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**Austin, TX to host 49th Annual School Bus Driver International Safety Competition
Event scheduled for July 20th and 21st, 2019**

The National School Transportation Association (NSTA) is honored to once again host the School Bus Driver International Safety Competition. This competition began in 1971 as the National School Bus Safety Road-e-o, and it remains one of the most important events in the industry. Each year, the best school bus drivers from across the U.S. and Canada compete for top honors and well-deserved recognition.

As in previous years, this year's event coincides with the NSTA Annual Meeting and Convention, scheduled for July 21st through July 24th at the Hyatt Regency in Austin, Texas.

The full event commences with a written test that drivers must complete. After that, contestants get behind the wheel of a bus to put their driving skills to the test competing in one of three categories – convention, transit or small bus. Throughout the competition drivers have the opportunity to demonstrate their professionalism, skill, and dedication to pupil transportation. The event culminates with an Awards Banquet and Ceremony, where the winners of the competition are announced.

Interested parties can find registration and information pertaining to the [NSTA 2019 School Bus Driver International Safety Competition](http://www.yellowbuses.org/nsta-2019-school-bus-driver-international-safety-competition) on the NSTA website at www.yellowbuses.org, or by calling (703) 684-3200.

Participant Registration: Sat., July 20th -- begins 2:00 p.m. (CT)

Safety Competition: Sun., July 21st -- begins 8:00 a.m. (CT)

Photo Opportunity: Sun., July 21st – 5:30 p.m. (CT)

Awards Ceremony: Sun. July 21st -- 6:30 p.m. (CT)

Competition Handbook: An updated handbook for 2019 can be downloaded directly from the NSTA website – <https://s3-us-west-2.amazonaws.com/nsta/1001/49th-safety-competition-kinney-final-2019-02-19-a.pdf>

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Event Layout: A copy of the event layout handbook is available here - <https://s3-us-west-2.amazonaws.com/nsta/1002/event-layout-book-final-2-6-18-from-rk.pdf>

Eligibility: For any contestant to be accepted for the School Bus Driver International Safety Competition, NSTA must receive information detailing the date and location of their completed state competition event, as well as the public sector winner's highest score in each school bus class and the top private sector winner's highest score in each school bus class from that state competition event.

Registration: The cost for registration is \$55. per driver. Please go to [NSTA's website](#) for a driver registration form.

Qualified Judges: If you are interested in volunteering as an event judge, information is available on the NSTA website, or you can contact the NSTA headquarters at (703) 684-3200, or info@yellowbuses.org, for more information.

Driver Deadline: Completed contestant applications are due by close of business on July 15, 2019.

Host Hotel: Hyatt Regency Austin, 208 Barton Springs Road, Austin, TX 78704; Tel: (512) 477-1234.

Media Coverage: If you are interested in providing media coverage of the event, please contact Curt Macysyn directly at (703) 684-3200 ext. 700.

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