

School Bus Safety Program

The safety and welfare of student riders will be the first consideration in all matters pertaining to transportation. The Superintendent or designee will ensure that safety precautions will include the following:

1. Children will be instructed as to the proper procedure for boarding and exiting from a school bus and in proper and safe conduct while aboard.
2. Emergency evacuation drills will be conducted at least two times a year to acquaint student riders with procedures in emergency situations.
3. All vehicles used to transport children will be inspected on a regular schedule to see that they meet applicable safety regulations.
4. All drivers will be screened before employment for physical condition, proper license, experience, and a criminal records check.
5. The School District or independent contractor will comply with all state and federal laws and regulations pertaining to the operation of school buses and will make these requirements known to bus drivers. It will also cooperate with local safety officials in formulating and accomplishing its school bus safety program.

*Legal References:**RSA 189:6-a School Bus Safety**RSA 189:13-a School Employee and Volunteer Criminal History Records Check*

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