



## LA Association of School Transportation Officials

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Dear Colleagues,

The Louisiana Association of School Transportation Officials (LASTO) is an organization consisting of School Transportation authorities. Our purpose is to provide a means whereby those engaged in the Business Administration of pupil transportation in the State of Louisiana can meet, discuss, and study all phases of pupil transportation.

LASTO cooperates with other organizations for the betterment of public education and strives continuously for the highest standards of ethics, efficiency, and economy in business methods and practices. Working for improvement of qualifications of School Transportation Officials and seeking support for transportation efforts from public officials at all levels of government.

Membership consists of persons employed in the administration of pupil transportation for public school districts in Louisiana, officials of the State Department of Education, members of faculty and staff of various colleges, universities, and vocational schools in the State of Louisiana who are particularly interested in or concerned with pupil transportation. Associate membership consists of employees of business and industry, private consultants, Louisiana School Bus Operators Association, parish and city school superintendents, and persons employed with Head Start, Parochial and Private School Districts in Louisiana.

This organization strives to stay abreast of laws, policies and procedures in order to keep all members informed and up to date. We assist new supervisors and directors of transportation as well as each other in the day to day duties of school transportation. There is a wealth of knowledge within this organization and the Annual Spring Conference allows us to gather and share this knowledge with members and vendors.

Vendors are strongly encouraged to attend and participate in the LASTO Spring Conference. There will be Transportation Supervisors and Directors from around the State of Louisiana and this is an excellent opportunity to meet them in person to show and demonstrate services, products and or equipment.

Sincerely,

*Steve Vales*

President