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*Safety Newsletter*

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SUFFOLK TRANSPORTATION SERVICE, INC

SUFFOLK BUS CORP.



**HAPPY NEW YEAR!** We hope everyone had an opportunity to welcome in 2024 with family and friends. Please continue to be mindful of staying healthy. Washing your hands is the number one way to stop the spread of germs. In some instances, it may make sense to have a mask handy and don't forget to ventilate your bus. Good health + good attendance = safe transportation for your riders!

**REFRESHER SCHEDULE:** Winter refreshers are scheduled and will start 1/8 through 1/17 at either Saxon, Smithtown Ave. or Coram classroom. We are also having refreshers on Martin Luther King Day to help those that have a mid-day or late run. Please sign up on MPS to secure a seat as space for walk-ins will be limited. Click on "Classes" then "Upcoming Classes". Please be prompt and remember, if you do not attend a scheduled refresher, it will affect your Safety bonus. The schedule is as follows:

January 8, 2024	Monday	10:00 AM	1780 Smithtown Ave (P2)
January 9, 2024	Tuesday	10:30 AM	1780 Smithtown Ave (P2)
January 11, 2024	Thursday	10:00 AM	Coram
January 15, 2024 (MLK)	Monday	9:00 AM	1780 Smithtown Ave (P2)
January 16, 2024	Tuesday	10:00 AM	1780 Smithtown Ave (P2)
January 16, 2024	Tuesday	5:30 PM	1780 Smithtown Ave (P2)
January 16, 2024	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Coram

**HOMELAND SECURITY:** To report suspicious activity, contact your local law enforcement agency. Describe specifically what you observed, including: WHO or WHAT you saw; WHEN you saw it; WHERE it occurred and WHY it's suspicious. If there is an emergency, call 9-1-1.

**SAFETY HOTLINE:** The Safety Hotline number on the back of our school buses was originally designed for the general public to report safety violations. Now you can too! You can use this hotline number to report unsafe work conditions, safety violations you witness, illegal activities and any concerns you feel we need to correct. **Call: 631-969-9510!** Calling this number is just another way you can communicate your concerns easily and confidentially. Calls can be made anonymously. Remember: see something, say something pertains to homeland security and so much more.



**YARD SAFETY:** As we go into the new year, please be mindful of your surroundings when maneuvering your vehicle on school grounds, in the bus yards and always follow the traffic patterns in all parking lots. Making contact with fixed objects wherever they are located can always be avoided. Remember to slow down, get out and look and/or ask for assistance when maneuvering around tight spaces. Thank you for your cooperation.



**FACEBOOK:** This week's spotlight is Paulo Castro, van driver for North Babylon UFSD out of 31 Moffitt Blvd.

*"What the new year brings to you will depend a great deal on what you bring to the new year."*