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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**



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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** City and County Superintendents of Education

**FROM:** Eric G. Mackey *EGM*  
 State Superintendent of Education

**SUBJECT:** New Transportation Supervisor Orientation 2021

The Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE), Pupil Transportation Section, will conduct its annual orientation meeting for new transportation supervisors and other staff on September 27-28, 2021, in Montgomery. The meeting will be held at the Richard Beard Building and Auditorium located at 1445 Federal Drive, Montgomery, AL 36107. Each day, registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the meeting will start at 9 a.m.

Along with our new supervisor mentor program, this annual orientation meeting provides critical program information to local school system staff members who work with the transportation program, especially new or recently appointed **transportation supervisors, secretaries, chief school financial officers, and others**. Topics for the meeting will focus on the basic principles for operation of a school system transportation program, including the Pupil Transportation Certification AIM portal, transportation funding formula, how to complete accurate transportation reports, driver training and licensing, preventive maintenance, school bus inspections, special needs transportation, school bus bids, and other pertinent information. **All new transportation supervisors and secretaries are encouraged to attend this important meeting.** If space is available, others who have attended this training before may also attend, if desired, but they must call our office to register.

Mr. Jerry Lassiter, ALSDE Financial Administrator, will conduct a session on the second day of the meeting (September 28). Mr. Lassiter's presentation will deal specifically with transportation funding, to include the Route Report, LEAPS Report, and proper coding and submission for both. CSFO's who have questions concerning these topics are welcomed to attend.

To register for this training session, or if you have questions, please contact Ms. Felicia Toles, Pupil Transportation Section Secretary, at 334-694-4545, no later than September 22, 2021. There is no registration fee for this meeting. Travel expenditures for this meeting may be paid from transportation funds.

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