



# First Riders

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As the parent or guardian of a new school bus or Edmonton Transit Service (ETS) rider, we'd like to invite you and your child(ren) to attend the 14th annual First Riders!

First Riders allows you and your child to become familiar with the bus riding experience through a unique, hands-on event before the new school year begins. You will accompany your child through a series of outdoor stations that will build their confidence and provide important safety information. The session will end with a ride on a school or ETS bus. The entire session will run approximately 45 minutes.

The program is focused on Kindergarten and Grade 1 students as well as Grade 7 students transitioning to ETS. We welcome any child who is taking the bus for the first time, and even those interested in a refresher!

## Join us Thursday, August 22!

First Riders is a free event, but **you must pre-register by August 15**. Please call the Edmonton Catholic Schools Student Transportation department at **780-441-6078** to secure your spot.

When you call to pre-register, you can choose either an afternoon or evening session, and you will need to provide the student name(s), school(s) and a parent/guardian contact phone number. Appointments will be scheduled to start every 30 minutes.

### Afternoon

1:00 p.m.	1:30 p.m.	2:00 p.m.	2:30 p.m.
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### Evening

5:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	7:00 p.m.
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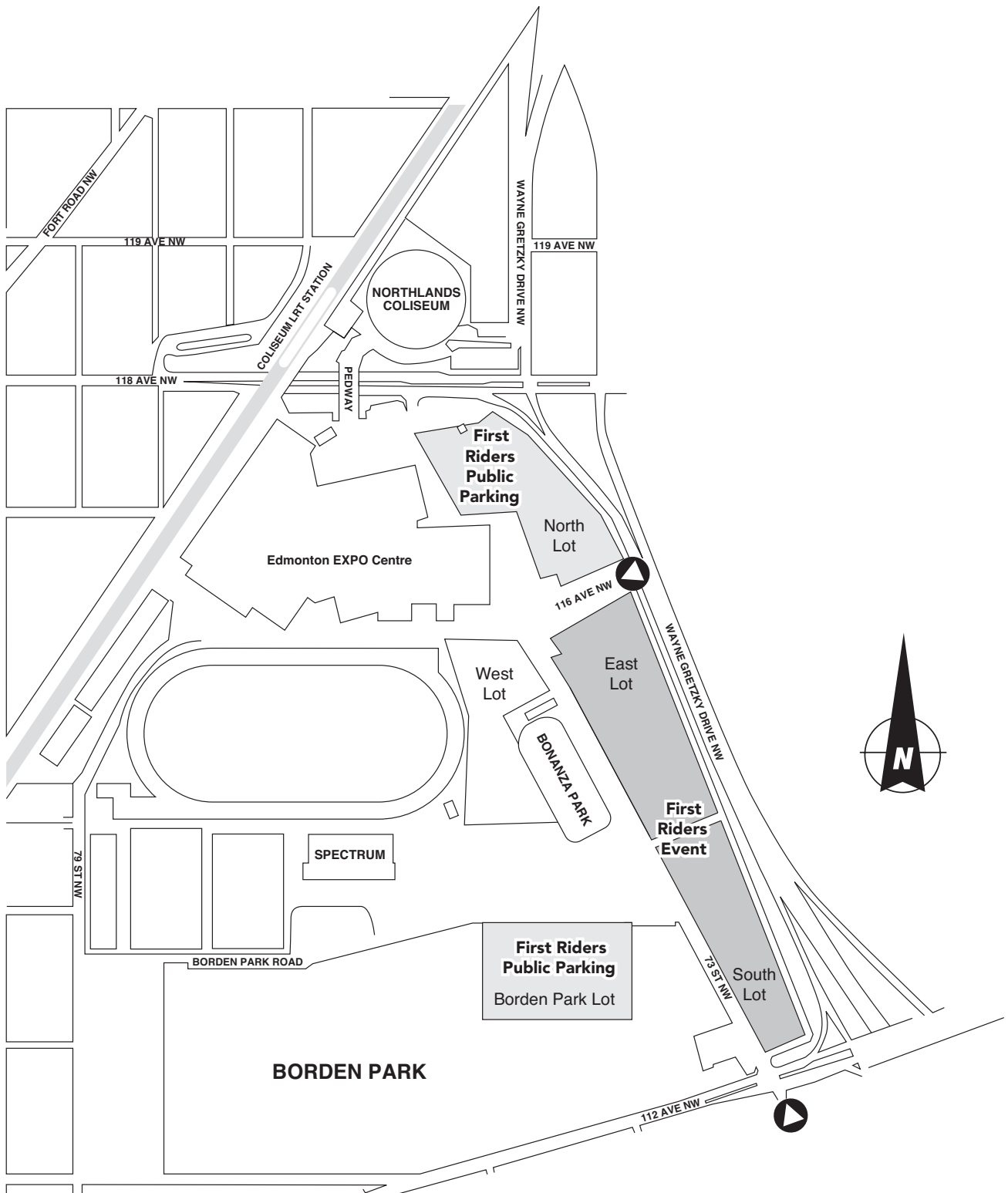
*Families attending evening sessions may experience longer wait times.*

First riders is located at Northlands Park (South lot)  
112 Avenue NW and Wayne Gretzky Drive NW  
(See map on reverse.)


Call to book your child's spot today.  
We look forward to seeing you at **First Riders!**


First Riders is hosted by Edmonton Public Schools, Conseil scolaire Centre-Nord and Edmonton Catholic Schools, together with our carriers: Cunningham Transport, Edmonton Transit Service, First Student Canada, Golden Arrow, Southland Transportation, Service d'Autobus Fréchette Ltée and Stock Transportation.


Please be advised that local media will be invited to this event.



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 Entrance gates: Enter at 112 Avenue NW & 73 Street NW or at 116 Avenue NW and Wayne Gretzky Drive NW.

 Parking available at Borden Park or the North Lot.

 The First Riders Event is located in the East Lot and South Lot.