

## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Complete details of the Bus Replacement Fund plan may be seen by visiting the website of this unit of government at the following address: [www.decaturo.k12.in.us](http://www.decaturo.k12.in.us)

Notice is hereby given to taxpayers of Decatur County Community Schools that the proper officers of Decatur County Community Schools will conduct a public hearing on the year 2022 proposed Bus Replacement Fund Plan pursuant to IC 20-40-18. Following the public hearing, the proper officers of Decatur County Community Schools may adopt the proposed plan as presented or with revisions.

Public Hearing Date:	August 25, 2021
Public Hearing Time:	6:00 PM
Public Hearing Place:	Central Administration Office, 2020 N. Montgomery Rd, Greensburg, IN 47240

Taxpayers are invited to attend the meeting for a detailed explanation of the plan and to exercise their rights to be heard on the proposed plan. If the proposed plan is adopted by resolution, the resolution will be submitted to the Department of Local Government Finance as per IC 20-40-18-9(d).

SCHOOL BUS REPLACEMENT PLAN  
FOR THE YEARS 2022-2026

Pursuant to IC 20-40-18 Decatur County Community Schools does hereby submit to the Department of Local Government Finance the following School Bus Replacement Plan for the five (5) year period 2022 through 2026. This plan is based upon the presumption that the minimum useful life of a school bus is not less than twelve (12) years.

**SECTION I**  
**Replacement Cost of Bus/Vehicle During Specific Year**

Bus Description	Corp ID No.	Type of Bus/Vehicle per DOE "TN"	Owned or Leased	Estimated Replacement Costs				
				2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1 IC	10-02	C	Owned	110,000				
2 IC	10-43	C	Owned	110,000				
3 IC	10-48	C	Owned	110,000				
4 IC	10-50	C	Owned	110,000				
5 IC	12-20	D	Owned			115,000		
6 IC	12-14	C	Owned			115,000		
7 IC	12-13	C	Owned			115,000		
8 IC	12-19	C	Owned			115,000		
9 IC	14-09	C	Owned				116,000	
10 Starcraft	NX-3	Act-A-2	Owned				80,000	
11 Starcraft	SX-3	Act-A-2	Owned					83,000
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<b>Replacement Cost Totals</b>				<b>440,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>460,000</b>	<b>196,000</b>	<b>83,000</b>

**SECTION II**  
**JUSTIFICATION FOR ADDITIONAL BUS PURCHASES, TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, AND/OR EARLY BUS REPLACEMENT**

1. Pursuant to IC 20-40-18-9(2)(A), If the School Corporation is seeking to acquire or contract for transportation services that will provide for additional school buses or buses with a larger seating capacity as compared to the number and type of school buses from the prior school year, explain for each additional bus and the circumstances of the demand for increased transportation services within the School Corporation.

(Add additional sheets if necessary)

We have an aging population of contracted bus drivers. We anticipate having to takeover several contract bus routes and make them corporation routes. Because of this situation we may need to purchase as many as 10 buses in the next 3 years. We'd like to plan to purchase 3 new buses in 2022 to help address the issue of taking over contracted bus routes.

2. Pursuant to IC 20-40-18-9(4), If the School Corporation is seeking to replace an existing school bus earlier than twelve (12) years after the existing school bus was originally acquired or requires a contractor to replace a school bus, explain for each bus the circumstances for that need.

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)