

TRANSPORTATION BOARD REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2019

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We had a snow storm on September 30th so we had no school but on October 1st we had school and ran our buses. We couldn't go into any housing areas our buses stayed on the main roads and the parents brought their students to the bus. We used school vehicles to go after some students that didn't have a ride to the bus or couldn't walk because snow was still too deep. Some of our driver's had to plow some of the streets so our buses could go through to get to the students and get them to school so our buses wouldn't get stuck. We had several parents calling wanting us to plow them out we told them we can only plow where our buses go we can't plow them out but maybe they can call the Tribe or the Bureau of Indian Affairs roads department and see if they can plow them out.

The mechanics been trying to get the bus washing brush going again. They called the company that we purchased the brush from and they walked them through process and got it running again.

We got the 2 route buses board approved for purchase. We had to wait for our budget to get adopted before we could complete the transaction. We picked one up already in Kalispell and the other one will be here next month it's coming from North Dakota.

We have a propane bus that is in Greatfalls at Bison Ford waiting to be fixed. They are waiting on Hartley's warranty process before they can start work on it. We called and touched base with Ford and they said that everything is ok and they will be starting the work on the bus.

We purchased a motor for the food services' red suburban. The engine went out in it and needs to be replaced.

The mechanics serviced 4 route buses and 2 activity buses so far this month. They will be traveling to Tulsa, Oklahoma to pick up the new activity bus which was completed on October 24, 2019. They are just waiting board approval for travel.

The paint job on the bookmobile will be completed and ready by October 25, 2019. Loren Gobert came in over the 4 day weekend on worked on the bus.

I have 4 driver's go to the bus driver training in Malta on October 17 and 18. They needed their 10 hours of safety training that is required by OPI for the school year.

We had a total of 39 activity trips for the month of October and we had a total of 20 referrals and 1 bus removal so far this October.