

 <i>Student Transportation</i> Services of Thunder Bay		Practice Document #: STS-SAF-007.01 KID Tags (Kindergarten Identification Tags)	
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Statement	Each September new Junior Kindergarten students ride the bus for the first time. To alleviate any potentially confusing experiences for JK students on their first week of riding the bus, the use of Kindergarten ID (KID) TAG identification is used to improve safety and instill confidence in first time riders. This method of identification enables school bus drivers and teachers to ensure that new students riding buses for the first time can readily be identified.
Practice	Schools are supplied with the required KID Tags in August for JK and all new students starting in September. Tags are plastic luggage identification type and are to be hooked onto student's back packs. Information contained on the card that is inserted in the KID Tag includes the name of the student, the name of their school bus, their home address, pick up and return address and home phone number. Personal information is hidden on the inside of the plastic tag insert for confidentiality. Pamphlets informing parents of the KID Tag program are distributed to parents at our First Rider Program, on consortia Boards Kindergarten nights and are included in JK packages sent home to parents from schools. The safety of our Kindergarten students is always of paramount importance. The Kindergarten Identification Tag program provides STSTB, our local bus operators, school staff and the school bus driver a way to easily identify and deliver students to their school and home safely during the very hectic first week of school.

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