



# Transportation Report

February 12, 2026



**For many students, the bus ride is their first and last experience of the school day.**

Ensuring that experience is safe, predictable and respectful is key to the students well-being every single day.



# Our Job is Important



**Safe, reliable transportation** supports student attendance and learning.



**Predictable operations** reduce disruptions to schools.



**A stable department** strengthens the entire district.





# Facts about Transportation

# Our Transportation Team

## Leadership

- Director of Transportation

- Elizaul Diaz



### Office office staff

- Dana Rodriguez ( Head Bus Driver)
- Darlenis Lopez (Dispatcher)
- Secretary

- Two Full time Mechanics

- Miguel Valle (Head Mechanic)
- Wilson Urgiles (Mechanic)

- One Mechanic Helper

- John Rios (Mechanic Helper)

- Forty-one school bus drivers

- Fifteen school bus attendants

- 23 Large School Buses, 28 School Bus Vans, 5 EVs/Suburbans



## Mechanics

- Miguel Valle (Head Mechanic)
- Wilson Urgiles (Mechanic)

- One Mechanic Helper:
- John Rios (Mechanic Helper)



## Fleet



23 Large School Buses

28 School Bus Vans

# Transportation at a Glance



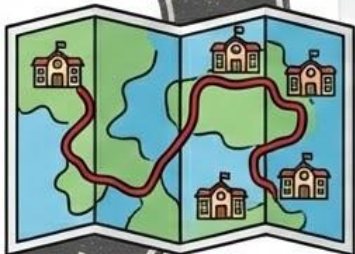
**1,800**

Students transported daily



**5**

In-district school buildings served



**46**

Non-district schools served (including special education)



**Daily Coverage**

For field trips and afternoon athletic programs



**340,000**

Miles driven per year





**2025-26 Update**



# Transportation at a Glance



## Midday Transportation for BOCES

Programs in Valhalla



## Late Buses: Extra & Co-curricular

Daily service. SHHS/SHMS:  
4:30, 5:45; WI: 4:00



## Weekend Sport Trips



Bronx (3)

Yonkers (1)

Mt. Vernon (2)

## McKinney-Vento Act Support

Ongoing transportation  
for unhoused students



## Daily Staffing Shortages

# Transportation Regulatory Bodies

- NYSED ( New York State Education Department)
- NYSDOT (New York State Department of Transportation)
- Article 19-A of the Vehicle and Traffic Law
- Vehicle and Traffic Law
- Local School Districts



**NYSED (New York State  
Education Department)**



**Vehicle and Traffic Law**



**NYSDOT (New York State  
Department of Transportation)**



**Local School Districts**



# DISTRICT WIDE TRANSPORTATION ACHIEVEMENTS

## SCHOOL EXPANSION & ROUTING



Successfully planned and implemented transportation routing for new school (Tappan Hill).

Reconfigured routes, staffing, and schedules for expanded district needs.

Proactively addressed overcrowding on MS/HS runs.

## SAFETY & RELIABILITY



Maintained safety and service reliability throughout transition.

**99.16%**  
passing DOT inspections.

## EFFICIENCY & TECHNOLOGY



Implemented community stops to enhance route efficiency.

RouteFinder Plus Training and integration (Cloud Base Integration) routing software.

## STAFFING & TRAINING



Trained four drivers to obtain CDL License.

Three bus attendants within department.



# INNOVATION & CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENTS



## ROUTE & SCHEDULING

Route optimization and scheduling improvements.



## DATA-DRIVEN DECISIONS

Data-driven decision making.



## COORDINATION

Better coordination with school leadership.



## FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

Continued fiscal responsibility.



## BUS GPS & TRANSFINDER APP

Working on bus GPS mobile app with Transfinder for predictability on arrival times.



# 2026-27 Budget to Support Needs

Budget Account	Description	2025-26 Budget	2026-27 Budget Request	Difference
5510-210-14-0000	School Buses	345,000.00	234,000.00	-111,000.00
5510-400-14-0000	Contractual Expenses	45,000.00	95,000.00	50,000.00
5510-402-14-0000	Bus Insurance	72,000.00	80,000.00	8,000.00
5510-403-14-0000	Contractual Repairs	130,000.00	130,000.00	0.00
5510-404-14-0000	Other Student Trips	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
5510-450-14-0000	Bus Supplies	40,000.00	32,000.00	-8,000.00
5510-451-14-0000	Bus Parts	160,000.00	160,000.00	0.00
5510-452-14-0000	Gasoline	165,000.00	180,000.00	15,000.00
5510-453-14-0000	Oil & Lube	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
5510-454-14-0000	Tires & chains	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
5510-455-14-0000	Uniforms	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
5510-490-00-0000	BOCES Transportation Svc	25,000.00	20,000.00	-5,000.00
5530-200-14-0000	Garage Equipment	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
5530-431-14-0000	Garage Rental	64,500.00	66,000.00	1,500.00
5530-490-14-0000	Garage -BOCES Services	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
5530-491-14-0000	BOCES Fleet Repairs	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
5540-400-00-0000	Contracted Transportation	10,000.00	35,000.00	25,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,126,500.00</b>	<b>1,110,000.00</b>	<b>-16,500.00</b>



# Thank You

Any Questions?

