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MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Eric G. Mackey
State Superintendent of Education

SUBJECT: 2019 Alabama School Bus Safety Road-e-o

For many years, the Alabama School Transportation Association (ASTA) School Bus Safety Road-e-o has offered school bus safety and driving competition among drivers from all over the state of Alabama. The purpose of the competition is to:

- Reinforce the good practices required for superior job performance as a school bus driver.
- Recognize excellence and provide a forum for the demonstration of the skills and responsibilities of the demanding job of the school bus driver.
- Develop public awareness of the skills and responsibilities of a school bus driver.
- Encourage communication among drivers in order to share awareness and experience.

The Road-e-o competition will be conducted on June 13, 2019, at the Alabama Traffic Safety Center at the University of Montevallo beginning at 8 a.m. with a walk-through of the driving course. Registration will begin at 7 a.m. There is no fee for participation in this event. The buses being used on the driving course and for pretrip will be 2018 International IC. Immediately following the Road-e-o, winners will be recognized at a luncheon sponsored by W.W. Williams and ASTA. Refreshments on the course will be provided by Etowah Chemical. A Road-e-o entry form and directions to the location are included with this memorandum and can also be found on the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) website at www.alsde.edu under Department Offices/Office of LEA Support/Pupil Transportation/Conferences and Events.

I encourage your system’s participation in this worthwhile activity. If you have questions regarding the 2019 Alabama School Bus Safety Road-e-o or can volunteer to serve as a judge, please contact Mr. Jeff Nichols, Alabaster City Schools Transportation Supervisor, at 205-288-2199 or the ALSDE Pupil Transportation Section at (334) 694-4545.

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Attachment

cc: City, County, and Contract Transportation Supervisors
    School Bus Dealers
    Mr. Steve Crew
    Mr. Terry Murray

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