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## **6. CAPACITY RATING OF VEHICLES**

- 6.1** The number of pupils carried on a school bus shall not exceed the capacity rating, as established by the Ministry of Transportation for school bus operators (i.e. a 24 seat bus with a manufacturer's rating of 72 passengers has the legal capacity of 72 passengers).
- 6.2** When calculating the capacity of any school bus, grades JK to 6 shall be weighted at 1 for a total capacity of 72 and grades 7 to 12 shall be weighted at 1.5 for a total capacity of 48 on a 72-passenger bus (i.e. 24 seats x 3/seat x 1 weighted = 72 elementary, 24 seats x 2/seat x 1.5 weighted = 72 secondary).
- 6.3** The RCJTC recognizes the inherent safety features built into a regulated school bus. All pupils transported for the RCJTC for any and all school purposes (i.e. home to school, field trips, etc.), shall be transported in the safest form possible.

### **Related RCJTC Administrative Procedures**

AP.01.28      Capacity Rating of Vehicles/15 Passenger Van Procedure