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IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

NHTSA Recall Number: 18V-880 School Bus
NHTSA Recall Number: 18V-881 Non-School Bus

DATE: February 7, 2019

SUBJECT: RECALL R19ZU, Hydraulic Parking Brake Cable Retention

Dear Blue Bird Owner:

This important safety recall notice applies to your bus(es) identified by both Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the enclosed pink reply sheet. If you no longer own the subject bus(es), please complete the appropriate section of the yellow reply sheet and return to Blue Bird in the enclosed pink postage prepaid envelope.

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Blue Bird Body Company is recalling certain model year 2019 Vision and All American School Buses manufactured from March 8, 2018 through June 23, 2018 and certain model year 2019 Vision and All American Non-School Buses manufactured from March 14, 2018 through April 20, 2018. There is the potential of an unintended disengagement of the parking brake cable that sets the hydraulic parking brake from the retention clevis on the foot pedal assembly. In the event that the parking brake cable becomes dislodged, there is an increased possibility of unintended movement, when the vehicle is parked. This is a noncompliance issue with FMVSS 105, Hydraulic and Electric Brake Systems.

To correct this condition, a clevis cable retention clip and a cable-end return spring will be installed to prevent the cable from disengaging from pedal retention clevis and to remove slack in the cable to return the cable to the completely released position.

Blue Bird will reimburse the labor cost of inspection and potential repairs relating to this recall at no cost to you the vehicle owner. The standard repair time (SRT) to accomplish these repairs in accordance with the R19ZU installation procedure is 0.5 hours.

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

If the modifications directed by this notification were performed on your bus prior to the receipt of this recall notification, attach a copy of the work order/invoice. Mail the documents in the pink self-addressed postage prepaid envelope included with the pink reply coversheet to Blue Bird for warranty consideration. Reimbursements will be made in accordance with the requirements of the National Highway Transportation Safety Act, Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 573 and 577.

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Please contact your local Blue Bird Dealer with any questions regarding this recall campaign.

If Blue Bird Body Company should fail to or is unable to remedy this condition without charge to you, you may contact:

**ADMINISTRATOR
NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION
1200 NEW JERSEY AVENUE, SE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590**

Or, you may call The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration toll free at:
1-888-327-4236 TTY 1-800-424-9153 or go to: <http://www.safercar.gov>