

## **Transportation**

Tough week for our buses here at the beginning of February, with temperatures dropping well into negative double digits. I thought on February 4<sup>th</sup>, we could have had school, I think people need to let me do my job and make recommendations to Mr. St Pierre. I try to notify him around 5:30 a.m. at the latest, I talk with Pete and drivers to see what issues and options we are having with buses and anything weather related.

With the cold weather, there is a Diesel Exhaust Fluid pump on all the districts fleet, this pump is what provides clean air through the exhaust pipe. When the DEF fluid freezes, buses will not move, or it will lose power and shutting everything down from heaters to anything electronic.

But all in all, Pete has been getting buses ready to go every morning, drivers have been showing up consistently and sub drivers are a big help.

## **O/M**

The districts insurance provider Payne West did an assessment on the school's facilities. The loss control assessment was to allow for minimizing the risk of potential accident/loss in our district. My staff has fixed or addressed the recommendations by the assessor.

I continuously meet with my staff on my expectations of our school's appearance, cleanliness, and disinfection of anything that students and staff touch. I believe that when staff and students come to into our buildings, they shouldn't have to worry about being in a dirty environment to learn and teach.

I have made changes with staff, I put people into different areas with some not liking the change, but it is better for the school and way better for this department.

The only real problem I have right now is staff is leave, I get about twenty request per week, and subs are sometimes mistakenly for full time employees.

I encourage board members to stop and come see what's going on in your two departments, my office is always open. I'm here at 5:30 a.m. to noon and from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. I also do walk arounds on weekends to check up on staff that come in on Sundays.