

IOWA PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION'S

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the IPTA website. I am glad that you're checking our website out today. I believe that the IPTA can and will serve you as an excellent reference point. School transportation is so important and as transportation directors, superintendents and mechanics, we have the most precious cargo there is on the road. It is so very important that we stay up to date with the many rules and regulations and the changes that come our way.

I appreciate that I have served as President of the IPTA for the past three years. I truly believe in what the board and the association stand for and represent.

Chris Darling serves as our Executor Director and keeps the association moving forward. Chris has been a constant in assistance to you in the day to day challenges that we run into. He has been involved in the transportation industry for many years and brings his knowledge and experience to all of us, in the time it takes to dial his number.

Again this year, beginning in April 2018, we will be holding regional meetings across the state. I encourage you to get registered to attend. It is free for members and we will have some great speakers and topics to discuss. Finding solutions to common issues is so much easier in a group setting of our peers.

Your IPTA membership entitles you to updates in legislative actions which affect our daily lives. It is also current in news and information pertinent to each of our operations. There is a TEAM manual that gives you contact information for other school districts, staff and phone/email addresses. There is technical support for transportation personnel and school administrators. Information on our Regional meetings is also found on our website. The better informed we are, the better we are able to make the right choices and decisions at the right time.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Chris Darling at the IPTA office or any of our board members as well as myself. Get me started, I love to talk about the IPTA!

Wishing you all the best in 2018. May it be a safe 2018.



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