



DIRECTORS

Date: June 24-26, 2026

Facilitator: Mississippi Association of Pupil Transportation

Wednesday	Session Information	Room
8 AM - Noon	Bus Rodeo	East Parking Lot – Cadence Arena Lunch provided by Burroughs
9 AM – 2 PM	Golf Tournament	Tupelo National Golf Club Lunch provided by Waters Trucks
9 AM – 5 PM	Registration	Conference Bank Arena Lobby
1 PM – 4 PM	Entry Level Driver Training Train the Trainer - Limit 25	Ed Porter - Mimosa/Poplar/Elm
2 PM – 3 PM	CPR Certification – Limit 25	Henry Alexander - Cedar
2 PM – 2:30 PM	Southern Procurement – Grant Writing	Vaughan Blalock
2:30 PM – 3 PM	MS Clean Fuel Coalition	Casey Foster – Maple
3 PM – 4 PM	Air Conditioning Options with TransAir	Dave Harden – Maple
4 PM – 5 PM	Transportation Director's Roundtable	Maple
5 PM – 7 PM	Welcome Reception	Sweet Gum - Sponsored by: ComSouth, Wholesale Powertrain and Bus Riding, Edulog
Thursday	Session Information	Room
7 AM – 8 AM	Breakfast	Sweet Gum Sponsored by: Empire Trucks
8 AM – 9 AM	Welcome to MAPT	Ronnie McGehee – Keynote Speaker - Sweet Gum
9 AM – 10:45 AM	Navigating the IDEA: Implementing Appropriate Transportation Services for Children with Disabilities.	Launi Harden - Maple
10 AM – 3 PM	Entry Level Driver Training – Continued	Ed Porter - Mimosa/Pine/Elm
11 AM – 11:45 AM	Empire Truck Sales	Sweet Gum
Noon – 1 PM	Lunch Burroughs Truck Sales	Sweet Gum – Sponsored by Waters Trucks
1 PM – 2 PM	Waters Trucks	Sweet Gum

2 PM – Until	Vendor Visits	Cherry & Dogwood
6 PM – 10 PM	Conference Reception	Lounge Sponsored by: Waters Trucks
Friday	Session Information	Room
7 AM – 8 AM	Breakfast	Sweet Gum Sponsored by: Burroughs Trucks
8 AM – 9 AM	Sex Trafficking	Amanda Dollar - Pine
9 AM – 10 AM	MEA Drug Testing	Jim Warrick - Cedar
10 AM – 10:30 AM	Transportation State of the Union	Jonathan Tillman - Sweet Gum
10:30 AM – 11 AM	Board Announcements and Door Prizes	MAPT Board of Directors - Sweet Gum
11 AM	Boxed Lunches & Departure	Sweet Gum Lunch Provided by Empire Trucks

Executive Board

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Purpose of the MAPT Board:

- A. Promote and provide leadership for the improvement and advancement of pupil transportation;
- B. Work for the improvement of the economy, efficiency, and safety of pupil transportation;
- C. Serve as spokesman for all who are engaged in pupil transportation;
- D. Serve as an agency for the collection and dissemination of information and for providing services such as publications, conferences, research, trade shows, and other services which may promote pupil transportation safety;

E. Assist its members and the industry of pupil transportation in dealing with mutual business problems in one or more of the following areas: accounting practices, business ethics, commercial and industrial research, standardization, statistics, trade promotion, and relations with government employees and the general public.