## EDULOG PARENT PORTAL – LETTER TO PARENTS

Dear Manitou Springs School District parents and caregivers:

Our school district is excited to announce that you now have access to a revolutionary smartphone app that helps to improve communication, school bus safety, and efficiency. The **Edulog Parent Portal** app provides you with planned time and location information for your child's bus ride to school. On a daily basis, the app will show you the GPS location of the bus and send you a push notification when it is nearing your bus stop.

This app is free of charge for our parents, caregivers, and students. In addition to displaying the location of your bus and sending the notifications, you can also receive time-sensitive messages from our transportation department. You will also receive notification when a substitute bus is running your route due to scheduled maintenance on your regular bus, for example.

The **Edulog Parent Portal** app integrates with our school bus routing system, which is also provided by Education Logistics, Inc. (Edulog), a premier provider of school bus technology. School bus locations are sent from a GPS device installed on each bus which not only provides up-to-date information for you, but also for our school bus maintenance staff who need to know the real-time location of each bus for maintenance and other service requirements.

The app can be downloaded from the Google Play Store or the Apple App Store – either of which can be accessed by pointing your smartphone camera at this QR code:

Security is important. Only you have access to your student's transportation information through the app via a secure login process.

You must know your student's school of attendance, ID number and date of birth in addition to the exact spelling of his or her first name and last name.

Please know that our goal is to provide safe and efficient transportation for all Manitou Springs School District children riding the school bus. By improving communication and expanding the information available to you by implementing this app, we are working hard to meet and exceed that goal.

Additional information about using Edulog Parent Portal is available on our web site at: <a href="https://www.mssd14.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=57448&pageId=164469">https://www.mssd14.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=57448&pageId=164469</a>

If you have additional questions regarding the app, please contact our transportation department at: 719 685 2231

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