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Transportation Services: Students on the Move



- Transportation Services includes Pupil Transportation, and Vehicle Maintenance consists of five transportation terminals: North, Central, South, Centralwest and Northwest areas. Transportation Services employs approximately 1,800 employees.
- There are over 1,250 school buses used by the District on daily routes, transporting more than 81,000 students to and from school, and driving more than 74,000 miles. These buses use 12 thousand gallons of diesel fuel daily.
- Approximately 114 buses are used as school-based activity buses, transporting over 400,000 students annually.
- Each year, the total miles driven is over 14 million miles.

During the aftermath of Hurricane Wilma, the Transportation Department coordinated bus transportation for nearly 150 students who were displaced. A total of 34 buses were utilized to transport students from a middle school shelter to the 50 schools they had attended prior to the hurricane.

- Since 2001, new buses have been equipped with lap belts. Also, since 2003 new buses are equipped with air conditioning.
- Many District buses have been equipped with video cameras.
- Unique aides ride with Exceptional Student Education (ESE) students throughout the county. More than 300 District buses are equipped with lifts.
- Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) holds agreements with selected cities and organizations to provide transportation for

recreational programs and to support the delivery of emergency services. The cities reimburse the district for the service.

- Through agreements, BCPS also provides emergency transportation services for the State of Florida, Department of Veterans' Affairs, and the Veterans' Nursing Home.
- Online access to the Pupil Transportation Concern Database by schools expedites response time.
- An Online School Bus Arrival Tracking Database is in operation in BCPS.
- Most school districts only maintain the school buses; however, BCPS Vehicle Maintenance Department is unique in that not only does it provide maintenance, repairs and inspections of schools buses, but additionally provides services for all support vehicles, grounds equipment, and emergency generators countywide. The Department also maintains a full Paint & Body Shop including glass installation and the making of seat covers.
- All technicians are highly-skilled and most major components are rebuilt "in-house."
- The Vehicle Maintenance Department is staffed with several Florida Department of Education certified School Bus Inspector trainers who are responsible for training in BCPS, as well as, in other Florida districts.

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