



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration

## Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 26V246

**Manufacturer Name:** Blue Bird Body Company

**Submission Date:** Apr 17, 2026

**NHTSA Recall No.:** 26V246

**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:** 103

**Estimated percentage with defect:** 100%

### Vehicle Information

**Vehicle 1:** 2026-2026 BLUE BIRD ALL AMERICAN SCHOOL BUS (ELECTRIC)

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

**Product Type:** School Bus

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Electric Battery Power

**Production Dates:** May 09, 2025 - Jan 08, 2026

**Number of potentially involved:** 6

**Descriptive Information:**

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

**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 09, 2025 - Jan 08, 2026

**Number of potentially involved:** 97

**Descriptive Information:**

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

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## Defect / Noncompliance Description

**Description of the defect or noncompliance:**

Certain MY26-27 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:**

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

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- 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:

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

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

**Date when VIN will be searchable:**