



R26DX

## IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

NHTSA Recall Number: 25V-852 School Bus

**DATE:** February ??, 2026  
**TO:** U.S. DEALERS  
**SUBJECT:** R26DX: Missing Wheel Chair Lift Support Brace

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

Blue Bird Body Company has decided that

- Certain model year 2025-2027 Vision School Buses
    - manufactured from July 15, 2024 through September 29, 2025
- vehicles fail to conform to the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard **FMVSS 404, Platform Lift Installations.**

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.

It has been determined certain Blue Bird Vision School Buses equipped with Ricon Wheel Chair Lifts may have been installed with a quantity of four brackets/reinforcements instead of the required five. Due to the missing bracket, there is an increased risk of structural failure, which could compromise compliance with FMVSS 404, Platform Lift Installations. As a result, this may increase the risk of injury. Blue Bird shall conduct a safety recall to correct this noncompliance.

### **Corrective Action:**

To correct this condition, Blue Bird will notify the affected dealers and owners and will provide repair instructions. Recall R26DX should be repaired, per R26DX Recall Repair Instructions. You may request parts at [campaignparts@blue-bird.com](mailto:campaignparts@blue-bird.com) **Parts are currently available.**

### **Labor Reimbursement:**

Blue Bird will reimburse the labor cost of the Inspection and Repair related to this recall at no cost to the Dealer or the vehicle owner. The standard repair time (SRT) to accomplish the repairs in accordance with the R26DX remedy procedure(s) is outlined below. The remedy is comprised of Repair A (Inspection) or Repair A (Inspection) and Repair B (Repair) based on the inspection findings.

Repair A: R26DX Inspection	0.20 Hours (12 minutes)
Repair B: R26DX Repair	0.50 Hours (30 minutes)

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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 complete mailing and shipping addresses are provided for each listed owner.**

It is the dealer's responsibility to verify the correct owner's 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, which may be affected by this recall, please notify Lisa Hancock at 478-822-2242 or [lisa.hancock@blue-bird.com](mailto: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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