CHELSEA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Report

Transportation Department

Nov 11, 2026

CURRENT HIGHLIGHTS:

- ☐ The Transportation Department has hired a new morning substitute driver and a regular route driver. Both are beginning the training process.
- ☐ As part of our ongoing fleet evaluation, we have identified older buses with significant body corrosion that makes them unsafe for continued service. Because the cost of repairs exceeds the value of these vehicles, they are being decommissioned.
- ☐ All student bus attendance badges printed during the initial round have been distributed. Training on the new transportation software continues as we work toward full implementation.

LOOKING AHEAD:

- ☐ The Transportation Department is conducting a comprehensive evaluation of school bus purchasing options to support future fleet replacement recommendations. This includes comparing maintenance and replacement parts costs, parts availability, and state safety bulletins regarding known vehicle issues. Our goal is to provide a recommendation that considers long-term reliability, safety, and responsible use of district funds.
- ☐ Our two newly hired drivers will continue working through the required training and certification process.
- ☐ Printing of bus attendance badges for the remaining students is scheduled to begin November 16, 2026. The next phase will include the rollout of the My Ride K12 parent app, which will provide families with access to their students' bus route assignments and estimated bus arrival times, improving communication regarding student transportation.

Respectfully Submitted,

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