



UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Residents of Union School District,

After thoughtful consideration and discussion during the yearly budgeting process, the Union School District Board of Directors and Administration have decided to return to our former practice of not providing busing services for athletes to non-mandatory summer leagues and open-gym practices. Students are permitted to drive and carpool with others as well as find other means of transportation to these events. Likewise, coaches will be permitted to utilize school owned vans to transport athletes who do not have transportation, when the vans are available. However, seating will be limited to the capacity of the vehicles which are available, when transportation for student athletes is needed. Please communicate any such transportation needs with your child's coach.

As always, the District will provide transportation to all league scheduled contests and post-season playoff events. Discussion will continue throughout the summer concerning athletic transportation needs as associated with team practices during each athletic season. No final decisions have yet been made concerning this service. However, the District did realize an additional cost of several thousand dollars when we provided this service during the spring athletic season which must be considered. In an effort to reduce transportation costs, the district has purchased two new vans. Coaches will have access to these vehicles when needed, thereby greatly reducing the overall transportation cost to the district. Thank you for understanding that our Board of Directors and Administration desire to provide for the needs of the entire district while doing so in a financially responsible manner.

Sincerely,

Dr. John Kimmel, Superintendent