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South Fork Community,

As we wrap up summer and look to kick off a great school year, we are regretfully informing you all of a transportation issue we currently have at the school. Unfortunately, this issue may limit our bussing services to the bare minimum. In recent years, we have had the ability to accommodate families with convenient bus stops, route changes, and other perks of operations. We have prided ourselves on providing quality services to our community. This shortage of drivers could lead to limiting the number of bus stops, delays in after-school route times, reducing the shuttle services to extra-curricular practices, and possibly transportation to extra-curricular events.

We recently posted positions for both a School Bus Driver and a Non-School Bus Driver. Hopefully, we can find a qualified candidate to fill the positions. If we can fill the open positions, we will be able to sustain our level of service. If we are unable to fill the positions, changes can be expected. We will continue to update families as we know school is starting, and plans need to be made.

In closing, we are asking for your help in two ways. First, show patience and understanding when changes are made that may affect your situation. Secondly, help recruit someone who could possibly be a bus driver. We are regional competitive in salary and benefits. We also have the ability to train drivers on our own for all state regulations and licensure.

Chris Clark SF Superintendent