

# INTERNET ON THE BUS

Providing More Access for Students



# 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY TEACHING AND LEARNING

- 1 to 1 Device Initiatives
- Bring Your Own Device
- Technology-Enhanced Instruction
- Online Courses



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Approximately 49 School Days per Year

The time spent on activity buses and the daily school commute can begin to be seen as an opportunity for students to get a jumpstart on homework and other assignments.

Source: 2013 BLR Report on Student Transportation



# COACHELLA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Provide After-School Internet Access in Low Income Areas through WiFi-Enabled Buses Acting as Hot Spots



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# SOUTH TEXAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Goal to Provide In-Transit Internet Access to Students

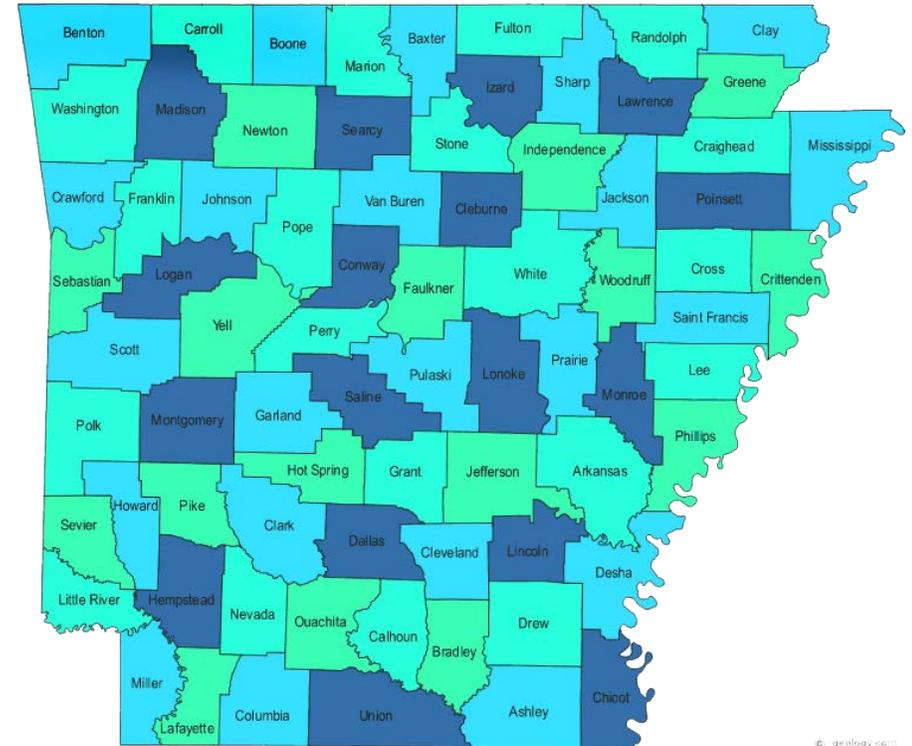


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# FAST FACTS ON ARKANSAS

- 256 School Districts
- 5360 Buses in Arkansas
- Average Bus Size: 67.93
- Average Number of Riders Per Route: 48.46



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# FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

Act 941 of 2015

- Allows for School Districts to allow advertising on school buses
- Any revenue must be used for school transportation purposes



# NEXT STEPS

- All Agreements Between Districts and Vendors
- Informational for School Districts
  - Including, but not limited to, installation costs, monthly access costs, number of students that can log in, filtering ability, purchasing consortium and contract #, coverage map, speed and GPS tracking feature



# PROVIDERS

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