



MEMO

To: Superintendents, Business Managers, and Transportation Directors
From: Ali Stolzman, Director Student Transportation
Date: September 4, 2024
Re: Idaho Basic Bus Pricing

In accordance with Idaho Code 33-1006 and Standards for Idaho School Buses and Operations, the State Department of Education recently solicited prices for Conventional and Transit basic school buses.

School districts will continue to independently bid on buses in accordance with bidding requirements outlined in Idaho Code. Districts may bid for school buses using individual specifications or may bid using the state basic bus specifications. Idaho basic bus specifications are available online at <http://www.sde.idaho.gov/student-transportation/index.html>. New school bus depreciation reimbursements will be limited to the state basic bus prices plus any pre-approved safety options. The following table lists maximum depreciation allowed on district bus bids accepted between **September 4, 2024 thru November 29, 2024**. Districts will submit a copy of the school board meeting minutes as documentation of the bid acceptance date.

SDE will solicit pricing again in November 2024 to set maximum depreciation allowed for the Winter 2024-2025.

Please contact SDE with any questions on the new basic bus pricing or maximum depreciation. Bus sizes or types that fall outside of the basic bus specifications will be depreciated at a rate not to exceed the average posted pricing or the [Official School Bus Blue Book](#) price.

SCHEDULE A

Diesel	Actual Passenger Capacity (Lift buses based on rated capacity)					
	41-42	53-54	65-66	71-72	77-78	83-84
Conventional	\$184,487	\$188,972	\$192,675	\$197,447	\$201,027	\$219,975
Transit FE	\$258,800	\$226,187	\$231,441	\$236,720	\$242,492	\$246,296
Transit RE	\$ 296,241.00	\$ 249,003.50	\$ 255,149.00	\$ 260,744.50	\$ 264,878.00	\$ 271,642.50
Gasoline	Actual Passenger Capacity (Lift buses based on rated capacity)					
	41-42	53-54	65-66	71-72	77-78	83-84
Conventional	\$ 222,046.00	\$ 226,948.00	\$ 230,743.00	\$ 235,646.00	\$ 240,555.00	\$ 242,091.00

SCHEDULE B

Type A	Actual Passenger Capacity (Lift buses based on rated capacity)
	29-30
Diesel	\$ 132,800.00
Gasoline	\$ 134,723.33
Alternative Fuel LPG or CNG (specify)	\$ 187,333.50

SCHEDULE C

Safety Features	Price	Safety Features	Price
Additional Integrated Child Restraint Seats and include LATCH attachments cost per seat	\$ 1,925.67	Electromagnetic driveline retarder	\$ 32,806.33
Air conditioning (Full Bus) IEP driven	\$ 19,616.67	Flat floor	\$ 6,512.67
Air Conditioning (Driver Compartment only) Conventional	\$ 8,644.67	Tinted passenger windows (28%)	\$ 1,300.00
Air Conditioning (Driver Compartment only) Transit FE	\$ 12,482.00	Front bumper mounted student crossing arm	\$ 1,343.33
Air Conditioning (Driver Compartment only) Transit RE	\$ 10,492.50	Full track seating 72 passengers	\$ 25,320.00
Air conditioning vest	\$ 1,204.00	Heated entry steps	\$ 2,062.67
Alternative fuel compressed natural gas engine-CNG engine package	N/A	Passenger three-point seat belts, cost per seat	\$ 1,941.33
Alternative fuel liquefied petroleum gas engine-propane-LPG engine package	\$ 44,592.00	Roof mounted air deflector	\$ 1,996.00
Automatic chains	\$ 6,368.67	Driver's side window sun visor	\$ 314.67
Cost per wheel chair station (To include securement equipment for each station)	\$ 2,959.00	Second stop arm- left rear side	\$ 1,557.00
Safety Features continued on next page			

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Stop Arm HD Camera System that will capture views of the event from both directions – In-lieu of one of the four interior cameras	\$ 1,633.00	*Additional price per camera for interior passenger surveillance system with more than four cameras	\$371.33
Track seats to be installed, cost per seat	\$1,300	*Fire block seating per seat in-lieu of standard seat	\$62
Track seating per station	\$1,565	*White roof	\$235
Wheelchair lift package # lbs. cap.1000, w/seat belt cutter having a full width handgrip to be included	\$19,448	* = Non-Reimbursable	

SCHEDULE D

Non-Reimbursable Extended <u>Engine</u> Warranties	Blue Bird	International	Thomas
5 year 150,000 miles extended any major component	N/A	N/A	\$750
7 year 150,000 miles extended coverage	\$2346	\$2600	\$2700
7 year 150,000 miles extended any major component	\$561	\$1150	\$1000
10 year 200,000 miles extended coverage	\$4182	\$3900	\$4500
10 year 200,000 miles extended any major component	\$765	\$1400	\$1400
10 year Unlimited miles extended coverage	\$5125	\$4100	\$5500