BUSSTOPSHER



Safety Newsletter

November 15, 2024



SUFFOLK TRANSPORTATION SERVICE, INC • SUFFOLK BUS CORP.



SAYVILLE SUPER DRIVING THE BUS: The Superintendent of the Sayville UFSD, Dr. Marc Ferris, had the opportunity last week to see what it is like to be behind the wheel in commemoration of National School Bus Safety Week. This was a great opportunity for him to see what it is like to be behind the wheel. As you can see by the smile on his face, he enjoyed the experience.

AUTHORIZED ADULTS: As referenced in last week's Newsletter concerning students to be dropped off to authorized adults when required, please keep in mind that the same protocols apply to BOCES routes as well as the Adult programs. If you have any questions, please check with your supervisor.

HEALTH INSURANCE OPEN ENROLLMENT: insurance open enrollment is happening now. Please send an email to benefits@suffolkbus.com for information. The last day to enroll is Monday, 11/18/24. Coverage will begin 12/1/24. The



next chance to enroll in health insurance will be September 2025.

LUNCH & LEARN 401k: Please join us on Thursday, 11/21/24, from 10am-11:30am at the Safety & Training Classroom at 1780



Smithtown Ave, Ronkonkoma. We will be welcoming Empower as our guest speaker, who facilitates our 401k plan. Topics include plan enrollment process as well as updates to our current plan. Open enrollment for the 401k plan will begin on 12/1/24 for changes to take effect on 1/1/25 so this is the perfect opportunity to ask questions, update beneficiary forms and learn about the Empower App.

Please RSVP to lunch-and-learn@suffolkbus.com by 11/20/24.

401k ENROLLMENT: Open enrollment for the 401k plan will begin on 12/1/24 for changes to take effect on 1/1/25. During open enrollment you can enroll in the 401k plan or change your contribution amount. This is also a good time to update your beneficiary which can be done through Empower's portal. We will be visiting the following locations on the days noted below for any questions or to assist in completing forms:

Tuesday 12/3/24 1780 Smithtown Ave Classroom 9:30 AM-1:00 PM Wednesday 12/4/24 50 Saxon Ave Bay Shore Classroom 9:30 AM-1:00 PM Wednesday 12/11/24 1162 Old Town Road Coram Drivers Room 9:30 AM-1:00 PM Friday 12/13/24 1980 Pond Road Ronkonkoma Drivers Room 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Please contact Jhanella Orellana jorellana@suffolkbus.com with any questions relating to your 401k or to make any changes during open enrollment. Forms can also be found on MPS as of 12/1/24.

CDL PERMIT CLASS: Our CDL Permit Class is a great opportunity for our DAs, our families, and friends to learn more about our great Company. Our next CDL permit classes will be held as follows:



Saturday, November 16, 8:00AM - 4:00PM at 1780 Smithtown Ave, Ronkonkoma

Wednesday, November 20, 10:00AM - 1:00 PM at 1849 Pond Rd, Ronkonkoma This class is free, and everyone is welcome. To register, please email Karen Sheehan: ksheehan@suffolkbus.com

and include your first and last name as well as your contact number. 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 bus route.

OCTOBER SAFETY WINNERS: Janice Puglia, large bus; Wanda Sampson, van; Elisabeth Cestra, DA; Andrid Dely, transit; Fritz Baptisme, ADA; John Gleason, Shop; Anthony Frisina, management. Congratulations to all!

This week's Facebook spotlight is Silvinia Cuello, Lindenhurst van driver out of Harold Court

"Success is getting what you want; happiness is wanting what you get."