School Bus Safety

Penn Harris Madison Schools

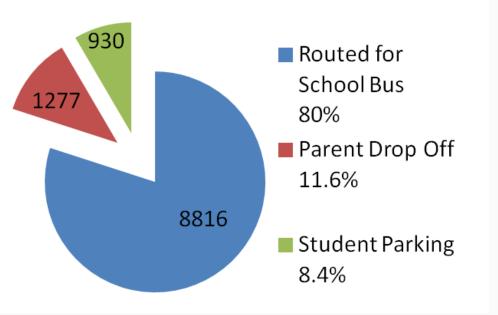
Chief Operating Officer: Aaron Leniski Transportation Director: Judith Dahlstrom Asst. Director: Pam Skoglund Asst. Director: Brandon Tugmon



PHM Transportation

At a glance

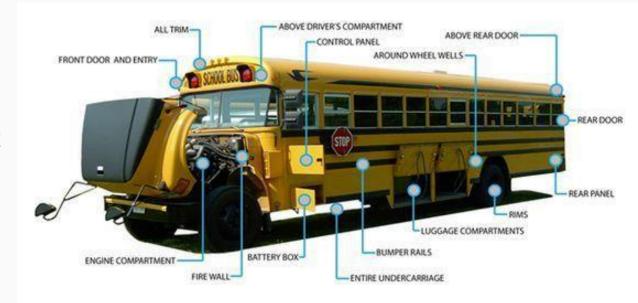
- School District covers 135 sq. miles
- 109 Bus Routes
- 16 School Buildings
- Class Field Trips
- Elkhart Career Center
- Extra Curricular / Co-curricular Trips
- Head Start / Penn Pals



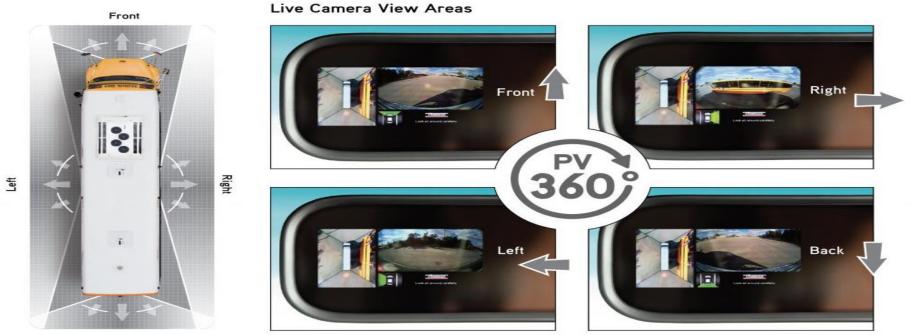
Procedural Safety

PHM Pre/Post Trip Bus Inspections

- Pre and Post Trip Inspections
- Penn Harris Madison
 Transportation <u>Bus Safety</u>
 <u>Video</u>



Perimeter View 360 Camera Package



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247 Security Cameras

OmniView360° with TruView

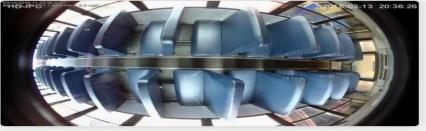


OmniView360°'s TruView feature takes the areas of interest and de-curves the scene into a distortion-free natural image that is much easier for users to see and interpret events (as is the case with a standard image). With TruView, you get clearer, truer images; with the additional benefit of greater coverage—all on one camera.



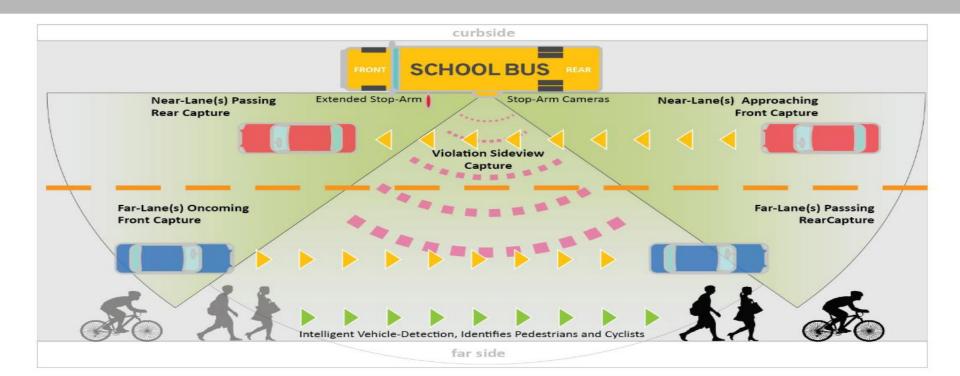
Clear sharp images. Standard on all 247 Cameras. TruView images comparable to our standard cameras.

OmniView360° Image, before TruView



Even in its raw format, OmniView360° delivers a clear sharp view of virtually the entire bus.

247 Stop Arm Camera System





Penn Harris Madison Cross Arms and Dual Stop Arms



Integrated Child Safety Seats



Routing Safety

- Per Board Policy 8600
 - **Safety:** The scheduling and operating of the program should take into consideration hazards, potential dangers to students and include appropriate safeguards.
 - Adequacy: The program should provide necessary and sufficient transportation to and from school for all other school programs.
 - **Economy:** The program should be operated in the most efficient manner possible after considering the constraints imposed by the criteria of adequacy and safety.
 - Vehicle routes shall be established so that an authorized vehicle stop is available within reasonable walking distance of the home of every resident student entitled to transportation services.
- Additional routing parameters -
 - Walking distance for elementary students is 150 yards, secondary students is 300 yards
 - Cul-de-sacs over 150 yards/300 yards (based on elementary or secondary), must have over 105 ft turning radius and no backing up of the school bus
- IC 9-21-12-20 School bus; loading and unloading students Sec. 20. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), when a school bus is operated on a: (1) U.S. route or state route, the driver may not load or unload a student at a location that requires the student to cross a roadway unless no other safe alternatives are available; and (2) street or highway other than a U.S. route or state route, the driver shall load and unload a student as close to the right hand curb or edge of the roadway as practicable.
 (b) Subsection (a)(1) does not apply to a location on a U.S. route or state route that is within the boundary of a city or town.
- Penn Harris Madison also has designated roads that we do not cross students, which goes above the provisions of the new law.

Parent Tools



• <u>HCTB</u> - Here Comes The Bus App - Real Time GPS tracking capability to track your child's bus.

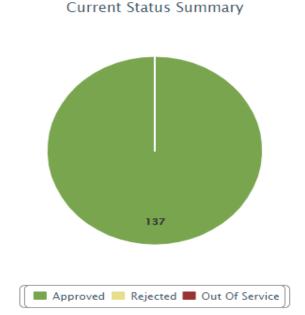
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• <u>InfoFinder I</u> - Route information tool. Always has the most current bus stop information. Can be checked as often as you want.

Indiana State Police Bus Inspections



PENN-HARRIS MADISON SCH. CORP.



Bus Inspection Procedures

Current State Police Expectations

- PHM operates 135 buses and 3 special purpose white buses.
- Indiana state police annually inspect all buses
 - All school buses must comply with state/federal safety requirements
 - Inspection date and times are determined by the State Police
 - If the school bus meets all safety requirements, the certificate of inspection is good for 1 year.
- Bus Maintenance Program

Bus Replacement Plan

- The Penn Harris Madison bus replacement plan follows both state and federal recommendations.
- Buses are considered for replacement after 12 years of service.
- We currently are purchasing 9-12 buses per year
- Recent added features include: 360 Cameras, Security Cameras, Stop Arm Cameras, Cross Arms, Dual Stop Arms, and Air Conditioning (on a limited number of buses)

Weather Procedures

Aaron Leniski, Penn Harris Madison COO

- PHM School District covers 135 square miles
 - (about 7.5 miles wide x 17.5 miles long)
- Challenges of Northern Indiana
- Weather monitoring services
- 4:30am Personnel checking conditions and driving roads
- Communication & Timing
- <u>School Closing & Delay Information</u>

THANK YOU!



71 Days until Spring!