

## INFORMATION SHEET ON SCHOOL BUS SERVICES FOR YEAR 2025

### Introduction

Currently, the school appoints one or more school bus operators to help parents make transport arrangement for their children. Under the enhanced process, the school has extended the invitation for proposals for bus services to all interested bus operators to attract more competitive offers. To achieve this, the school has advertised the invitation in our school website.

Interested bus operators have submitted the ‘Not-To-Exceed’, NTE (i.e. the maximum) fare for each distance benchmark (i.e. 2km and 4km). The bus fares will not go beyond the NTE during the service period. For students staying beyond the maximum distance range, parents may approach the bus operator directly for negotiation of bus fares.

The annual bus fares will be payable over 9 months in a school academic year. The collection months are January, February, March, April, May, July, August, September, and October. There will be no collections for the months of June, November, and December.

The school will publish the fares quoted by the appointed bus operators in our school website <https://www.operaestatepri.moe.edu.sg/general-information/> for viewing by parents.

Parents will then engage the appointed bus operators to agree on the actual bus fare, taking into account the distance, route and other factors such as the seating capacity of the bus. The contract period is normally about 2 years with an option to extend for up to 2 years. When the contract expires, the school will again go through the process of inviting proposals.

### School Bus Operator for 2025

Uncle Lin Transport and Mesa Travel (S) Pte Ltd is our appointed school bus operator for a period of 2 years from January 2024 to December 2025 to provide the following services:

- a) Daily School Bus Services (i.e. for sending pupils from home to school and vice versa); and
- b) Bus Services for after school activities (i.e. sending pupils home from school after enrichment programmes, supplementary classes or CCA).

Their contact details are as follows:

Name of Bus Operator : Uncle Lin Transport and Mesa Travel (S) Pte Ltd

Contact Person: Ms Wynn timer

Contact No: 9234 6908

Email address: [OEPSbus@unclelintransport.com](mailto:OEPSbus@unclelintransport.com)

## School Bus Fares

Parents may discuss their requirements directly with the bus operators to agree on the actual bus fares based on the NTE Price.

The tables below show the NTE Prices for both the daily school bus services and services for after school activities:

A. Daily School Bus Services (i.e. for sending pupils from home to school and vice versa)

Distance	Up to 15 seater		>30 seater	
	1 way	2 way	1 way	2 way
Up to 2km	\$190.00	\$210.00	\$170.00	\$190.00
>2 – 4km	\$210.00	\$230.00	\$190.00	\$210.00

*Note: Charges for small buses (15 and below seater type) are generally higher for the host of benefits of mandatory installation of seat belts, one-to-one seating, easier access to pick up points and shorter journey time.*

B. Bus Services for after school activities (i.e. sending pupils home from school after enrichment programmes, supplementary classes or CCA).

Distance	Up to 15 seater	>15-30 seater
Up to 2km	\$10.00	\$10.00
>2 – 4km	\$12.00	\$12.00

*Note: Minimum required 8 students to cater bus for CCA*

## Actual Bus Fare Prices

For 2-way trips, if there is any difference in the Distance of each leg of the trip, the School Bus Operator shall use the shorter Distance to determine the price of the bus fare.

For the avoidance of doubt, “Actual Bus Fare Prices” refers to the actual bus fares charged by the School Bus Operator to Parents under the Terms and Conditions Governing Request for Services.

For students staying beyond the maximum distance range, parents may approach the bus operator directly for negotiation of bus fares.

## Other Information

We would like to highlight the following:

- a) The school bus service is provided for trips to and from the school before and after official school hours as follows:
  - ii. Daily school timing: 7.30am to 1.30pm (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday) and 7.30am to 12.30pm (Wednesday)
  - iii. Latest arrival time in school: 7.15am
  - iv. Latest departure time from school: 1.45pm
  
- b) It is the parent's responsibility to pay the monthly bus fare directly to the bus operator by 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, February, March, April, May, July, August, September, and October.
  
- c) The annual bus fares will be collected over 9 months in January, February, March, April, May, July, August, September, and October. There will be no collections for the months of June, November, and December. School services will still be provided on every school day in the months of June, November, and December.
  
- d) The Contract may be terminated by the Parent at any time by giving the School Bus Operator at least two months' notice in writing.

## Feedback

The school will continue to seek feedback from parents periodically. Parents may also provide feedback directly to the school. The information gathered will help the school in assessing the appointed bus operators' performance and decide whether to renew their contracts or go through the proposal invitation process to appoint new operators.

For any feedback concerning the service standards and behaviour of the bus drivers/attendants, parents may contact the school's office at 6241 0417.