



U.S. Department
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National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

26V245

Manufacturer Name: Blue Bird Body Company

Submission Date: Apr 17, 2026

NHTSA Recall No.: 26V245

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: 6

Estimated percentage with defect: 100%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2026-2026 Blue Bird All American Transit Bus

Product Category: Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles

Product Type: Transit Bus

Fuel / Propulsion: Compression Ignition Fuel

Production Dates: May 16, 2025 - Sep 24, 2025

Number of potentially involved: 6

Descriptive Information:

The recall was determined by an internal investigation. Non-school buses outside the population have all-weather wiper blade assemblies with properly secured nuts.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

Certain MY26 Blue Bird All American vehicles may experience loose securing nuts on the all-weather wiper blade assemblies.

FMVSS1:

FMVSS2:

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

Loss of wiper function may impair the driver's view in certain conditions, increasing the risk of crash.

Description of the cause:

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As a result of a non-conformance in the manufacturing protocol, the securing nuts on the all-weather wiper blade assemblies may not have been properly tightened.

Identification of any warning that can occur:

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier:

Supplier Type:

Name: Blue Bird

Address:

Country:

Involved Components

Component Name 1: All-weather Wiper Blade

Component Description: WIPER BLADES, ALL-WEATHER, 26IN

Component Part Number: 03442-03

Chronology

- January 2026: Blue Bird had a meeting with Transport Canada to understand windshield wiper issues they found during an inspection. Blue Bird started its internal investigation to evaluate if the issue was related to a supplier quality spill or an internal assembly process.
- March 2026: Blue Bird informed Transport Canada that the issue was assembly process related and was identifying the impacted population.
- April 2026: Blue Bird submitted a defect report.

Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

Remedy Type:

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Consumer Advisories: Do Not Drive Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

A Blue Bird dealership or owner will inspect the attachment, tighten the fasteners between the blade and mounting arm to the correct specification, if necessary.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

Remedied vehicles have all-weather wiper blade assemblies with properly secured nuts.

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

Production work instruction updates and training were provided on January 23, 2026.

Reimbursement Plan

Manufacturer used general reimbursement plan on file.

Recall Schedule

Description of recall schedule:

Dealer and Owner Notifications are to be issued on or before June 15, 2026. A remedy will be available at the time of recall release.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: Jun 15, 2026 - Jun 15, 2026 No Dealers

Planned Interim Owner Notification Date: No Owners

Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: Jun 15, 2026 - Jun 15, 2026 Phased Recall

Date when VIN will be searchable: