



# NEBRASKA

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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TO: School District Transportation Directors

From: NDE Pupil Transportation

Subject: 2019 National School Bus Illegal Passing Survey

Nebraska is assisting the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services (NASDPTS) in coordinating a national survey to document illegal passing of school buses. Schools are asked to collect data by their school bus drivers and submit information directly through the NASDPT Survey Monkey Collection Site. The data will help improve safety countermeasures at the state or national level.

On **Thursday, April 11, 2019**, please have your district's school bus drivers observe and report any instances of motorists illegally passing their school buses. *Even drivers who have no "pass-by's" on the day of the survey should turn in the form so that we can get accurate data on how many pass-by's occur per day per bus. Your drivers will use the attached "Illegal Passing Driver Reporting Form" to track any incidences they experience while driving their routes and activity trips on April 11. If your district contracts for pupil transportation, we ask that those drivers participate in this survey as well.*

Please emphasize to your drivers that they are to ***report only illegal passes that occur while the bus driver is stopped with red warning lights flashing and stop arm(s) deployed in full compliance with our state training and procedures.***

Using the attached "Illegal Passing Driver Reporting Form," drivers will record information on the attached. These completed forms should be submitted to a person identified by the district to compile the results. To summarize the information, enter the results into the spreadsheet attached - "Illegal Passing Summary Tool." Once the school information is complete, enter the information directly into the NASDPT Survey Monkey Collection **no later than May 30** at the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2019IllegalPassingSurvey>

Additional information and driver training videos related to school bus stop signs are available at the following links:

- <http://www.nasdpts.org/StopArm/index.html>
- <http://www.nasdpts.org/StopArm/MethodologyAndInstructions.html>

Please collect your district's results and report them no later than **May 30, 2019**.

Your district participation is important to the efforts to reduce illegal passing of school buses.

Attachments: [Illegal Passing Driver Reporting Form \(Word\)](#)  
[Illegal Passing Summary Tool \(spreadsheet\) \(Excel\)](#)