May 10, 2016

MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Philip C. Cleveland
Interim State Superintendent of Education

SUBJECT: 2016 Alabama School Bus Safety Road-e-o

For many years, the Alabama School Transportation Association (ASTA) School Bus Safety Road-e-o has offered school bus safety and driving competition among drivers from all over the state of Alabama. The purpose of the competition is to:

- Reinforce the good practices required for superior job performance as a school bus driver.
- Recognize excellence and provide a forum for the demonstration of the skills and responsibilities of the demanding job of the school bus driver.
- Develop public awareness of the skills and responsibilities of a school bus driver.
- Encourage communication among drivers in order to share awareness and experience.

The Road-e-o competition will be conducted on June 16, 2016, at the Alabama Traffic Safety Center at the University of Montevallo beginning at 8 a.m. with a walk-through of the driving course. Registration will begin at 7 a.m. There is no fee for participation in this event. The buses being used on the driving course are 2016 International buses with air doors. Those used for pretrip will be 2001 Thomas buses with manual doors. Immediately following the Road-e-o, winners will be recognized at a luncheon sponsored by W.W. Williams and ASTA. Refreshments on the course will be provided by Etowah Chemical. A Road-e-o entry form and directions to the location are included with this memorandum and can also be found on the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) Web site at www.alsde.edu under Department Offices/OFFICE of Supporting Programs/Pupil Transportation/Transportation Files.

I encourage your system’s participation in this worthwhile activity. If you have questions regarding the 2016 Alabama School Bus Safety Road-e-o or can volunteer to serve as a judge, please contact Mr. Rick Vines, Shelby County Schools Transportation Supervisor, at 205-682-7133 or the ALSDE Pupil Transportation Section at (334) 242-9730.

PCC/KS/JL

Attachment

cc: City, County, and Contract Transportation Supervisors
    School Bus Dealers
    Mr. Steve Crew
    Mr. Terry Murray

FY16-3033
The 2016 Alabama School Bus Safety Road-e-o will be held on June 16, 2016, at the Alabama Traffic Safety Center at the University of Montevallo in Montevallo, Alabama. Additional information and directions can be found below.

The entry form must be used for pre-registration and should be faxed to Mr. Rick Vines, 2016 Road-e-o Chairperson, at 205-682-7135 (Shelby County Schools). Questions regarding the Road-E-O and ASTA calls to serve as judges should be addressed to Mr. Vines at 205-682-7133. There is no entry fee for the Road-e-o.

School System: ________________________________

Address: ________________________________ City: ________________________________ Zip: __________

Name of Contestant: ________________________________ Social Security #: ________________________________

Driver License #: ________________________________ Phone #: ________________________________

Home Address: ________________________________

City: ________________________________ State: ________________________________ Zip: __________

**Important:** At registration, each Road-E-O participant must have in his/her possession a completed entry form (including supervisor’s signature), a valid commercial driver license, and a valid Alabama School Bus Driver Certificate.

Southeastern School Bus Safety Road-E-O Rules will apply. A copy of these rules can be found on the Alabama State Department of Education website at [www.alsde.edu](http://www.alsde.edu) under Pupil Transportation.

I hereby agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. Both as to myself and my heirs and personal representatives, I release the Alabama School Bus Road-E-O, its planning committee, and any affiliates thereof from any liability and any right of action that might arise from any damage or injury which I may receive from attending or participating in said Road-E-O.
2. The Alabama School Bus Road-E-O or it assigns shall have the right to use any articles or photographs taken of me at or in connection with the Road-E-O for whatever purpose, whether in advertising, promotion, or exhibits.
3. I shall be bound by all orders, rules, and regulations governing the Alabama School Bus Road-E-O.
4. I hereby certify that I have not had a chargeable school bus accident during the preceding entire school year.
5. I hereby certify and affirm that I have been a regular school bus driver during the current school year and I transport students to and from school daily on a scheduled route.
6. I further certify and affirm that I have been selected by the above school system to participate in the Alabama School Bus Road-E-O.

Signature of Applicant: ________________________________ Date: ________________________________

Signature of Transportation Supervisor: ________________________________ Date: ________________________________

**** Directions to the 2016 State School Bus Road-E-O Site in Montevallo, Alabama ****

**Location:** Alabama Traffic Safety Center at the University of Montevallo, Montevallo, Alabama

**Date:** June 16, 2016

**Time Registration - 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.**

**Walk-Through and Road-E-O - 8:00 a.m.**

**Luncheon following the Road-e-o.**

Participants must be registered and on site by 8:00 a.m. in order to participate!
Directions to Alabama School Bus Road-e-o at the Alabama Traffic Safety Center, Montevallo, Alabama.

From I-65, take Exit 228 (Calera) and go south on Highway 25 approximately 7 miles. Turn right on 10/155, Middle Street. After you pass through Main Street, take the second left, then the next right. The Alabama Traffic Safety Center and Road-e-o course will be on your left.