



## Finding Efficiencies and Saving Money by Re-evaluating Your Transportation System

Vigo County School Corporation (VCSC) partnered with First Transportation Solutions (FTS) to proactively redesign their transportation program, finding \$100,000 in annual cost savings, and earning a “10 out of 10” from Director of Facilities Support and Transportation, Richard Long.

VCSC wanted a partner who could assess how well the transportation department was currently utilizing their electronic routing software, review their current routing model to find efficiencies and cost savings, model bell time scenario options, and provide advice on whether or not to keep the facilities and transportation functions in one department or split them into two separate departments.

While VCSC had previously reduced their school bus routes by six for the 2017-18 school year and by one for the 2018-19 school year, they wanted to know if there were further potential efficiencies. Using a Time and Capacity Analysis, FTS assessed the unused route time and seats and found that by making a few changes, VCSC could eliminate three more routes.

***“First Transportation Solutions earned a 10 out of 10! Their team brought the experience and professionalism needed to help us take our transportation program to the next level, while finding ways for us to cut costs. We would definitely recommend working with First Transportation Solutions.”***

- Richard Long, Director of Facilities Support and Transportation at VCSC

The main goal for VCSC with the Independent Audit for Transportation was to ensure their transportation department was running as efficiently as possible, while looking for possible cost savings and expert recommendations. After FTS presented their findings to the VCSC Board of School Trustees, the transportation department immediately eliminated two of the three routes identified by FTS. This will provide VCSC with an estimated \$100,000 in savings annually.



*If you are interested in improving your transportation program's efficiency, please contact Ben Schandle at 513.713.5596 or Benjamin.Schandle@firstgroup.com.*