

REQUEST BY MAYOR ANTONIO R. VILLARAIGOSA

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Item 3 – Chair’s Remarks – Bus Stop Safety Near Schools

I am requesting the CEO to:

1. Report back to the Board in 30 days on whether there is adequate MTA bus service – especially the hour before and after school hours – to safely and efficiently transport students between home and school on routes serving the schools below, and on the frequency of pass-bys

Belmont HS
Fremont HS
Gardena HS
Jefferson HS
Jordan HS
Locke HS

Los Angeles HS
Markham MS
Santee HS
Van Nuys HS
Washington Prep HS
Crenshaw HS

2. Work with the Office of the Mayor, the LAUSD, LAPD, and LADOT to identify bus stops near schools that may be dangerous and to report back to the Board in 60 days with recommendations for how to improve student safety
3. Report back to the Board in 90 days with recommendations on what service changes would be necessary to accommodate student demand for the hour after school finishes

This may include adding regular service in the afternoon on specific routes or staging buses at bus stops near school to ensure that there is enough service to carry the students who need to get home, but MTA staff should recommend the best approach to addressing the issue

Director Parks requested more information on the impact on businesses around 52nd and Crenshaw.

Director Lowenthal requested more information on the LAUSD’s responsibility.