



September 19, 2019

Via e-mail to: ExecutiveSecretariat@ntsb.gov

Hon. Robert L. Sumwalt, III
Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board
490 L'Enfant Plaza SW
Washington, DC 20594

Re: Rec H-19-010 to National School Transportation Association

Dear Chairman Sumwalt:

This letter is in reply to your e-mail and letter from July 16, 2019, regarding the above referenced safety recommendation from National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) to National School Transportation Association (NSTA). This recommendation arose from the NTSB *School Bus Run-Off-Road and Crash* report of June 18, 2019. NSTA attended the June 18, 2019 NTSB Board meeting to listen to the testimony, as well as hear the NTSB's findings and recommendations. The meeting provided us to gather additional context and information that was disseminated to our members. We then set out a plan of communications that included our NSTA-64 newsletter, organizational committee meetings, seminars, and one on one guidance for individual members. Details follow.

Articles in NSTA's July/August 2019 newsletter included links to the NTSB's June 18, 2019 report along with summaries and information provided by the NSTA staff member, who attended the June 18 NTSB Board Meeting. NTSB findings and recommendations were reviewed in NSTA's Safety & Security Committee; Manufacturers, Suppliers, & Technology Committee; and Government Relations Committee. NSTA also reinforced these issues at the NSTA Annual Meeting and Convention in a workshop called: "Together, Keeping Students Safe and Secure". This was a live meeting with reports being offered by NSTA, as well as NASDPTS, NCST, ASBC, and NAPT. Additionally, NSTA frequently reminds members that the Association can assist them one on one as needed when issues or questions arise at their operations regarding safety or other matters.

As such, NSTA believes that we have successfully executed our mandate with respect to the recommendation. However, should you have any questions or would like additional information, please do not hesitate to call 703-684-3200 x 700, or email me directly cmacysyn@yellowbuses.org. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Curt Macysyn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Curt Macysyn
Executive Director to the National School Transportation Association