



## **Student Transportation of America Names Gene Kowalczewski Chief Operating Officer of Its North American School Bus Operations**

WALL, N.J., January 9, 2019 – [Student Transportation of America \(STA\)](#), an industry leader in school bus transportation, safety and fleet services, today announced the promotion of Gene Kowalczewski, naming him Chief Operating Officer of STA's School Transportation Group overseeing North American school bus operations.

"Gene has developed a reputation for his smart and creative approach to industry challenges as well as being recognized as a highly effective communicator and inspirational leader throughout his almost 30-year career," stated Patrick Vaughan, President of STA's School Transportation Group. "Since joining STA back in 2008, Gene and his team have been at the forefront of the Company's historic growth from Maine to Florida. Their results in the areas of safety and service are highly respected throughout STA and we look forward to his outstanding leadership carrying on throughout our organization."

"It is an honor and a privilege to take on this new role at STA where I look forward to continuing my work with our CEO Denis Gallagher, Pat Vaughan and our entire senior leadership team," said Kowalczewski. "There are many challenges facing the school transportation industry currently such as combatting driver shortages, improving safety measures, developing new technologies, pushing alternative fuels, and working to improve and better communicate directly with parents and other stakeholders. We will continue to work with our customers to overcome the various challenges they face and stay extremely focused on safety and service."

### **About Student Transportation of America**

Founded in 1997, Student Transportation of America (STA) is an industry leader in school bus transportation, safety and fleet services. STA operates more than 13,500 vehicles, providing customers with the highest level of safe and reliable student transportation, management, logistics and technology solutions throughout the U.S. and Canada. Services are delivered by drivers, dispatchers, maintenance technicians, managers, information technology professionals and others, who are caring members of their local communities. For more information, please visit [www.RideSTA.com](http://www.RideSTA.com).

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