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## Watertown School District 14-4

## **SCHOOL BUS SAFETY PROGRAM**

The district's transportation program places the highest priority on safety when considering the transportation of district students and employees. All transportation vehicles, except those designated to carry 15 or less passengers, along with the drivers, must meet all federal and state requirements. All vehicles used to transport children and employees will be properly maintained to provide safe and efficient transportation service with a minimum of delays and disruption due to mechanical or equipment failure.

The Superintendent, with assistance from the transportation supervisor, will be responsible for developing safety regulations to be followed by the passengers, including rules of student conduct during transportation and at the bus stops. It is absolutely necessary that students riding the school buses conduct themselves in an orderly manner and that all safety regulations are observed. The driver is responsible for the transportation and safety of the students and has full authority to enforce all bus rules and regulations.

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