



U.S. Department  
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National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration

## Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 26V032

**Manufacturer Name:** Blue Bird Body Company

**Submission Date:** Mar 20, 2026

**NHTSA Recall No.:** 26V032

**Manufacturer Recall No.:**

### Manufacturer Information

### Population

**Manufacturer Name:** Blue Bird Body Company

**Address:** P.O. Box 937  
402 Blue Bird Boulevard  
Fort Valley GA, 31030

**Total number of potentially involved:** 432

**Estimated percentage with defect:** 30%

### Vehicle Information

**Vehicle 1:** 2026-2026 BLUE BIRD VISION SCHOOL BUS

**Product Category:** Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles

**Product Type:**

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Electric Battery Power

**Production Dates:** May 01, 2025 - Dec 31, 2025

**Number of potentially involved:** 240

**Descriptive Information:**

Supplier provided us with timeline on when this issue persisted in their plant. This was the basis of determining affected population.

Recalled products do not have clear window markings.

**Vehicle 2:** 2026-2027 BLUE BIRD ALL AMERICAN SCHOOL BUS

**Product Category:** Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles

**Product Type:** School Bus

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Compression Ignition Fuel

**Production Dates:** May 01, 2025 - Dec 31, 2026

**Number of potentially involved:** 35

**Descriptive Information:**

Supplier provided us with timeline on when this issue persisted in their plant. This was the basis of determining affected population.

Recalled products do not have clear window markings.

**Part 573 Safety Recall Report****26V032****Vehicle 3:** 2026-2027 BLUE BIRD VISION SCHOOL BUS**Product Category:** Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles**Product Type:** School Bus**Fuel / Propulsion:** Compression Ignition Fuel**Production Dates:** May 01, 2025 - Dec 31, 2025**Number of potentially involved:** 397**Descriptive Information:**

Supplier provided us with timeline on when this issue persisted in their plant. This was the basis of determining affected population.

Recalled products do not have clear window markings.

**Vehicle 4:** 2026-2026 BLUE BIRD ALL AMERICAN SCHOOL BUS**Product Category:** Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles**Product Type:****Fuel / Propulsion:** Electric Battery Power**Production Dates:** May 01, 2025 - Dec 25, 2025**Number of potentially involved:** 32**Descriptive Information:**

Supplier provided us with timeline on when this issue persisted in their plant. This was the basis of determining affected population.

Recalled products do not have clear window markings.

**Vehicle 5:** 2026-2027 BLUE BIRD VISION SCHOOL BUS**Product Category:** Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles**Product Type:** School Bus**Fuel / Propulsion:** Spark Ignition Fuel**Production Dates:** May 01, 2025 - Dec 31, 2025**Number of potentially involved:** 397**Descriptive Information:**

Supplier provided us with timeline on when this issue persisted in their plant. This was the basis of determining affected population.

Recalled products do not have clear window markings.

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## Defect / Noncompliance Description

### Description of the defect or noncompliance:

Lippert notified Blue Bird that certain windows in the recall population have DOT marking on the window which is partially illegible or not legible at all which is a FMVSS 205 violation.

**FMVSS1:** 205 - Glazing materials

**FMVSS2:**

### Description of the safety risk, including crash, fire, death, injury:

Under certain conditions if the designator is illegible, safety personal may not know the type of glass leading to an increased risk of personal injury.

### Description of the cause:

During production, the DOT etching was not applied by Lippert with sufficient depth, resulting in the designator being illegible.

### Identification of any warning that can occur:

NA

## Component Manufacturer

**Tier of Supplier:** Tier 1

**Supplier Type:** OEM

**Name:** Lippert

**Address:** 2020 Blakesley Pkwy  
Bristol IN, 46507

**Country:** United States

## Involved Components

**Component Name 1:** Blue Bird Window Assembly

**Component Description:** DRIVER WINDOW,,CLEAR LAMINATED,BLACK FINISH,,,,BLUE BIRD,,,,,,,,,MSB MODEL,,30-23

**Component Part Number:** BB-676538

**Component Name 2:** Blue Bird Window Assembly

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**Component Description:** DRIVER WINDOW,,CLEAR LAMINATED,MILL FINISH,,,,,BLUE BIRD,,,,,,,,,MSB MODEL,,30-23

**Component Part Number:** BB-676528

**Component Name 3:** Blue Bird Window Assembly

**Component Description:** WINDOW,ASSY,LAM TINT 2,ALU,BLACK,,SASH 35",,1200,,844.6MM,749.3MM,,,,,,,,,BLUE BIRD

**Component Part Number:** BB-340243

**Component Name 4:** Blue Bird Window Assembly

**Component Description:** WINDOW,ASSY,LAM CL,ALU,ALU,,SASH 35",,1200,,844.6MM,749.3MM,,,,,,,,,BLUE BIRD

**Component Part Number:** BB-340234

**Component Name 5:** Blue Bird Window Assembly

**Component Description:** WINDOW,ASSY,LAM TINT 2,ALU,BLACK,,SASH 28",,1200,,666.8MM,749.3MM,,,,,,,,,BLUE BIRD

**Component Part Number:** BB-340228

**Component Name 6:** Blue Bird Window Assembly

**Component Description:** WINDOW,ASSY,LAM TINT 2,ALU,ALU,,SASH 28",,1200,,666.8MM,749.3MM,,,,,,,,,BLUE BIRD

**Component Part Number:** BB-340221

**Component Name 7:** Blue Bird Window Assembly

**Component Description:** WINDOW,ASSY,LAM CL,ALU,ALU,,SASH 28",,1200,,666.8MM,749.3MM,,,,,,,,,BLUE BIRD

**Component Part Number:** BB-340219

**Component Name 8:** Blue Bird Window Assembly

**Component Description:** WINDOW,ASSY,LAM TINT 2,ALU,ALU,,SASH 35",,1200,,844.6MM,749.3MM,,,,,,,,,BLUE BIRD

**Component Part Number:** BB-340236

**Chronology**

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12/15/2025 – Blue Bird Corporation informed Lippert that the markings are not clear after a bus was inspected at the border and found the DOT designator on a window illegible.

12/15/2025 – Investigation opened. Quality inspection and containment done at all Lippert manufacturing facilities of the windows for Blue Bird.

12/16/2025 –Quality inspection begins at Blue Bird facility.

1/6/2026 – Investigation opened to determine scope and range of components.

1/15/2026 – Investigation concluded.

1/16/2026 – Lippert Recall Filed.

1/22/2026 - Blue Bird recall filed.

**Related NHTSA Recall Number:**

## Description of Remedy

**Remedy Type:** Inspect

**Consumer Advisories:**  Do Not Drive  Park Outside

**Description of remedy program:**

The remedy is to be determined by Lippert. Component Manufacturer Reimbursement Plan includes reimbursement of costs involved for parts, labor and freight to perform the remedy. Lippert will issue reimbursement to involved parties and will file quarterly recall completion reports .

**How remedy component differs from recalled component:**

Dealers and owners will visually inspect the upper and lower glass of each bus window and correct the etching, if necessary.

**Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:**

Components were quarantined, inspected then re-etched as needed. Quality inspections are put in place to ensure DOT designators are legible.

## Reimbursement Plan

Manufacturer used general reimbursement plan on file.

## Recall Schedule

**Description of recall schedule:**

**Part 573 Safety Recall Report****26V032****Planned Dealer Notification Date:** Mar 20, 2026 - Mar 20, 2026 No Dealers**Planned Interim Owner Notification Date:** No Owners**Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date:** Mar 20, 2026 - Mar 20, 2026 Phased Recall**Date when VIN will be searchable:**