

Transportation Report November 2024 Activities

The ISD #709 Transportation department manages both a district owned fleet of vehicles and district employees, including bus drivers, monitors, and mechanics, along with the coordination of contracted transportation services through Voyageur Bus Company.

We have continued working on routing students. This is an ongoing effort as students' needs change. We are also working through the behavioral issues on buses with students. We have pulled a lot of video footage to share with the schools so they can address the concerns. Drivers have provided numerous misconduct reports already this year.

Staffing (comments and concerns)

- We are making due with the staff we have but still need more drivers and helpers.
- We have will be re-interviewing for a van driver shortly, we had good interest in the position but the applicants backed out for unknown reasons.
- We will be interviewing for another full-time bus driver shortly.

Bus Maintenance

- The mechanics are maintaining the buses when they are not out covering for sick drivers.

Our oldest bus is a model year 2012 and the next oldest is a 2014. Average mileage for this month not taken this month due to workload of the staff. Our goal is to have 50-60k miles average.