

# MID BUS

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Recall 05V-203

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Mid Bus has decided that certain Guide school buses fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 222, "School Bus Passenger Seating and Crash Protection." This issue involves the width of the 24" cushion on single person seats. It can be recognized by measuring the center of the cushion for seats that are 24" in width.

**Reason:** Recent auditing by the National Highway Safety Administration has brought it to our attention that current 24" seat cushions should be 22" in width according to FMVSS 222. This service campaign will provide you with the instructions to replace your 24" seat cushion to make it compliant to FMVSS 222.

**Repairs:** During this campaign, you'll be provided a 22" seat cushion to replace the 24" cushion currently installed in your bus.

**How Long Will it Take?** It will take approximately (5) minutes to replace the seat cushion in your bus. You can easily do the repairs yourself or have the bus taken to a Mid Bus dealer to have the cushion replaced. If you provide the labor, Mid Bus will reimburse you at the rate of \$ 65/hr for your time (\$5.42) per unit. If you wish to have the dealer change the cushion, you may contact him for the replacement. We have included a Recall Completion Postcard with your new 24" cushion. We request that you fill out the card completely upon the completion of the service campaign. Please return it to Mid Bus.

**Who to Contact:** If you have questions, please contact Penny Dukes, warranty dept. at Mid Bus 1-877-358-6055 extension 135 or you may contact your Mid Bus dealer for guidance on this recall.

If your dealer doesn't make the repair promptly and without charge, you may contact Mid Bus service. By Federal law, we are required to notify you that if this service does not occur in a timely manner or without charge you may contact the Administrator, NHTSA at 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590 or call toll-free at 1-888-327-4236. Federal Law requires lessee to forward this notice to lessor within 10 days.

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If you have had your vehicle repaired prior to receipt of this notice, you may be entitled to reimbursement if you incurred any out of pocket cost due to this matter. For further information, please contact us at the number listed above.

We regret the inconvenience this service may cause you, but we want to have the work done for your safety and satisfaction with the school bus you purchased from us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Kessler", followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

Paul Kessler  
President Mid Bus Inc.