

MEMORANDUM FOR PARENTS OF SCHOOL CHILDREN

FROM: 65 MSG/SLO

SUBJECT: Commuting Area and Walking Distances for School Bus Transportation

1. Welcome to the Lajes Community. If you have school-aged children and you desire Department of Defense Dependents Schools (DoDDS) transportation for your children between your home and school, please be sure that you accept community housing within the established school bus routes.
2. The established walking distance to a DoDDS school is one mile for elementary school and one and a half miles for secondary school students. These distances are not absolute, and may be adjusted along the boundaries of a housing area or to avoid unsafe areas. Students within walking distance of the school are expected to walk to and from school. All Lajes base housing is considered to be within walking distance of the school.
3. If you select housing outside of the designated school bus route, it will be necessary for you to provide transportation for your school-aged dependents to and from school. The school bus routes for the Lajes community can be viewed on a map in the customer service area of the Housing Office and in the School Liaison Officer's office in building T-112.
4. I am required to inform you of the local policies concerning the school bus routes and ensure your awareness of our limitations in providing bus service to some areas of the community. Please acknowledge receipt of this information by signing on the next page. Please call me at 2-1314 if you have further questions or concerns.

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