Cummins Engine of Rocky Mount, North Carolina will host the 2012 America’s Best School Bus Inspector/Technician competition to be held September 25-28.

The Cummins Engine plant in Rocky Mount employees more than 1700 people and builds 750 engines per day ranging from 90hp to 600hp.

This will be NAPT’s 8th annual search to find America’s Best School Bus Technician and School Bus Inspector. The event is a competition but also an integrated variety of workshops for both Technician's and Inspectors related to components and systems on school buses.

The competition and training workshop is limited to one Inspector and one Technician per state. All technical participants must be currently employed in a position requiring the regular/frequent maintenance and/or repair of school buses.

All inspector participants must be currently employed in a position requiring the regular/frequent inspection of school buses.

"Over the years, America's Best Tech has been successful in raising awareness for school bus maintenance and safety," said NAPT event organizer Bill Tousley. "Not only does the competition help technicians share and learn best practices, but the information provided is valuable for continuous improvement and learning. We're delighted to be holding the 2012 competition in Rocky Mount."

The winners of the "Americas' Best" competition also get to attend the Annual NAPT Conference & Trade Show, where America's Best Technician and America's Best Inspector will be honored during an awards ceremony.

North Carolina is entering two competitors. Good Luck to both!!

Danny Reed from Beaufort-Inspector

Tom Sullivan from Dare-Technician
The 2009 Greenville S.C. contestants, judges and volunteers.

Workshops promoting cutting edge industry training are the norm at America’s Best.

The electrical diagnostics trouble shooting board always presents a challenge to the contestants from all over the USA.

Parts identification and use of multimeter is one of the many stations contestants must be prepared for.

The Technician competitors for the 2010 event held in Jasper Indiana. Tim Speer from Yadkin lurks in the back center. (dark sunglasses)