

R22CB



### IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

NHTSA Recall Number: 22V-739 School Bus NHTSA Recall Number: 22V-740 Non-School Bus

DATE: February 13, 2023

SUBJECT: R22CB: 7.3L Gas Supply Line And Shifter Cable Interference

### **Dear Blue Bird Owner:**

This notice applies to your bus(es) identified by both Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the enclosed yellow cover sheet. If you no longer own the subject bus(es), please complete the appropriate section of the yellow cover 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 has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in:

- Certain model year 2022 through 2023 Blue Bird Vision School Buses
  - o manufactured from May 3, 2021 through June 16, 2022
  - Certain model year 2022 through 2023 Blue Bird Vision Non-School Buses
    - manufactured from June 11, 2021 through February 25, 2022

On the subject buses, it has been determined that certain Blue Bird Vision (BBCV) School and Non-School Buses equipped with 7.3L gasoline powered engines have a potential for the transmission shift cable to have insufficient clearance to the gasoline fuel supply line at the left rear corner of the engine. The transmission shift cable may come in physical contact with the gasoline fuel line at the rear of the engine. This inadvertent contact could abrade the gasoline fuel line and cause potential leaks. Additionally, some units may be missing the heat shield bracket, which is used to secure the shift cable. Potential interference could cause leak(s) of pressurized gasoline within the approximate area of the hot surfaces of the engine and could increase risk of a fire.

# **Corrective Action:**

To correct this condition, affected vehicles will need to be inspected and repaired, per R22CB Recall Instructions. The shift cable will need to be inspected and/or properly routed. The affected units will need to be inspected for this condition and possibly rerouted if any signs of a wear are observed. Blue Bird will reimburse the labor cost of the repair related to this recall at no cost to the vehicle owner. Please contact your local Blue Bird dealer to arrange to have the Recall performed. To locate an authorized dealer, search online at <a href="www.blue-bird.com/find-a-dealer">www.blue-bird.com/find-a-dealer</a> You may request parts at <a href="maintenangerighte-bird.com">campaignparts@blue-bird.com</a> Parts are currently available.

#### Labor Reimbursement:

Blue Bird will reimburse the labor cost of the repairs related to this recall at no cost to you the vehicle owner. The standard repair time (SRT) to accomplish these repairs in accordance with the R22CB remedy procedure(s) is outlined below. The remedy would be comprised of Repair A, or Repair A in combination with Repair B, Repair C and/or Repair D based on the inspection findings.



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**Labor Reimbursement: (continued)** 

Repair A: Inspection Only: 0.2 Hours (12 minutes)
Repair B: Re-routing Shift Cable: 0.3 Hours (18 minutes)
Repair C: Install Brackets: 0.3 Hours (18 minutes)

Repair D: Fuel Line Replacement: 0.7 Hours (42 minutes)

## **Administering the Recall and Parts**:

Parts to complete Recall R22CB are currently available. You may request parts through <a href="mailto:campaignparts@blue-bird.com">campaignparts@blue-bird.com</a>

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 sheet 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.

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