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SCHOOL BUS SAFETY PROGRAM

The safety and welfare of student riders will be the first consideration in all matters pertaining to transportation. Safety precautions will include the following:

- 1. Children will be instructed in 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 twice a year to acquaint student riders with procedures in emergency situations;
- 3. All vehicles used to transport children will be inspected periodically for conformance with state and federal safety requirements; and
- 4. Formal classroom instruction on school bus safety will be provided at the elementary school and other grade levels when appropriate.

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