



LOCAL MOTION BUS SCHEDULE 2020-2021

August 2020

Transportation Service will be provided during the period **Wednesday, September 2, 2020 and ending Wednesday, June 16, 2021**; Monday through Friday in accordance with the school calendar.

We are offering two routes:

- Route #1: Mattapan-South End-Back Bay-Charlestown-Davis Square-ISB
- Route #2: Lexington-Belmont-Arlington-ISB

Stops below might change slightly to better accommodate the families that sign up or to reflect changes in traffic patterns.

ROUTE #1: MATTAPAN-SOUTH END-BACK BAY-CHARLESTOWN-DAVIS SQUARE-ISB

Stop #1: USPS, 1602 Blue Hill Avenue, Mattapan -AM	6:10 AM / 5:15 PM
(Santander Bank, 1617 Blue Hill Ave. in the PM)	
Stop #2: 780 Tremont Street - AM	6:45 AM / 4:35 PM
(Bloom Couture Floral Studio, 769 Tremont Street – PM)	
Stop #3: 350 Tremont at Charles Street, Boston-AM	6:50 AM / 4:25 PM
(Eliot Norton Park, 287 Tremont Street at Oak Street West - PM)	
Stop #4: Boston Common Frog Pond, 38 Beacon Street, Boston	6:58AM / No PM stop here
Stop #5: Beacon St, Park St (Robert Gould Shaw Statue)-AM	7:00 AM / 4:15 PM
(Park Street Church, 25 Tremont Street, Boston - PM)	

Stop #6: Causeway Street at Beverly Street, Boston-AM (226 Causeway Street - PM)	7:05 AM / 4:10 PM
Stop #7: 99 Restaurant, 29 Austin St, Charlestown	7:15 AM / 4:05 PM
Stop #8: Santander Bank, 403 Highland Ave., Somerville - AM (Bank of America, 253 Elm Street, Somerville – PM)	7:35 AM / 3:40 PM
Stop #9: ISB, 45 Matignon Road	7:50 AM / 3:30 PM

ROUTE #2: LEXINGTON-BELMONT-ARLINGTON-ISB

Stop #1: 870 Waltham Street, Lexington	6:50AM / 4:25PM
Stop #2: Lexington Town Pool 80 Worthen Road Lexington	7:00 AM / 4:15 PM
Stop #3: Panera Bread, 1684 Mass Ave Lexington (1661 Mass Ave Lexington in afternoon)	7:05 AM / 4:10 PM
Stop #4: - Sacred Heart Parish Center, 705 Mass. Ave Lexington, MA (church parking lot)	7:10AM / 4:05 PM
Stop #5: Belmont Public Schools Building, 644 Pleasant Street (Santander Bank, 35 Leonard St. Belmont in afternoon)	7:15 AM / 3:50PM
Stop #6: Walgreens, 324 Mass Ave Arlington	7:25 AM / 3:35 PM
Stop #7: ISB, 45 Matignon Road	7:45 AM / 3:30 PM

Bus information: school bus 47 passenger (but seating a maximum of 15 this year); seat belts; GPS; maternelle-age children may use their own car seat. Please refer to the bus protocols on the Returning to ISB Campus web pages: <https://www.isbos.org/admissions/re-entry-plan/operations#8-Campus> and the attached protocol letter from Local Motion.

The bus service is partially subsidized by the School although not to the extent that it was last year. The 2020-2021 annual fee for round trip service for all stops except Davis Square and Walgreens is \$4,000 and the annual one way fee is \$2,000. The annual round trip fee for

service from either Davis Square or Walgreens is \$400 and the annual one-way fee from these stops is \$200. Due to heavy demand for the Boston bus from students originating in Boston/Charlestown it is possible that we will not be able to offer the Davis Square stop this year. Payment may be made on the Parent Portal, under Online Payments, Transportation, School Bus Boston/Charlestown & Lexington/Belmont and School Bus Davis Square/Arlington.

You will be required to sign up for the bus service on a first-come first-served basis with the understanding that overall priority will be given, in order of priority, to returning students, students coming from Boston or Belmont/Lexington, siblings and elementary school students. Also required is a commitment to ride the bus for the full year and full payment upon signing a contract for service. We will not be able to reimburse for service lost to short or medium term closure, either of the entire school or of a cohort, cohorts or individual child due to exposure to or infection with COVID-19. Our contract with Local Motion stipulates full payment for the entire school year, regardless of closure. This is an effort on Local Motion's part to preserve business continuity by having the means to maintain their buses and pay their drivers. The drivers are the crucial component: it is they who ensure the safe delivery of your children to school and home daily. Partial reimbursement would only occur in the case of closure at any point during the school year for the remainder of the school year.

If you want to reserve seat(s) on the bus or have any questions on the routes, please contact Kate Allen at kallen@isbos.org.



ISB Student Transportation Program Policies

The Transportation Program of the International School of Boston (“ISB”) is a school program designed to provide transportation for students, to and from the ISB campus. The school contracts with *Local Motion* to provide transportation services. The goal of the program is to provide safe and efficient transportation to our campus.

All participants agree to adhere to the following responsibilities:

School Responsibilities:

- Ensure that pre-boarding and boarding COVID-19 protocols are followed (e.g. that daily screening via the Magnus Health App has been done for each boarding child by his or her parent in the am, ensure that each child sanitizes his/her hands when boarding in the afternoon and sits in his/her designated seat, remind all riders about mask wearing and check that all have a mask on while waiting for the bus to depart campus).
- Provide safe and reliable transportation to the School, and manage relationships with any and all vendors selected by the ISB to provide services in accordance with this agreement.
- Designate central drop off and pick up locations that are safe, well lit and provide adequate room for students and parents to wait for the bus while observing 6’ of distance.
- Ensure that the bus arrives at the designated stops on schedule.
- Communicate with parents at all times.
- Respond to reports of behavior or discipline issues from the bus driver.
- Respond to concerns from parents regarding safety and discipline.

Driver Responsibilities:

- Follow all COVID-19 protocols specified by Local Motion
- Drive in a safe and responsible manner at all times.
- Conform to the approved bus route and respect the schedule.
- Be courteous and patient.
- Make sure that all students are seated and have their seat belt fastened before starting the bus in motion.
- Make sure that parents or persons authorized by the parents are taking custody of the children as soon as they exit the bus at the designated drop off point at the end of the day.
- Report immediately any issues to his supervisor at *Local Motion* and/or to Kate Allen.
- Communicate with *Local Motion*, the Parents and ISB at all times in case of an emergency or a difficult situation.

Student Responsibilities:

- Follow all COVID-19 protocols specified by both ISB and Local Motion including mask wearing throughout the ride, refraining from eating or drinking, and sitting in a designated seat.
- Arrive at the bus stop on time and maintain six feet of distance from others boarding at the same time.

- Board the bus as directed quietly and in a disciplined manner; take his/her designated seat and fasten seat belt. Remain in the seat at all times while the bus is in motion.
- Follow any and all directions given by the bus driver, understanding that the driver is in full charge of the bus and of the students riding on the bus at all times.
- Behave appropriately and with respect at all times; help each other and especially the younger students.
- The aisle must stay clear of bags, lunchboxes and other objects that must be stored as directed by the bus driver.
- Wait until the bus is fully stopped before getting up; exit the bus quietly and in a disciplined manner. Make sure that you take all of your belongings with you.
- Questions should be addressed to the bus driver, your parents and/or the designated official at ISB.

Parent Responsibilities:

- Follow all COVID-19 protocols specified by both ISB and Local Motion and ensuring that one's child does the same.
- Provide the School with means to communicate in an efficient and timely manner prior to the first day of school, and update this information as necessary. It is the parents' responsibility to ensure that the School has updated and accurate contact information at all times.
- Communicate with *Local Motion*, and/or any other vendor used pursuant to this agreement and ISB at all times.
- Arrive at the bus stop 5 minutes before the scheduled pick up and drop off times.
- Understand that the bus has a schedule to meet and cannot wait for children who are late. The bus will not wait more than 2 minutes after the scheduled pick up time for a child. Should a student miss the bus, the parents must find alternative means of transporting the child to ISB.
- Be available at the return stop as necessary to pick up their children and take responsibility for their children after they have exited the bus.
- Communicate with *Local Motion* and ISB with a minimum 24-hour notice (except in case of an emergency) if alternate transportation arrangements have been made and the child will not be riding the bus, or will only be riding one way.
- Parents will be held responsible and liable for any damage done to the bus by their child.
- Parents will do their best to work with other parents to make transportation a success for everyone.

Bus information:

The bus will be sufficiently large to accommodate all students enrolled in the program. It shall be equipped with seatbelts. The driver will use a two way radio and/or dedicated cellular telephone to stay in contact with the school, *Local Motion* and/or any other vendor used pursuant to this agreement, before, during and after transportation of children. *Local Motion* and/or any other vendor used pursuant to this agreement will perform criminal record background checks (including but not necessarily limited to CORI checks) and driver safety record checks for any and all personnel assigned to operate its vehicles pursuant to this agreement, and will disclose and make all such records available for inspection and review by the school.

General Information

The school reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to change bus picks up and drop off times and locations, as circumstances require. Parents will be provided with information regarding any such changes in advance. The school reserves the right to terminate any student's participation in the program if it determines that a student's participation is detrimental to the program. The school also reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to terminate any transportation vendor associated with this program and to substitute vendors as it deems appropriate.

In the event that minimum participation/enrollment requirements for this program are not met, ISB will timely refund the transportation fee charged for this program.

The school is responsible for ensuring that any transportation vendors it selects comply with the terms of this transportation agreement and all associated agreements and/or contracts.

Questions, comments or notices should be directed to: Kate Allen, International School of Boston, Transportation Program, 45 Matignon Road, Cambridge, MA 02140; kallen@isbos.org; 617-583-9219.