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PALATKA, FL - Three new Blue Bird Vision school buses powered by propane autogas have been delivered to Putnam District Schools. The buses, ordered through the Florida Department of Education contract from Florida Transportation Systems, are equipped with the clean-burning Ford/Roush liquid propane engine.

Propane autogas buses produce near zero emissions creating a cleaner environment around the schools and switching to autogas will save the district several thousand dollars per year on fuel costs as well as reduced maintenance costs for the life of the vehicles. The autogas will be provided under an open statewide bid won by Mulligan Propane.

This purchase makes Putnam District Schools the first Florida school district eligible to apply for state funds through HB579 Natural Gas Motor Fuel rebates.

FTS will present the keys to the new propane buses to Superintendent Phyllis Criswell, Transportation Director Rodney Symonds, and Coordinator of Vehicle Service Gary McClellan at 10:30 a.m. Feb 13 at 200 S. 7th St. Palatka, FL.

For more information, contact Rodney Symonds at (386) 329-0553.



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