

DATE: NOVEMBER 10, 2023

TO: VICKSBURG BOARD MEMBERS

RE: BUS PURCHASES

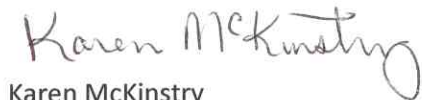
We are bringing to you a request for new bus purchases based on the decision to keep our fleet updated to ensure the upmost safety of our students. The 2014 buses will be 10 years old as we finish out this school year. We are already seeing an increase in repairs as these buses get older. Our plan is to keep several of these on the lot for sub buses.

With the economy situation, we are asking early this year in order to take advantage of the current pricing. The current bid price is only good until Dec 10 then we could see a price increase. We usually wait until after February to request, but the possibility exists we would have a second increase from this current bid. We will still look for delivery after July 1, 2024 but will avoid the inevitable increases that will happen over the next 4 month bid process.

We are asking for 6 regular education buses and 1 special education bus. We do have two separate locations that we are transporting wheelchair students to so the need for two wheelchair buses in our regular fleet is necessary. We also have bus #4 that we didn't replace after the accident.

This purchase will bring our goal of a gasoline fleet for all route buses as young as 2020 and newer. The only remaining diesel buses will be used for sub buses for the next 3 years.

Thank you for your consideration,



Karen McKinstry
Transportation Director

Bus/Vehicle #	YEAR		MILEAGE	AGE June 2024	SUB/ROUTE	NEEDS
Cube Truck	1998		105,863	26 YR		LOOKING
Mail Van	2007		159,415	17 YR		
Bus 12-7	2012	SPED	184,797	11 YR	ROUTE	REPLACE
<u>Bus 8</u>	<u>2014</u>		<u>139,378</u>	<u>10 YR</u>	<u>ROUTE</u>	<u>REPLACE</u>
<u>Bus 9</u>	<u>2014</u>		<u>146,050</u>	"	<u>SUB</u>	<u>REPLACE</u>
<u>Bus 10</u>	<u>2014</u>		<u>150,415</u>	"	*	<u>REPLACE</u>
<u>Bus 14-12</u>	<u>2014</u>		<u>166,465</u>	"	*	<u>REPLACE</u>
Bus 14-13	2014		122,202	"	*	IN 2027
<u>Bus 14-14</u>	<u>2014</u>		<u>155,495</u>	"	*	<u>REPLACE</u>
Bus 14-17	2014	SPED	171,759	"	*	IN 2027
Van 1	2017		45,786	7 YR		
Van 2	2017		44,237	"		
Van 3	2017		45,966	"		
Bus 11	2017		105,424	"	ROUTE	
Bus 15	2017		134,913	"	"	
Bus 16	2017		119,127	"	"	
Bus 18	2017		132,309	"	"	
Bus 19	2017		116,725	"	"	
Bus 20	2017		122,762	"	"	
Bus 21	2017		113,974	"	"	
Bus 22	2017		133,431	"	"	
2019 White F-250	2019		18,675	5 YR		
				"		
Bus 23	2020		70,787	4 YR	ROUTE	
Bus 57	2020		73,157	4 YR	"	
Bus 1	2022		48,320	2 YR	"	
Bus 2	2022		31,619	"	"	
Bus 3	2022		51,636	"	"	
<u>Bus 4</u>	<u>2022</u>		<u>LOST</u>			<u>REPLACE</u>
Bus 24	2022		41,483	"	"	
Bus 25	2022		42,336	"	"	