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## **Bus Tracking App Comes to Fulton County Schools**

Beginning September 17, Fulton County Schools will offer a free app that allows parents to track their student's school bus.

"Here Comes The Bus" uses GPS technology to locate and track a school bus. Similar to ridesharing apps, buses will show up as an icon on a map, and they can follow its progress as it moves toward the bus stop. The system also counts down the minutes before the bus arrives.

"Our transportation fleet is committed to the safety and on-time delivery of students to their schools and homes," said Sam Ham, executive director of the district's Transportation Department. "The 'Here Comes The Bus' app eliminates the age-old question, 'Where is my bus?' It lets us be more customer-focused so our families know when the bus is on its way and can follow its progress online."

To sign up, parents need their child's student ID number, which is available from the school and is the same number used to view their student's academic information online (Home Access Center) and school meal programs (MyPaymentsPlus). Fulton County Schools' code – 87428 – also is needed. After completing a brief user profile, the app is ready to use.

Multiple students in the same household can be put on the same account. Students also can download the app to their cell phones or other personal devices, using their Launchpad ID to log in to the program.

"Here Comes the Bus" is powered by software from Synovia Solutions. Parents and students can download the program through the Apple App Store and Google Play Store or can visitwww.herecomesthebus.com to sign up.

More information about the program, including FAQs and troubleshooting information, also is posted to <a href="https://tinyurl.com/HCTBapp">https://tinyurl.com/HCTBapp</a> on the Fulton County Schools website.