

# UPTOWN BUS SERVICE

## Uptown Franklin Parents, Inc.

November 19, 2009

To the Parents of Incoming Franklin Students:

Congratulations to your son/daughter and welcome to Benjamin Franklin High School. One of the many decisions you will soon be facing is the issue of transportation to and from Franklin.

**Please read the following carefully:**

Uptown Franklin Parents, Inc. (UFP) is a non-profit corporation formed to contract with a private bus service for Franklin students living uptown. The fees for the 09-10 school year were \$850 per rider. The rate for the 10-11 school year will be determined in the spring. To help defray the costs of administering the program, UFP also charges each **new** student rider a one-time membership fee of \$15.00. All fees are due in advance of the commencement of the school year.

Service boundaries are as follows: the Orleans Parish line to Palmetto to Washington Ave. to Martin Luther King Blvd to Melpomene to the river and back up-river to the parish line. **All potential riders must live within these boundaries.** Bus routes are revised each year to best serve the students riding that year. Ideally, stops will be within a few blocks of each rider's home, however because of time and bus route constraints, some riders may be required to walk further distances. UFP reserves final authority in route determinations.

Current riders and siblings will be given first choice for available seats for next year if contracts and deposits are submitted by the deadline. Available remaining seats will be assigned to applicants on a first-come-first-serve basis, unless a substantial number of new applications are received, in which case we may need to utilize a lottery basis, to ensure fairness to everyone. A waiting list will be established for those lottery applicants remaining after the bus is filled or those students applying after the lottery has been held. Be advised that in order to accommodate as many riders as possible, it may occasionally become necessary for students to ride three to a seat. If you live uptown, and are interested in this bus service, please complete and return the attached form as soon as possible.

To keep informed of issues regarding the bus services provided by "Uptown Franklin Parents, Inc.", subscribe to our e-group by sending an email with Your Name, phone number(s), Student's Name to:  
[uptownfranklinparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:uptownfranklinparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

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### APPLICATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's/Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's or Guardian's  
email address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone  
(work and/or cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Interested in Volunteering to  
work on the Board?  Yes  No

Scan/email, Mail or drop off to:

504.897.6825 hm  
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