

THE BUS STOPS HERE



Safety Newsletter

September 30, 2022



SUFFOLK TRANSPORTATION SERVICE, INC

SUFFOLK BUS CORP.

PERCEPTION OF YOUR RIDERS: Are you taking your riders to a place they want to go? It is helpful to remember that you are bringing children to a place they either want to go or prefer not to go to. Some riders look forward to going to school while other riders may perceive school as a place of struggle and worry. However, on the flipside, when you are driving these children home, some may be excited to return after a long day at school and others may want to stay in school rather than go home. Whatever their perception is, the ride with you means a change in their day. They are either going to school, aftercare or home. It is important to understand that it is their perception that will impact their thought process and possibly their behavior on your bus.

PUERTO RICO RELIEF EFFORT: STS & TWU are proud to support local efforts of Island to Island by donating supplies to aid Puerto Rico after the recent devastating hurricane that hit the island. Special thanks to Lee Alarcon for organizing the effort.

LEFTS & RIGHTS: With 4 weeks of school behind us, your route should be settling in. Please make sure all your

Lefts & Rights are updated. A legible copy must be given to your Supervisor. The information is critical to ensuring safe and timely transportation for a cover driver in case you are not available. **Remember, the safest driver on your route is YOU!** Your attendance is so important to the smooth and safe operation of your route... plus you receive your attendance bonus.

HOUSEKEEPING:

- With the new school year under way, this is a perfect time to review your paycheck stub. Do your deductions look accurate? Is your address correct? Direct deposit is available for all employees. Forms can be found on My Parking Space. (Please remember to pick up your paycheck stubs if you are already on direct deposit).
- Are you receiving text messages from the Company? If not, visit www.suffolkbus.com and click on "Employee Portal", click on "Enroll/Update in

MARS" and complete the information.

- Does your iPhone have the updated version of My Parking Space? If not, visit www.suffolkbus.com and click on "Employee Portal", click on "MPS/iPhone" link.

BEREAVEMENT FORMS: With the new union contract we have added sister-in-law and brother-in-law to the list of family members. Please take the time to update your bereavement list. The new bereavement form can be found on My Parking Space, click "Notifications", click "Forms". To receive bereavement pay, your family member must be listed on the form.

SANITIZATION OF FLEET: We will be adding the disinfectant bottles back to the school bus fleet and encourage everyone to spray at least daily. We would also like to fog the fleet one time per month during the school year.



FB SPOTLIGHT: Our Facebook spotlight this week is Tammy Scott, cover DA out of 1849 Pond Road and seasonal Call Center Agent for school bus division



SEARCH
FOR SLEEPING CHILDREN

"The only way to achieve the impossible is to believe it is possible"