



Fayette County Public Schools

Executive Summary Fayette County Public Schools Board Meeting Agenda Item

MEETING: Planning

DATE: 10/13/2025

TOPIC: Bus Purchase - General Obligation Bond

PREPARED BY: Daryn Morris - Director of Transportation

Recommended Action on: 10/27/2025

Superintendent Prior Approval: Yes

Recommendation/Motion:

1. "Authorize the Chairman and Secretary to execute a school bus purchase authorization with the Kentucky Department of Education, Division of Pupil Transportation, for the acquisition of 19 school buses as described on the 2026 State Purchase Contract, using General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025A, with an estimated total value of \$3,000,000."

Background/Rationale: In recent years, the school district has been adhering to a 14-year replacement cycle for school buses. However, we last initiated a school bus purchase in February 2024. There is a need for additional school bus purchases to return to maintaining the fleet on the replacement cycle, due to continued growth in student ridership and covering expanded routes, the expected growth at Britton Middle, the opening of the new Girls RISE school, and the opening of Greendale Elementary. A total of 43 buses are being purchased using a combination of General Obligation Bonds, KISTA and Kentucky Clean Diesel Grant funds.



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KISTA					
BUS	Cost	Quantity	Total	Award	
34 Passenger	\$156,430	3	\$469,290		
72 Passenger	\$167,421	21	\$3,515,841		
			\$3,985,131	\$4,000,000	\$ 14,869.00
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS					
BUS	Cost	Quantity	Total	Award	
34 Passenger	\$156,430	0	\$0		
72 Passenger	\$167,421	19	\$3,180,999		
			\$3,180,999	\$3,000,000	\$ (180,999.00)
GRANT					
BUS	Cost	Quantity	Total	Award	
				\$247,500	\$ 247,500.00
			TOTAL COST	TOTAL AWARD	REMAINING
			\$7,166,130	\$7,247,500	\$ 81,370.00

Strategic Priority:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Student Achievement | <input type="checkbox"/> Unity, Belonging & Student Efficacy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Highly Effective, Culturally Responsive Workforce | <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach & Engagement |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Organizational Health & Effectiveness | |

Data Considerations: Cost Effectiveness, Student Ridership, Maintenance Repairs

Policy: 702 KAR 5:040

Fiscal Impact: \$3,180,999

Attachments(s):