

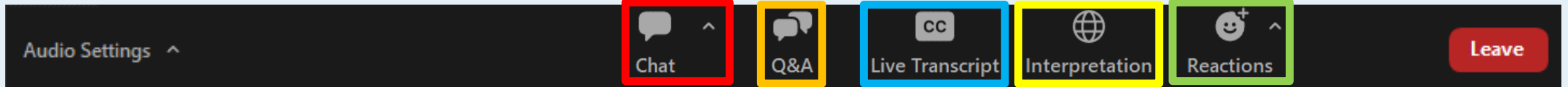


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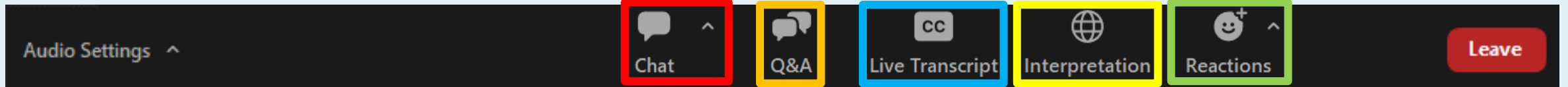
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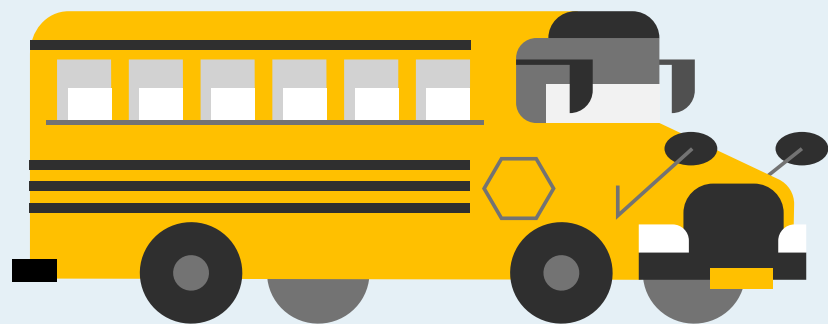
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Overview of the Clean School Bus Program

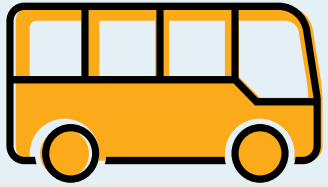
Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

- Under **Title XI: Clean School Buses and Ferries**, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) provides **\$5 billion** over five years (FY22-26) for the replacement of existing school buses with zero-emission and clean school buses.

CSB Funding Opportunities

- EPA has offered rebates and grants in past funding opportunities.
- The 2023 Rebates is the third CSB funding opportunity.





Why Clean School Buses?



Reduced Greenhouse Gas Emissions

CSBs emit zero or low tailpipe emissions.



Cleaner Air

CSBs result in cleaner air on the bus, in bus loading areas, and in the communities in which they operate.




Cost Savings

Replacing existing diesel school buses with CSBs often reduces maintenance and fuel costs.



Resiliency

Vehicle-to-Grid (V2G) capable CSBs can provide power to the grid or buildings during power shutdowns.



Improved Student Attendance & Achievement

The transport of students with CSBs has been linked to student attendance and academic achievement improvements.

Important Dates

September 27, 2023	2023 Rebate Program Opens
September 2023 – January 2024	Various Webinars on CSB Program <i>More information can be found on the epa.gov/cleanschoolbus website under the 'Webinars' section.</i>
January 10, 2024	Final Date to Submit Questions
February 14, 2024	Application Deadline
May 29, 2024	Selection Notification
November 29, 2024, 4:00 p.m. ET	Deadline for selectees to submit Payment Request Forms with purchase orders
May 29, 2026, 4:00 p.m. ET	Close Out Form/Project Period Deadline



Payment Request Forms must be submitted to EPA no later than 11/29/24 at 4:00 p.m. ET.
For more information, please visit www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus.



CSB Funding per Replacement Bus

School District Prioritization Status	Replacement Bus Fuel Type and Size					
	ZE – Class 7+*	ZE – Class 3-6*	CNG– Class 7+	CNG – Class 3-6	Propane – Class 7+	Propane – Class 3-6
Buses serving school districts that meet one or more prioritization criteria	Up to \$345,000 (Bus + Charging Infrastructure)	Up to \$265,000 (Bus + Charging Infrastructure)	Up to \$45,000	Up to \$30,000	Up to \$35,000	Up to \$30,000
Buses serving school districts that are not prioritized	Up to \$200,000 (Bus + Charging Infrastructure)	Up to \$145,000 (Bus + Charging Infrastructure)	Up to \$30,000	Up to \$20,000	Up to \$25,000	Up to \$20,000

*Funding levels include combined bus and EV charging infrastructure. Recipients have flexibility to determine the split between funding for the bus itself and the supporting infrastructure.

** For more information, please visit: <https://www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus/tax-credits>

ADA-Compliant Buses:



Applicants can request up to an **additional \$20k** to purchase ADA-compliant clean school buses of any fuel type equipped with wheelchair lifts.



High Shipping Costs:

Applicants in non-contiguous U.S. states and territories will receive up to an **additional \$20k** per bus to cover high bus shipping costs.



Tax Credits:

Selectees may be eligible for IRA tax credits applicable to their bus and infrastructure purchase(s) not reflected in the funding table.**

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Must*:

1. **Be a vehicle MY2010 or older diesel-powered school buses that will be scrapped if selected for funding.**
 1. If a fleet has no eligible 2010 or older diesel school buses and is requesting zero-emission school bus replacements, the fleet can either:
 1. Scrap 2010 or older non-diesel internal combustion engine buses; or
 2. Scrap, sell, or donate 2011 or newer diesel or non-diesel internal combustion engine buses.
2. Have a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) of 10,001 lbs or more
3. Be fully operational at the time of application submission.
4. Have provided **bus service for at least 3 days/week on average during the 2022/2023 school year** at the time of applying, excluding emergency-related school closures.**

**Refer to the Program Guide for specific eligibility information.*

*** EPA strongly encourages third-party applicants to replace existing buses that provided service to the public school district listed on the application, or another school district eligible for priority consideration, as listed in the Prioritized School Districts list found on the 2023 CSB Rebates webpage.*

Eligible New Replacement School Buses Must*:



Applications must include projects which replace existing internal combustion engine school buses with propane, CNG, and/or electric school buses. All replacement school buses must:

1. **Have a battery electric, CNG, or propane drivetrain.**
2. Biofuels will not be included as an eligible replacement technology for this funding opportunity.
3. **Be a new vehicle.**
 1. Buses which have been converted to a battery-electric, propane, or CNG drivetrain after the first retail sale are not eligible for funding.
 2. The conversion of a bus to a battery-electric, propane, or CNG drivetrain is not eligible for funding.
4. Be model year 2022 or newer.
5. Have a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) of 10,001 lbs or more.
6. Conform to all applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS).
7. Be maintained, operated, insured, registered, and charged/fueled according to manufacturer recommendations and state requirements.
8. Be equipped with an EPA certified engine if they are Propane or CNG fueled buses.

* Refer to the Program Guide for specific eligibility information.

Eligible New Replacement School Buses Must*:



All replacement school buses must (continued):

8. Not be ordered prior to receiving official notification of selection for EPA funding.
9. Be **purchased**, not leased or leased-to-own.
10. Serve the school district listed on the application for **at least 5 years from date of delivery.***
11. **Not be manufactured, retrofitted with, or otherwise have installed, a power unit or other technology that creates air pollution within the school bus**, such as an unvented diesel passenger heater. EPA strongly encourages applicants to consider alternative cold weather mitigation strategies (e.g., insulation of cabin and/or batteries, cabin and battery preconditioning) until other viable alternatives become available.
12. **Not be purchased or otherwise subsidized with other federal grant funds.**
 8. The total of funds from the CSB grant and other eligible external funds allocated for the bus replacements cannot exceed the cost of the new buses.
13. Upon request, be made available for inspection by EPA or its authorized representatives for 5 years from the date of delivery to verify the buses are serving their intended purpose.

* Refer to the Program Guide for specific eligibility information.



Eligible Bus Replacement by Fuel Type



Existing Bus Fuel Type	Replacement Bus Fuel Type		
	Propane	Compressed Natural Gas	Battery-Electric
2010 or Older Diesel Bus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2011 or Newer Diesel Bus*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Gasoline Powered Bus*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Propane Bus*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Compressed Natural Gas Bus*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

*Can only be substituted if existing fleet does not have 2010 or older diesel buses available for scrappage; existing, non-diesel internal combustion engine buses that are 2010 or older must be scrapped; existing, diesel or non-diesel internal combustion engine buses that are 2011 or newer may be scrapped, sold, or donated.

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Eligible Infrastructure Equipment*

If applicants are purchasing electric school buses, they may also receive funding for eligible charging infrastructure and installations.

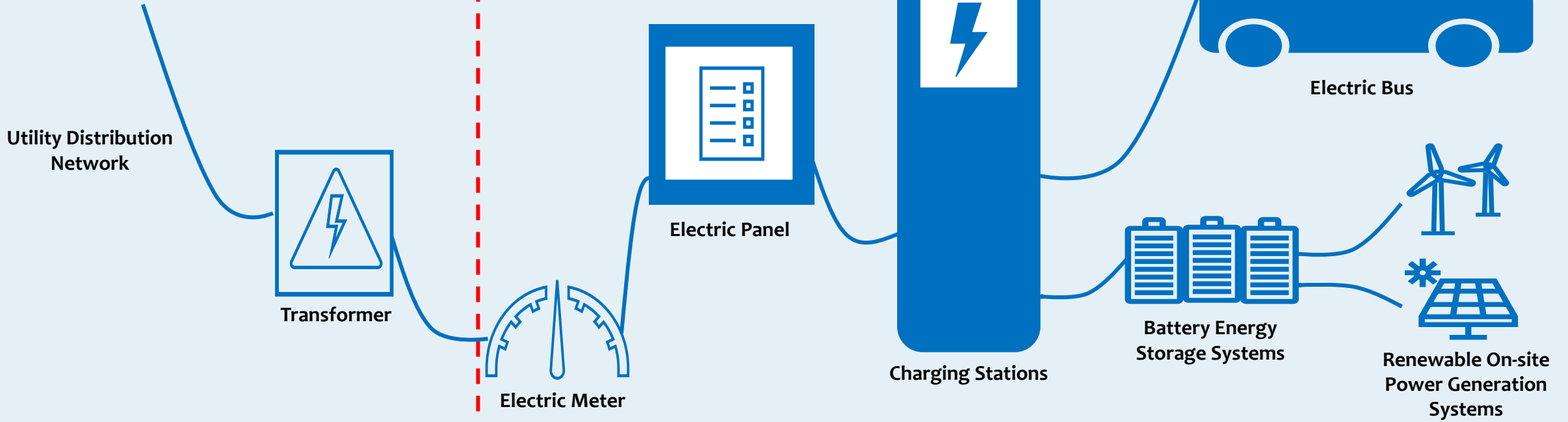
- Eligible infrastructure costs are limited to installations and upgrades **from the electrical meter to the charging port of the bus**, including (but not limited to):
 - **charging equipment** (such as alternating current (AC) Level 2 charging equipment, direct-current (DC) fast charging equipment, or vehicle-to-grid (V2G) enabled equipment);
 - **design and engineering;**
 - **installation costs** such as trenching, wiring and electrical upgrades, labor, and permitting;
 - **related intelligent equipment and software designed to monitor bus and infrastructure performance** (such as telematics or charge management software); and
 - **battery energy storage systems (BESS)** associated with replacement electric school buses funded in the program, as well as renewable on-site power generation systems that power the buses and equipment. To be eligible, these systems must be behind the electrical meter.
- **Build America, Buy America (BABA) requirements apply to eligible vehicle charging infrastructure equipment.**

* Refer to Appendix B of the Program Guide for specific eligibility information.

All electricians installing, operating, or maintaining EVSE must meet one of the following requirements: (i) Certification from the [Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program \(EVITP\)](#), OR (ii) Graduation or a continuing education certificate from a registered apprenticeship program for electricians that includes charger-specific training and is developed as a part of a national guideline standard approved by the Department of Labor in consultation with the Department of Transportation.

Non-Eligible Expenses

Eligible Expenses



Front-of-the-Meter (FTM)

Behind-the-Meter (BTM)

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- **All chargers must be certified by an Occupational Safety and Health Administration Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory.**
 - DC Fast Chargers and AC Level 2 chargers should be certified to the appropriate Underwriters Laboratories (UL) standards for EV charging system equipment.
 - **All AC Level 2 charging infrastructure purchased and installed under this program must be [EPA ENERGY STAR certified chargers](#).**
- **EPA also strongly encourages recipients to consider long-term fleet electrical needs when installing charging equipment.**
 - EPA funding may be used to install additional electrical capacity behind the meter to support future charging needs (e.g., purchasing and running additional electrical conduit during trenching and wiring upgrades).
 - Applicants applying for ZE school buses should contact their utility early to initiate the necessary discussions about planning for the required infrastructure.
 - [EPA's Electric Sector Pledge](#) can help facilitate communication between school districts and their electric providers.

What is Build America, Buy America (BABA)?

- Certain infrastructure projects are subject to BABA provisions of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL).
- These require that items that are predominantly iron and steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in federal infrastructure projects to be produced in the U.S.
- This includes, but not limited to: the EV charger, all wiring or fixtures to support the charging equipment, breaker panels or subpanel, conduit from the meter to the panel.



- School buses are **NOT** subject to BABA requirements.
- Electric Chargers (EVSE) and supporting equipment **ARE** subject to BABA
 - Due to anticipated payment processing timeframes for this funding opportunity, **applicants should plan to purchase American made charging infrastructure products.**
 - More information is located at [Build America, Buy America \(BABA\) | US EPA](#)

Payment Request Forms must be submitted to EPA no later than 11/29/24 at 4:00 p.m. ET.

For more information, please visit www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus.

Selectee Requirements – Payment Request Form



- EPA notified applicants of their selection status on **May 29, 2024**. Applicants that are selected for funding will receive an electronic status update that includes (1) that they have been selected for funding, (2) the maximum amount of funds that have been reserved for them, and (3) instructions on proceeding with the purchase of new buses and eligible infrastructure.
- After receiving notice of selection, selectees must submit an online **Payment Request Form** that includes an attached scan of the **purchase order(s) for the new school buses and eligible infrastructure within six months – by November 29, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. ET.**

Selectees can request extensions to the project period deadline. EPA will review these requests on a case-by-case basis and may grant extensions if sufficient justification is provided.



Payment Request Forms must be submitted to EPA no later than 11/29/24 at 4:00 p.m. ET.
For more information, please visit www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus.



PRF Extension Request Process: NEW Change Request Form

- EPA strongly encourage all selectees to submit their PRF as soon as practicable, but where needed, EPA will approve extensions to ensure successful planning and deployment of 2023 Clean School Bus Rebate Projects.
- **Process:** The NEW Change Request Form will allow 2023 Rebate selectees to submit requests for extensions, edits, or withdrawals through the CSB Applicant Dashboard. **To request an Extension Request for the PRF in the Change Request Form:**
 - Please indicate the reason(s) for the requested extension to your 2023 CSB Rebate Payment Request Form:
 1. Review Needed from School Board/Other Entity
 2. Utility Delay
 3. Bus OEM/Supplier Issues
 4. Infrastructure OEM/Supplier Issues
 5. Less Than 6 months to Complete PRF
 6. Change in Applicant Contacts
 7. Change in Buses to be Replaced
 8. Bid protest
 9. Technical Issues with Form Submission
 10. Other (If Other selected, add short textbox for summary)
 - Please provide a detailed explanation for why an extension is necessary.
 - Please provide the requested Payment Request Form extension date.
- **Timeline:** PRF extension requests must be submitted via the Change Request Form after August 1, 2024, and before November 1, 2024, at 4 PM ET.




Payment Request Forms must be submitted to EPA no later than 11/29/24 at 4:00 p.m. ET.
For more information, please visit www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus.



Getting to the Payment Request Form

- The link to the Payment Request Form, additional information on SAM.gov requirements, and help resources can be found on the Rebates page.
- A Payment Request Form User Guide with screenshots is posted at the bottom of the Payment Request Form page.

2023 Clean School Bus Rebates Overview **CLOSED**



The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law of 2021 authorizes EPA to offer rebates to replace existing school buses with clean and zero-emission (ZE) models. The 2023 Clean School Bus (CSB) Rebates process includes [SAM.gov](#)  account registration, rebate application submission, review and selection by EPA, selectees will then submit purchase orders to request payment and then receive payment, which is followed by new bus delivery, existing bus replacement, and project close out. **The program guidance and application process differ from prior EPA school bus rebate programs, so please review the summary of program requirements below and the detailed Program Guide before proceeding.**

Online Rebate Forms

After reviewing the information and Program Guide found on this page, check more information on the [Online Rebate Application and other rebate forms](#).



SAM.gov Registration

[SAM.gov](#)  registration is required to apply to the CSB Rebate Program. [Learn more](#) .

<https://www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus/school-bus-rebates-clean-school-bus-program>



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Website and Payment Request Form Demo

Clean School Bus Rebate Forms: Applicant Login

Click the **Sign in** button below to login to the *Clean School Bus Rebate Dashboard* using Login.gov.

[Sign in](#)

Clean School Bus [CONTACT US](#)

Clean School Bus Rebate Forms

- [Clean School Bus Rebate Program](#)
- [Online Rebate Application Information](#)

[Dashboard](#) paulos.alexander@epa.gov [Sign out](#)

Rebate Year: 2023 [New Application](#)

Your Rebate Forms

Select a button below to *Edit* or *View* an existing rebate form.

Rebate ID	Form Type Form Status	UEI EFT Indicator	Applicant School District	Updated By Date Updated	Change Request
View 023741	Application Selected	123456000125 1234	Alexander Paulos Inc. RICHMOND CITY PBLC SCHS	paulos.alexander@epa.gov 5/30/2024	Change

[New Payment Request](#)



<https://app.epa.gov/csb/welcome>



LIVE DEMO

Selectee Requirements – Close Out Form

Once selectees have received their new buses and eligible infrastructure and have replaced their existing buses, they must submit an online Close Out Form. The **Close Out Form** must be submitted by **May 29, 2026**.

The Close Out Form will require selectees to attach:



- For existing buses being scrapped: scrappage photos and letter for buses being replaced
- For existing buses eligible to be sold or donated: documentation of the vehicle sale or donation
- A scan of the invoices for the new buses and eligible infrastructure
- A scan of proof of delivery for the new buses and eligible infrastructure (e.g., dated bill of lading)
- One photo of the exterior of each new bus, labeled with the last 4 digits of the bus VIN
- One photo of each charging pedestal if EPA funds were used for charging infrastructure

Selectees must retain all financial records, supporting documents, accounting books and other evidence of Rebate Program activities for five years after delivery of the new buses. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the five-year period, the recipient must maintain all appropriate records until these actions are completed and all issues resolved.



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For more information, please visit www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus.



2023 CSB Rebate Selectee Q&A Process & Resources Reminder

Q&A Process Reminder

- The questions and answers in the Q&A Document provide application information about the 2023 Clean School Bus Rebate Program. The sections listed in the document reference the sections in the 2023 CSB Rebate Program Guide. The Program Guide and other rebate information can be found here: <https://www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus/school-bus-rebates-clean-school-bus-program>.
- Please search ***New*** to quickly identify recently added questions in this document.
- If your question is not answered after reviewing the Q&A document, please email it to cleanschoolbus@epa.gov with “2023 CSB Rebate Question” in the subject line. Please note that many questions are variations of each other so your exact question may not be listed; please look for similar questions.



CSB Program Technical Assistance Resources



Technical Assistance

- [Clean School Bus Technical Assistance](#)
- [Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Resources](#)
- [Clean School Bus Case Studies](#)
- **NEW** [Tax Credits](#)



Workforce Development

- [Bus Manufacturer Job Quality and Workforce Development Practices](#)
- [Workforce Development and Training Resources](#)



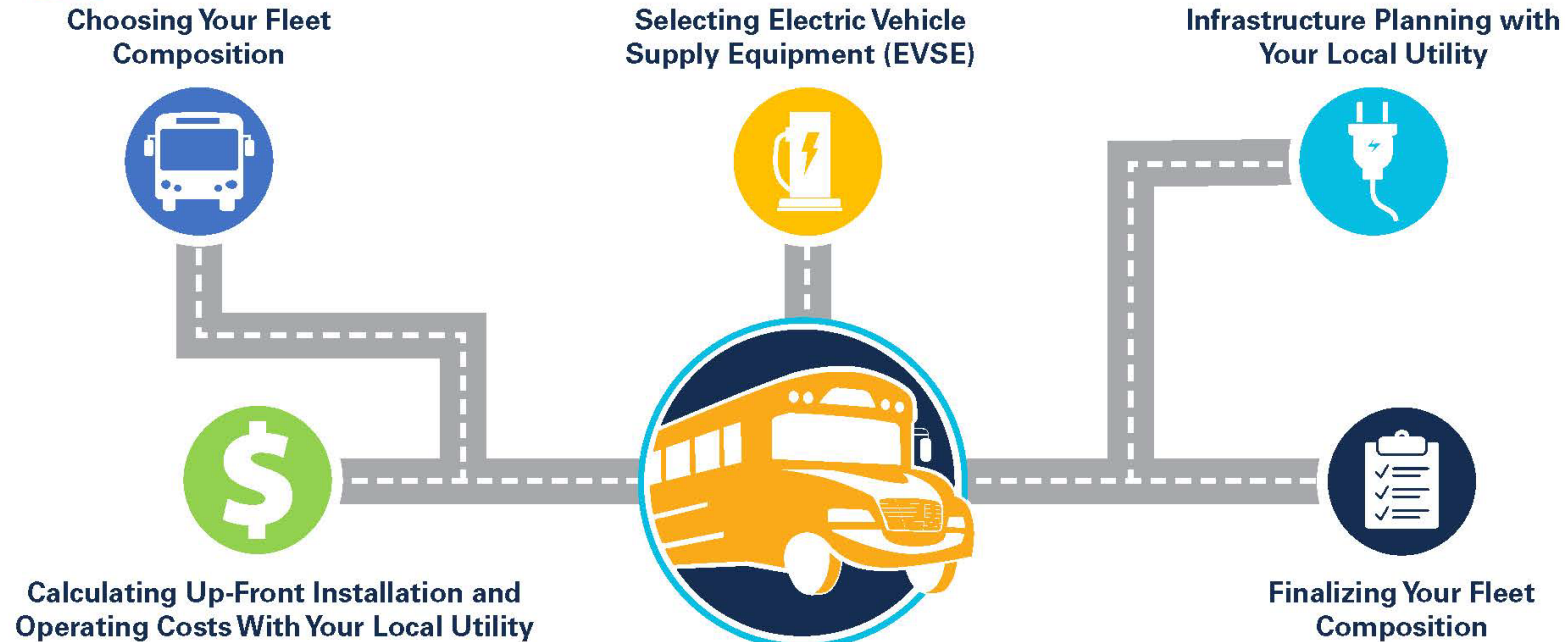
Educational Materials

- [Clean School Bus Reports to Congress](#)
- [Benefits of Clean School Buses](#)
- [Resources to Engage Your Community](#)



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The Transition to Electric School Buses: Considerations and Resources



Congratulations on your transition to electric school buses (ESBs)! As you begin to procure your new ESBs and eligible charging infrastructure, you will want to conduct several concurrent discussions with your local utility and the manufacturers of your vehicles and charging infrastructure. The topics and resources in this document will facilitate the successful purchase and timely deployment of your ESBs and charging infrastructure.



Please contact cleanschoolbusTA@NREL.gov if you have any questions and visit [epa.gov/cleanschoolbus](https://www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus) to learn more about technical assistance (TA). TA for ESB **planning and deployment** is available to school districts participating in the EPA Clean School Bus Program.



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COORDINATING WITH ELECTRIC UTILITY PARTNERS

As schools across the nation embark on the transition to electric transportation, **it is crucial that schools and school districts establish a strong relationship with the electric utility** responsible for supplying the power needed to charge their electric school buses. **This resource is intended to prepare schools and school districts for the first of many conversations they will have with utilities**, and provide a high-level overview of what schools can expect as they build out charging infrastructure to support electric school buses.



Please contact cleanschoolbusTA@NREL.gov if you have any questions and visit [epa.gov/cleanschoolbus](https://www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus) to learn more about technical assistance. Technical assistance for Clean School Bus **planning and deployment** is available to school districts participating in the EPA Clean School Bus Program.

<https://www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus/charging-and-fueling-infrastructure-resources>



WORKFORCE PLANNING RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOURCES

EPA's Clean School Bus (CSB) program is enabling school districts across the country to purchase new, cleaner vehicles to transport kids to school every day. The successful deployment of clean school buses requires a workforce that is well-prepared to operate and maintain the buses. Worker preparedness, safety, empowerment, and job quality are thus top priorities in the transition to clean school buses. EPA strongly recommends that schools and school districts develop a workforce readiness plan, using resources such as those included in this document and on EPA's website, to support the transition to new buses. Funding from EPA's Clean School Bus program can be used for workforce development activities, which might include developing training materials, sending employees to training courses, and/or paying for services from a third-party workforce partner. Additional funds for workforce development may be available through state or local agencies, and school districts are encouraged to pursue partnerships with other districts and local education and training partners to fulfill their training needs.

This document outlines suggestions for how to prepare and empower your workforce for the transition to clean school buses. The specific needs of each school district will vary based on many factors, including the number of new buses, the number of workers operating and maintaining the buses and infrastructure, the current expertise of the workforce, and other similar considerations. The suggestions below provide general recommendations for workforce planning and districts are encouraged to adapt them to their own needs. Additional workforce development resources can be found on [EPA's Clean School Bus website](#).



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<https://www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus/workforce-development-and-training-resources>

EPA Coordination with the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation

The Joint Office can provide **applicants and selectees** with **FREE** support on the following topics:

Coordinating with
electric utilities

Identifying
available funding
and incentives

Analyzing
charging
infrastructure
needs

Conducting a
route analysis and
planning routes

Conducting
training and
workforce
development

Opportunities for
resiliency (V2X)

Analyzing energy
needs and grid
impact

Identifying solar
and battery
storage
opportunities

[Contact cleanschoolbusTA@nrel.gov](mailto:cleanschoolbusTA@nrel.gov) or visit driveelectric.gov
electric-school-bus-forum.nrel.gov/



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Upcoming JOET TA Webinars

June 18, 2024	Differences Between ESBs and ICE Buses, ESB Maintenance, and Bus RFP Best Practices
July 24, 2024	Battery Overview, Recycling/End-of-Life Options, and Warranties
August 28, 2024	Building a Case For ESBs in your Fleet including Benefits, Total Cost Of Ownership (TCO), and Emissions Calculators
September 25, 2024	Electrification Process including a Step-by-Step Guide for New Adopters



To view the most up-to-date list of CSB webinars and register, please visit:
www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus/events-related-clean-school-bus-program



Clean Bus Planning Awards (CBPA) Program

- Funded by the Joint Office and managed by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL).
- **FREE** technical assistance for comprehensive and customized fleet electrification transition plans.
- Applications open on a rolling basis.
- Eligible fleets generally includes fleets eligible for EPA Clean School Bus and FTA Low-No Grant funding.
- Deployment assistance also available at the completion of the plan, for a period not to exceed 3 years (monthly check in calls, annual plan updates, RFP development, training support etc.).
- Learn more at <https://driveelectric.gov/clean-bus-planning-awards>



Question & Answer Session



Upvote and comment on questions similar to your own.
Type your full thought so we can follow-up with an answer.
Speak slowly and clearly for the captioner/interpreter.

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2023 CSB Rebates

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- Dates and topics for future webinars are on our website under the 'Webinars' section.

Future Funding Opportunities

- EPA encourages school districts to consider which competition structure (grants or rebates) best suits their needs.
- CHDV Grants are currently open and another round of CSB Rebates is *anticipated to open* in Fall 2024.

Resources

- The Joint Office of Energy and Transportation Technical Assistance Helpline (cleanschoolbusTA@nrel.gov)
- The EPA Clean School Bus Program Helpline (cleanschoolbus@epa.gov)

Stay in Touch

- Learn more about the 2023 CSB Rebates at [epa.gov/cleanschoolbus/clean-school-bus-program-rebates](https://www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus/clean-school-bus-program-rebates)
- Learn more about the CHDV Grants at [epa.gov/clean-heavy-duty-vehicles-program/clean-heavy-duty-vehicles-grant-program](https://www.epa.gov/clean-heavy-duty-vehicles-program/clean-heavy-duty-vehicles-grant-program)
- Learn more about the Clean Bus Planning Awards Program at driveelectric.gov/clean-bus-planning-awards
- Sign up for the CSB listserv at <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/dgrhRed/cleanschoolbus>

CONGRATULATIONS!



Appendix

Next Steps for 2023 CSB Rebate Selectees

1 SELECTION: MAY 2024

Upon receipt of official selection notification from EPA, selectees can proceed with purchasing replacement buses, charging infrastructure, and other eligible expenses in accordance with [Section 3 of the 2023 CSB Rebates Program Guide \(PG\)](#).

2 HELPFUL RESOURCES

Selectees review the [CSB Rebates webpage](#) for FAQs, important dates, rebate forms, webinars, and resource documents. Please contact cleanschoolbus@epa.gov with any programmatic questions.



4 PAYMENT REQUEST: MAY-NOV 2024

Selectees must submit [Payment Request Forms](#) with order documentation demonstrating that replacement buses, charging infrastructure, and other eligible expenses outlined in [Section 8 of the PG](#) have been ordered before receiving funds from EPA.

3 INFRASTRUCTURE & TRAINING

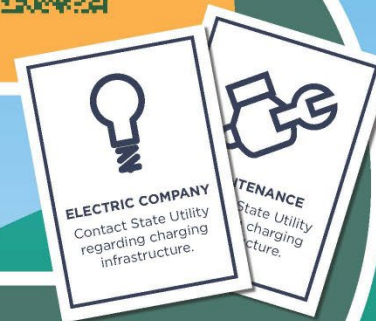
If your rebate includes [charging infrastructure](#) or [workforce development](#), review [Section 3 of the PG](#) and begin planning as soon as possible. Please contact cleanschoolbusTA@nrel.gov to be connected with your utility provider or with any other [technical assistance](#) questions.

5 DELIVERY & SCRAPPAGE

Upon delivery, put replacement buses into service and [engage your community](#). Then, document scrappage, sale, or donation of the existing buses as outlined in [Section 9 of the PG](#). Existing buses must be replaced by the closeout deadline, but can overlap with replacement buses if needed.

6 CLOSEOUT: NOV 2024

Deadline to complete projects and submit [Close Out Forms](#) as outlined in [Section 10 of the PG](#). Eligible selectees should also complete any tasks necessary to receive [available tax credits](#).



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Important! SAM.gov Registration

Check the Systems
for Award
Management
([SAM.gov](https://www.sam.gov)) to ensure
your organization is
actively registered as
an entity

- An individual user account on [SAM.gov](https://www.sam.gov) is not the same thing as an organization's entity registration.
- Review all [SAM.gov](https://www.sam.gov) entity registration information for accuracy, including bank accounts, addresses, the [Unique Entity Identifier \(UEI\)](https://www.sam.gov), and Points of Contact.
 - If your [SAM.gov](https://www.sam.gov) account will expire soon, then make sure to update the existing account, Please do not create a new account
- If your organization has no record of a [SAM.gov](https://www.sam.gov) registration, expired or active, and needs to create a new registration, the simplest entity registration type that can participate in the Clean School Bus Rebates is the “Federal Assistance Awards Only” registration.
- For help with [SAM.gov](https://www.sam.gov), reach out to the Federal Service Desk at: <https://www.fsd.gov>.



Payment Request Forms must be submitted to EPA no later than 11/29/24 at 4:00 p.m. ET.
For more information, please visit www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus.




Important! SAM.gov Registration (Cont.)

Only individuals with email addresses listed as one of the following Points of Contact (POC) under an *active SAM.gov* entity registration will have access to create, edit, save, and submit a Clean School Bus Rebate application for that entity:

- Electronic Business POC
- Alternate Electronic Business POC
- Government Business POC
- Alternate Government Business POC

***Note: When entering the rebate application, applicants must use the same email as is listed in their POC information in SAM.gov. They will be prompted to sign-in to, or create, a free login.gov account.**



If you made a SAM.gov account to apply last year, please verify it is still active as accounts that have not been accessed in 365 days will go inactive. Please ensure that POC contact info is current.

If selected for funding, **EPA can only disburse funds to the SAM.gov entity included in the rebate application**; selectees are responsible for ensuring their SAM.gov account remains up-to-date and all information in the SAM.gov account, including points of contact and bank account details, is accurate.



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