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Coffee with Molly

STEPPING OUTSIDE THE SILO

If there's one thing I keep coming back to lately, it's this:
We can't do this work in silos.

Not at the national level.
Not at the local level.
Not anywhere in between.

This week, I had the opportunity to be in rooms that remind you just how connected this work really is, at NHTSA's National Distracted Driving Awareness Month Kickoff Event and through our partnership with FMCSA's Our Roads, Our Safety® initiative.

And in those moments, you see it clearly.

Safety doesn't belong to one organization.
It doesn't belong to one agency.
And it certainly doesn't belong to just one part of the industry.

It belongs to all of us.

Student transportation can sometimes feel like its own lane, we have our own challenges, our own expertise, our own day-to-day realities. But the truth is, our work is part of something much bigger.

Every time a driver shares the road with a school bus...
Every time a policymaker considers transportation safety...
Every time a community talks about protecting its students...

We are part of that conversation. That's why these national partnerships matter. Because when we step outside of our silos, we don't lose what makes student transportation unique, we make sure it's seen, understood, and valued. And just as important, we learn. We connect. We find better ways forward.

But this isn't just about what happens in Washington.
It's about how we show up every day.

Because the strength of this industry has never been in one voice but in all of ours.

