

COMPARATIVE BELL TIMES - LARGE SUBURBAN DISTRICTS

<u>Name of School District</u>	<u>City, State</u>	<u>Earliest start time</u>	<u>Latest start</u>	<u># of students transported</u>	<u># of school buses</u>	<u>web site /other info of interest</u>
Fairfax County	Fairfax, VA	High 7:20 Middle 7:25 Elementary 8:00	8:30 8:10 9:20	130,000	1081	times do not include ALC programs, contract schools
1. Gwinnett County	Suwanee, GA	High 6:50 Middle 6:50 Elementary 8:15	8:10 9:20 8:50	120,662	1,834	*Most middle schools start at 9:20, except the ones combined with high schools *Tiered system of 4 "bells" http://www.gwinnett.k12.ga.us/gcps-mainweb01.nsf/pages/AboutUs-SchoolsandOperations Grant Reppert, Director 770-338-4800
2. Montgomery County	Rockville, MD	High 7:25 Middle 7:35 Elementary 8:50	7:25 8:55 9:30	100,000	1,264	http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/uploadedFiles/departments/transportation/busroutes/belltimes.pdf Todd Watkins, Director 301-840-8130 Bell in place since 8/11
3. Wake County	Raleigh, NC	High 7:25 Middle 7:30 Elementary 7:45	8:05 8:15 9:15	75,000 146,687	900	Alvin McNeill, Director, 919-856-8050 http://www.wcpss.net/transportation/bus_routes.html *Three tiered system
4. Miami-Dade	Miami, FL	High 7:15 Middle 7:20 Elementary 8:20	7:40 9:10 8:35	64,000 342,736	1330	Patricia Snell, Operations Director (305) 234-3365 http://dot.dadeschools.net/ **have to go to individual schools for bell schedules
5. Clark County School	Henderson, NV	High 6:50 Middle 7:25 Elementary 7:45	9:55 9:10 9:15	can't find 312,761 enrolled	1300	702-799-8111 http://transportation.ccsd.net/ **have to go to individual schools for bell schedules http://static.ccsd.net/ccsd/content/ccsd-news/attachments/20110408-971503659.pdf
6. Broward County	Ft. Lauderdale,	High 7:00 Middle 7:15 Elementary 7:45	9:45 9:45 9:30	84,000	1039	http://pupiltrans.org/ Chester Tindall , Director Transportation Services http://www.browardschools.com/schools/pdf/times.pdf *10:45 open for tech centers (high school)
7. Hillsborough County	Tampa, FL	High 7:20 Middle 7:35 Elementary 8:00	9:30 9:15 8:20	75,839	1024 **old data	http://www.sdhc.k12.fl.us/info/calendars/pdfs/BELL%20SCHEDULE%20-2011-2012.pdf 813-272-4000
8. Orange County	Orlando, FL	High 7:15 Elementary 8:00 Middle 9:30	7:30 9:00 9:30	71,593		https://www.ocps.net/op/tran/Pages/default.aspx https://www.ocps.net/op/tran/Documents/RO105%20Bells%20Times.pdf 407-317-3800 transportation center
9. Palm Beach County	West Palm	High 7:30 Middle 8:00 Elementary 8:00	9:00 9:30 9:15	60,000 172,664 enrolled	849	http://www.palmbeachschools.org/Community/PDFs/Schools_Prin_Photos.pdf www.palmbeachschools.org/budget/Documents/Outsourcing1.pdf
10. Charlotte-	Charlotte, NC	High 7:15 Elementary 7:45	8:45 9:15	118,000	937	www.cms.k12.nc.us/cmsschools/Pages/BellSchedules.aspx **changed bell schedules past two years to use fewer buses and save \$624,000

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		Middle 8:15	9:15			www.cms.k12.nc.us/cmsdepartments/transportation/Pages/default.aspx **Some academies and "middle college" high schools start as late as 9:15 and 11:20
11. Prince George's	Upper Marlboro,	High 7:25 Middle 7:45 Elementary 7:45	9:30 9:30 9:00	93, 926	1386	www1.pgcps.org/transportation/index.aspx?id=5708 **have to go to individual schools for bell schedules
12. Duval County Public	Jacksonville, FL	High: 7:10 Middle 7:25 Elementary 8:15	8:25 9:45 9:00	43, 985	over 500	www.duvalschools.org/static/ourschools/studentinfo/busstop www.duvalschools.org/static/parents/firststeps/schoolschedules.asp
13. Cobb County*	Marietta, GA	Elementary 7:15 High 8:05 Middle 8:45	7:50 8:20 9:05	75, 642	1120	www.cobbk12.org/centraloffice/Transportation **have to look at individual schools for bell schedule **This one looks like they've flipped it! Definitely need to call.
14. Pinellas County*	Largo, FL	Elementary 7:05 High 7:35 Middle 9:30	7:05 8:35 9:30	33, 644	can't find	www.pcsb.org/images/stories/Parents_Students-Main/Parent-Bulletin/PDF/Proposed_bell_times_2012-727-587-2020_call_center_transportation
15. Baltimore County PS	Baltimore, MD	Middle 6:45 High 7:30 Elementary 8:15	8:30 12:30 9:20	70,000	881	James P. Mitcherling, Director 410-887-7830 www.bcps.org/offices/transportation www.bcps.org/offices/transportation/pdf/Bell-Times.pdf
16. DeKalb County*	Decatur, GA	Elementary 7:45 High 8:10 Middle 8:50	8:00 8:10 8:50	65,000 98,592 enrolled		Three Tier Program for start times www.dekalb.k12.ga.us/transportation/index/three-tier-program
17. Jefferson County	Louisville, KY	High 7:40 Middle 7:40 Elementary 9:05	7:40 7:40 9:05	66, 435 99,775 enrolled	929	www.jefferson.kyschools.us/Calendars/calendar.html
18. Polk County	Bartow, FL	High 7:00 Middle 7:15 Elementary 7:45	8:00 9:00 8:30	44,000	744	**have to go to individual schools for bell schedules *extremely varied by school
19. Fulton County	Atlanta, GA	Elementary 7:40 Middle 7:45 High 8:25	7:55 8:55 8:40			770-969-6091 www.fultonschools.org/dept/transport/pdf/OCTIMES.pdf
20. Jefferson County	Golden, CO	High 7:15 Middle 7:15 Elementary 8:00	7:55 8:00 9:00	86,000		**Charge students for school bus transportation starting with 2011-12 school year www.jeffcopublicschools.org/transportation/index.html web site does not work well
21. Lee County	Fort Myers, FL	High 7:10 Middle 8:00 Elementary 8:00	7:15 9:45 9:45	48,970	700	www.leeschools.net/info/belltimes.htm

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22. Fresno Unified	Fresno, CA	High 7:30 Middle 7:45 Elementary 8:20	8:20 8:00 8:25	9,500	97	www.fresnounified.org/dept/operations/transportation/default.aspx **have to go to individual schools for bell schedules some schools have zero periods and students must be at school as early as 6:30
23. Davidson County	Nashville, TN	High 7:05 Elementary 7:30 Middle 8:00	8:30 8:15 8:55	45,000	652	www.mnps.org/Page56779.aspx www.mnps.org/Page56785.aspx www.mnps.org/Pge56787.aspx
24. Prince William County	Manassas, VA	High 7:20 Middle 8:10 Elementary 8:10	7:30 8:20 9:10	59,000 78,000 enrolled	850	pwcs.transportation.schoolfusion.us/modules/groups/homepagefiles/cms/1007132/File/Belltimes2011-
25. Anne Arundel County	Annapolis, MD	High 7:17 Middle 7:55 Elementary 8:00	7:17 9:10 9:30			www.aacp.org/html/press/schoolhours2.asp 410-222-2910
26. Brevard*	Viera, FL	Elementary 8:00 Middle 8:45 High 7:30*	9:00 9:30 9:30			www.brevard.k12.fl.us/Schools/Schools/schools.html#es www.brevard.k12.fl.us/Schools/Schools/schools.html#ms <u>Director, Mike Connors 321-633-3680 option 2 then option 1</u>
27. Guilford County*	Greensboro, NC	Elementary 7:45 Middle 8:10 High 8:55	7:45 8:55 8:55	41,000	629	bell schedule as of 2011-2012 school year schoolcenter.gcsnc.com/education/components/scrapbook/default.php?sectiondetailid=303240
28. Greenville 01*	Greenville, SC	Elementary 8:00 Middle 8:15 High 8:15	8:00 8:30 8:45	25,000	413	Bell Schedule changed to this model in 2009 www.greenville.k12.sc.us/gcsd/depts/trans
29. Fort Bend ISD	Sugar Land, TX	High 7:30 Elementary 8:10 Middle 8:55	7:30 8:10 8:55	59,489 enrolled	500	*some discrepancies in bus numbers on website www.fortbendisd.com/schools
30. Loudoun County PS*	Ashburn, VA	Elementary 7:50 Middle 8:30 High 8:55	8:15 8:40 9:00	57,000	776	www.loudoun.k12.va.us/page/2083 www.loudoun.k12.va.us/page/15
31. Pasco County	Land O Lakes, FL	High 7:30 Middle 7:30 Elementary 8:40	8:40 8:40 9:40	35,000	593	www.pasco.k12.fl.us/index.php/schools/hours
32. Davis District	Farmington, UT	High 7:30 Middle 8:10 Elementary 8:45	7:30 8:10 8:45	19, 343	257	**have to go to individual schools to find bell schedule
33. Washoe County*	Reno, NV	Middle 7:23 High 7:40* Elementary 8:10	8:00 12:20 9:30	63,000 enrolled	301	www.washoe.k12.nv.us/docs/schools/2011-12_K-12_Bell_Schedule_-_Start_and_End_Times.pdf *Most HSs open @ 8:00

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34. Seminole County	Sanford, FL	High 7:10 Elementary 7:50 Middle 9:20	7:20 8:35 9:20	32,000	400+	www.scps.k12.fl.us/transportation/GeneralInfo.aspx **have to go to individual schools for bell schedule
35. Volusia County	Deland, FL	High 7:29 Elementary 7:55 Middle 8:56	7:29 7:55 8:56	23,961	245	
36. Mobile County	Mobile, AL	High 7:05 Middle 7:15 Elementary 8:00	7:45 7:25 8:30	26,000	691	**largest fleet in AL **have to visit individual school web sites to find bell times
37. Chesterfield County	Chesterfield, VA	High 7:20 Middle 7:25 Elementary 8:25	7:20 8:25 9:15	59,000 enrolled		mychesterfieldschools.com/schools/elementary mychesterfieldschools.com/schools/middle-school mychesterfieldschools.com/schools/high-school
38. Douglas County SD1	Castle Rock, CO	High 7:25 Middle 7:30 Elementary 8:35	7:55 7:40 9:10	33,000		www.dcsdk12.org/cs/groups/public/@webtrans/documents/webcontent/dcs802186.pdf
39. El Paso ISD*	El Paso, TX	Middle 7:45 Elementary 8:15 High 8:45	7:45 8:15 8:45			bell schedule in place since 2008 915-887-6600
40. Knox County*	Knoxville, TN	Elementary 7:45 Middle 8:00 High 8:30	7:45 8:30 8:30	36,000	350	trans.knoxschools.org

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