

<b>Associated School Boards of South Dakota</b>	<b>NEPN Code: EEAC</b>
<b>Policy Reference Manual</b>	

## **SCHOOL BUS SAFETY PROGRAM**

In the operation of the district's transportation program, the first consideration will be given to safety.

All buses except those designed for carrying nine or less passengers, and drivers must meet all federal and state requirements, and the drivers must understand all policies and regulations pertaining to school bus operation. All bus drivers shall receive appropriate training. All vehicles used to transport children 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 school Superintendent, with assistance from the transportation supervisor, will have the responsibility for developing safety regulations to be followed by the passengers, including rules of student conduct during transportation and at 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.

### **Legal References:**

SDCL 13-29 (School buses & transportation of students)  
ARSD 24:06 (School buses)

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