

Minidoka County School District

Transportation's Report

August 2019 Board Report

Summer is over and we are gearing up for school! We have not had any new applications for drivers this summer even though we have been to the fair and anywhere else we can think of in order to try and find some.

The mechanics have things in good running order and ready to start school. We have been parting out buses, and they are about ready to go to scrap. They should mostly be out by the end of August. This will make our yard look a lot nicer. Working with maintenance, we are attempting to clean up our yard and try to fix things to the point that we can have fewer injuries this year.

We had a great beginning of the year. Drivers met with the Rupert Police Department, and the police did an active shooter exercise with the drivers. Cassia County was invited to participate with us, and we all enjoyed it - there were many compliments. We thank the police department for helping us out.

Our driver situation this year has taken a turn for the worse, but we will survive. We still have one driver on long term medical that will be gone until at least the end of September. We have two more drivers that at this point in time that will be out on medical. One driver will be out with back surgery and another out with a knee replacement. We have five open routes and two routes that we are planning on covering to start the school year. With the sub drivers, we will have at least one office person and two mechanics driving school bus the first day of school.

At this time, we are not looking to have many route changes due to a lack of personnel. We will start the year with the same routes as we ended with last year.

We hope you all had a great summer. We will keep you notified of any changes we might have.

Thank you

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