

THE BUS STOPS HERE



Safety Newsletter

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SUFFOLK TRANSPORTATION SERVICE, INC

SUFFOLK BUS CORP.

Be Alert &  Report it.

**IF YOU SEE SOMETHING-
SAY SOMETHING!**



BUS SECURITY: Bus security begins with you - your knowledge and your best judgment. Don't get lulled into a false sense of security. When on duty be on the lookout for: unusual behavior and suspicious activity, vehicles stationed in unassigned areas, vehicles stationed for a long period of time, unusual delivery vehicles, suspicious or unattended packages, devices, baggage, and unexplained person in unusual locations. Only approach or question a suspicious person if you feel comfortable. Remember, if you see

something, say something. To maximize security on our property and in your vehicle, please remember the following:

- A current Company identification badge must be worn and visible at all times on Company property, vehicles and destination points.
- The law requires that you perform a pre-trip and post-trip of your vehicle. During this process, please be aware of any unusual tampering to your vehicle.
- School bus: never let strangers on your bus...it is against the law.
- Transit drivers: report suspicious passengers to Dispatch immediately. Use discretion when calling in on the radio, report your location. The Company will dispatch a supervisor and call 911.

WINTER??? Don't let the mild weather fool you. It can turn to snow and ice very quickly. The steps of your vehicle can become icy very quickly. Remember to use the three-points of contact; moving up or down your vehicle with at least two feet and one hand or two hands and one foot secured to the vehicle. By focusing on having 3-points of contact, you can protect yourself from falling while entering or exiting your vehicle or while climbing other equipment. Wearing the proper footwear for weather conditions is key to safety.

MANDATED REPORTER REQUIREMENT: Thank you to all who have completed the course. We hope you found it informative. Currently we have approximately 300 school bus drivers that have not completed the course. Please remember this is a mandated NYSED course for all school bus drivers. The course is online and can be done from home. If you do not have access to a computer or the internet, please contact Carol Ferryman in Safety & Training, ext. 4192 or email cferryman@suffolkbus.com. The course is two hours, and you will receive pay upon completion. You can start the course, stop as needed and pick up where you left off. Please go to the following website and register for the self-directed online training course: <http://nysmandatedreporter.org/trainingcourses.aspx>. After completion of the course, you will receive an email with your certificate of completion. Please print out certificate emailed to you and provide it to your supervisor. If you do not have a printer, you can forward the email to your supervisor. They can provide you with their email address. Upon receiving your certificate, you will receive 2 hours of pay for the course.

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AFFORDABLE HEALTH INSURANCE PLANS: The Health & Wellness Council of Long Island is offering free information on affordable health care plans. There are options for quality affordable health plans for you and your family. Information on Child Health Plus, Qualified Health Plans, Essential Plans, and Medicaid are only a phone call away. To get more information or schedule a virtual appointment, contact the Health Care Access line at: 516-505-4426 or email Fatima at Flasso@hwcli.com.

FACEBOOK: This week's spotlight is the Transit management team out of 1980 Pond Road



"Work hard, be kind and amazing things will happen"