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Dear Rochester High School Students and Families:

Recently, there has been ongoing discussion about the behavior and volume of students traveling through the downtown area. The majority of our students are assigned "Express Transfer Service" which are routes designed to bypass downtown. For the 2012-13 school year, students assigned to "Express Transfer Service" buses were issued ORANGE bus passes.

As a result of the numerous incidents involving our students in the downtown area, <u>beginning on Tuesday</u>, <u>November 13th</u>, students with ORANGE bus passes will <u>NOT</u> be permitted to utilize regular line service buses to get to school. They will be <u>required</u> to use the "Express Transfer Service" buses designed to bypass downtown. Students will continue to use their current bus passes. This change affects only the bus students can ride.

If you are unsure about what time the express bus stops near your home, please contact Regional Transit Service at 288-1700 for assistance. Additionally, you can access Regional Transit Service's Trip Planner or "Where's My Bus" information at www.rgrta.com.

The safety and security of our students is the primary concern of the Rochester City School District. We are pleased that our students will continue to have comfortable, reliable bus service that will support their school attendance and meet their transportation needs throughout the day. Thank you for your cooperation as we put this new system in place.

Sincerely,

Jerome H. Underwood, Senior Director of Operations