

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Notice is hereby given to taxpayers of **Washington Community Schools** that the proper officers of **Washington Community Schools** will conduct a public hearing on the year 2027 proposed Capital Projects Plan pursuant to IC 20-40-18-6. Following the public hearing, the proper officers of **Washington Community Schools** may adopt the proposed plan as presented or with revisions.

Complete details of the Capital Projects plan may be seen by visiting the website of this unit of government at the following address:
www.washingtoncommunityschools.org

Public Hearing Date:	September 1, 2026
Public Hearing Time:	Noon
Public Hearing Place:	Superintendent's Office 301 E. South St. Washington, IN 47501

Taxpayers are invited to attend the meeting for a detailed explanation of the plan and to exercise their rights to be heard on the proposed plan. If the proposed plan is adopted by resolution, the resolution will be submitted to the Department of Local Government Finance as per IC 20-40-18-6(d).

**SCHOOL BUS REPLACEMENT PLAN
FOR THE YEARS 2027-2031**

Pursuant to IC 20-40-18, **WASHINGTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS** does hereby submit to the Department of Local Government Finance the following School Bus Replacement Plan for the five (5) year period 2027 through 2030. This plan is based upon the presumption that the minimum useful life of a school bus is not less than twelve (12) ye

**SECTION I
Replacement Cost of Bus/Vehicle During Specific Year**

	Bus Description	Corp ID Number	Type of Bus/Vehicle per DOE "TN"	Owned or Leased	Estimated Replacement Costs				
					2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
1	2017 Thomas	1	Route	Own				\$115,000	
2	2017 Thomas	2	Route Non Air Brake	Own			\$110,000		
3	2019 Thomas	4	Route	Own					
4	2018 Thomas	5	Route	Own				\$115,000	
5	2018 Thomas	6	Route	Own					\$120,000
6	2018 Thomas	7	Route	Own					
7	2013 Thomas	8	Route	Own	\$100,000				
8	2013 Thomas	9	Route	Own		\$105,000			
9	2018 Thomas	11	Route	Own					\$120,000
10	2018 Thomas	12	Route	Own					\$120,000
11	2017 Thomas	13	Route	Own			\$110,000		
12	2013 Thomas	14	Route	Own		\$105,000			
13	2020 Thomas	15	Route	Own					
14	2020 Thomas	16	Route	Own					
15	2016 Thomas	17	Route	Own		\$105,000			
16	2017 Thomas	18	Route	Own			\$110,000		
17	2018 Thomas	19	Route	Own				\$115,000	
18	2018 Thomas	20	Route	Own					
19	2020 Thomas	21	Route	Own					
20	2011 Thomas	S1	Route Spare	Own	\$100,000				
21	2013 Thomas	S2	Route Spare	Own	\$100,000				
22	2011 Thomas	S3hb	Route Spare Non Air Brak	Own					

23	2013 Thomas	S4	Route Spare	Own	\$100,000				
24	2019 Thomas	93	Spec. Ed.	Own					
25	2013 Thomas	94	Spec. Ed.	Own					
	2024 Thomas	95	Spec.Ed/Pre School	Own					
	2011 Thomas	9S	Spec. Ed Spare	Own					
	2022 Chevrolet	A1	14 Passenger	Own					
	2022 Chevrolet	A2	14 Passenger	Own					
	2019 Chevrolet	A3	14 Passenger	Own					
	2016 Chevrolet	A4	14 Passenger	Own					
	2016 Chevrolet	A5	14 Passenger	Own					
	2024 Chevrolet	A6	14 Passenger	Own					
	2006 Thomas	34	Team	Own					
	2020 Thomas	35	Team	Own					
			Total Cost Estimate						
			Replacement Cost Totals		\$400,000	\$315,000	\$330,000	\$345,000	\$360,000

Note: Additional sheets may be added if necessary.

SECTION II
JUSTIFICATION FOR ADDITIONAL BUS PURCHASES, TRANSPORTATION SERVICES,
AND/OR EARLY BUS REPLACEMENT

1. Pursuant to IC 20-40-18-9(b)(2), if the School Corporation is seeking to (A) acquire or (B) contract for transportation services that will provide for additional school buses or buses with a larger seating capacity as compared to the number and type of school buses from the prior school year, explain for each additional bus and the circumstances of the demand for increased transportation services within the School Corporation. Clause (B) does not apply if contracted transportation services are not paid from the Operations Fund.

(Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

2. Pursuant to IC 20-40-18-9(b)(3), if the School Corporation is seeking to replace an existing school bus earlier than twelve (12) years after the existing school bus was originally acquired or requires a contractor to replace a school bus, explain for each bus the circumstances for that need. This subdivision does not apply if contracted transportation services are not paid from the Operations Fund.

Corporation buses may be replaced before they are 12 years old based on but not limited to mechanical issues, student capacity, or any reason for which the bus becomes inappropriate for the needs of Washington Community Schools.