



Florida Association for Pupil Transportation

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MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Joe Purvis, FAPT President

RE: Mid-year Directors Meeting

Region I (South) Director
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The 2009 Mid-Year Directors Meeting is scheduled to return to beautiful Wakulla County on Thursday, February 12, and Friday, February 13, 2009. The annual meeting provides workshops and best practices on a variety of transportation topics. The sessions also provide a perfect opportunity for directors of transportation to share real world experiences with our peers from around the state.

Region II (West Central) Director
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The association will follow the request of those who attended last year's meeting and return to The Inn at Wildwood in Wakulla County for 2009. A block of rooms is reserved at Wildwood, under the name of "*FAPT 2009 Mid-year Directors Meeting.*" Room cost will once again be \$75 a night, plus 9% tax if an exemption certificate is not provided during check-in. The group rate is available until January 30, 2009. To secure your room please call (850) 926-4455.

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We are requesting your input regarding session topics that would be beneficial to your district. Some topics that have already been requested include: New DOE Training Initiatives, School Bus Operator Physical Requirements, FAPT Sponsored Events and Committee Membership Changes, Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program Initiatives, School Bus Inspection Program/Testing, Updates, and the Future of School Bus Transportation ESE Program Monitoring. We will also be unveiling the new School Bus Operators and Bus Monitors Manuals, along with the revised Guidelines for Transporting Pre-school Age Children in School Buses.

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Please complete the attached form providing your suggestions and letting us know whether you are planning to attend the meeting in February and the scheduled Thursday night activity. **Please return your form via e-mail to Ronnie.McCallister@FLDOE.org, or fax to (850) 245-9935 by December 1, 2008.**

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We especially encourage all new directors to join us so we can welcome you and provide you an opportunity to experience first hand the best of what your Florida's pupil transportation association has to offer.

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