

2006 APPROVED SCHOOL BUS MANUFACTURERS

All school bus chassis and body manufacturers (1) shall certify to the Texas Department of Public Safety, in the form of a letter, that all school buses offered for sale to or use by the public school systems in Texas meet or exceed all standards, specifications, and requirements as specified herein and proof of general liability insurance to include the carrier of the insurance policy.

Each bidder shall furnish the following:

(3) **Literature:** The bidder shall have on file with the Department, the latest pamphlets, brochures, and printed literature on the equipment the bidder proposes to furnish to this specification.

(4) **Metal Certification:** The *manufacturer* shall have on file with the Department; a statement certifying that the metal used in Texas school buses conforms to the NSSB. NSSB requires galvanized steel to meet the requirements of the one thousand (1000) hour salt spray test in accordance with ASTM Standard B 117 and shall not lose more than ten percent (10%) of material by weight.

Isometric Drawings: On request by the Department, the *manufacturer* shall provide detailed isometric drawings of the bus body showing floor panels, side posts, roof bows, bow-frames, stringers, longitudinal frame members, exterior panels, and front and rear end framing. Each component shall be identified in block form showing: 1.) The item number, 2.) The type of steel or other metal or material with strength at least equivalent to all steel, and 3.) The decimal thickness of steel used in the construction.

The following manufacturers have provided the required information and are approved to sell school buses in Texas.

APPROVED MANUFACTURERS
Blue Bird Corporation
Collins Bus Corporation
Corbeil
Girardin Mini Bus
IC Corporation
Mid Bus
Thomas Built Buses
US Bus Corporation
Van-Con Inc.

Call Texas Department of Public Safety, Charley Kennington, Program Administrator School Bus Transportation at 254-759-7111 for information regarding approved manufacturers.

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