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<b>Policy</b>	Parents or guardians are responsible for the safety and conduct of their child prior to their pickup by the bus and after disembarking the bus at the end of the school day.	
<b>Operational Procedure</b>	<p>Parents or guardians are responsible:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. for reminding their child about the safety and behaviour rules to be followed at the bus stop and while travelling on the bus. Parents should be familiar with the code of conduct for students and ensure that their child understands and follows the transportation rules and regulations.</li> <li>2. for ensuring that their child arrives at the bus stop at least five (5) minutes before the pick-up time and in September and October, at least ten (10) minutes before the pick-up time;</li> <li>3. for their child's safety up until he/she boards the bus;</li> <li>4. for ensuring that the school and East of Thunder Bay Transportation Consortium is aware that their child has a significant medical condition, i.e., anaphylaxis or asthma, which may require intervention.</li> <li>5. for cooperating with the school principal, staff from the East of Thunder Bay Transportation Consortium and the bus driver to ensure that their child behaves properly while travelling on the bus and at transfer points;</li> </ol>	

6. for assuming responsibility for their child when he/she is dropped off at the designated bus stop, upon his/her return from school. Parents or guardians must meet their Junior Kindergarten and Senior Kindergarten student at the bus stop or that they entrust a responsible person with this task;
7. for refraining from parking in school bus loading zones;
8. for assuming responsibility for all deliberate damage or acts of vandalism caused by their child;
9. for informing the school of any cancellation or change to be made to their child's transportation service at least five (5) school days in advance;
10. for knowing of their child's bus stop location, bus identifier as well as its arrival time;
11. for informing the school and the East of Thunder Bay Transportation Consortium about any problem that occurred on the bus that jeopardized the students' well-being and safety, indicating the bus number, date, time and nature of the problem;
12. for monitoring the Bus Planner Delays App to find out the status of school bus transportation on inclement weather days;
13. for deciding whether or not their child should go to school on inclement weather days;
14. for being aware that when a bus does not travel a route in the morning due to inclement weather, it will not do so in the afternoon unless advised otherwise;
15. for being aware that serious or repeated misconduct will be documented. And to also be aware that such conduct may result in loss of the privilege to ride a school bus. When students are misbehaving it distracts the driver and could endanger the lives of all students on the bus.