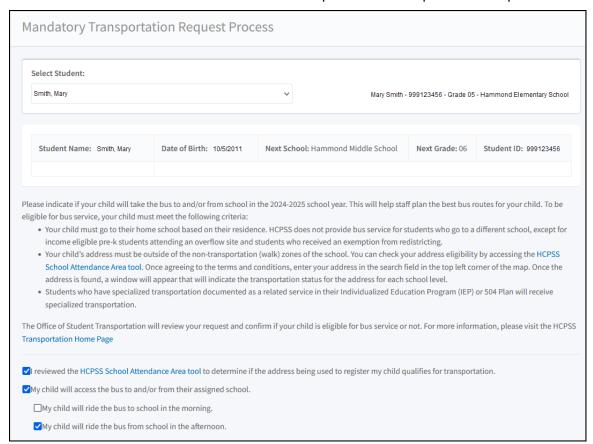


## **Select Responses**

- 1. Log in to HCPSS Connect. You can find a link to HCPSS Connect on the HCPSS website > Connect page: <a href="https://www.hcpss.org/connect/">https://www.hcpss.org/connect/</a>
- 2. On the Home page, click More Options (Family File/Report Cards/etc.) in the left panel.
- NOTE: If you are using a mobile device and see only icons, select the bottom icon:



- 3. Click on the **2024-2025 Transportation Selection** link in the middle of the page. The **Mandatory Transportation Request Process** page displays.
- 4. Select the first checkbox to indicate that you have reviewed the HCPSS Attendance Area tool.
- 5. Select the second checkbox if your child will access the bus to and/or from their assigned school.
- 6. If you selected yes, select the appropriate checkbox if your child will ride the bus in the morning and/or afternoon. Your selection will save automatically.
- 7. Select another child in the **Select Student** drop-down to complete the responses for each.



**NOTE**: If your child is not eligible for transportation, you will receive this message:

This student resides in a non-transported area and is ineligible for bus service to Hammond Elementary School.

## Please note the following:

- For the upcoming school year (2024-2025) HCPSS is requiring parents to answer whether
  their student will ride a bus to/from their school. This request will result in more efficient and
  agile transportation operations by providing the Office of Student Transportation accurate
  ridership data. Basic eligibility requirements are below, but please access Policy 5200 for
  more information.
- Eligibility: Please note, parents with a student who has transportation provided as part of an IEP or 504 will NOT be affected as eligibility for special needs transportation is determined as part of a separate IEP/504 process.
- Students must attend their home school based on their residence. Students attending a school other than their home school are not eligible for bus service.
- Please note, income eligible pre-K students who attend an overflow site, and students marked as redistricting exempted will be offered bus service if requested.
- Please see the **HCPSS Transportation Home Page** for further information.

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