



PARTNERING FOR BETTER SAFETY TECHNOLOGIES IN BUFFALO, NY

When Buffalo Public Schools made the important decision to upgrade their fleet, they wanted to provide their community with the safest, and most state-of-the-art buses available.

Thanks to the strong partnership between BPS and First Student, the Buffalo community received updated buses with the latest technology.

When BPS approached First Student to update their buses safety features with the new contract, our team went to work. Three components needed to be up-fitted on each of the existing buses: integrated child safety seats, three-point lap shoulder belts and video cameras.

Our local teams were charged with the installation and daily maintenance of over 700 cameras intended to provide additional peace of mind for parents and administrators. An additional 15 live-feed cameras on specific routes provided near real-time video for administrators to view in the event of an emergency or issue that required immediate attention.

Per New York State law, all buses must be outfitted with a lap belt for students. To provide an extra layer of safety, BPS requested the all their buses be equipped with three-point lap shoulder seat belts.

Furthering our commitment to providing safe and efficient student transportation service, we installed integrated safety seats at the request of BPS. With a large population of pre-K and nursery school students, integrated child safety seats ensure that children are securely fastened during their ride.

For both the BPS and First Student teams, success is measured by happy parents, safe students, satisfied employees and a transportation system team focused on safety, reliability and innovative technology that delivers peace of mind to all.

Improving safety with enhanced technology is an ongoing quest for BPS. When our partnership contract came up for renewal again, Director of Transportation Al Diamico reached out to Area General Manager Sean McCabe to increase the number of cameras on the bus. Our team went to work researching, testing and reviewing various multi-view camera systems. Working jointly with BPS, a system was chosen and installed to provide added security.

As we continue our partnership with the Buffalo Public Schools, we look forward to pioneering new innovations and the next technology that will keep kids safer while preserving the district's classroom-facing focus.



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