

TRANSPORTATION

Primary Goal - To transport all eligible students to and from school safely, efficiently and on schedule.

<u>Staff</u>	<u>Students</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Cost per Student</u>
78	6,326	\$6,250,349	\$988

Level K-12

1. Safety Record – There were a total of thirteen preventable accidents in 2008-09 compared to thirteen preventable accidents in 2007-08. As in the past, the majority are “on property” accidents, involving mirrors or other close proximity items.

2. Pupils Transported

	2008-09		2007-08	
	Assigned Students*	Average Ridership	Assigned Students	Average Ridership
District School	5233	3922	5230	3922
Non-Public, In District	255	255	228	228
Non-Public, Out of District	293	293	334	334
Special Education	99	99	96	96

*Note: Does not include 356 students who were considered walkers.

3. Total Fleet Mileage – 854,602 (857,105 miles in 2007-08).

4. All district runs delivered to their respective schools as scheduled. Exceptions did occur when road construction and weather conditions prevailed.

5. On route Breakdowns – (11 on 2007-08, 17 in 2006-07)

Problem	Frequency	
	2008-09	2007-08
Engine/clutch/transmission	1	1
Electrical	5	1
Brakes	1	0
Cooling system	0	1
Fuel system	0	1
Lube system	0	0
Stuck in snow/mud	0	3
Other	2(tires)	4 (tires)
Total	9	11

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- 6. Bus Safety Inspections – DOT conducted 158 inspections in 2008-09. Under this inspection system, one bus failed on the first attempt (compared to four in 2007-08). That put the passing rate at 99.37% for 2008-09, compared to 97.28% for 2007-08 (D.O.T. sets a goal of 90% or better). Most of the problems were repaired the same day, and the vehicles were successfully reinspected.
- 7. All required bus safety drills and driver training sessions were conducted. Nine new part-time drivers were trained during the year.

8. **Budgetary Costs**

	2008-09	2007-08
Budget	\$6,250,349	\$5,773,043
Students	6326	6284
Cost/Pupil	988	\$919
Mileage	854,602	857,105
Cost/Mile	\$7.32	\$6.74
State Aid/Pupil	\$358.17	\$319.42

The district purchased nine buses in 2008-09, for a total of \$772,595.

2007-08: \$644,310 to purchase eight buses from budget

9. **Problems**

Student Discipline – There were a total of 688 bus behavior referrals (compared to 512 in 07-08).

Grade	Number of Referrals
K-6	526
7-8	76
9-12	51

(Remaining referrals were non-public schools, 35)

In addition to serving the needs of the district public school students, the district also transported private, parochial and special needs students to thirty-nine (39) other schools within the Capital District.