

Pennsylvania's Automated School Bus Enforcement (ASBE) Program

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GLOSSARY

ASBE – Automated School Bus Enforcement
BOO – Bureau of Operations (PennDOT)
CY – Calendar Year
NOV – Notice of Violation
OCC – Office of Chief Counsel
PennDOT – Pennsylvania Department of Transportation
PSP – Pennsylvania State Police

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INTRODUCTION

Act 159 (2018) authorized the development of the Automated School Bus Enforcement program, or ASBE, to improve safety around school buses in Pennsylvania. Acts 38 (2020) and 19 (2023) further modified the program and requirements. The program authorizes school entities to install cameras that capture drivers who fail to stop for a school bus displaying red flashing lights and an activated stop-arm, and it permits them to issue violations and administer the program in accordance with statutory requirements..

The ASBE program is a safety program jointly supported by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) and the Pennsylvania State Police (PSP). Act 19 (2023) requires submission of the following program annual report to the Senate and House Transportation Committee Chairpersons and Minority Chairpersons by no later than December 31 annually. This report provides the status of the statewide program and mandated reporting 2024 data from school entities operating individual programs.

Summary and Key Takeaways

- Act 19 (2023) was passed, amending several elements of Act 159 (2018) and clarifying several existing areas with the ASBE program. This was the first year of operation where the statute was binding for the operation of ASBE programs, with all school entities now mandated to provide an annual report on their individual program operations.
- Outreach was undertaken to 67 potential programs across the Commonwealth to obtain the mandatory reporting data.
- 52 schools returned reporting for operational programs within CY 2024.
 - All known schools with operational programs reported their data.
- CY 2024 School Entities Self-Reporting Violations Summary
 - Total number of buses with enforcement equipment installed statewide = 3,828
 - Increase of 116% over CY 2023
 - Total number of violations statewide = 76,413
 - 8,849 (11.6%) were challenged
 - For those challenges to the Notices of Violation heard, approximately 42.3% were overturned.
 - 22 of the 52 reporting schools returning data issued over 1,000 violations
- Financial Summary
 - Total fines imposed = \$23,205,974
 - Total fines collected = \$13,684,662
 - Total Funds Returned to Local Police Agencies = \$1,073,294
 - Total Funds Returned to School Bus Grant Program = \$1,131,125
 - Total Funds Reimbursed for Hearings = \$90,366
 - Total Funds Returned to School Entities = \$1,675,652

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- Total Funds Returned to System Administrators = \$9,572,517

MANDATED REPORTING AND LEGISLATIVE BASIS FOR PROGRAM

The ASBE program has had two key statutes which have served as the legislative basis for the program. The first was Act 159 (75 Pa. C.S. §§ 3345) in 2018, which enabled the use of automated enforcement on school buses and was modified for minor changes with Act 38 in 2020. Later, Act 19 (2023) (§§ 3345-3345.1 Vehicle Code) passed, which provided more significant updates to the program.

Automated School Bus Enforcement (ASBE) Legislation Summary

Act 159 (2018) provided the original guidance in permitting school entities to install automated enforcement equipment for purposes of capturing school bus violators. Within this legislation, the hearing process was kept within the civil courts, and no reporting mandates were required of the schools. Act 38 (2020) amended the violations from a criminal penalty to a civil penalty and modified some of the language related to validation of violations and contestation.

Act 19 (2023) amended several elements of Act 159 (2018), clarifying several existing areas with the ASBE program, establishing the current hearing and contestation process (the first contestation is now completed with PennDOT hearing officers, not within the civil court system), and defining the requirements for an annual report for the program to be produced by the end of the calendar year.

Reporting Requirements for 2024

School entity reporting requirements are defined in Act 19 (2023) and provide specific data requirements that must be submitted each year. Outreach was undertaken to communicate requirements and binding policies to the school entities. The requirements, outreach approach, and results are discussed later in the annual report.

Because the data presented in this report reflects the data reported by individual school districts, it cannot always be standardized or harmonized across all submissions. As a result, certain figures may not reconcile neatly, but they remain an accurate representation of the information provided by the school districts themselves.

PROGRAM GOALS

The passage of Act 159 (2018) recognized that boarding and alighting school buses presents potential safety hazards for some of the Commonwealth's most vulnerable residents, school-aged children. The ASBE program allows for the capture of violators related to vehicle operation around school buses through technology deployment, extending the enforcement reach. Specific program goals include:

- Save child and traveler lives
- Reduce crashes adjacent to stopped school buses
- Increase capture of drivers violating an activated 'Stop' mast arm

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- Improve driver behavior
- Complement existing enforcement.

The program differs from other existing automated enforcement efforts within the Commonwealth in that primary responsibility for the day-to-day operations of the programs lay with the school entity and their system administrator partners, rather than with PennDOT, PA Turnpike, or the City of Philadelphia.

PROGRAM HISTORY

Under Act 159 (Prior to §§ 3345-3345.1)

Prior to the amendments to §§ 3345-3345.1, variability in how ASBE programs were run and administered at the school entity level led to some variability in the adjudication of challenges to the issued violations. This led in part to a halting of the issuance of violations in 2023 until the initial contestation process was taken out of the civil courts and moved under PennDOT's oversight. CY 2024 represented the first year where the hearing adjudication process was placed under PennDOT's responsibility, with PennDOT coordinating with program administrators to schedule hearings. Hearings were conducted by PennDOT Office of Chief Counsel (OCC) hearing officers, rendering dispositions on challenges to violations. More discussion on some of these changes, and others, is provided below.

CY 2024 Program Operations - §§ 3345-3345.1

The passage of Act 38 in late 2023 incorporated automated school bus enforcement into the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code (Title 75), through §§ 3345-3345.1. This provided clarity and uniformity was provided for select program elements, including:

- The specific defenses that are permissible when challenging a violation, as stated below:
 - *It shall be a defense to a violation under this section that the owner of the motor vehicle named in the notice of the violation was not driving the motor vehicle at the time of the violation. The owner may be required to submit evidence that the owner was not the driver at the time of the alleged violation. The owner may not be required to disclose the identity of the driver of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation.*
 - An Official Declaration form was required of those affirming this defense, indicating that should they be found to be in conflict with the affidavit, they would be subject to further fines and judicial discipline.
 - Additional supporting evidence of the defense was also required of contesting Owners.
 - *It shall be a defense to a violation under this section that the motor vehicle in the notice of the violation has been reported to any police department as stolen prior to the time the violation occurred and had not been recovered prior to that time.*

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- *It shall be a defense to a violation under this section that the person receiving the notice of violation was not the owner of the motor vehicle at the time of the offense.*
- *It shall be a defense to a violation under this section that the side stop signal arm enforcement system being used under this section was not in compliance with the department's regulations with respect to testing for accuracy, certification or calibration.*
- The responsibility for hearings within the automated enforcement program to be administered and overseen by PennDOT, including the hiring, training, and assignment of hearing officers through the Office of Chief Counsel (OCC) to hold hearings and render decisions on challenges
- The requirement to provide an annual report on the program, developed by PennDOT and PSP, summarizing the data from each active school entity's program
 - Please note that CY 2024 represents the first year of mandated reporting from the school entities. Previous years' reporting from the school entities was voluntary.
- The responsibilities of schools in administration of their own programs:
 - Required Reporting
 - Required Processes for Violations
 - Required Agreements
 - System Administrators
 - Local or State Police
 - Website Requirements

The amendments to §§ 3345-3345.1 serve as the template for how the programs were operated beginning in CY 2024, including the reporting requirements and expectations for schools and their partner system administrators in running the individual programs.

PROGRAM STATUS – CY 2024

For CY 2024, the ASBE program was operating under the statute requirements specified within Act 19 (2023), resulting in several changes from previous program operations:

- For violation challenges, the hearing process was now administered through PennDOT, with PennDOT OCC hearing officers holding the hearings, and PennDOT staff providing administrative support, such as storage/filing of case files and reimbursement tracking assistance, among other duties. These hearings are not criminal proceedings and are separate from the criminal violation process (violations captured by a police officer).
 - Hearings began in May 2024, with the initial dispositions being issued shortly after.

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- For subsequent appeals to the decisions rendered by the PennDOT hearing officers, the registered owner may appeal through the local magisterial district courts and would be responsible for court costs.

The program team completed an initial determination of the number and location of active programs within the Commonwealth for CY 2024 reporting. These included program administration (citation/docket) websites, returned reports, and contacts established from the CY 2023 non-mandated reporting and other program questions through the year. The program team then conducted follow up communication (email and where necessary, by phone) with the identified schools to confirm contact information and program operation for the school district. A full list of active programs for CY 2024 is available in **Table 1**.

Number of Programs

At the conclusion of its outreach, the Department identified 67 active ASBE programs throughout the Commonwealth. Each of these programs was contacted via email that provided the reporting template and the CY 2023 Annual Report. Since part of the list was drawn from vendor contact lists, several schools indicated they chose not to initiate a program or had not started their programs until CY 2025 and subsequently did not have data to report for the CY 2024 cycle. One of the primary vendors provided a summary of their active programs, including if they were active for CY 2024. It is anticipated additional programs may be in place for CY 2025.

A full list of active programs is included in **Table 1**, and a comprehensive list of schools, contacts, and other related information is available in **Appendix A**. **Table 2** provides programs that were contacted as part of the outreach, but did not operate programs in CY 2024. From this contact list, the project team provided template forms for the schools to return their data.

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Table 1 Active School Entities for CY 2024

Institution Name	County	Municipality
Allentown City SD	Lehigh	Allentown
Bensalem Township SD	Bucks	Bensalem
Bethlehem Area SD	Northampton	Bethlehem
Catasauqua Area SD	Lehigh	Catasauqua
Central Bucks SD	Bucks	Doylestown
Central Dauphin SD	Dauphin	Harrisburg
Cheltenham SD	Montgomery	Elkins Park
Chichester SD	Delaware	Aston
Crestwood SD	Luzerne	Mountain Top
Cumberland Valley SD	Cumberland	Mechanicsburg
Daniel Boone Area SD	Berks	Birdsboro
Deer Lakes SD	Allegheny	Cheswick
East Allegheny SD	Allegheny	North Versailles
East Lycoming SD	Lycoming	Hughesville
Easton Area SD	Northampton	Easton
Garnet Valley SD	Delaware	Glen Mills
General McLane SD	Erie	Edinboro
Hazleton Area SD	Luzerne	Hazle Twp
Kutztown Area SD	Berks	Kutztown
Lower Moreland Twp SD	Montgomery	Huntingdon Valley
Marple Newtown SD	Delaware	Newtown Square
McKeesport Area SD	Allegheny	McKeesport
Methacton SD	Montgomery	Eagleville
Millcreek Township SD	Erie	Erie
Norristown Area SD	Montgomery	Norristown
North Penn SD	Montgomery	Lansdale
Northampton Area SD	Northampton	Northampton
Northern Lehigh SD	Lehigh	Slatington
Northwestern Lehigh SD	Lehigh	New Tripoli
Norwin SD	Westmoreland	North Huntingdon
Owen J Roberts SD	Chester	Pottstown
Penn Hills SD	Allegheny	Penn Hills
Pennridge SD	Bucks	Perkasie
Pennsbury SD	Bucks	Fallsington
Phoenixville Area SD	Chester	Phoenixville
Pittsburgh SD	Allegheny	Pittsburgh
Plum School District	Allegheny	Plum

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Table 1 (Continued)

Institution Name	County	Municipality
Pottsville Area SD	Schuylkill	Pottsville
Quakertown Community SD	Bucks	Quakertown
Richland SD	Cambria	Johnstown
Rose Tree Media SD	Delaware	Media
Salisbury Township SD	Lehigh	Allentown
Souderton Area SD	Montgomery	Souderton
Southeast Delco SD	Delaware	Folcroft
Spring-Ford Area SD	Montgomery	Royersford
Spring Grove Area SD	York	Spring Grove
Susquehanna Township SD	Dauphin	Harrisburg
Upper Darby SD	Delaware	Upper Darby
Upper Moreland Township SD	Montgomery	Willow Grove
Warren County SD	Warren	Russell
Wilson Area SD	Northampton	Easton
Wissahickon SD	Montgomery	Ambler

Table 2 School Programs Contacted but Not Active – CY 2024

Institution Name	County	Municipality
Abington SD	Montgomery	Abington
ASPIRA Bilingual Cyber CS	Philadelphia	Philadelphia
Bald Eagle Area SD	Centre	Wingate
Baldwin-Whitehall SD	Allegheny	Pittsburgh
Chester Upland SD	Delaware	Chester
Corry Area SD	Erie	Corry
Governor Mifflin SD	Berks	Shillington
East Pennsboro Area SD	Cumberland	Enola
Philadelphia City SD	Philadelphia	Philadelphia
Radnor Township SD	Delaware	Wayne
Scranton City SD	Lackawanna	Scranton
Steelton-Highspire SD	Dauphin	Steelton
Wallingford-Swarthmore SD	Wallingford	Delaware
William Penn SD	Delaware	Lansdowne
Wilson SD	Berks	West Lawn

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Number of Vendors

One additional modification to the program guidance and rules included PennDOT's adoption of new temporary regulations for the program vendors. These regulations clarified the technical requirements for the camera systems.

- With adoption of these regulations on February 19, 2024, each of the nine previously approved vendors received a six-month grace period to renew their approval for the upcoming year.
- One of these vendors chose not to renew their approval by the August 19, 2024, deadline, and were subsequently removed from the approved vendor list.
- Of the eight remaining approved vendors, four were known to be operating programs for school entities in CY 2024.

The list of eight approved vendors for CY 2024 is available in **Appendix C**.

Reporting Requirements

In line with the reporting requirements of Act 19, templates were provided to the school entities with the information requested. This information was then used to populate this report, which is an annual requirement for PennDOT as part of the program. As stated previously, multiple requests were made to school entities to submit the mandated information, which was a change from the CY 2023 reporting where schools were not required to submit.

Website Requirements

Under Act 19 (2023), school entities are also mandated to establish a website for their individual programs. Website requirements include information on automated school bus enforcement systems and the school's program, including data on captured violations, as defined in the statute:

(5) The school entity, or the system administrator on the school entity's behalf, shall provide notice through a publicly accessible Internet website that provides guidance and information related to the system, including, but not limited to, the number of school buses equipped with a system, the appeals process limited to the defenses under subsection (f) and contact information. The website shall remain publicly accessible throughout the period of use in a manner as determined by the school entity.

AGENCY ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The ASBE program is a joint program supported by both PennDOT and the Pennsylvania State Police. Responsibilities for the respective agencies, school entities and potential system administrators are defined within both Acts 159 and 19. Primary day-to-day responsibilities for the program reside with the school entities and their partners, with PennDOT and PSP providing more of an oversight

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and policy role. The roles and responsibilities of each agency for 2024 were generally as follows:

PennDOT

- Develop and promulgate Commonwealth temporary and permanent regulations
- Review and approve system certification and use for Program compliance
- Administer first layer of the contestation process by conducting an informal hearing with Commonwealth identified Hearing Officers (through OCC)
- As necessary, perform program audits of School Entities or Administrators
- Work with Pennsylvania State Police to compile and publish an Annual Report to the Pennsylvania Legislature by December 31st each year
- Administer the School Bus Safety Grant Program with the \$25/violation received
- Certify approved vendors

Pennsylvania State Police

- Support (where requested and agreed to) for Notice of Violation review and verification
- Partnership in Development of Annual Report for Legislature

School Entity

- Oversight/Responsibility for Program Operation
- Primary Agreement Holder with Vendor
- Interagency Agreements, including those with the following:
 - Program/System Administrators
 - Police Agencies
- Provision of a Program Website for ASBE
- Annual Reporting
 - Please note that any of the school entity responsibilities may be contracted to a system administrator, as described in more detail below.

There are additional key entities for the program. Specific responsibilities of each contracted entity are as follows:

Vendor – The vendor provides (at a minimum) the required technology to install on the school buses for capture of violations. This technology includes bus-attached cameras that capture the violations during bus operations, additional hardware as per the individual system requirements to assist with violation capture, software for the logging and processing of violations, and other items as required to provide a fully functional violation capture and processing system. PennDOT is responsible for certification of vendors as part of a standard process, similar to other highway-

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related equipment and materials. Before operating in Pennsylvania, prospective vendors must apply for certification.

Vendors may also serve in the role of Program/System Administrator, discussed further below. This will depend on the capability of the vendor and the nature of the agreement with the school entity.

Program/System Administrator – The role of the program/system administrator varies by individual school program. In some cases, vendors will also serve as program/system administrators and provide a full turnkey system with limited school entity day-to-day involvement in the program. In other programs, the vendors are merely technology providers, and the administrator duties are handled by the school entity. Each school entity has the responsibility to develop their own program in line with the availability of staffing and level of involvement in their respective programs, and this is spelled out in the contracts developed with the vendors. Regardless of the program arrangement, the Program/System Administrator team has many duties, some of which may include:

- Field unit deployment
- Violation review and mailing
- Fine collection and backend disbursement
- Field and back-office quality assurance and quality control
- Customer service and record keeping
- Supporting informal hearings
- Annual reporting data to PennDOT

Please note that no matter the contractual arrangement, the duties and responsibilities established in the statute must be met for each program.

Local Police Partner – Each school entity is responsible for partnering with a local police entity for confirmation of violations. In certain cases, the school entity may partner with PSP, should there not be a local police partner available. These requirements are within the statute and lay out the different scenarios for when local police and PSP should be utilized for reviews.

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION

The reporting returned from the school entities showed the vast majority of programs operating within the Commonwealth use a turnkey vendor for their operations. Per the returned and collected data, 50 of the 52 known programs active were contracted to a single turnkey vendor providing full administrative services. One school entity indicated they had purchased the enforcement equipment, installed on their buses, and were handling all administrative functions of the program with their own staff. Another program did not provide details regarding their arrangement with their partner vendor.

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ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING SUMMARY

In CY 2024, the responsibility for conducting violation challenge hearings was transitioned to PennDOT's Office of Chief Counsel. Prior to CY 2024, challenge hearings were previously directed into the local magisterial district courts. The new informal hearing process was established (per the Act 19 changes) to remove these hearings from the courts and place them within PennDOT's oversight.

Record Keeping

Beginning in early CY 2024, PennDOT, including both BOO and OCC, began developing processes and infrastructure to enable for informal hearing challenges to the Notices of Violation.

- These processes were designed to be vendor-agnostic, given the potential for multiple approved vendors operating within the Commonwealth.
- This process also involved coordination with the vendors on what was required on the distributed Notices of Violation.

A major aspect of the hearing program operations involves the scheduling and record keeping involved with administering the hearings.

- A record keeping and scheduling system for the program was created using existing resources.
- This location would also provide a single repository for shared program operations which could be accessed by PennDOT BOO and OCC, PSP, and other partners involved in oversight for the statewide policy and program operations.

Since the vendors/system administrators are receiving the requests for hearings through correspondence resulting from the issued Notices of Violation, the development of this system required vendor coordination to ensure hearing requests were properly submitted and processed.

One of PennDOT's roles in this process is to maintain records for each requested hearing. PennDOT, per the limits of the statute, will keep a record of each challenge within their records for the year specified. This includes:

- imagery
- submitted evidence
- records of correspondence
- other items that are relevant to the rendering of a disposition of each challenge

These records allow for program continuity should an external data source for hearings become inaccessible for any reason (merger, loss of certification, bankruptcy, etc).

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Hearing Operations

The format of the hearings was developed in line with the program statute, which calls for informal hearings, as well as operations for the Automated Work Zone Enforcement/Work Zone Safety Program, which allows for virtual hearings.

- An option was provided for in-person hearings, as per the statute. As of the close of CY 2024, there have been select requests to the program for an in-person hearing, but upon coordination with the respective System Administrator, these hearings were conducted virtually.

Hearing officers were hired to oversee the challenge hearings.

- These officers are trained on the specifics of the program and statute, the allowable defenses, and also serve to provide education to registered owners on the dangers of passing school buses when the side stop arm is activated.
- Following the informal hearings, the hearing officers complete a form letter for the rendering of their decisions, and distribute to the system administrator for return to the registered owner.

Hearing Reimbursement and Closeout

New for CY 2024, school entities were also responsible for reimbursement to PennDOT for the cost of the informal hearings. This rate per hearing was reviewed and adjusted by PennDOT, based on the time to prepare for, conduct, and render a decision for the informal hearings. An initial flat fee was assumed per hearing and adjusted as the year progressed.

Following the disposition, there is an opportunity for the registered owner to appeal the informal hearings through the local magistrate. Filing and court fees follow general local magistrate requirements. This court filing is between the registered owner and the school entity, and PennDOT is not involved in this appeal.

REPORTING SUMMARY

Requirements for CY 2024

The operation of the ASBE program for CY 2024 was governed under Act 19 (2023), which mandates reporting requirements for school entities. The goals and process of obtaining this data and reporting requirements are discussed below.

Goals for Reporting

A major change from CY 2023 to CY 2024 was the transition to mandated reporting provided by the school entities. Beyond the statutory requirements, there are several outcomes to be achieved from the mandated reporting:

- Confirm all school entities are keeping the required data on their own programs.

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- Assess how much funding is returned to school entities (and system administrators) and how the schools are using what funds are returned to them through the program.

Reporting Requirements

Per §3345.1(h)(4) school entities are required to provide the following data regarding the operation of their individual programs:

- i. The name of the system administrator*
- ii. The number of school buses equipped with a side stop signal arm enforcement system*
- iii. The number of notices of violation issued*
- iv. The amount of fines imposed and collected*
- v. The amounts paid under agreements authorized by this section*
- vi. The results of contested violations*
- vii. Use of additional revenue funds and any grants awarded from the program*

A template was provided and shared with the school entities detailing these requirements, and is included in **Appendix B**. Contact and background information for each school entity was also requested within this form.

Outreach

Per §3345.1(h) Schools are required to provide their annual reporting data no later than July 1 for the preceding calendar year. The request for data provided a form for completion and return by the school entities. The template form provided to the school entities is attached in **Appendix B**.

Multiple outreach emails were sent (beginning in April 2025) to potential school entities to attempt to obtain the mandated reporting information. Following the reporting deadline, additional outreach was undertaken to attempt to obtain the mandated reporting information from non-responding school entities, as well as to fill in gaps in the submitted reporting.

NOTE - All data related to Number of Buses, Notices of Violation, Financial Processes within the program, use of program funds, and other data provided through the schools is being reported here without verification by PennDOT or the PSP. Unless noted, data provided is from the schools and not tracked by PennDOT or PSP.

Received Data

A total of sixty-seven (67) schools were identified as part of the outreach for the reporting request. Fifteen (15) returned responses that their program was not operational in CY 2024. Fifty-two (52) returned responses describing the operations of their program for CY 2024.

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VIOLATION SUMMARY

School entities were requested to return a summary of the number of violations captured within their respective programs. A detailed summary by school of the violation data is included in **Table 3**.

Number of Violations

- Number of buses ranges from 16 to 259 per school entity
- Total number of 3,828 buses with enforcement equipment installed statewide
- From the violation data returned:
 - Total number of 76,413 violations statewide (from 52 reporting schools)
 - The maximum number of Notice of Violations issued in any one school entity was 11,287
 - 22 of the 52 schools returning data had over 1,000 violations

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Table 3 – Notice of Violation Summary (All Data Self-Reported by Schools)

School Entity	Number of School Buses	Number of Notices of Violation
Allentown City SD	126	873
Bensalem Township SD	83	5,033
Bethlehem Area SD	126	1,670
Catasauqua Area SD	20	462
Central Bucks SD	259	2,479
Central Dauphin SD	133	1,792
Cheltenham SD	101	4,644
Chichester SD	40	802
Crestwood SD	34	392
Cumberland Valley SD	109	2,265
Daniel Boone Area SD	50	295
Deer Lakes SD	25	48
East Allegheny SD	39	985
East Lycoming SD	17	81
Easton Area SD	97	2,440
Garnet Valley SD	68	1,004
General McLane SD	32	200
Hazleton Area SD	65	2,182
Kutztown Area SD	23	144
Lower Moreland Twp SD	46	766
Marple Newtown SD	77	792
McKeesport Area SD	32	608
Methacton SD	81	867
Millcreek Township SD	77	2,687
Norristown Area SD	52	2,547
North Penn SD	151	2,521
Northampton Area SD	93	234
Northern Lehigh SD	26	65
Northwestern Lehigh SD	41	20
Norwin SD	93	205
Owen J Roberts SD	95	925
Penn Hills SD	64	323
Pennridge SD	107	1,222
Pennsbury SD	117	1,894
Phoenixville Area SD	71	842
Pittsburgh SD	215	11,287
Plum School District	55	8
Pottsville Area SD	16	139
Quakertown Community SD	57	1,151

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Table 3 (Continued)		
School Entity	Number of School	Number of Notices of
Richland SD	19	162
Rose Tree Media SD	76	2,453
Salisbury Township SD	43	340
Souderton Area SD	109	455
Southeast Delco SD	38	1,489
Spring-Ford Area SD	108	1,955
Spring Grove Area SD	60	204
Susquehanna Township SD	38	1,479
Upper Darby SD	100	7,491
Upper Moreland Township	44	2,551
Warren County SD	96	100
Wilson Area SD	26	136
Wissahickon SD	58	704
TOTALS	3,828	76,413

Results of Challenges

School entities were requested to return a summary of the number of violations captured within their respective ASBE programs. A detailed summary by school of the violation and challenge data is included in **Tables 4 and 5**.

- From the violation data returned:
 - Total of 8,849 violations challenged
 - Total of 2,370 challenges heard
 - Total of 1,003 challenges upheld (Found Not Liable)
 - Maximum number of violations challenged in any one school entity for the year was 1,910
 - From the data returned, a range of 0%-18.8% of the issued notice of violations were challenged.
 - Overall, statewide, the average value was 11.6%.
 - For those challenges to the Notices of Violation getting to the hearing stage, approximately 42.3% were overturned through the PennDOT hearing process.
 - At the close of CY 2024 there were approximately 6,500 challenges from CY 2024 awaiting informal hearings.

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**Table 4 – Challenge Hearing Summary – Challenge Ratio
(All Data Self-Reported by Schools)**

School Entity	Numbers of Notices of Violation	Requests for Hearings	% Challenged
Allentown City SD	873	40	4.6
Bensalem Township SD	5,033	516	10.3
Bethlehem Area SD	1,670	167	10.0
Catasauqua Area SD	462	65	14.1
Central Bucks SD	2,479	0	0.0
Central Dauphin SD	1,792	182	10.2
Cheltenham SD	4,644	498	10.7
Chichester SD	802	33	4.1
Crestwood SD	392	59	15.1
Cumberland Valley SD	2,265	256	11.3
Daniel Boone Area SD	295	42	14.2
Deer Lakes SD	48	9	18.8
East Allegheny SD	985	122	12.4
East Lycoming SD	81	12	14.8
Easton Area SD	2,440	264	10.8
Garnet Valley SD	1,004	130	12.9
General McLane SD	200	22	11.0
Hazleton Area SD	2,182	177	8.1
Kutztown Area SD	144	13	9.0
Lower Moreland Twp SD	766	89	11.6
Marple Newtown SD	792	87	11.0
McKeesport Area SD	608	77	12.7
Methacton SD	867	103	11.9
Millcreek Township SD	2,687	259	9.6
Norristown Area SD	2,547	254	10.0
North Penn SD	2,521	273	10.8
Northampton Area SD	234	23	9.8
Northern Lehigh SD	65	11	16.9
Northwestern Lehigh SD	20	3	15.0
Norwin SD	205	8	3.9
Owen J Roberts SD	925	126	13.6
Penn Hills SD	323	5	1.5
Pennridge SD	1,222	164	13.4
Pennsbury SD	1,894	230	12.1
Phoenixville Area SD	842	125	14.8
Pittsburgh SD	11,287	1,910	16.9

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Table 4 (Continued)			
School Entity	Numbers of Notices of Violation	Requests for Hearings	% Challenged
Plum School District	8	0	0.0
Pottsville Area SD	139	19	13.7
Quakertown Community SD	1,151	134	11.6
Richland SD	162	0	0.0
Rose Tree Media SD	2,453	307	12.5
Salisbury Township SD	340	22	6.5
Souderton Area SD	455	61	13.4
Southeast Delco SD	1,489	201	13.5
Spring-Ford Area SD	1,955	250	12.8
Spring Grove Area SD	204	3	1.5
Susquehanna Township SD	1,479	164	11.1
Upper Darby SD	7,491	915	12.2
Upper Moreland Township SD	2,551	305	12.0
Warren County SD	100	12	12.0
Wilson Area SD	136	20	14.7
Wissahickon SD	704	82	11.6
TOTALS	76,413	8,849	11.6

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Table 5 – Challenge Hearing Summary – Disposition Summary
(All Data Self-Reported by Schools)

School Entity	Requests for Hearings	Total Challenges Heard	Found Not Liable	% Overturned	Found Liable
Allentown City SD	40	0	0	0.0	0
Bensalem Township SD	516	192	53	27.6	139
Bethlehem Area SD	167	31	12	38.7	19
Catasauqua Area SD	65	0	0	0.0	0
Central Bucks SD	0	0	0	0.0	0
Central Dauphin SD	182	25	5	20.0	20
Cheltenham SD	498	144	66	45.8	78
Chichester SD	33	33	24	72.7	9
Crestwood SD	59	27	10	37.0	17
Cumberland Valley SD	256	95	45	47.4	50
Daniel Boone Area SD	42	14	8	57.1	6
Deer Lakes SD	9	3	3	100.0	0
East Allegheny SD	122	39	10	25.6	29
East Lycoming SD	12	1	1	100.0	0
Easton Area SD	264	64	23	35.9	41
Garnet Valley SD	130	45	10	22.2	35
General McLane SD	22	7	2	28.6	5
Hazleton Area SD	177	39	4	10.3	35
Kutztown Area SD	13	0	0	0.0	0
Lower Moreland Twp	89	0	0	0.0	0
Marple Newtown SD	87	0	0	0.0	0
McKeesport Area SD	77	29	8	27.6	21
Methacton SD	103	18	5	27.8	13
Millcreek Township SD	259	85	30	35.3	55
Norristown Area SD	254	89	24	27.0	65
North Penn SD	273	0	0	0.0	0
Northampton Area SD	23	0	0	0.0	0
Northern Lehigh SD	11	0	0	0.0	0
Northwestern Lehigh SD	3	0	0	0.0	0
Norwin SD	8	0	0	0.0	0
Owen J Roberts SD	126	38	15	39.5	23
Penn Hills SD	5	0	0	0.0	0
Pennridge SD	164	65	31	47.7	34
Pennsbury SD	230	74	29	39.2	45
Phoenixville Area SD	125	41	15	36.6	26
Pittsburgh SD	1,910	823	432	52.5	391
Plum School District	0	0	0	0.0	0

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Table 5 (Continued)

School Entity	Requests for Hearings	Total Challenges Heard	Found Not Liable	% Overturned	Found Liable
Pottsville Area SD	19	0	0	0.0	0
Quakertown Community SD	134	53	28	52.8	25
Richland SD	0	0	0	0.0	0
Rose Tree Media SD	307	42	15	35.7	27
Salisbury Township SD	22	12	4	33.3	8
Souderton Area SD	61	16	8	50.0	8
Southeast Delco SD	201	29	15	51.7	14
Spring-Ford Area SD	250	91	33	36.3	58
Spring Grove Area SD	3	3	2	66.7	1
Susquehanna Township SD	164	0	0	0.0	0
Upper Darby SD	915	1	0	0.0	1
Upper Moreland	305	92	30	32.6	62
Warren County SD	12	2	1	50.0	1
Wilson Area SD	20	8	2	25.0	6
Wissahickon SD	82	0	0	0.0	0
TOTALS	8,849	2,370	1,003	42.3	1,367

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY

School entities were also requested to return financial information related to the operation of their programs. For CY 2024, the overall fine amount was \$300 for a violation. Within this \$300 fine, \$25 per violation was directed to the local police agency assisting each school entity with their review. Additionally, \$25 from each violation was directed to the School Bus Safety Program account. School Entities retained the remaining amount.

The school reported data was supplemented by data from the PennDOT fiscal records. The amounts paid to each school entity and system administrator are dictated by the agreements for the operation of each individual school program.

Fine Data

- Total fines imposed of \$23,205,974
- Total fines collected of \$13,684,662
- No school recovered the full amount of fines issued within CY 2024 at the time of reporting.
- The total imposed fine amounts by school entity ranged from \$2,050 to \$3,449,707
- Total outstanding fines by school entity ranged from \$1,848 to \$1,546,703.
 - Overall return in terms of fine percentage paid ranged from 2.5% to 78.3%, with the majority returning 50% or more.

A summary of the fine data is included in **Table 6**.

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Table 6 – Fines Summary (All Data Self-Reported by Schools)

School Entity	Numbers of NOVs	Fines Imposed (\$)	Fines Collected (\$)	Fines Outstanding (\$)	% Collected
Allentown City SD	873	265,407	54,473	210,935	20.5
Bensalem Township SD	5,033	1,594,033	1,095,224	498,810	68.7
Bethlehem Area SD	1,670	507,297	334,960	172,337	66.0
Catasauqua Area SD	462	140,674	85,365	55,309	60.7
Central Bucks SD	2,479	748,479	419,007	329,472	56.0
Central Dauphin SD	1,792	543,012	303,194	239,818	55.8
Cheltenham SD	4,644	1,395,124	815,481	579,642	58.5
Chichester SD	802	242,752	140,819	101,932	58.0
Crestwood SD	392	115,489	79,963	35,526	69.2
Cumberland Valley SD	2,265	697,816	487,571	210,245	69.9
Daniel Boone Area SD	295	87,313	55,423	31,890	63.5
Deer Lakes SD	48	14,562	9,017	5,546	61.9
East Allegheny SD	985	295,887	171,347	124,540	57.9
East Lycoming SD	81	24,525	12,780	11,745	52.1
Easton Area SD	2,440	733,470	480,343	253,127	65.5
Garnet Valley SD	1,004	314,004	213,101	100,903	67.9
General McLane SD	200	61,469	42,333	19,136	68.9
Hazleton Area SD	2,182	649,699	401,147	248,552	61.7
Kutztown Area SD	144	43,897	26,690	17,207	60.8
Lower Moreland Twp SD	766	232,718	126,631	106,087	54.4
Marple Newtown SD	792	239,811	142,304	97,508	59.3
McKeesport Area SD	608	180,149	93,327	86,822	51.8
Methacton SD	867	261,060	179,877	81,182	68.9
Millcreek Township SD	2,687	806,027	630,941	175,086	78.3
Norristown Area SD	2,547	803,006	489,164	313,842	60.9
North Penn SD	2,521	765,855	432,724	333,130	56.5
Northampton Area SD	234	70,778	27,213	43,565	38.4
Northern Lehigh SD	65	19,425	8,898	10,527	45.8
Northwestern Lehigh SD	20	6,099	3,363	2,736	55.1
Norwin SD	205	42,567	12,284	30,284	28.9
Owen J Roberts SD	925	277,866	184,053	93,813	66.2
Penn Hills SD	323	97,297	\$2,400	94,897	2.5
Pennridge SD	1,222	362,859	273,510	89,349	75.4
Pennsbury SD	1,894	565,815	386,466	179,349	68.3
Phoenixville Area SD	842	259,052	171,113	87,939	66.1
Pittsburgh SD	11,287	3,449,707	1,903,004	1,546,703	55.2
Plum School District	8	2,050	202	1,848	9.9
Pottsville Area SD	139	35,917	19,223	16,695	53.5
Quakertown Community SD	1,151	356,216	253,333	102,883	71.1

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Table 6 (Continued)

School Entity	Numbers of NOVs	Fines Imposed (\$)	Fines Collected (\$)	Fines Outstanding (\$)	% Collected
Richland SD	162	48,600	37,500	11,100	77.2
Rose Tree Media SD	2,453	738,410	456,337	282,073	61.8
Salisbury Township SD	340	102,476	78,326	24,150	76.4
Souderton Area SD	455	136,245	92,549	43,696	67.9
Southeast Delco SD	1,489	447,420	217,027	230,394	48.5
Spring-Ford Area SD	1,955	584,221	412,970	171,251	70.7
Spring Grove Area SD	204	61,983	39,479	22,504	63.7
Susquehanna Township SD	1,479	447,896	218,263	229,633	48.7
Upper Darby SD	7,491	2,269,546	866,163	1,403,383	38.2
Upper Moreland Township SD	2,551	775,614	542,424	233,190	69.9
Warren County SD	100	30,642	18,337	12,306	59.8
Wilson Area SD	136	40,104	24,720	15,384	61.6
Wissahickon SD	704	213,639	112,304	101,335	52.6
TOTALS	76,413	23,205,974	13,684,662	9,521,311	59.0

School reported amounts rounded to nearest dollar.

All fine amounts are exactly as reported by the school entities, and have not been validated by PennDOT.

Distribution of Received Funds

- Total Funds Returned to Local Police Agencies = \$1,073,294
- Total Funds Returned to School Bus Grant Program = \$1,131,125
- Total Funds Returned to School Entity = \$1,675,652
- Total Funds Returned to System Administrators = \$9,572,517
- School entities reimbursed PennDOT a total of \$90,366, with amounts ranging from \$0 to \$26,178.
- 34 reporting school entities reported no funds from the program were returned for their own usage.

A summary of the fund distribution is included in **Tables 7 and 8**.

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Table 7 – Funding Distribution Summary -Percentage Comparison
(All Data Self-Reported by Schools)

School Entity	Fines Collected (\$)	Funds to System Administrator (\$)	% to System Administrator (%)	Funds to School Entity (\$)	% to School Entity (%)
Allentown City SD	54,473	40,777	74.9	0	0.0
Bensalem Township SD	1,095,224	845,169	77.2	58,008	5.3
Bethlehem Area SD	334,960	274,070	81.8	0	0.0
Catasauqua Area SD	85,365	69,426	81.3	0	0.0
Central Bucks SD	419,007	347,642	83.0	0	0.0
Central Dauphin SD	303,194	246,848	81.4	0	0.0
Cheltenham SD	815,481	521,927	64.0	147,280	18.1
Chichester SD	140,819	116,004	82.4	0	0.0
Crestwood SD	79,963	65,648	82.1	0	0.0
Cumberland Valley SD	487,571	396,494	81.3	0	0.0
Daniel Boone Area SD	55,423	45,986	83.0	0	0.0
Deer Lakes SD	9,017	7,653	84.9	0	0.0
East Allegheny SD	171,347	325	0.2	141,200	82.4
East Lycoming SD	12,780	9,979	78.1	0	0.0
Easton Area SD	480,343	380,431	79.2	18,545	3.9
Garnet Valley SD	213,101	176,326	82.7	14,507	6.8
General McLane SD	42,333	34,794	82.2	0	0.0
Hazleton Area SD	401,147	281,533	70.2	48,086	12.0
Kutztown Area SD	26,690	22,572	84.6	0	0.0
Lower Moreland Twp SD	126,631	85,185	67.3	18,454	14.6
Marple Newtown SD	142,304	98,021	68.9	19,525	13.7
McKeesport Area SD	93,327	39,059	41.9	0	0.0
Methacton SD	179,877	146,238	81.3	0	0.0
Millcreek Township SD	630,941	440,483	69.8	102,868	16.3
Norristown Area SD	489,164	321,793	65.8	81,942	16.8
North Penn SD	432,724	292,770	67.7	64,340	14.9
Northampton Area SD	27,213	22,522	82.8	0	0.0
Northern Lehigh SD	8,898	7,258	81.6	0	0.0
Northwestern Lehigh	3,363	2,760	82.1	0	0.0
Norwin SD	12,284	11,891	96.8	0	0.0
Owen J Roberts SD	184,053	150,166	81.6	0	0.0
Penn Hills SD	2,400	2,946	122.8	0	0.0
Pennridge SD	273,510	224,839	82.2	0	0.0

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Table 7 (Continued)

School Entity	Fines Collected	Funds to System Administrator	% to System Administrator	Funds to School Entity	% to School Entity
Pennsbury SD	386,466	316,605	81.9	0	0.0
Phoenixville Area SD	171,113	140,660	82.2	0	0.0
Pittsburgh SD	1,903,004	1,111,976	58.4	447,450	23.5
Plum SD	202	0	0.0	0	0.0
Pottsville Area SD	19,223	15,873	82.6	0	0.0
Quakertown Community SD	253,333	207,811	82.0	0	0.0
Richland SD	37,500	0	0.0	37,500	100.0
Rose Tree Media SD	456,337	363,231	79.6	0	0.0
Salisbury Township SD	78,326	65,917	84.2	0	0.0
Souderton Area SD	92,549	75,122	81.2	0	0.0
Southeast Delco SD	217,027	181,444	83.6	1,798	0.8
Spring-Ford Area SD	412,970	336,351	81.4	0	0.0
Spring Grove Area SD	39,479	32,015	81.1	0	0.0
Susquehanna Township SD	218,263	126,628	58.0	53,591	24.6
Upper Darby SD	866,163	427,556	49.4	284,974	32.9
Upper Moreland Township SD	542,424	334,543	61.7	113,265	20.9
Warren County SD	18,337	15,123	82.5	0	0.0
Wilson Area SD	24,720	20,325	82.2	0	0.0
Wissahickon SD	112,304	71,802	63.9	22,320	19.9
TOTALS	13,684,662	9,572,517	70.0	1,675,652	12.2

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Table 8 – Funding Distribution Summary – Full Distribution (All Data Self-Reported)

School Entity	Fines Collected	Funds to System Administrator	Funds to School Entity	Funds to Primary Police	Funds to School Bus Grant Program	Funds for Hearing Reimbursement
Allentown City SD	\$54,473	\$40,777	\$0	\$9,514	\$4,757	\$0
Bensalem Township SD	1,095,224	\$845,169	\$58,008	\$8,630	\$89,561	\$8,630
Bethlehem Area SD	\$334,960	\$274,070	\$0	\$27,415	\$27,421	\$579
Catasauqua Area SD	\$85,365	\$69,426	\$0	\$6,986	\$6,987	\$0
Central Bucks SD	\$419,007	\$347,642	\$0	\$34,573	\$34,574	\$0
Central Dauphin	\$303,194	\$246,848	\$0	\$25,031	\$25,032	\$1,205
Cheltenham SD	\$815,481	\$521,927	\$147,280	\$132,778	\$66,389	\$5,496
Chichester SD	\$140,819	\$116,004	\$0	\$11,455	\$11,462	\$964
Crestwood SD	\$79,963	\$65,648	\$0	\$6,529	\$6,580	\$964
Cumberland Valley SD	\$487,571	\$396,494	\$0	\$22,107	\$39,931	\$4,146
Daniel Boone Area SD	\$55,423	\$45,986	\$0	\$4,587	\$4,588	\$530
Deer Lakes SD	\$9,017	\$7,653	\$0	\$709	\$14,008	\$0
East Allegheny SD	\$171,347	\$325	\$141,200	\$14,003	\$14,008	\$0
East Lycoming SD	\$12,780	\$9,979	\$0	\$1,988	\$994	\$0
Easton Area SD	\$480,343	\$380,431	\$18,545	\$39,423	\$39,431	\$2,796
Garnet Valley SD	\$213,101	\$176,326	\$14,507	\$17,368	\$17,368	\$1,061
General McLane SD	\$42,333	\$34,794	\$0	\$3,485	\$3,485	\$241
Hazleton Area SD	\$401,147	\$281,533	\$48,086	\$32,955	\$32,955	\$1,880
Kutztown Area SD	\$26,690	\$22,572	\$0	\$2,273	\$2,273	\$0
Lower Moreland Twp SD	\$126,631	\$85,185	\$18,454	\$10,363	\$10,363	\$0
Marple Newtown SD	\$142,304	\$98,021	\$19,525	\$11,754	\$11,754	\$0
McKeesport Area SD	\$93,327	\$39,059	\$0	\$4,111	\$4,111	\$1,061
Methacton SD	\$179,877	\$146,238	\$0	\$14,764	\$14,764	\$8,630
Millcreek Township SD	\$630,941	\$440,483	\$102,868	\$51,713	\$51,713	\$3,712
Norristown Area SD	\$489,164	\$321,793	\$81,942	\$39,790	\$39,800	\$3,326
North Penn SD	\$432,724	\$292,770	\$64,340	19,474.00	35,708.00	\$0
Northampton Area SD	\$27,213	\$22,522	\$0	\$2,250	\$2,250	\$0

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Table 8 (Continued)

School Entity	Fines Collected	Funds to System Administrator	Funds to School Entity	Funds to Primary Police	School Bus Grant Program	Funds for Hearing Reimbursement
Northern Lehigh SD	\$8,898	\$7,258	\$0	\$725	\$725	\$0
Northwestern Lehigh SD	\$3,363	\$2,760	\$0	\$275	\$275	\$0
Norwin SD	\$12,284	\$11,891	\$0	\$1,175	\$1,175	\$0
Owen J Roberts SD	\$184,053	\$150,166	\$0	\$15,156	\$15,157	\$1,736
Penn Hills SD	\$2,400	\$2,946	\$0	\$300	\$300	\$0
Pennridge SD	\$273,510	\$224,839	\$0	\$22,439	\$22,446	\$0
Pennsbury SD	\$386,466	\$316,605	\$0	\$31,694	\$31,698	\$3,182
Phoenixville Area SD	\$171,113	\$140,660	\$0	\$14,069	\$14,073	\$1,687
Pittsburgh SD	\$1,903,004	\$1,111,976	\$447,450	\$154,883	\$154,883	\$26,178
Plum School	\$202	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pottsville Area SD	\$19,223	\$15,873	\$0	\$1,586	\$1,586	\$0
Quakertown Community SD	\$253,333	\$207,811	\$0	\$20,612	\$20,611	\$1,736
Richland SD	\$37,500	\$0	\$37,500	\$1,563	\$3,125	\$0
Rose Tree Media	\$456,337	\$363,231	\$0	\$37,553	\$37,556	\$1,687
Salisbury	\$78,326	\$65,917	\$0	\$6,402	\$6,402	\$530
Souderton Area	92,548.75	\$75,122	\$0	\$7,592	\$7,592	\$579
Southeast Delco	\$217,027	\$181,444	\$1,798	\$17,564	\$17,568	\$0
Spring-Ford Area	\$412,970	\$336,351	\$0	\$33,795	\$33,801	\$3,471
Spring Grove Area SD	\$39,479	\$32,015	\$0	\$3,240	\$3,241	\$0
Susquehanna Township SD	\$218,263	\$126,628	\$53,591	\$18,021	\$18,021	\$0
Upper Darby SD	\$866,163	\$427,556	\$284,974	\$71,242	\$71,242	\$48
Upper Moreland	\$542,424	\$334,543	\$113,265	\$44,435	\$44,435	\$3,856
Warren County	\$18,337	\$15,123	\$0	\$1,501	\$1,501	\$96
Wilson Area SD	\$24,720	\$20,325	\$0	\$2,041	\$2,041	\$359
Wissahickon SD	\$112,304	\$71,802	\$22,320	\$9,404	\$9,404	\$0
TOTALS	\$13,684,662	\$9,572,517	\$1,675,652	\$1,073,294	\$1,131,125	\$90,366

School reported amounts rounded to nearest dollar.

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Criminal Violation – Grant Monies

A secondary source of funding related to the ASBE program is the capture of grant funding from the criminal violation process. As per statute, each upheld criminal violation includes a \$35 surcharge deposited into the School Bus Safety Grant Program Account, separate from that captured through automated enforcement civil violations. These violations are handled completely outside of PennDOT's jurisdiction through the magisterial district court system, leading to some investigation to determine where the grant portion of the fine was submitted and held. Given the recent establishment of the grant program and the previous years' violations (going back to 2020), there was also an amount carried into the account for CY 2024. A summary of the deposits from the criminal violations is included in **Table 9**.

It should be noted that the criminal violation process is separate and distinct from the ASBE civil process for these violations that was enacted through Act 19 (2023) and will remain separate going forward.

Table 9 – Criminal Violation Grant Summary

Funds Management - Update Date	Payment
1/23/2024	\$1,295.24
1/23/2024	\$12.18
2/6/2024	\$1,350.98
3/1/2024	\$1,079.53
3/1/2024	\$15.82
4/9/2024	\$1,380.54
5/15/2024	\$862.35
5/15/2024	\$23.27
6/13/2024	\$1,119.25
6/13/2024	\$4.90
7/19/2024	\$1,025.95
7/19/2024	\$4.90
8/9/2024	\$543.26
8/12/2024	\$44.53
12/23/2024	\$1,319.49
Total	\$10,082.19

Carryover from 2023 and Previous	\$52,493.09
Total 2024 Deposit Amount	\$10,082.19
Total Criminal Violation Grant Deposits	\$62,575.28

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School Entity Use of Funds

One additional input from the requested reporting was the uses of any funds retained by the school entities. A majority of the schools did not receive any returned funds. Of the schools retaining funds for their own use, a wide variety of uses for the funds were described, from:

- deposit into general school funds;
- safety-related expenses (both transportation and other);
- other non-transportation-related programs(such as for mental health);
- Upgrades to buses and bus-related infrastructure (cameras, software, etc.)

A full listing of detailed responses from the reporting schools is included in **Appendix D**. Please note these responses are directly from the school entities and have not been verified by PennDOT or PSP.

NEXT STEPS – CY 2025

There will be additional changes to the program going forward to aid in customer service and comply with the statutory requirements.

CY 2025

- For CY 2025, all school entities with ASBE programs will be responsible for removal of imagery associated with violations that is approaching 1 year since disposition. Both the school entities and PennDOT will be responsible for disposal of their own appropriate records.
- CY 2025 may see the advancement of the permanent regulations for the program. Currently, the program is operating under temporary regulations enacted in early 2024. These regulations will be developed primarily by PennDOT, with input from PSP and the relevant members and support staff of the Legislature.

Grant Program

CY 2025 will see the initiation of the School Bus Safety Grant Program.

Implementation of the program will proceed through preparation of the grant application, development of the program's financial components, engagement with relevant stakeholders regarding available funding, and dissemination of application requirements and eligibility criteria. The grant administration elements for this program, including the schedule for application and award schedules, are actively being finalized.

Upon initiation of the grant program, it can be expected that there may be new schools initiating programs using the grant funding, as well as additional interest from the vendors in partnering with school entities to initiate programs.

AUTOMATED SCHOOL BUS ENFORCEMENT

APPENDIX A – SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION

School Entity	Category	Phone Number	Ext	System Administrator
Allentown City SD	School District	484-765-4059		BusPatrol
Bensalem Township SD	School District	215-750-2800		BusPatrol
Bethlehem Area SD	School District	610-861-0360		BusPatrol
Catasauqua Area SD	School District	610-697-0111	7, 2	BusPatrol
		610-264-3192	2	
Central Bucks SD	School District	267-893-4032		BusPatrol
Central Dauphin SD	School District	717-545-4703	70220	BusPatrol
Cheltenham SD	School District			
Chichester SD	School District	610-485-6881	6300	BusPatrol
Crestwood SD	School District	570-474-6782	351	BusPatrol
			337	
Cumberland Valley SD	School District	717-697-8261		BusPatrol
Daniel Boone Area SD	School District	484-624-2083		BusPatrol
Deer Lakes SD	School District	724-265-5300	1217	BusPatrol
East Allegheny SD	School District	412-824-8012		BusPatrol
East Lycoming SD	School District	570-584-2131		BusPatrol
Easton Area SD	School District	484-634-0045		BusPatrol
Garnet Valley SD	School District	610-579-7805		BusPatrol
General McLane SD	School District	814-273-1033	6901	BusPatrol
Hazleton Area SD	School District	570-459-3111	3133	BusPatrol
Kutztown Area SD	School District	484-641-5567		BusPatrol
Lower Moreland Twp SD	School District	215-938-0270	4515	BusPatrol
Marple Newtown SD	School District	610-359-4299		BusPatrol
McKeesport Area SD	School District	412-664-3645		BusPatrol
Methacton SD	School District	610-489-5078		BusPatrol
Millcreek Township SD	School District	814-835-5325		BusPatrol
Norristown Area SD	School District	610-630-5000		BusPatrol
North Penn SD	School District	215-368-0400		BusPatrol
Northampton Area SD	School District	610-262-7811		BusPatrol
Northern Lehigh SD	School District	610-767-9846		BusPatrol
Northwestern Lehigh SD	School District	610-298-8661	2119	BusPatrol
Norwin SD	School District	724-861-3000	1131	BusPatrol
Owen J Roberts SD	School District	610-469-5187		BusPatrol
Penn Hills SD	School District	412-793-7000	5394	BusPatrol
Pennridge SD	School District	215-453-2725		BusPatrol
Pennsbury SD	School District	215-428-4165		BusPatrol
Phoenixville Area SD	School District	484-927-5020		BusPatrol
Pittsburgh SD	School District	412-529-4314		BusPatrol
Plum School District	School District	412-798-6388		ProVision
Pottsville Area SD	School District	570-621-7684		BusPatrol
Quakertown Community SD	School District	267-371-1280		BusPatrol
Richland SD	School District	814-266-6063		Zen-Tinel
Rose Tree Media SD	School District	610-627-6136		BusPatrol
Salisbury Township SD	School District	610-797-2062		BusPatrol
Souderton Area SD	School District	215-723-6061	10210	BusPatrol
Southeast Delco SD	School District	610-522-4300	5513	BusPatrol
Spring-Ford Area SD	School District	610-705-6226		BusPatrol
Spring Grove Area SD	School District	717-225-4731	3024	BusPatrol
Susquehanna Township SD	School District	717-657-5100		BusPatrol
Upper Darby SD	School District	610-789-7200	3252	BusPatrol
Upper Moreland Township SD	School District	215-830-1525		BusPatrol
Warren County SD	School District	814-723-6900	1004	BusPatrol
Wilson Area SD	School District	484-373-6001		BusPatrol
Wissahickon SD	School District	215-619-8000	1315	BusPatrol

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APPENDIX B – REPORTING FORMS

PA Automated School Bus Enforcement (ASBE) Program

2024 SCHOOL ENTITY DATA FORM

Please return to PennDOT by July 1, 2025, via email to RA-PDBUS@pa.gov

I. CONTACT INFORMATION

1. School Entity - may be a school district, area career and technical school, intermediate unit, charter school, regional charter school, or cyber charter school:

2. Program Point of Contact:

3. Phone:

4. Email:

5. ASBE System Administrator Acting on Behalf of the School Entity (if applicable):

6. Approved System (Manufacturer and Model), and Timeframe*:

**Note if system administrator changed at any point during calendar year*

7. Duties and Responsibilities of ASBE System Administrator (if applicable):

8. Primary Police Department:

9. Bus Transportation Company:

10. Collection Agency:

11. Municipality(ies):

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2024 SCHOOL ENTITY DATA FORM

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II. 2024 CALENDAR YEAR STATISTICS

Only report data for the period from January 01 to December 31, 2024

12. Number of school buses equipped with an ASBE system:

13. Number of Notices of Violations issued:

14. Amount of fines imposed and collected:

Fines Imposed	
Fines Collected	

15. Distribution of Funds collected(Per 75 PA C.S. 75 §3345.1.h) :

School Bus Safety Grant Program (\$25 per violation to PennDOT)	
Hearing Officer reimbursement	
Primary police partners(\$25 per violation)	
Amount of total funds received by School Entity	
Amount of total funds received by System Administrator	

16. Contests and Appeals Statistics:

Number of contested violations (Requests for Hearings)	
Upheld Violations/Found Liable (contestation hearings)	
Rejected Violations/Found Not Liable (contestation hearings)	

17. Please explain in detail how your school district used revenues received from the ASBE program:

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APPENDIX C – APPROVED VENDORS

Vendor Name	Address	Website	eCAMMS Application Number	Approved System	Date of Certification - Title 67 §171a (old)
247Security, Inc.	4400 North Point Pkwy, Suite #158 Alpharetta, GA 30022	https://www.247securityinc.com/	2019210	ZEUS-Titan WITH SACs	12/4/2019
BusPatrol America, LLC	8540 Cinder Bed Rd., Suite #400 Lorton, VA 22079	https://www.buspatrol.com/	2019207	X7V3	2/3/2020
Fortress Systems International	3801 Rose Lake Drive Charlotte, NC 28217	https://www.fortressmobile.com/	2019102	Stop Arm Camera Technology	3/6/2024
IVS, Inc. dba AngelTrax	119 South Woodburn Drive Dothan, AL 36305	www.angeltrax.com	2022182	VULCAN SERIES V1284HC	2/8/2023
IVS, Inc. dba AngelTrax	119 South Woodburn Drive Dothan, AL 36305	www.angeltrax.com	2022183	INTELLIGUARD VULCAN SERIES Vx5AI, V8X3, V12, V1284HC	2/8/2023
IVS, Inc. dba AngelTrax	119 South Woodburn Drive Dothan, AL 36305	www.angeltrax.com	2019203	INTELLIGUARD VULCAN SERIES SAV5MP	12/4/2019
PRO-VISION, Inc./ DBA PRO-VISION Video Systems	8625-B Byron Commerce Drive SW	www.provisionusa.com	2019136	PRO-VISION® HD Dual-Lens Stop-Arm Camera	12/4/2019
Radio Engineering Industries, Inc.	6534 L Street Omaha, NE 68117-1112	www.radioeng.com	2019130	6-Channel DVR Camera Surveillance System with Stop Arm Cameras AND 12-Channel Camera Surveillance System with Stop Arm Cameras (Formerly coded as 710684 & 710685)	12/4/2019
Seon Systems Sales Inc. dba Safe Fleet - Seon	111 - 3B Burridge Street Coquitlam, Canada V3K7B2	www.seon.com	2019217	Seon Stop Arm Camera Solution	12/4/2019
Zen-tinel, Inc.	2334 Oakland Avenue Unit 30 Indiana, PA 15707-3566	www.zen-tinel.com/	2019163	Stop Arm Violation Camera	12/4/2019

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APPENDIX D – SCHOOL ENTITY USAGE OF RETURNED FUNDS

School Entity	School Responses on Use of Revenues from Program
Allentown City SD	Any revenue was used to pay technology fee to BusPatrol.
Bensalem Township SD	No response provided
Bethlehem Area SD	Additional video and safety equipment installed in the buses.
Catasauqua Area SD	All revenues have been used to pay for Transfinder and Zonar software programs.
Central Bucks SD	N/A
Central Dauphin SD	No profit share for 2024. SPO share when towards officers reviewing citation videos.
Cheltenham SD	Cheltenham School District used the funds from the ASBE program to implement a bus tracking program for parents so that they can see real time the location of their students buses to have more efficient and safer stops. The District also partnered with the local township to increase traffic safety around schools by assisting in the funding of speed cushions and updated traffic markings and signs.
Chichester SD	The District received approximately \$4,000.00. The money was used to reimburse fuel cost
Crestwood SD	N/A
Cumberland Valley SD	Revenue is placed in our General Fund to be used for expenses related to student transportation.
Daniel Boone Area SD	The revenue is reallocated back into transportation needs.
Deer Lakes SD	At this time, the district has not received any of the revenue, as it is currently directed to the system administrator, Bus Patrol.
East Allegheny SD	Revenues utilized to offset contracted transportation services.
East Lycoming SD	Continue to invest in transportation safety and security
Easton Area SD	No response provided
Garnet Valley SD	The money has been used for updating doors, door locks, training, re-lettering of all entrances and postings of signage at all entrances used with a key fob. Enhanced exterior lighting in some of the buildings
General McLane SD	N/A – We have not received any revenue.
Hazleton Area SD	To further enhance the performance and equipment of the police department to ensure the safety and security of all our students and staff.
Kutztown Area SD	The Kutztown Area School District did not receive any revenue from the PA Automated School Bus Enforcement Program.
Lower Moreland Twp SD	The District is utilizing the funds to help offset the cost of a School Resource Officer in the School District. This officer helps with student discipline and safety and also serves as a conduit between the School District and the Police Department.
Marple Newtown SD	The funds received from this program are used to off set the cost of our GPS and Bus Routing Software.
McKeesport Area SD	My district didn't receive any revenues from the program. We are still paying our fees to Bus Patrol.
Methacton SD	No response provided
Millcreek Township SD	We allocated the revenue to help mitigate the increasing transportation expenses resulting from the nationwide driver shortage crisis.
Norristown Area SD	Used on transportation expenses
North Penn SD	Any funds received above the technology fee owed back to Bus Patrol would go back into the general operating fund to offset general transportation expenses such as contracted services, driver wages, maintenance and fuel costs
Northampton Area SD	Revenue received from the ASBE program was allocated to the technology fee for Bus Patrol. Any remainder will be applied to the safety and security department
Northern Lehigh SD	Revenue generated will be used to offset costs incurred by our Police Department.
Northwestern Lehigh SD	The district used the revenues to support safety and security programs district-wide.
Norwin SD	The District utilized funds to continue to support programs which impact the Safety and Security of the District.
Owen J Roberts SD	N/A - See Section 15
Penn Hills SD	Money Raised will be used to offset transportation costs District incurs.
Pennridge SD	Pennridge has not received revenues.
Pennsbury SD	Pennsbury School District does not currently receive direct revenues from the ASBE program. All revenues are utilized to offset the costs of the following: Transfinder (routing software), new cameras and two way radios on all vehicles used to transport students.
Phoenixville Area SD	As shown in the supplemental data, proceeds were not received by the school district "• Maintenance, leasing and upkeep of the school bus video surveillance equipment • Safety Training for School Police and Security • Equipment for School Visitor Management system • Center for Victims Training – School Staff • Kona Ice Truck – Healing for traumatic event at Carmalt • Signage for classrooms regarding new Safety protocols"
Plum School District	No response provided
Pottsville Area SD	To defray the cost of the cameras
Quakertown Community SD	N/A
Richland SD	"• Purchase of additional cameras for buses • Administrative fees paid to the transportation contractor for retrieving video • Notary fees • Fees for primary police • Fees for school bus administration program • Legal fees • Reimbursement to District for existing salaries related to the administration of the program; Executive Assistant the Superintendent – 15%, School Resource Officer – 15%, Business Manager/Director of Transportation – 2%, Superintendent – 1.5% "
Rose Tree Media SD	The district did not receive any revenue in this period.
Salisbury Township SD	Salisbury Township School District did not receive any revenues during 2024.
Souderton Area SD	No response provided
Southeast Delco SD	Southeast Delco is using the revenue to upgrade communication devices and professional developments concerning regular and special education students
Spring-Ford Area SD	No response provided
Spring Grove Area SD	Spring Grove Area SD has not received any revenues from the ASBE program.
Susquehanna Township SD	The funds have been deposited into the general fund but have not been allocated to any expenses yet.
Upper Darby SD	Revenues received from the ASBE program have been added to the district's General Fund.
Upper Moreland Township SD	The revenues received from the ASBE program have been used to offset maintenance and repair costs for our fleet.
Warren County SD	The WCSD did not receive any revenue for this program.
Wilson Area SD	The district uses the money collected through violations to offset the cost of the bus arm camera installation as well as additional exterior bus cameras. These cameras have been instrumental in several situations where safety of our students was jeopardized by other vehicles.
Wissahickon SD	Wissahickon School District is applying the funds towards the purchase of new school transportation vans as we have an aging fleet.