

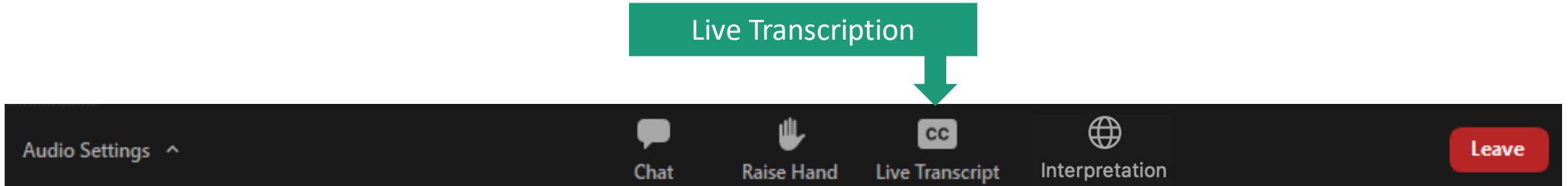


# **2022 Clean School Bus Rebates How to Apply w/ Live Q&A!**

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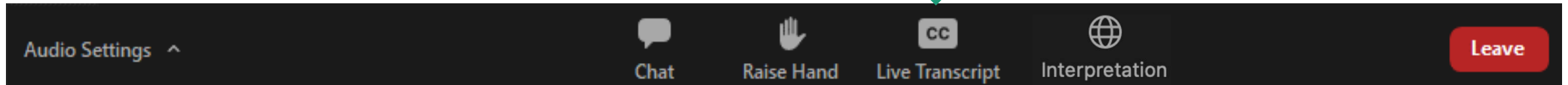
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# Agenda

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# Overview of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Clean School Bus Program

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Under **Title XI: Clean School Buses and Ferries**, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) provides **\$5 billion** over five years (FY22-26) for the replacement of existing school buses with clean school buses and zero-emission school buses.

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These new clean school bus replacements will produce either zero or low tailpipe emissions compared to their older diesel predecessors.

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School bus upgrades funded under this program will result in cleaner air on the bus, in bus loading areas, and in the communities in which they operate.

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The first funding opportunity under this program is the 2022 Clean School Bus Rebates.

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Website: <https://www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus>

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## Funding Pools and Number of Applications

School districts applying directly for funds may only submit one application to replace up to 25 buses.

EPA will not fund multiple applications for bus replacements that will serve the same school district.

### \$500 Million in Available Funding for 2022 CSB Rebates

Zero Emission  
Funding Pool:

Applications  
**exclusively  
requesting zero-  
emission buses**

Clean School Bus  
Funding Pool:

Applications requesting  
**zero-emission, propane,  
and/or compressed  
natural gas (CNG) buses**

# Clean School Bus Rebate Timeline

| Activity                                                                                                                                   | Date                           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2022 CSB Rebates open. EPA begins accepting applications submitted via online form                                                         | May 20, 2022 – August 19, 2022 |
| EPA reviews applications and begins the selection process                                                                                  | September 2022                 |
| EPA notifies applicants of selection status. Selectees can proceed with purchasing new buses and eligible infrastructure.                  | October 2022                   |
| Selectees submit Payment Request Forms with purchase orders demonstrating that new buses and eligible infrastructure have been ordered     | October 2022 - April 2023      |
| Project period deadline for selectees to receive new buses, install eligible infrastructure, replace old buses, and submit Close Out Forms | October 2024                   |

# Eligible Applicants

State and local governmental entities responsible for:

- 1) providing bus service to 1 or more public school systems; or
- 2) the purchase of school buses

Nonprofit School  
Transportation Associations

Indian Tribes, Tribal  
Organizations, or tribally  
controlled schools

Eligible Contractors

# Prioritization Criteria

## 1. High-need school districts and low-income areas

- School districts listed in the Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE) School District Estimates for 2020 as having **20% or more students living in poverty**
- School districts not listed in the SAIPE data, including most charter schools, **that self-certify as having 20% or more students living in poverty.** *EPA may ask for supporting documentation to confirm this self-certification.*
- School districts located in the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

## 2. Rural school districts

- School districts identified with locale codes “43-Rural: Remote” and “42-Rural: Distant” by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES)

## 3. Tribal school districts

- Bureau of Indian Affairs funded school districts and school districts that receive basic support payments for children who reside on Indian land

# Prioritized School Districts Lists

- Posted under Supporting Materials [here](#)
- PDF lists prioritized school districts with the state, name, and [NCES ID](#)
- Excel version adds the city and the prioritization criteria that each district meets

## Supporting Materials

- [2022 Clean School Bus \(CSB\) Rebates Program Guide \(pdf\)](#) (May 2022, EPA-420-B-22-025)
- [2022 Clean School Bus Inventory Sheet \(xlsx\)](#) (March 2022)
- [2022 Clean School Bus Program Prioritized School Districts \(pdf\)](#) (May 2022)
- [2022 Clean School Bus Program Prioritized Applicant List \(xlsx\)](#) (May 2022)
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) (Coming soon)



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|----|--------------------------------|---------|
| AR | QUITMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT        | 0511880 |
| AR | RECTOR SCHOOL DISTRICT         | 0504370 |
| AR | RIVERCREST SCHOOL DISTRICT #57 | 0500045 |
| AR | RIVERSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT      | 0500012 |
| AR | RIVERVIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT      | 0508400 |
| AR | ROSE BUD SCHOOL DISTRICT       | 0512000 |
| AR | SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT          | 0512090 |
| AR | SAU-TECH CAREER CENTER         | 0500002 |
| AR | SCRANTON SCHOOL DISTRICT       | 0512180 |
| AR | SEARCY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  | 0509480 |

# School Bus Replacement Funding

The maximum rebate amount per bus is dependent on:

- Bus Fuel Type
- Bus Size
- Whether the school district served by the buses meets one or more prioritization criteria

The table displays maximum funding levels. EPA will not disburse rebate funds in excess of the actual cost of the replacement bus **and any costs above the maximum funding level are the sole responsibility of the applicant/awardee.**

**Maximum Bus Funding Amount per Replacement School Bus**

| School District Prioritization Status                                        | Replacement Bus Fuel Type and Size |                |                |                 |                    |                     |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|                                                                              | ZE – Class 7+                      | ZE – Class 3-6 | CNG – Class 7+ | CNG – Class 3-6 | Propane – Class 7+ | Propane – Class 3-6 |
| Buses serving school districts that meet one or more prioritization criteria | \$375,000                          | \$285,000      | \$45,000       | \$30,000        | \$30,000           | \$25,000            |
| Buses serving other eligible school districts                                | \$250,000                          | \$190,000      | \$30,000       | \$20,000        | \$20,000           | \$15,000            |

# Infrastructure Funding

**Talk to your utility now if you are interested in zero-emission buses!**

This table displays the maximum funding levels per ZE bus. EPA will not disburse rebate funds in excess of the actual infrastructure costs.

| School District Prioritization Status                                        | ZE – Class 3+ Infrastructure Funding |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Buses serving school districts that meet one or more prioritization criteria | \$20,000/bus                         |
| Buses serving other eligible school districts                                | \$13,000/bus                         |

# Application Process

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- Applicants must submit applications using EPA's Clean School Bus Rebate forms.
  - To apply, organizations must:
    1. Have an *active* System for Award Management (SAM.gov) entity registration with a Unique Entity ID (UEI).
      - For help with SAM.gov registration, reach out to the Federal Service Desk at <https://www.fsd.gov>
    2. Have Points of Contact (POC) listed under their organization's SAM.gov entity registration in SAM.gov. Only specific POCs will be able to apply.
- EPA has posted a Questions and Answers document on the [CSB website](#) and anticipates updating the Q&A document every two weeks during the application period. Novel questions submitted to CleanSchoolBus@epa.gov through August 5<sup>th</sup>, including those from program webinars, will be added to this document.
- The application deadline will be August 19, 2022. *Late applications will not be accepted.*

# Important! SAM.gov Prerequisites

## Clean School Bus Rebate Forms: Applicant Login



No SAM.gov records match your email. Only Government and Electronic Business SAM.gov Points of Contacts (and alternates) may edit and submit Clean School Bus Rebate Forms.

**If you receive the error message above when trying to login, please confirm that:**

1. The organization you intend to apply for is *actively* registered as an entity on SAM.gov and has a [Unique Entity Identifier \(UEI\)](#).
2. You are listed as one of the following four Points of Contact (POC) in your organization's entity registration on SAM.gov:
  - i. Electronic Business POC
  - ii. Alternate Electronic Business POC
  - iii. Government Business POC
  - iv. Alternate Government Business POC
3. The login.gov account you are using to access the rebate application form uses the exact same email address as is listed in your POC information in your organization's SAM.gov entity registration.

**Note:** If you update the POC information in your organization's SAM.gov entity registration, there may be a delay of 1-2 business days before that change will be reflected on the Clean School Bus Rebate Forms site.

# Getting to the Application

- The link to the application, additional information on SAM.gov requirements, and help resources can be found [here](#).
- An Application User Guide with screenshots is posted at the bottom of this page.

[Clean School Bus Home](#)  
[Clean School Bus Rebate Program](#)  
**[Clean School Bus Rebate Online Application Information](#)**  
[Benefits of Clean School Buses](#)  
[Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Resources](#)  
[Events](#)

## Online Rebate Application Information: Clean School Bus Program

On this page:

- [Who can submit an application?](#)
- [What information do I need to complete the application?](#)
- [Where can I get help?](#)
- [User Guide and other application resources](#)



After reviewing this page, [click here](#) to access the application form

### Who can submit an application?

1. Review the [Rebate Program Information](#) page and 2022 Clean School Bus (CSB) Program Guide posted there to determine if your organization is eligible to apply.
2. Check the System for Award Management ([SAM.gov](#) [EXIT](#)) to ensure your organization is **actively** registered as an entity

# Website and Application Demo

## Clean School Bus Rebate Forms: Applicant Login

Click the **Sign in** button below to login to the *Clean School Bus Rebate Dashboard* using Login.gov.

Sign in →



## Clean School Bus Rebate Forms

- [Clean School Bus Rebate Program](#)
- [Online Rebate Application Information](#)

☰ Your Rebate Forms

+ New Application

## Your Rebate Forms

Select the pencil icon to open an existing rebate form.

|                                                                                     | Form Type ⓘ | UEI ⓘ        | EFT Indicator ⓘ | Applicant ⓘ           | School District ⓘ |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
|  | Application | 123456000013 | 1234            | ROB SCHWEINFURTH INC. | Aguilar Reorganiz |

# Recap

- EPA anticipates awarding \$500 million in rebate funding for zero-emission and clean school buses.
- Don't forget to verify your organization's SAM.gov entity registration information, including the Points of Contact!
- Initiate discussions with your utility now if you will apply for zero-emission buses.
- **The application deadline is August 19, 2022.**

# 2022 Clean School Bus Rebates

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## Thank you!

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Sign up for the [Clean School Bus Listserv](#) and continue to check [www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus](http://www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus) for updated resources and information on additional webinars

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After reviewing the Program Guide, if you still have questions, please contact [cleanschoolbus@epa.gov](mailto:cleanschoolbus@epa.gov). Questions will be incorporated in an update to the Q&A document.



Questions?

