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IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

NHTSA Recall Number: 20V-249 School Bus

DATE: May 28, 2020

TO: U.S. DEALERS

SUBJECT: R20AQ – Hand Lever Park Brake Cable Routing with Ford 6.8L Gas Engines

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

This important safety recall notice applies to your buses identified by both Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the attached yellow cover sheet.

Blue Bird Body Company is recalling certain model year 2018 to 2021 Vision School Buses manufactured from September 21, 2016 through February 3, 2020. On certain Blue Bird Vision buses with gasoline engines equipped with an optional right-hand mounted parking brake lever, the cable may contact the gasoline fuel supply line to the engine, which may result in a fuel leak. Blue Bird has elected to conduct a voluntary safety recall to correct any potential contact between the parking brake cable and gasoline fuel supply line. Blue Bird has evaluated the risk to motor vehicle safety and determined that there is an increased potential of a fire should the contact between the parking brake cable and gasoline fuel supply line result in a fuel leak. A fire could increase the risk of injury and/or damage to property.

To correct this condition, Blue Bird will provide the necessary hardware and associated remedy instructions to inspect the fuel line for wear on affected buses and secure the parking brake cable so it cannot contact or cause wear on the gasoline fuel line.

Blue Bird will reimburse the labor cost of the repairs related to this recall at no cost to you the Dealer or to the vehicle owner. The standard repair time (SRT) to accomplish these repairs in accordance with the R20AQ remedy procedure(s) is outlined below.

Repair Options and allowable labor times for this campaign:

Repair A (Inspection and Clamp Installation):

- 0.20 hours (12 minutes)

Repair B (Fuel Line Replacement, If Needed):

- 0.60 hours (36 minutes)

Parts to complete Recall R20AQ must be obtained from Blue Bird Recall Administration via e-mail at campaignparts@blue-bird.com or return the yellow cover sheet to Blue Bird in the pink, self-addressed, postage prepaid envelope to receive parts at no charge. Be sure to provide a valid shipping address as UPS does not deliver to post office boxes. You should retain a copy of the reply sheet for your records. Parts should be available at/by the end of June.



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If Blue Bird's records indicate bus(es) subject to this recall were delivered in your service area, a list of affected bus(es) will be enclosed. The bus(es) will be identified by Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the enclosed yellow cover sheet. **Dealers should verify correct owners and assure that complete mailing and shipping addresses are provided for each listed owner.**

It is the dealer's responsibility to verify that the correct owner name, address, and telephone number is provided for each listed vehicle. Any corrections or updates should be made in ClaimsCenter. Addresses that cannot be updated should be forwarded to the Recall Administrator.

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

Dealers are reminded of their responsibilities under Section 154 of The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1991. Dealers are required to complete modifications on units in their inventory before delivering to the final owner. Reference Blue Bird Body Company Distributor Memo No. 42-92.

If you have in your possession or have sold a bus that was purchased from another dealer, that may be affected by this recall, please notify Lisa Hancock at 478-822-2242 or lisa.hancock@blue-bird.com Questions regarding this recall campaign should be directed to Lisa Hancock, as well.

Sincerely,

Lisa Hancock

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