

PUTNAM COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #535

Recommendation for the Board of Education

Meeting: November 18th, 2025

Item: Transportation Agreement Renewal with Johannes Bus Service, Inc.

Recommendation: I recommend the Board of Education approve a one-year renewal to the agreement with Johannes Bus Service, Inc. The company has served the District the past five years with an agreement developed through the Illinois Valley Bus Consortium.

The first renewal of the transportation agreement was for a period of two years, which was an 8% increase in FY25 and a 7% increase in FY26. After the initial two-year renewal, legislation allows for one-year renewals up to 10 total years of the agreement.

The renewal for FY27 (school year 2026-2027) is 4.25%. This renewal is a \$12.87 increase per route per day, which is an anticipated total increase of \$20,269.34 for regular daily routes.