

# THE BUS STOPS HERE



## Safety Newsletter

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SUFFOLK TRANSPORTATION SERVICE, INC

SUFFOLK BUS CORP.



**SHOUT OUT:** I am writing to inform you of the extraordinary level of services provided to my son, regarding his transportation to and from The Ascent School this school year. The bus driver, Richard Schweizer, who drives a Smithtown van route, arrives every day with a warm welcome. He continues to lead a professional and friendly bus team. The bus ride to and from school is always a place of additional concern for many parents of children with special needs due to the risk of unexpected routine changes due to traffic circumstances, staffing adjustments, etc. Having Rick as my son's bus driver reduces this anxiety significantly due to his calm and friendly demeanor as well as his consistent reliability and the true care he takes for our children's safety.

**PARA-TRANSIT DRIVERS NEEDED:** Para-transit has several driver openings available now. This position operates all year round (52 weeks per year). If you are looking for a full-time, 40-hour work week, apply now. Para-transit operates 7 days a week mornings, afternoons, and evenings. Paid vacation, paid holidays, bonus and much more offered! For additional information or if interested, please email Jhanella Orellana at [jorellana@suffolkbus.com](mailto:jorellana@suffolkbus.com) or click on the Sun icon in My Parking Space on

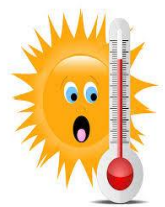


your mobile device to apply.

**SUMMER REFRESHERS:** Employees who participate in summer refresher classes will receive payment upon returning to work in September. Sign up is open on My Parking Space. Remember, all school bus employees must attend a class in order to pick a route. If there are any issues registering, contact Linda Licata: [llicata@suffolkbus.com](mailto:llicata@suffolkbus.com). The following classes are still open to register:

<b>August 13, Tuesday</b>	<b>1780 Smithtown Ave, Ronkonkoma</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>
<b>August 14, Wednesday</b>	<b>1780 Smithtown Ave, Ronkonkoma</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>

**"HOT TEMPERATURES/HOT TEMPERS":** Summer means a lot of things: hot weather, barbecues, swimming pools, vacations and more. However, summer not only means hot weather, but it also means hot tempers too! Scientific research has proven that hot weather has a direct link to people's moods as well. It seems to be a fact of human nature - the higher the temperature, the lower your boiling point. Psychologist Linda Emerson says: "When you're hot, you're not thinking as clearly...so you're more likely to have a knee jerk reaction and go off on somebody. That can turn little disagreements into huge fights in a heartbeat." Therefore, as an elite transportation company, we must be prepared to deal with those hot tempers on a daily basis. As professionals, we must all know how to defuse situations that can become volatile. A calm word, or sometimes no words at all, can prevent a volatile situation from escalating. Also keep in mind that we not only deal with the general public but also deal with people in society that are stricken with ailments, be it physical or cognitive. So, this summer, let's go with the old adage - "cooler heads prevail" and show why Suffolk Transportation Service and Suffolk Bus Corp. are the "coolest" Company around!



**CDL PERMIT CLASS:** Our next CDL permit class will be held on Wednesday, July 17, from 10:00AM-1:00 PM at 1780 Smithtown Ave, Ronkonkoma. This class is free, and everyone is welcome. Remember, for a limited time we offer a \$1,000 bounty for every driver referral and you will receive the referral bonus 60 days after they are assigned a school bus route. This is effective through September 30, 2024. DA's who receive their CDL permit by July 31, 2024, can receive a \$1,000 bonus. Bonus to be paid out when assigned to a van route.

**FACEBOOK:** This week's spotlight is Roy Pederson, Driver for our Adult Programs

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