# 2020 School Transportation®

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# **OVERVIEW** | PRODUCTS & SERVICES

School Transportation News is the definitive source of trends and news in the school bus industry. Our team is dedicated to telling the stories of leaders who are defining where business is headed. We offer innovation, creativity and impact for brand building and lead generation in a rich environment of editorial excellence."



-Tony Corpin, President, STN Media Group

#### **BUILD YOUR BRAND**

January – November School Transportat School Transportation School Transportation Buyer's Guide PRINT 24,342 Industry First DIGITAL 15,364 BPA AUDITED READERSHIP E-NEWSLETTERS STNONLINE.COM 25,000 1.1 MILLION ANNUAL PAGE VIEWS OPT-IN SUBSCRIBERS 20% AVERAGE OPEN RATE SOCIAL MEDIA 16,000 TOTAL REACH 5.009 5,867 2.725 2,100 **I IKES FOLLOWERS** MEMBERS **SUBSCRIBERS** (As of 08/30/19)

CONFERENCES

ISD **Transporting Students with Disabilities & Special Needs** CONFERENCE & TRADE SHOW

Embassy Suites Dallas-Frisco Hotel Convention Center & Spa March 20-25, 2020 tsdconference.com

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**5 INDUSTRY EVENTS** 1,700 ATTENDEES



JW Marriott Hotel Indianapolis, IN - TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR June 4-8, 2020

Peppermill Resort Reno, NV July 10-15, 2020

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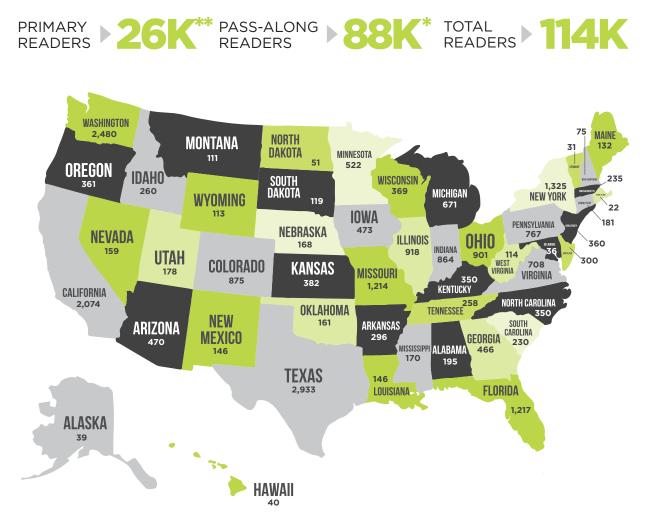


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### SUBSCRIBER | PROFILE

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STN magazine is very helpful in navigating the many options that are available. Receiving the hard copy is a good tool to share information with CBO for purchasing new products.

-Sam Anderson | Transportation Manager | Redlands USD, California

### REACH THE READER\*\*

Transportation Director	9,107
Superintendant/School Business Official	4,973
President/CEO	2,822
Fleet Manager	1,604
Driver Trainer	2,236
Others Allied to the Field	4,844

# STN READERS SPEND **50 MINUTES** ON AVERAGE WITH EACH ISSUE\*

School District Fleets	18,733
Contractor Fleets	2,978
Manufacturers, Suppliers, others allied to field	1,738
Private School, University Transit Fleets	1,051
Head Start Fleets	603
Federal, State & Local Government	483





## EDITORIAL | CALENDAR

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JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL		JUNE
CUSTOMER SERVICE	BUS GARAGE	SPECIAL NEEDS	SCHOOL EXECUTIVE & SUPERINTENDENT	SAFETY & SECURITY	SCHOOL BUS CONTRACTOR
<ul> <li>Increased School Bus Uptime</li> <li>Transportation Softwar &amp; Technology Help Desk</li> <li>Video Security Installation &amp; Training</li> <li>GPS, Parent Communications &amp; Apps</li> <li>Managing Student Behavior</li> <li>Heroic Acts On &amp; Around the School Bus</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Iraining (Electric, Propane, CNG, Gas &amp; Diesel)</li> <li>New Modern Transportation Centers</li> <li>School Bus Inspections</li> <li>Parts Procurement &amp; Inventory Management</li> <li>Selecting Maintenance Software</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>TSD Conference Preview &amp; Exhibitor Overview</li> <li>Fire Suppression Trends</li> <li>Child Passenger Safety &amp; Integrated Seating</li> <li>Outsourcing Special Needs Transportation</li> <li>Student Tracking</li> <li>Mitigating Risk &amp; Liability Issues</li> </ul> <b>WITIGATION EXEMPLY READERSHIP STUDY</b>	<ul> <li>Driver Salary Survey</li> <li>Crisis Management</li> <li>McKenney-Vento Transportation</li> <li>Comparing Video Security &amp; Recording Devices</li> <li>Contracting School Bus Service</li> <li>Illegal Passing Challenges</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>STN EXPO Indianapolis Preview &amp; Exhibitor Overview</li> <li>School Bus Emergency Evacuations</li> <li>Developing Mock Casualty Training</li> <li>Video Security Systems &amp; Software</li> <li>Child Reminder &amp; Pedestrian Detection</li> <li>Seat Belts &amp; Occupant Restraints</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>School Bus Contractor Profiles</li> <li>Driver &amp; Mechanic Shortages</li> <li>Connected Fleets</li> <li>IEPs &amp; Special Needs Transportation</li> <li>Air Conditioning</li> <li>Employee Workplace Satisfaction &amp; Wellness</li> </ul>
Ad Close: Dec. 0 Mech Deadline: Dec. 0			Ad Close:Feb. 28 Mech Deadline:Mar. 04	Ad Close: Mar. 27 Mech Deadline: April 01	Ad Close:April 24 Mech Deadline:April 29
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JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
			SCHOOL BUS		BUYER'S GUIDE 2021
DECISION-MAKING	FLEET MANAGEMENT	TECHNOLOGY	LEADERSHIP	TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR	2021 BUYERS GUIDE
<ul> <li>STN EXPO Reno Preview &amp; Exhibitor Overview</li> <li>Artificial Intelligence: Video, GPS &amp; Software</li> <li>VW Settlement Funds &amp; Grants</li> <li>Selecting the Right Fuel &amp; Energy Choice</li> <li>Updated National Specifications &amp; Procedures</li> <li>Changing Bell Times</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Garage Stars Profiles</li> <li>Investing in New Fuel Types &amp; Infrastructure</li> <li>Total Cost of Ownership: Leasing &amp; Financing</li> <li>Preparing Fleets for School Start Up</li> <li>Fleet Utilization &amp; Optimization</li> <li>Tires</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tech Super User Profiles</li> <li>Ride Share &amp; Alternative Student Transportation</li> <li>Internet of Things (IoT)</li> <li>Driver Assistance Technology</li> <li>Wi-Fi, 5G &amp; Data Usage</li> <li>Preparing &amp; Presenting KPI Data</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rising Superstars Profiles</li> <li>Grants, Funding &amp; Bond Measures</li> <li>Organizational Culture &amp; Ethics</li> <li>Bullying Prevention</li> <li>Electric School Buses</li> <li>Tablets &amp; Mobile Data Terminals</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Transportation Director of the Year Award</li> <li>Staffing &amp; Retention Strategies</li> <li>New School Bus &amp; Equipment Purchasing</li> <li>NAPT &amp; NASDPTS Conference Previews</li> <li>Lifecycle Costing of Technology</li> <li>Transportation Director Salary Survey</li> <li>2021 INDUSTRY EVENTS CALENDAR</li> </ul>	The Ultimate School Bus Industry Guide with statistics, analysis, school bus dealers, OEMs, industry suppliers, product purchasing cross reference, associations and organizations. An invaluable resource that remains on everyone's desk.
Ad Close: May 29 Mech Deadline: June 03 <b>SETNEXCOMMUNITY</b> COMMERCE JULY 10-15   RENO, NV. <b>INSTAC</b> JULY 19-22   NIAGARA FALLS, NY	Ad Close:June 26 Mech Deadline:July 01	Ad Close:July 31 Mech Deadline:Aug. 05		Ad Close:	BONUS DIST.

# DIGITAL | MEDIA GUIDE

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City of Las Vegas Envisions

'Google Maps' for Student

FEMALE

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**TOP 5 STATE VIEWERSHIP** CA | TX | NY | IL | VA

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September 2019

AVG. VISIT DURATION

2:29

**TOP MEDIAN AGES** 

25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54

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oard tablets, disruptions in the industry, new emerging

chnology and the industry!

Video Ad

**WEBSITE** 

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Cummins Webinar Tackles School

The latest Cummins webinar featured advice and tins

on how to best maintain and service diesel and CNG school bus engines. Technical Support Managers

PAGES/VISITS

4.32

MALE

55%

**Bus Engine Maintenance** 

Wire Reports

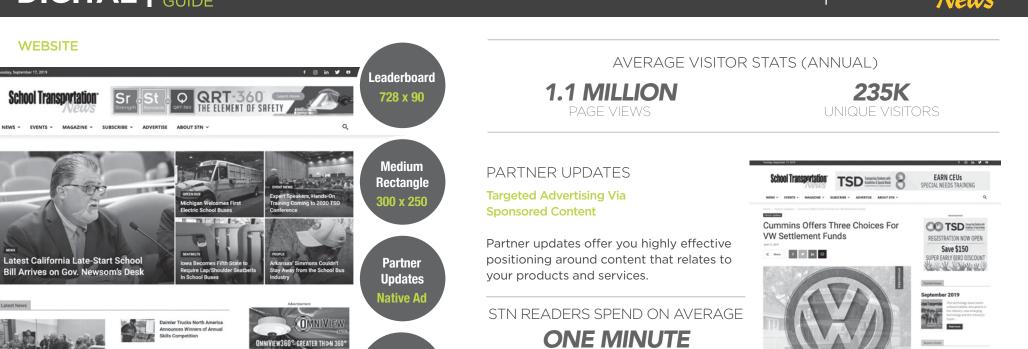
NEWS - EVENTS -

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WITH EACH PARTNER UPDATE

#### Top 5 Best-Performing Partner Updates of 2019:

Cummins, Inc "Cummins Offers Three Choices For VW Settlement Funds"	3,071 views
First Student "Strategies for School Bus Safety Success"	2,479 views
SafeGuard "WATCH: SafeGuard's Exclusive Crash Test Enlightens Industry"	2,421 views
Lion Electric Co "Electric School Buses Are More Affordable Than You Think"	2,008 views
Cummins, Inc "Best Practices for Maintaining Your Diesel School Bus Engines"	1,693 views

Rates start as low as \$2,250 net per month.

#### DIGITAL | MEDIA GUIDE





A weekly rundown of school transportation's top news, features and blogs—plus the latest industry jobs and multimedia.

Rates start as low as \$250 per week.

Companies that advertise build trust and are seen as a reliable source. **75% YES** 

#### WEBINARS & LEAD GENERATION

Be part of the growing number of companies that are turning to webinars to generate quality sales leads by sharing customer success stories.

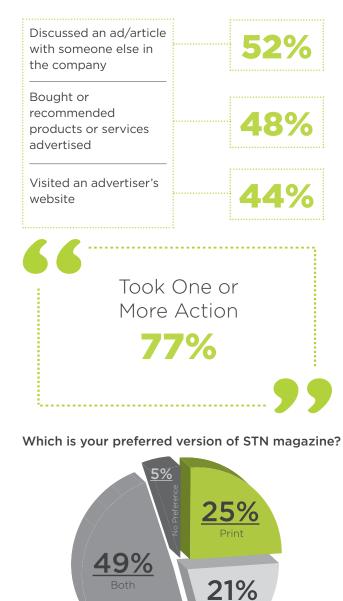
#### Custom webinars start at \$7,500 net.





### **READERSHIP** | SURVEY

What action(s) have you taken during the past year as a result of advertisements and/or articles in SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION NEWS?



Digital

The advertising in SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION NEWS educates and is an important part of the publication.	
90% YES	
I read through SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION NEWS as much for the advertising as for the articles. 59% 59%	
S SIGNET	
Survey was conducted in March 2019. 603 STN magazine readers responded.	

Please indicate if you are involved, either as an individual or as part of a group or committee in the initiation, recommendation, specification, approval or purchase of any of the following products or services.

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Air Conditioning/HVAC	32%
Alternative Fuels [Electric, Propane, CNG]	30%
Brake Products	35%
Cellular, Radio & Communication Systems	46%
Child Detection Systems	40%
Consulting Services	21%
Crossing Control Products	29%
Emission Control & Exhaust Products	33%
Engines	37%
Fire Suppression Systems	20%
Flooring Products	24%
GPS & Vehicle Tracking	51%
Insurance & Financial Services	14%
Lighting & LEDs	38%
Lubricants, Additives & Fuel Services	37%
Mirror Products	39%
Mobile Apps	29%
New Diesel School Buses	45%
New Gasoline School Buses	34%
Occupant Restraints/Seat Belts	47%
School Bus Contracting Services	21%
Seating Products	47%
Tires & Wheels	40%
Traction Control Products	25%
Transmission & Drive Train Products	34%
Transportation Routing Software	43%
Turbos & Pumps	30%
Used School Buses	21%
Vehicle Lifts & Hosts	31%
Vehicle Washing & Cleaning Products	36%
Video Security Products	50%
Wheelchair Lifts/Ramps	38%

Involved in One or More: - 77% | Multiple responses permitted.

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The Ultimate Resource of the School Transportation Industry

# 2020 Buyer's Guide

26,000\* QUALIFIED SUBSCRIBERS

**21,000** UNIQUE DIGITAL PAGE VIEWS GOOGLE ANALYTICS JAN. - SEPT. 2019





#### SUPPLEMENT DUE DATES

Ad Close:	Nov.	6
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I find a lot of value in attending the STN EXPO. I always walk away with new ideas to benefit our school transportation operation each year. I would recommend the Transportation Director Summit to any industry leader as it is the perfect place to connect with peers and meet supplier partners too. The trade show at the STN EXPO provides me access to tons of suppliers under one roof. It helps me reconnect with my vendor partners and identify new products to purchase for our growing fleet of 422 school buses."

- Greg Jackson | Executive Director of Transportation & Fleet Services | Jefferson County Public Schools | Colorado



\*based on data from 2019 TSD Conference



The TSD Conference is amazing. I really love the keynotes. The sessions are so valuable, especially if you transport special needs kids. I appreciate being able to network with so many other professionals in our industry. There are so many products and services available at the Trade Show that are helpful to my business. Thank you for all you do.

-Brooke Garcia, President, 4Seasons Transportation, Calgary, Alberta



#### MAGAZINE ADVERTISING RATES

	CONTRACT RATES				
	Open Rate	Зx	6x	12x	
1 page standard	\$4,975	\$4,775	\$4,225	\$3,875	
1/2 page island	\$3,875	\$3,450	\$3,050	\$2,775	
1/2 page horizontal or vertical	\$2,950	\$2,775	\$2,625	\$2,450	
1/3 page square or vertical	\$2,100	\$1,800	\$1,650	\$1,450	
1/4 page square	\$1,550	\$1,495	\$1,275	\$1,195	
Classified ads (per column inch)	\$125	\$105	\$95	\$85	
STN Giant Industry Events Calendar	\$4,175*				

CONITDACT DATES

Wall Calendar Specs: 13.5" x 10.25" + 1/8" Bleed \*Wall Calendar rates include color charges

20' x 20' More rates on <b>STNEXPO.COM</b> or	\$6,675
10' x 20'	\$3,675
10' x 10'	\$1,975
2020 CONFERENCE BOOTH	RATES

TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR SUMMIT:

\$7,500 per event

Focused Buyer Meetings and Discussions INDY — June 4-5 | RENO — July 10-11





Transportation Director

COLOR RATES	
4-color	.\$1,000

4-color Facing Pages ......\$1,500

#### SPECIAL POSITION RATES

Cover	2	(IF	C)	 15	5	%	6
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Cover 3	(IBC)	10%

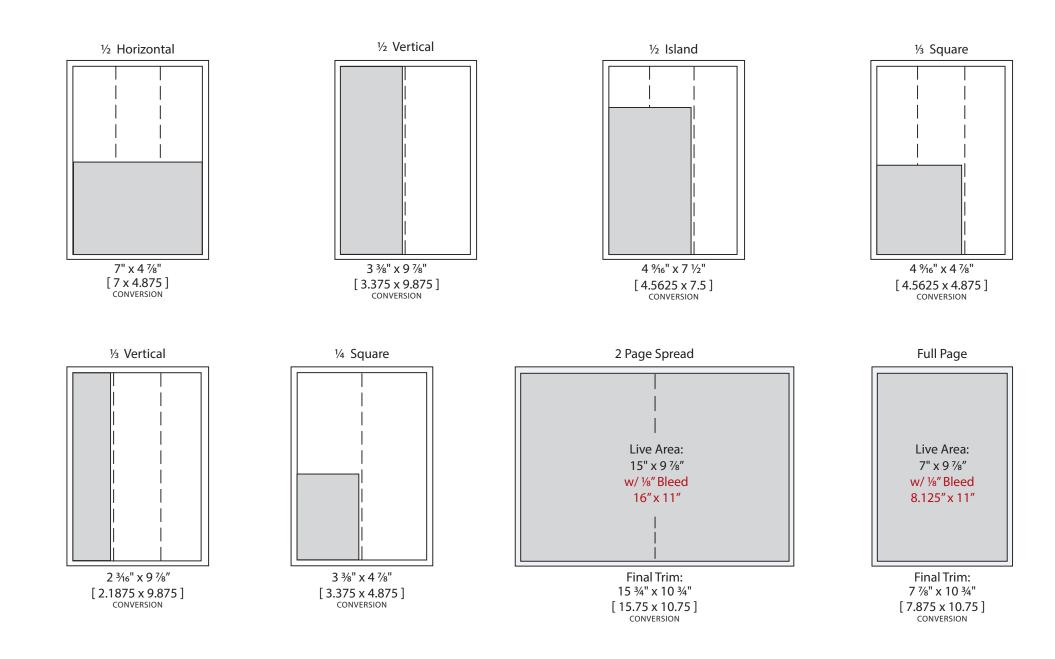
Cover 4 (BC) ...... 20%

Preferred Positions\*......10%

\*Preferred positions: Opposite the Table of Contents & First Take

### DISPLAY AD SIZES





#### SPECIFICATIONS

#### Ad Mechanical Details At-A-Glance:

<u>Requirements:</u> All artwork is to be a minimum of 300 dpi @ the conversion from the current color profile to the CMYK color space. For more details on ad requirements and additional charges, please see sections 1 & 2 below.

<u>Bleed:</u> Full bleed ads are available for the 2-page spread and the full page configurations. Bleed must be a minimum of 1/8" beyond the final trim size, if a full bleed is desired.

Live Area: All copy and images that are not meant to bleed are to remain within the live area. (The live area is applicable on the 2-page spread and full page ad with bleed only.)

Wall Calendar ad mechanical specifications: 13.5" × 10.25" + 1/8" Bleed

#### **Mechanical Requirements:**

STN is typically saddle stitched, except for the Annual Buyer's Guide, which is perfect bound. Single column width is 2 3/16" and double column width is 4 9/16". Column depth is 9 7/8". Publication trim size is 7 7/8" x 10 3/4" and live area is 7" x 9 7/8". Gross size does not include a required 1/8" bleed on all four edges of each page. For trim purposes, the publication jogs to the head. Additional allowance for gutter trim should be made in the preparation of spreads reading or bleeding across the fold. Single page bleed 8 1/8" x 11"; spread bleed 16" x 11". Vital parts of ad copy and layout should be kept at least 1/2" from the gross page size.

#### Ad Mechanical Specifications:

STN will accept electronic display ad, classified ad, and web media ad files submitted to **https://stnmedia.** wetransfer.com or to our office on CD.

• We accept files in both Macintosh and PC formats. We accept native InDesign, Photoshop, and Illustrator files.

- Preferred file formats are PDF, EPS, JPEG or TIFF. If files are submitted as native Illustrator or InDesign, all fonts and linked images must be included.
- Illustrator files must have all fonts converted to outlines. PDF files must be hi-resolution and pressready (i.e. saved for printing and not for onscreen viewing). Digital ad files and images within files must have a resolution of 300 dpi or greater and color must be CMYK. Ad materials submitted in MS Publisher or Word formats are not acceptable and will be returned. PMS or RGB colors will not be accepted and will be returned.
- A disk directory listing all files and images should be enclosed.
- Digital ads delivered to STN must be accompanied by a contract color proof to SWOP standards. Color proofs that are not to SWOP standard cannot be used for final proofing. STN, its digital pre-press supplier and its printer are not responsible for color and content of electronic ads based on screen appearance or when a color SWOP proof has not been supplied.
- Ads supplied digitally must be accompanied by a color proof; we accept color lasers for content accuracy only but not for final color proofing.

#### Standing Ad Materials:

Digital ads will be stored electronically for 12 months following their last use and then deleted, unless STN is instructed otherwise in writing by the advertiser or agency.

#### Inserts:

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Custom inserts can be printed and placed for a nominal fee. Contact STN sales representative for details. Other costs include: glue tipping, stapling or polybagging.

Agency commission is not given for any production costs. Reply post card inserts may only be used with full page or larger ads; reply cards must be less than 1/2

page. Minimum paper weight is 60-lb., maximum paper weight is 100-lb. Before printing an insert scheduled for display in STN, advertisers should submit two complete dummy copies of the insert for review by STN and its printer and check with STN for quantity, mechanical requirements, tip-in charges, printing instructions and shipping requirements.

#### **Classified Advertising:**

Column inches are based on columns 2 3/16" wide. Reader service numbers and display ad sizes and rates are not available in the classified ad section. Prepayment is required. Classified ads are noncommissionable. American Express, MasterCard and Visa are accepted. For classified advertising rates, see previous page.

#### Printing:

The magazine is printed web offset or sheet fed on coated paper. STN is not responsible for color reproduction if the advertiser or ad agency fails to supply a match print. Advertisers should be aware that slight color variations may occur due to paper color differences. If clients fail to provide match prints. STN's printer may do so and the client will be invoiced accordingly.

#### **Shipping Instructions:**

All insertion orders and ad materials should be shipped to:

School Transportation News Creative Department 5334 Torrance Blvd., 3rd Floor Torrance, CA 90503

#### Electronic file submission:

Submit all digital ads to: https://stnmedia.wetransfer.com

Submit art-related inquiries to: kimber@stnmedia.com or maria@stnmedia.com

# TERMS | CONDITIONS

#### POLICIES

#### **Audited Circulations:**

SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION NEWS is BPA audited and offers a qualified circulation of 24,342 print and 15,364 digital school transportation professionals. Source: BPA, May 2019.

#### Contract Year:

Advertising inserted within 12 months of the first insertion earns frequency discount.

#### **Rebates & Short Rates:**

Advertisers will be rebated at the end of their contract period if they run a frequency which earns a lower discount. Advertisers will be short-rated if, within 12 months from the contracted date of their first insertion, they do not run the frequency on which the discount is based.

#### **Cancellation:**

Cancellations of ad contracts must be made in writing by U.S. mail, postmarked 30 days prior to scheduled ad closing. Email, fax or telephone communications canceling ad space will not be accepted.

#### **Contract Rates**:

Display advertising rates are based on: 1) insertion frequency beginning with the first insertion in a standard 12-month contract year, and 2) contracted for IN WRITING AND IN ADVANCE. Multiple page ads or multiple ads count toward the frequency discount and will be billed at the rate that is applicable to each size ad.

#### Publisher's Rate Policy:

Advertising contracts are subject to changes in rates upon 30-day written notice from the Publisher. Advertisers may cancel their contracts at the time new rates become effective without incurring a shortrate adjustment. Display ad publishing conditions, other than rates, are subject to changes by the Publisher without notice; revised display ad publishing conditions and rate card changes will be posted to STN's website.

#### Commission & Cash Discounts:

Display advertising space is commissionable at 15% to accredited advertising agencies on space and color charges.

#### Ad Production & Charges:

Costs incurred by Publisher to produce advertising mechanicals from electronic files, or in connection with the computer-to-plate process, submitted by the client, will be billed to the advertiser or its agency. If ad materials arrive after the mechanical deadline and result in blueline changes, STN reserves the right to charge late fees.

#### **Credit Profile:**

A credit profile is required from first-time advertisers and their advertising agencies.

#### **Payment Terms:**

Invoices are due and payable 30 days after the date of the invoice. The advertiser and its agency are jointly responsible for the payment of ad space and production charges. Payment is in U.S. dollars.

**Non-Payment:** If any monies due to the Publisher are not paid within 60 days of the invoice date, agency discounts are subject to revocation, and the account is subject to a service charge of 1.5 percent per month (18 percent per year) effective the 30th day after the original invoice date. It is STN's policy to contact the advertiser directly for payment when an invoice reaches 60 days overdue. Advertisers agree to pay all costs of collection, if necessary.

#### Publisher's Legal Liability:

Advertisers and advertising agencies are severally and jointly liable for all content (text, representation and illustrations) of advertisements, and assume responsibility for any claims arising therefrom against the Publisher. Advertisers agree to indemnify the publisher against any claims or expenses resulting from the unauthorized use of name, photograph, sketch, or words protected by copyright or registered trademarks, label, etc., in connection with advertising. The Publisher reserves the right to reject any advertising which, in his opinion, makes extravagant claims, misrepresents, is unfair or harmful to other advertisers, violates postal or U.S. currency regulations or is unsatisfactory to themselves. The terms and conditions of STN's 2020 rate card are part of all advertising contracts and agreements. Publisher's liability for an ad space error will not exceed the cost of the advertisement occupied by the error. In the event an ad make-good is necessary, the make-good ad will appear in the next available issue, or at the Publisher's discretion, but will not replace a scheduled ad insertion.

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#### **Contact Information:**

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