

**AMEND BOARD REPORT 25-0724-PR8**  
**AMEND BOARD REPORT 23-0524-PR16**  
**AUTHORIZE THE FIRST AND SECOND (FINAL) RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH**  
**VARIOUS VENDORS FOR STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES (SCHOOL BUS SERVICES)**

**THE INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Authorize the first and second (final) renewal agreement with various vendors to provide Student Transportation Services to the Student Transportation Services Department at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Compensation Section of this report. A written document exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Vendors during the option period prior to execution of the written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

This July 2025 amendment is necessary to authorize a two-year extension for Student Transportation Services vendors. There was an Assignment and Assumption Agreement from Caravan Transportation Inc. to Conway Bus Company, Inc. Reliant Transportation, Inc. is no longer providing School Bus Services to the district.

This February 2026 amendment will permit five (5) of the current vendors to lease and operate a total of fifty (50) new electric school buses that were procured by the district via the 2023 EPA Clean School Bus Grant Program for Chicago Public Schools (CPS) services. These five (5) vendors were selected on a non-competitive basis pursuant for this additional scope to Board Rule 7-6. This item was presented to the Single/Sole Source Committee on December 23 2025, and approved by the committee. Prior to final approval by the Chief Procurement Officer, as a Single Source, the item was published on the Procurement website on December 24, 2025 found here: [cps.edu/procurement](https://cps.edu/procurement). The item will remain on the Procurement website until February 26, 2026. This process complies with the independent consultant's recommendations for single source procurements and the Board's "Single/Sole Source Committee Charter".

Contract Administrator :     Burton, Safaya / 773-553-2280

**USER INFORMATION :**

Project            11870 - Student Transportation  
 Manager:         42 West Madison Street  
                       Chicago, IL 60602  
                       Mathews, Jasmine  
                       773-553-2860

PM Contact:      11870 - Student Transportation  
                       42 West Madison Street  
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**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:**

The original Agreement (authorized by Board Report 20-0527-PR12) in the amount of \$375,000,000 is for

a term commencing August 1, 2020 and ending July 31, 2023, with the Board having two (2) options to renew for one (1) year terms.

Board Report (23-0524-PR16) amended Board Report (20-0527-PR12) to add one (1) new vendor to the list of approved vendors.

Board Report (25-0724-PR8) amended Board Report (23-0524-PR16) to authorize a two-year extension for Student Transportation Services vendors.

**OPTION PERIOD:**

The term of this agreement is being renewed for two (2) years and extended an additional two (2) years, four (4) years total, commencing August 1, 2023 and ending July 31, 2027.

**OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:**

There are no option periods remaining.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

Vendors shall provide school bus services to and from school and other related activities to eligible students participating in designated programs as per program guidelines and as set forth in the written agreements. Services will be provided during regular and summer school terms. Programs served by school bus services includes, but are not limited to: Diverse Learners, Selective Enrollment, Controlled Environment Receiving Schools, Students in Temporary Living Situations, Parent Choice, shuttle services, and other programs as the Board deems appropriate. Vendors will also provide bus services for field trips and athletic trips. The Board anticipates 70,000 to 100,000 trips per year. Each Vendor is eligible to provide services for field trips and athletic trips for all zones.

It is estimated that approximately 1,200 first runs, 600 second or third runs, and 225 mid-day runs will be provided, involving approximately 1,250 school buses of various sizes, pursuant to these agreements. The number of buses needed to provide these services is subject to change once the school year is underway, and during the course of the school year. Because the number of buses required is an estimate, the total cost of the agreement is also estimated. The annual and contract term cost estimates is based on the combined regular school year and summer school calendars established by the Board. The Board reserves the right during the contract term to order the services of more or fewer buses than originally allocated as the needs of the students and/or programs change. The Board is only obligated for costs associated with buses actually operating CPS routes.

Five (5) vendors A.M. Bus Company, Inc. (Vendor # 20287), Ammons Transportation Service, Inc. (Vendor #32700), Compass Transportation LLC (Vendor #19097), Illinois Central School Bus LLC (Vendor #72017), and Sunrise Transportation LLC (Vendor #16702) shall lease and operate a total of fifty (50) new electric school buses that were procured by the district via the 2023 EPA Clean School Bus Grant Program, for Chicago Public Schools (CPS) services.

**DELIVERABLES:**

Vendors will provide buses for student transportation to and from school, and for extra curricular activities.

**OUTCOMES:**

Vendors' services will result in safe and on-time transportation of CPS students to school and other approved programs on yellow school buses.

**AUTHORIZATION:**

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written option document. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the option document. Authorize the Executive Director of Student Transportation to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option agreement.

**BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION:**

Pursuant to the Remedial Policy for Minority-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (WBE) policy participation in Goods and Services contracts, aspirational goals for this pool are 30% MBE and 7% WBE. This vendor pool is composed of (14) total vendors with ~~(5)~~ four (4) MBEs and one (1) WBE. The User group has committed to achieve the aspirational goals through a strategic plan to utilize certified suppliers and certified subcontractors.

**LSC REVIEW:**

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:**

Fund 115, Student Transportation Services  
Unit 11870

FY24 - \$125,000,000  
FY25 - \$125,000,000  
FY26 - \$125,000,000  
FY27 - \$141,500,000  
FY28 - \$13,500,000

Not to exceed \$530,000,000 for the four (4) year term. Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

The agreement shall contain general conditions including but not limited to the following: Inspector General provision, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1; Conflicts provision, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3; Indebtedness provision, in accordance with the Board's Indebtedness Policy Section 404.2; Ethics provision, in accordance with the Board's Ethics Code as amended, and a Contingent Liability provision.

Approved for Consideration:



PATRICIA HERNANDEZ  
Chief Procurement Officer

Approved:



MACQUILINE KING, Ed.D  
Interim Superintendent/Chief Executive Officer

Approved: 



ELIZABETH K. BARTON  
Acting General Counsel

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| <p>1) Vendor # 20287<br/>A.M. BUS COMPANY, INC.<br/>100 WEST 91ST STREET<br/>CHICAGO, IL 60620<br/>Pamela Williams<br/>773 396-5556</p> <p>Ownership: Pamela Williams - 100%</p>                    | <p>5) Vendor # 19097<br/>COMPASS TRANSPORTATION LLC<br/>5740 N Tripp Ave.<br/>Chicago, IL 60646<br/>Pinky Friedman<br/>773 279-9110</p> <p>Ownership: Pinchas Friedman - 100%</p>   |
| <p>2) Vendor # 46491<br/>ALLTOWN BUS SERVICE, LLC.<br/>7300 Saint Louis Avenue<br/>Skokie, IL 60076<br/>Greg Polan<br/>847 674-0090</p> <p>Ownership: Greg Polan - 100%</p>                         | <p>6) Vendor # 96226<br/>CONWAY BUS COMPANY, INC.<br/>1 WESTBROOK CORPORATE CTR<br/>WESTCHESTER, IL 60154<br/>Aida Olavarria<br/>773 887-4400</p> <p>Ownership: For-Profit Corporation; Aida Olavarria - 100%</p>               |
| <p>3) Vendor # 32700<br/>AMMONS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE,<br/>INC.<br/>9001 S. GENOA<br/>CHICAGO, IL 60620<br/>Katrice Kelsey-Ammons<br/>773 874-7777</p> <p>Ownership: Benford Ammons, Jr - 100%</p> | <p>7) Vendor # 97659<br/>FIAT LOGISTICS AND TRANSIT<br/>1007 ROSLYN RD<br/>OLYMPIA FIELDS, IL 60461<br/>Jean Desir<br/>773 570-4934</p> <p>Ownership: For-Profit Corporation; Jean Desir - 100%</p>                             |
| <p>4) Vendor # 89841<br/>BJ'S TRANSPORTATION, INC.<br/>225 W. 89TH STREET<br/>Chicago, IL 60620<br/>Sandra Dean<br/>708 907-5435</p> <p>Ownership: Sandra Dean 51%, Jason Dean - 49%</p>            | <p>8) Vendor # 36674<br/>FIRST STUDENT, INC.<br/>1001 ST CHARLES ROAD<br/>MAYWOOD, IL 60153<br/>Michael Tunnell<br/>331 643-3335</p> <p>Ownership: For-Profit Corporation; EQT Infrastructure V Investments S.a'.r.l - 100%</p> |

- 9) Vendor # 72017  
ILLINOIS CENTRAL SCHOOL BUS LLC  
3412 WEST TOUHY  
LINCOLNWOOD, IL 60712  
David Peterson  
847 674-6777
- Ownership: North America Central School Bus Intermediate Holding Company LLC - 100%
- 10) Vendor # 11085  
JACK HARRIS TRANSPORTATION, INC.  
14218 SOUTH WESTERN  
POSEN, IL 60469  
Jack Harris  
708 389-1843
- Ownership: Jack Harris - 100%
- 11) Vendor # 39549  
LATINO EXPRESS, INC.  
3230 W. 38TH STREET  
CHICAGO, IL 60632  
Henry Gardunio  
773 254-5545
- Ownership: Henry Gardunio - 100%
- 12) Vendor # 16702  
SUNRISE TRANSPORTATION LLC  
8500 S VINCENNES AVE  
CHICAGO, IL 60620  
Brian Bonnett  
773 224-8050
- Ownership: ST Management, Inc. - 100%
- 13) Vendor # 43809  
UNITED "QUICK" TRANSPORTATION INC.  
2004 S. KOSTNER  
CHICAGO, IL 60623  
Michael Rosas  
773 522-1995
- Ownership: Michael Rosas - 33.3% Henry Gardunio - 33.3%, Joseph Gardino- 33.3%
- 14) Vendor # 18680  
URBAN HABITATS INC.  
1507 E 53RD ST #873  
CHICAGO, IL 60615  
Pierre Glover  
773 947-0701
- Ownership: Pierre Glover - 100%