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Good Morning Princeton Bus Students and Families,

**MESSAGE REGARDING CONTINUED BUS SERVICE CANCELLATION FOR JOHN ALLISON
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND STUDENTS RIDING KITTY BUS:**

First and foremost, we want to let you know how appreciative we are of your continued support during the current disruption to bus services for John Allison Elementary and students riding the Kitty Bus.

We are reaching out to you this weekend to keep you updated on the road closure situation on Old Hedley Road and the impact it may have on you for the coming week.

The School District, in conjunction with the transportation department, school principals and the Town of Princeton have been in communication throughout this period looking for a way to restore services.

As of Friday, a potential plan was prepared to resume services for John Allison Elementary school as well as those students serviced by the Kitty Bus. This potential plan involves changes to routes and includes a supervised walk for students across the walking lane of the Brown Bridge. This plan will also have an impact on afternoon drop offs, delaying them by approximately 15 minutes.

If the district receives information early this week that the road closure is anticipated to be long term, the plan described above will be confirmed, communicated to parents and implemented with the necessary staffing and safety protocols in place.

In the short term we believe it is best to continue to cancel all bus service for John Allison as well as for those students serviced by the Kitty bus. We will review the decision early this week and initiate changes if a long-term closure is expected.

Again, we appreciate the manner in which you have been able to find alternate ways in which to keep your children in attendance. Please continue to reach out to your school's principal should you need further support in doing so.

Sincerely,

Stephen McNiven
Superintendent of Schools