

Homer CCSD 33C

Board Report

Department of Transportation

Mr. Greg Zurales, Director

October 28, 2025



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Driver Positions and Staffing Update

- Seven Current Vacancies



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After School Activity Bus Operations

- **HJH/HMS Monday-Thursday**
 - Four Buses
 - 352 Students Signed Up as of 10/21/25
- **Elementary Schools--Routed as Needed**
 - On days when a club meets, if students need transportation, our office routes it so all students have the opportunity to participate in after school activities
- **Special Education Transportation** is available for those students with a transportation plan in their IEP to ensure all students have the opportunity to participate in after school activities

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After School Activity Bus Operations (10/20 and 10/21)



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HMS/HJH New Bus Pickup Area Activity Bus (10/21)



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HMS/HJH New Bus Pickup Area--Special Education (10/22)





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Department Safety Updates

- Bus Evacuations at School Locations
 - **Schilling:** August 29th
 - **Butler:** September 11th
 - **Hadley:** September 12th
 - **Young:** September 15th
 - **HJH:** September 18th
 - **Goodings:** September 26th



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Department Safety Updates

- Driver Staff Meeting “Safety Item of the Month” for October
 - Safely Crossing Students
 - Consistent reminders to students exiting the bus to wait for the driver’s signal before crossing the street for those students that cross
 - Checking external mirrors before departing a stop to ensure all students are out of the “Danger Zone”
 - Reminding students to take at least “five giant steps” to ensure they are at least ten feet away from the bus, out of the “Danger Zone”
 - Pre-Trips, Post-Trips, and Security Sweeps



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Young School Trunk-or-Treat

Homer “BOO BUS”

- Bob Flynn
- Eustorgio Gomez
- Tina Kadow
- Julie Kocielko
- Beth Kolada
- Chris Kosmowski
- Trina Lindeman
- Gregg Mallo
- Barb Osterkorn
- Miriam Reyes-Guzman
- Jean Riha
- Kasie Rogowski
- Louis Serpico
- Toni Smollen
- Kelly Zink
- Children, Grandchildren and Spouses of the Transportation Team



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Driver Recognitions from Parents and Staff

- Sally Bova-Mikuta (Young Parent)
- Bridie Hearne (Young Parent)
- Jen Connolly (HJH)
- Rick Joiner (HJH)
- Jessica Strejc (HJH)
- Keith Yaeger (HJH)



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Driver Recognitions from Parents and Staff

- Tina Kadow (HMS)
- Maryellen Reed (HMS)
- Dawne Villa-Vasquez (HMS)
- Keith Yaeger (HMS)
- Mark Ficek (Butler)
- Mary Lennox (Schilling)
- Kelly Nissen (Schilling)
- Jeff Stewart (Schilling)



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Driver Appreciation Week and Bus Safety Week

- October 20th-24th

