

TRANSPORTATION BOARD REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2021

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The bus drivers been running extra routes because of the shortage we been having. They been doing the best they can with the students. We do have 2 riders that are good about coming in every morning and afternoon to help the bus drivers. When the bus drivers have to be absent for any reason this adds to the shortage. We only have one sub bus driver.

The mechanics are keeping busy they been servicing the buses, district vehicles, and they helped to do the evacuations on the buses. All the bus drivers are required to do an evacuation on their buses 2 weeks after school starts. The mechanics had to bring a bus to Kalispell to get the computer reprogrammed and they also had to get one of the activity buses from Al's Diesel, so the bus drivers can be using it until the part for the air conditioner comes in that needs to be repaired on that activity bus. The mechanics had to repair the fuel pumps in route buses #2123 and #2120. We are waiting on a windshield for bus #516. We been trying to get ready for the colder months by ordering extra winter wiper blades, checking for defects and replacing/repairing any mechanical problems we been having on the buses and vehicles, the mechanics replaced tires on the new dodge pickup, new tahoe, and maintenances cargo trailer. The mechanics built a flatbed for the new trash truck but we are still waiting on more material and our welder just got repaired at American welding in Kalispell, now we can finish working on the trash truck.

The drivers been deep cleaning their buses and wiping them down daily. We have an electrostatic sprayer that we use to spray our building, buses, and vehicles down with weekly and the building gets wiped down daily and mopped most days.

We had 15 student referral write ups and 1 removal from the bus for the month of September as of 9/21/21. We had a total of 40 activity trips for the month.