

 <p><i>Student Transportation</i> Services of Thunder Bay</p>		Practice Document #: STS-GEN-004.02 Weighted Loads on School Bus	
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Statement	<p>STSTB follows the Ministry guidelines regarding the number of students that are allowed to ride a bus.</p>
Practice	<p>Grades K1 to 6 – Ministry guidelines: three to a seat</p> <p>Grade 7 & 8, Spec Ed and Secondary – Ministry guidelines: two to a seat.</p> <p>Format of a 72 passenger bus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 seats down each side = 24 seats, • Gr. K1 to 6 max load 3 to a seat = 72 passengers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 seats down each side = 24 seats. • Gr. 7 to 12 and spec ed 2 to a seat = 48 passengers <p>To determine the weighted load of a bus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of Gr. K1 to 6 students = Multiply # times 1.0 • Number of Gr. 7 to 12, Spec Ed = Multiply # times 1.5 <p>eg: 23 Gr. K1 to 6 students 23 X 1.0 = 23</p> <p> 10 high school students 10 X 1.5 = 15</p> <p> 23 + 15 = 38 is the weighted number of students on bus</p> <p> 72 passenger bus: 38 of 72 = 53%</p>

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