

## JACKSON-MADISON COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM

# Bus garage recovers, goes extra mile for schools



*Retention improves, driver numbers trending up as pay increases*

**T**he Covid pandemic, and driver shortages that followed, decimated school Transportation teams nationwide. While that impact was felt locally, our efforts to increase pay and support for all employees over the last year has allowed our bus garage to bounce

back. After dipping to 66 drivers, we're now at 81 with 5 additional drivers completing the training process. The latest pay increase from \$93 to \$111.90 daily has assisted in retaining drivers as well as attracting new and former staff. Service and Support will continue for families.

**From the  
Superintendent's  
Desk**

**Reminder: Parent Teacher Conferences take place today, Thursday, September 14th. Please take a moment to visit with your child's teacher. These events help promote positive outcomes for you, your students, and your school.**

### The Super Challenge

For the number 9,573,109,611,457, what does the 3 mean? **9/11 answer: -5**

### WOW: Word of the Week

**Admonition:** guidance or counsel