



# **Plymouth Community School Corporation**

**TRANSPORTATION  
UPDATE 12-3-2019**

# Routes

- At the start of the 2019-2020 school year due to a driver shortage, two (2) routes had to be eliminated taking our number of routes down to twenty-four (24).
- One (1) eliminated route was re-added in September due to high numbers and because an additional route driver was hired taking our number of routes up to twenty-five (25).



# Daily Ridership

For the week of October 21st through the 25th, PCSC School Buses averaged a daily morning ridership of 1203 students.



# New Hires / Retirements

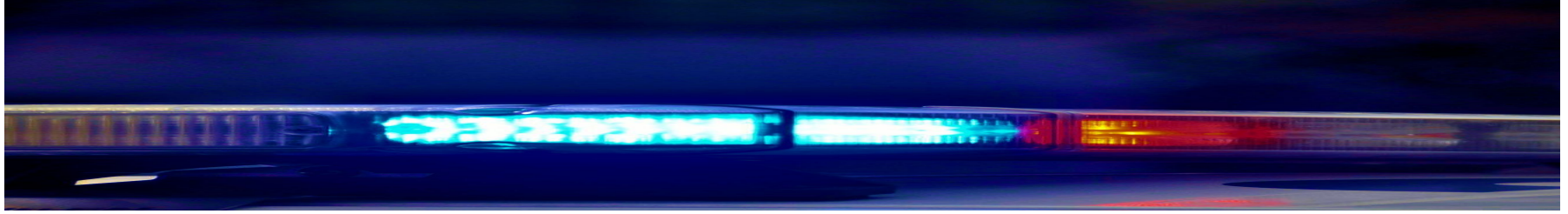
- Three (3) new hires since the start of the 2019-2020 school year
- Total of four (4) new drivers since last school year
- One (1) Special Needs Route Driver will retire at the end of this December
- Actively recruiting current and prospective drivers to fill that position



# Senate Bill 2



- Went into effect on July 1st 2019
- Mandates the following:
  - Black reflective tape to be installed in areas chosen by a district designee until official specifications can be provided by the Indiana State School Bus Committee.
  - Right Handed Pick-up / Drop-off: Section 7 mandates all pick-up and drop-offs to be conducted right handed on all U.S. and State Routes. This applies to areas outside the boundary of a city or town. The only exception is if there is no other safe alternative whereas the superintendent or the superintendent's designee shall present the bus route to the governing body for approval.
  - All PCSC Bus Routes were evaluated and updated to follow this new law prior to the law coming into effect. (See presented letter stating as such.)
  - All PCSC Bus Routes are right handed pick up and drop off wherever possible in effort to go above and beyond what state law mandates in areas away from U.S. and State Routes.



- Senate Bill 2 increases the penalty for a stop-arm violation from a Class B misdemeanor to a Class A misdemeanor. Any injury and or death caused by a violation is raised to a Level 6 felony for injury and Level 5 for death.
- Senate Bill 2 also allows for a person's license to be suspended for up to 90 days for no previous stop-arm violation and up to one (1) year if there are any previous.



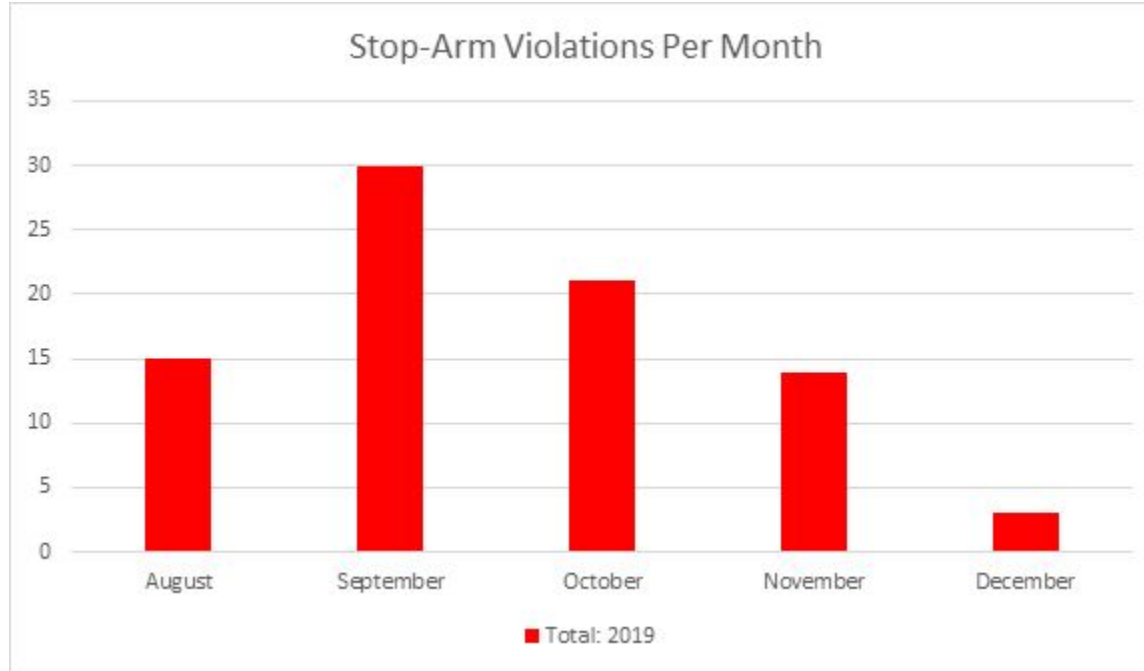
# Stop Arm Violations



- Partnership with the Marshall County Prosecutor's Office
- All violations shall be reported to transportation immediately following the violation
- Transportation shall call 911 immediately and 911 dispatchers shall dispatch an officer to the area
- Drivers shall provide a written statement that is presented to law enforcement as evidence
- Any onboard footage and or stop-arm camera footage is processed and transferred over to law enforcement as evidence



# PCSC Stop-Arm Violations





# Stop-Arm Camera Systems

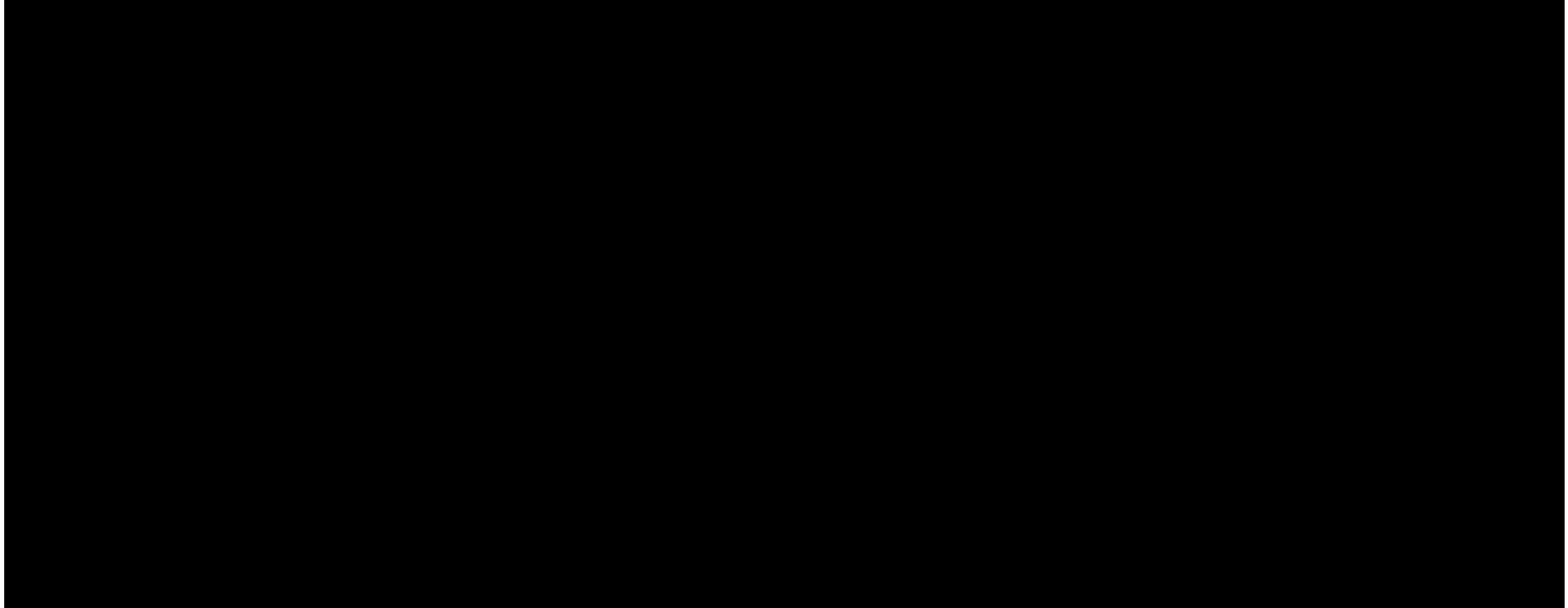
- PCSC has 7 Stop-Arm Camera Systems installed and deployed in high risk areas
- Continued efforts to purchase and install more as funding is available
- All future new bus purchases will be outfitted using New Bus Replacement Funds
- Cost is roughly \$3,500 to outfit each existing bus with new cameras. Since retrofitting current camera systems isn't possible, interior cameras, recording device, along with the purchase of the stop-arm cameras is necessary.



# Stop Arm Pictures / Footage



# Stop-Arm Violation Footage



# New Onboard Technology

- All route buses and some spare buses have been outfitted with tablets from Zonar. The tablets offer the following:
  - GPS Capability: All buses can be tracked which is extremely helpful in determining a buses location during an accident or emergency.
  - Turn-by-turn directional capabilities for sub drivers
  - Capability for planned versus actual when evaluating routes for safety
  - Cost savings potential by tracking idling
  - All driver inspections have gone paperless and are done via Zonar Tablet.
  - Any defects are immediately sent to myself and a mechanic at Wiers.
  - Noted defects can prompt corrective action and or parts ordering
  - Decreased downtime for corrective action repairs
  - Student ridership tracking
  - All route driver time tracking has gone paperless.

