

July 11, 2018

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: THURSDAY, AUGUST 30, 2018**

**LAVAL JUNIOR ACADEMY & LAVAL SENIOR ACADEMY STUDENTS**

Dear Parent/Guardian:

THE SWLSB AND THE STL WELCOME YOU ABOARD!

The STL is pleased to include among its customers the students of Laval Junior Academy and the Laval Senior Academy. It is our pleasure to put at their disposal 21 special routes as well as 40 regular routes. To be able to use the STL buses, **your child will need to get an OPUS card issued by the STL.**

Continuing from last year's agreement between the STL and the SWLSB, you will only have to pay your share (30% or \$17.10 per month). To alleviate the waiting time most of you experienced during last year's Orientation Day, please take note of the new procedure we have put in place for you to **purchase AND validate** your child's OPUS card at the **Special SWLSB fare**:

- The OPUS card can only be acquired at two (2) locations: Cartier AND Montmorency Terminus;
- Visit the Terminus counter between **August 1<sup>st</sup> and August 29** (the day before the first day of school). To ensure fast treatment and a short waiting time, make sure you proceed early in August (we will send a weekly reminder);
- Bring with you the following:
  - The "**Photo OPUS Card Application Form – Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board**" form, pre-filled and signed by you (you will receive your personalized copy in the mail during the week of July 23<sup>rd</sup>);
  - A valid identity card (your child's health insurance card, birth certificate or passport);
  - \$15.00 to cover the cost of the OPUS card (if it has expired)

**IMPORTANT note: Contrary to last year, the STL will apply their refund policy. This means that if you did not validate your OPUS card for the Special SWLSB fare and paid the regular student fare, the STL will not refund you.**

Your child must ensure the **Special SWLSB fare** has been loaded on their OPUS card before boarding an STL bus.

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Bus routes and back-to-school transportation information will be available on the school board's website ([www.swlauriersb.qc.ca](http://www.swlauriersb.qc.ca)) and on the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mobile app the week of August 20<sup>th</sup>, and on the STL's website ([www.stl.laval.qc.ca](http://www.stl.laval.qc.ca)).

As always, students will be picked up and dropped off at main intersections and regular STL bus stops.

For further information or should you have any questions, feel free to call the STL Customer Contact Centre at 450 688-6520.

We look forward to providing safe and flexible transportation services to your children and hope these services meet your expectations.

Sincerely,

SWLSB - Transportation