



School Transportation Advocacy & Resource (STAR)

STAR Purpose

CREC Transportation Solutions is proposing to facilitate a School Transportation Advocacy and Resource (STAR) association to support district/school transportation professionals in the Greater Hartford area. Other professionals working in operations have similar associations. For example, facilities professionals have the CT School Buildings and Grounds Association (CSBGA), food service professionals have the School Nutrition Association of CT (SNACT) to support each other. This association will be for transportation professionals to assist and support each other.

Benefits

Networking

STAR will provide a forum for the region's transportation professionals to gather quarterly and meet peers, exchange ideas and resources, and discuss legislation that may affect the industry. This networking will allow peers to call on one another for assistance.

Education and Updates

STAR can provide members with professional development that focuses on school transportation. Providers, vendors, and others can be brought in to provide guidance on key issues in the industry. New transportation professionals can seek guidance through this association. STAR can issue periodic newsletters, email updates, and be a center for sharing resources.

Influence

Combining the resources of the region's transportation professionals will allow us to provide more influence with administrations, boards of education, and the legislature on important transportation issues.

No Cost

CREC will organize, host, and facilitate the meetings at no cost for membership to the districts or transportation professionals. Any costs associated with professional development through an outside agency will be agreed upon and shared by participating districts.