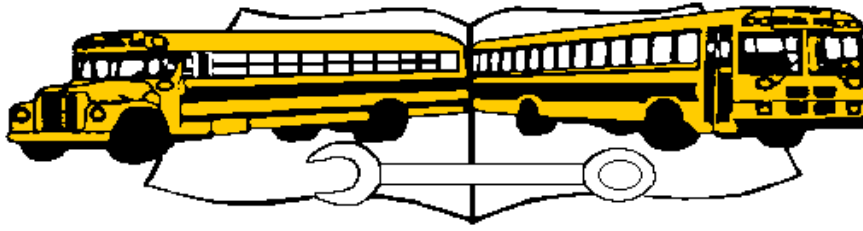


The Mechanic's Messenger



Message from the President

- ☞ Over 120 school bus mechanics in Ohio participated in the Virtual Spring Workshop held in April. We hope that this training was beneficial to you.
- ☞ Please consider renewing your annual membership to keep our association strong.
- ☞ The annual meeting of the Ohio School Bus Mechanics Association has been postponed until the 2021 OSBMA Annual Fall Workshop in October. If you have a nomination for vice-president or treasurer, please email current Vice President Bob Roth at rroth@wadsworthschools.org.
- ☞ We are looking forward to seeing you in person this fall at the Ohio School Bus Mechanics Association 23rd Annual Workshop. The registration information will be available in July.
- ☞ If you know of vendors who would like to participate in the Vendor Show, please forward their information to Susie Washburn @ osbma@osbma.org.
- ☞ Please take good care of yourself and stay healthy. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Upcoming training events for school bus mechanics in Ohio:

OSBMA 23rd Annual Fall Workshop	October 19 & 20, 2021
OSBMA 23rd Annual Vendor Show	October 19, 2021

Much appreciation to the anonymous donation made to the Ohio School Bus Mechanics Association and the Ohio Association for Pupil Transportation! The funds will help keep both associations strong.

Ohio School Bus Mechanics Association

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Membership

- ☞ **Active Membership** is open to qualified mechanic who has responsibility in maintaining the operation of a safe and efficient pupil transportation system. (\$30)
- ☞ **Associate Membership** is open to other Ohio school officials who are interested in promoting safe pupil transportation in Ohio, retired OSBMA members, and vendors. (\$20)
- ☞ Membership is good for one year: July 1 - June 30.
- ☞ General aim is to advance pupil transportation as a part of a school district's public education program.
- ☞ Please join us in promoting safe and efficient pupil transportation in Ohio.

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Vendor Spotlight!

BRYAN ROTH, ENERTECH LABS INC.

Position: Sales Representative

How long have you been a part of the OSBMA?

2+ years

What do you enjoy most about the OSBMA?

The people I get to meet, talk to and learn from. Following a career in Government, I never take for granted meeting good, honest and fun people.

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time/hobbies?

Poker, Fantasy Football and going to see 80's Hair Bands. The summer before COVID I saw Iron Maiden, Queensryche, Cinderella and Poison. My hair may be short but I'm always ready to rock!



Do you have any hidden talents?

Trivia – In college I majored in minor things. And sad to admit, I am way too good at Candy Crush!



*Bryan Roth,
Enertech Labs Inc.*

If you could change what falls from the sky every time it rains, what would it be and why? Note: it can't be anything of significant value.

Ice—so you would all have to buy Enertech Labs products to keep your buses running! Sorry, shameless plug. How about Swedish Fish?

What is your favorite Television Show or Movie?

TV Show: Brooklyn 99

Movie: Shawshank Redemption

What are your future plans/ goals in life?

Get my 3 kids off to college (2 go this year). Drive cross country visiting historic sites and landmarks.

A friend was having trouble with her old-school mechanical typewriter. She said *"It's great to have such a retro device, however it doesn't work properly"*.

I asked *"What is wrong with it?"*

She replied *"Well some of the keys get stuck and I have to move them back manually"*.

"Ah I think I have a solution! What you need to do is press W, D, 4, T, all at once and it should loosen up"...

I had a dream that I was a mechanic who fixed wrecked cars.

It was an auto body experience.

I brought my car to a mechanic and asked him, "Do you have any idea why my car is humming?"

He replied, *"Probably because it doesn't know all the lyrics"*.

TIPS & TRICKS

Here is a tip if you are dealing with a Cummins 6.7 EGR code or noticing a lack of boost power. I have recently had two buses with different symptoms end up having the same problem.

Fig. 1 below shows an intake manifold (EGR and differential pressure sensor are bolted to the top of this). Over time soot builds up and will eventually clog these small ports.

You can see in Fig. 2. the port is completely clogged. Depending on the year of the engine there are different ports with set screws that can be removed for cleaning. Its not a bad job, I recommend taking the entire manifold of (which is only 6 bolts after the EGR has been removed) I take tip cleaners and small brushes to clean out all ports. I will also use some brake cleaner and shop air to be sure all ports and passages are cleaned.

FIG 1

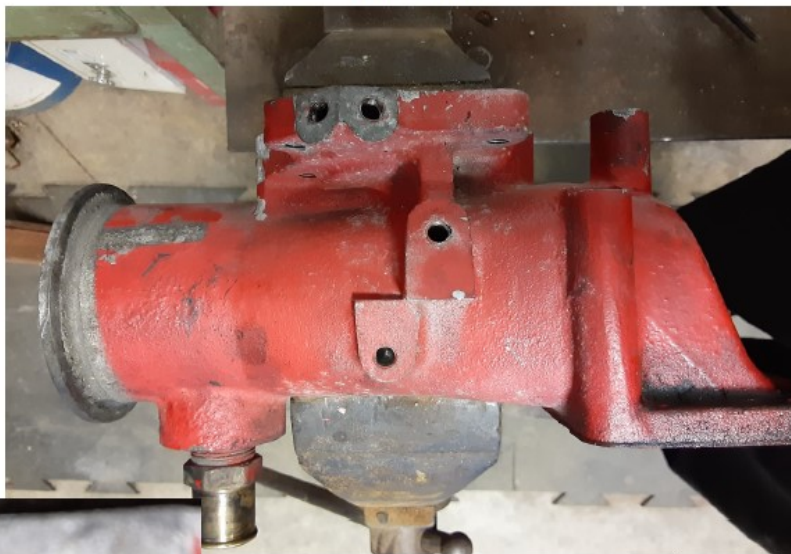


FIG 2



FEEL FREE TO EMAIL ME CKLINGE@PHPATRIOTS.ORG
ANY TIPS OR TRICKS YOU MAY HAVE AND WE CAN SHARE THEM WITH OUR FELLOW MECHANICS.

Chad Klinge, OSBMA Newsletter Editor, Patrick Henry Local Schools

OSBMA Membership Renewal



Time to renew!



The Ohio School Bus Mechanics Association is comprised of over 350 school bus mechanics working directly for school districts or for contractors from all over the state of Ohio. The general aim of the association is the advancement of pupil transportation as a part of a school district's public education program.

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP is open to **any qualified mechanic** who has responsibility in maintaining the operation of a safe and efficient pupil transportation system. Active membership is \$30 per year.

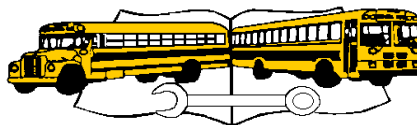
ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP is open to other Ohio school officials who are interested in promoting safe pupil transportation in Ohio, retired OSBMA members, and vendors. Associate membership is \$20 per year, on an individual basis.

Membership is good for one year:

JULY 1, 2021 through JUNE 30, 2022

Please join us in promoting safe and efficient pupil transportation in Ohio!

Ohio School Bus Mechanics Association Annual Membership Application Form



School District / Employer _____

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Name _____
[please print]

Work Telephone _____

Home Address _____
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Home Telephone _____

City State Zip Code

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Email Address _____
[please print legibly!]

Current Membership Number _____

Complete this form and mail to Ohio School Bus Mechanics Association, P.O. Box 30844, Gahanna, Ohio 43230.
Enclose payment of \$30 (check or money order made payable to: OHIO SCHOOL BUS MECHANICS ASSOCIATION).
This will activate your membership for the 2021/22 school year (July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022).

The Ohio School Bus Mechanics Association corresponds primarily by email. If you do not have access to a computer, we will mail your information to your home address.

Would you like to be listed in the Mutual Aid Booklet?

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