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SUBJECT: Transportation Training Required by *N.J.S.A. 18A:39-19.2*

In accordance with P.L. 2016, c.123, the Department of Education has developed a training program for school bus drivers and school bus aides on appropriate procedures for interacting with students with special needs. Training materials developed to satisfy the requirements of *N.J.S.A. 18A:39-19.2* are now available on the Department's [Student Transportation webpage](#). The online materials consist of a video, a question-and-answer document, a certificate template that demonstrates the driver/aide has completed the training, and a student information card.

School districts should share this information with their school bus contractors, and county offices should do so with all school bus contractors in their county.

If you have any questions, please email student.trans@doe.state.nj.us.

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