



Routing Software vs. DIY: A Side-by-Side Comparison

Planning routes with spreadsheets and manual processes comes at a cost — staff stress, parent frustration, and safety risks. The EZRouting transportation suite was built to eliminate those challenges.

This side-by-side comparison chart makes it easy to see how DIY routing stacks up against modern routing technology across considerations, including student safety, parent trust, staff workload, and district reputation.

Check out the full chart to determine the best path for your district!

DIY/MANUAL		VS	ROUTING SOFTWARE	
PEACE OF MIND	Constant stress: “Did we miss a stop? Should this student be on this bus?”		Confidence that every bus, every student, and every route is accounted for in real time. Quickly consolidate routes, provide turn-by-turn directions with ease, and seamlessly check students on and off the bus.	PEACE OF MIND
PARENT TRUST	Frustrated calls when buses run late or kids aren’t where they should be.		Automated parent notifications with up-to-the-minute information that builds confidence and reduces call volume.	PARENT TRUST
STUDENT SAFETY	Easy for errors to slip through — unsafe stop placements, overcapacity buses.		Real-time safeguards around stop locations and traffic hazards catch risks before they impact students.	STUDENT SAFETY
STAFF WELLBEING	Teams burn out from endless spreadsheets, last-minute changes, and irate parents.		Staff freed from manual work, able to focus on efficiency, student safety, and supporting families.	STAFF WELLBEING
CRISIS RESPONSE	Scramble mode — phone trees, paper maps and directions, and crossed fingers.		Calm, coordinated, real-time rerouting and communication on the fly.	CRISIS RESPONSE
COMMUNITY REPUTATION	“Transportation is always a problem” — negatively impacts the district’s reputation.		Smooth, reliable operations reflect a district that parents can trust with their kids.	COMMUNITY REPUTATION
FUTURE READINESS	System breaks under growth or staff turnover.		System scales with your district, ensuring continuity even during changes. Automatically assign student riders who join mid-year or whose data changes to the appropriate existing routes.	FUTURE READINESS

Don’t let manual processes hold your district back.

With the EZRouting Suite, you get more than just routing software — you get an easy-to-use, comprehensive, integrated system built to handle your daily challenges. Let’s talk about how you can move from complexity to clarity—and start running routes smarter, safer, and faster. [Click here](#) to set up your meeting today!

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