

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

EPA Clean School Bus Program 2023 Rebates



Applications are now open for the EPA Clean School Bus 2023 rebates!

\$500 million is available to replace aging diesel buses with zero-emission electric school buses. Applications opened on September 28, 2023 and will close on January 31, 2024.



\$500 million
total funding amount
delivered upfront
1-25 school buses
per applicant



up to \$345,000
per electric school bus and charging
infrastructure for **priority school districts**
up to \$200,000
per electric school bus and charging
infrastructure for **non-priority school districts**

WHO CAN APPLY?

(1) Public School Districts:

- State and local governmental entities responsible for public bus service
- Public charter school districts

(2) Indian Tribes, Tribal Organizations, or Tribally-controlled Schools

(3) Third Parties:

- Nonprofit Student Transportation Associations
- Eligible Contractors, including bus manufacturers, dealers, school bus service providers, and private bus fleets

WHO IS PRIORITIZED FOR FUNDING?

At least 60% of funding is guaranteed for priority school districts. The EPA's 2023 list of priority school districts includes:

- **Low-income** school districts with 20% or more students living in poverty
- **Rural** school districts
- **Tribal** school districts

Public school districts in U.S. territories are also prioritized.

WHAT DOES THE APPLICATION REQUIRE?

The application is **simple, quick** and **online**. Applicants need to fill in details about the school district and the buses they plan to replace. Applicants also need an **active SAM.GOV** account.

WHAT CAN FUNDING COVER?

- **New electric school bus**, including delivery and warranty costs
- **Electric school bus charging stations**
- **Charging infrastructure** from the electrical meter to the charging station
 - Design and engineering
 - Trenching, wiring, electrical upgrades,
 - Labor and permitting
 - Software and telematics
 - Battery storage or renewable energy power generation systems
- **Workforce training** for drivers, mechanics, electricians and other staff

An additional \$20,000 is available for buses being shipped to states and territories overseas, and buses with wheelchair lifts.

Interested in applying?

Visit the EPA's website at epa.gov/cleanschoolbus for:



Full program guidelines and answers to FAQs



Informational webinars and newsletter alerts



Technical assistance and infrastructure resources

For additional resources or questions on electric school buses, please contact the [Alliance for Electric School Buses](#)