



Amherst Central School District

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Dear Principal,

Below is important information for parents and guardians of private, parochial and charter school students regarding 1) requests for transportation and 2) a new annual process for registering and updating student information on file with the Amherst Central School District (ACSD).

Please Note: All resident students who attend private, parochial or charter schools are now required to register with the district **annually** in order to receive transportation and school-based services.

Transportation requests and information updates will now be completed online via ACSD's Family Connection platform.

Transportation Requests

According to State Education Law, each incoming and returning student who requests transportation must register with the ACSD prior to April 1, 2021 for the 2021-2022 school year.

For assistance with transportation requests, please call the Transportation Coordinator at the Amherst CSD, 716-362-3035.

Annual Registration and Information Update

Families must now register their child(ren) using ACSD's **Family Connection**, an online platform which we use to collect the information we need about your child. Parents can use the following link to connect to the ACSD Registration webpage, and sidetab "Register to Attend a Private, Parochial or Charter School"
<https://www.amherstschoools.org/Page/8722>

Parents, please follow the directions on the web page to create a Family Connection account and register your child(ren). For assistance, please review these help documents: [Create Account](#) and [Register a Student](#)

For assistance with Family Connection, please call the Office of Curriculum and Instruction at Amherst CSD, 716-362-3046 or 716-362-3044.

Sincerely,

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School Business Administrator

Please share this with your Amherst Central School District families...

NEW REQUIREMENTS for registering a child attending a private, parochial or charter school who resides within the Amherst Central School District (ACSD). **ALL** Amherst Central School District resident students are **NOW required** to register with the district **annually** in order to receive school-based services and/or transportation.

Transportation requests and information updates will now be completed online via ACSD's Family Connection platform prior to April 1, 2021 for the 2021-2022 school year. Further information and directions are attached.