

To: Board of Trustees, Hallsville ISD

From: Director of Transportation

Date: August 2026

Subject: Monthly Transportation Department Report

Executive Summary

As we prepare for the upcoming school year, the Transportation Department is making final preparations to ensure safe, efficient, and reliable transportation for all Hallsville ISD students. Our team is excited for a successful year ahead and appreciates the continued leadership and resources provided by the Board and Administration.

Staffing & Recruitment

- **Drivers:** We are currently operating **one driver short** of full staffing. However, we have **three driver candidates currently in training**, which will help cover our routes shortly.
- **Bus Monitors:** Recruitment remains ongoing as we work to fill a few remaining bus monitor positions to support our specialized routes and student needs.

Fleet & Equipment Updates

- **New Bus Delivery:** We have received **8 of the 10 new buses** on order.
 - Outfitting and prep work are currently underway.
 - *Note:* Due to pending registration and awaiting title/sales paperwork from Thomas Bus Sales following final payment clearance, these new buses will **not** be on the routes for the first day of school. They will be integrated into the active fleet as soon as administrative processing is complete.
- **Camera System Upgrades:** All active route buses have been updated with our newest high-definition camera system, providing superior footage quality, reliability, and coverage for student and driver safety.
- **Fleet Readiness:** Every bus in the fleet has undergone thorough cleaning and comprehensive safety inspections to ensure full operational readiness for day one.

Facilities & Construction

- Progress on our departmental construction area is moving along smoothly.
- Traffic flow and parking guidelines have been clearly communicated to all department staff to maintain safe navigation around active construction zones during daily operations.

Closing Remarks

We extend our sincere gratitude to the Board of Trustees for your ongoing support, time, and dedication to the Transportation Department and the students of Hallsville ISD.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy Presley