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**FAIRFAX COUNTY COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY STEVE DESCANO ANNOUNCES
INDICTMENTS IN CASE OF INTOXICATED SCHOOL BUS DRIVER**

Fairfax County, VA -- Fairfax Commonwealth's Attorney Steve Descano announced that yesterday a grand jury indicted Troy Reynolds, 48, for charges related to driving a school bus full of kindergartners while intoxicated.

"My office takes crimes that endanger children very seriously. We're grateful to our partners at the Fairfax County Police Department for their collaboration on this case," Descano said.

Reynolds was indicted by a grand jury on nine felony charges of child endangerment and three misdemeanor charges: second offense of driving while intoxicated, driving with a disqualified commercial license, and driving a bus without a commercial driver's license.

The 44 kindergartners on board were students at Ben Murch Elementary School in D.C. and were returning from a field trip to Cox Farms when Reynolds drove the bus into a ditch. Reynolds allegedly had a blood-alcohol content of .20 on the scene. Nine children had non-life-threatening injuries after the crash.

A trial date will be set on December 22.

A criminal indictment is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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