

**OLDHAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**CONCERN**

Consider recognizing the following outstanding individuals.

**DISCUSSION**

**August Ignite Passion Award**

What started off with Nina Maurey asking, “Hey boss, can we roll a bus?” grew into the best training class in the history of the Oldham County Schools Transportation Department. This event was covered by every Louisville television news outlet, the Kentucky Department of Education bus driver training department came to watch, and people across the state are still talking about this event.

This is all because of Nina Maurey’s passion for training school bus drivers to be the safest on the road. Once given the opportunity to “roll a bus,” Nina ran with it. She worked with all our local first responder agencies to pull off the training of the century. This included coordinating with Burrows Wrecker Service to flip the bus, La Grange Fire, OCPD and our SROs, Ballardsville Fire, Oldham County EMS, and Air Methods KY to participate in the simulated rescue. Nina even thought to “hide” the bus which was sitting on its side in the old bus compound from prying eyes for several days. All of this took weeks of planning, and she didn’t miss a beat.

Nina has overseen our training department since 2019. She is driven to make sure our students arrive at school and back home safely. She genuinely cares about each driver's development and takes pride in knowing that her innovative training methods are making our roads safer for thousands of students every day. Her ability to turn what is normally a boring 8-hour update into an extraordinary learning experience perfectly embodies the passion and creativity we celebrate with this Ignite Passion award.

**RECOMMENDATION**

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