

# BUS REPLACEMENT PLAN

2024-2026

Beiriger Elementary School  
Wadsworth Elementary School

Griffith Jr./Sr. High School

## **School Board Members:**

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## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Complete details of the Bus Replacement plan may be seen by visiting the website of this unit of government at the following address: <https://in01000714.schoolwires.net/>

Notice is hereby given to taxpayers of **Griffith Public Schools** that the proper officers of Griffith Public Schools will conduct a public hearing on the year **2024** proposed Bus Replacement Plan pursuant to IC 20-40-18. Following the public hearing, the proper officers of **Griffith Public Schools** may adopt the proposed plan as presented or with revisions.

Public Hearing Date:

**10/12/2023**

Public Hearing Time:

**5:00PM**

Public Hearing Place:

**Griffith High School, LGI Room  
600 N. Wiggs Griffith, IN 46319**

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 2024 - 2028**

Pursuant to IC 20-40-18, Union-North United School Corporation does hereby submit to the Department of Local Government Finance the following School Bus Replacement Plan for the five (5) year period 2024 through 2028. 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 Number	Type of Bus/Vehicle per DOE "TN"	Owned or Leased	Estimated Replacement Costs				
					2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
1	2010 International - 48/Wheel	8	C	Owned	138000				
2	2011 International - 48/Wheel	10	C	Owned	138000				
3	2012 International - 78	7	C	Owned		142000			
4	2013 Chevrolet Starcraft - 15	25	A	Owned		80500			
5	2015 Chevrolet Starcraft - 15	22	A	Owned				85000	
6	2016 International -78	4	C	Owned				150000	
7	2017 International -78	5	C	Owned					
8	2017 Chevrolet Starcraft -15	23	A						
9	2018 International - 72	11	C						
10	2018 International - 72	12	C						
11	2018 International - 72	2	C						
12	2018 International - 72	3	C						
13	2018 International - 72	13	C						
14	2019 Chevrolet Starcraft - 15	24	A						
15	2020 International - 72	9	C						
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<b>Replacement Cost Totals</b>					<b>276000</b>	<b>222500</b>		<b>235000</b>	

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

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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.

**In the event of route changes the Griffith Public Schools requests to add to our fleet up to 2 Type D buses, up to 2 Type C buses, upto 2 Type B buses, and up to 2 Type A buses during the 2024 calendar year to address student growth.**

(Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

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.)



## **BUS REPLACEMENT PLAN AMENDMENT**

**If the school corporation is submitting an amended plan, please complete the following questions.**

1. Declare the nature of and the need for the amendment.

(Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

2. Show cause as to why the original plan no longer meets the needs of the school corporation.

(Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT BUS REPLACEMENT PLAN  
Budget Year 2024**

This resolution is adopted by the Board of Trustees of the School Corporation below:

School Corporation Name: Griffith Public Schools  
County: Lake

WHEREAS, A School Bus Replacement Plan has been established; and  
WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is required under IC 20-40-18-9 to adopt a plan for the School Bus Replacement Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees held a public hearing on the plan date and place below:

Meeting Date: 10/12/2023  
Meeting Location: Griffith High School, LGI Room, 600 N. Wiggs Griffith, IN 46319

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees that the plan entitled "Bus Replacement Plan" this resolution, and is adopted as the Board of Trustees' Plan with respect to the School Bus Replacement Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees shall submit a certified copy of this resolution to the Department of Local Government Finance as required by IC 20-40-18-9.

Adoption Date: 10/24/2023

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Secretary of Board of School Trustees