

# Safety Matrix Connecting Field Data to Enterprise Risk Reality

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# Introduction

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# Who is **FIRST**student



#1 North American  
student  
transportation  
provider



~44,000 buses,  
transporting  
4.5 million  
students daily



1,000+ school  
districts across  
U.S. and Canada



Safety is our  
#1 core value



Strong investment  
in **Risk & Safety  
Intelligence** to  
protect our people  
and passengers





# Meet the Risk & Safety Riskonnect Admin Team



**Kalin Stoimenov** is the Senior Director of Risk and Safety Data Analytics at First Student. With over 20 years of experience in data analytics and risk management, Kalin specializes in building scalable dashboards, automating reporting processes, and delivering actionable insights that drive safety and claims performance. He has played a key role in multiple TPA transitions, RMIS platform implementations, and the development of new claims operations. Based in the Dallas–Fort Worth area, Kalin is passionate about helping organizations turn complex data into clear strategies for improving risk and safety outcomes. Outside of work, he enjoys traveling, climbing, yoga, and exploring new cultures through food and experiences.



**Becky Schulthess** is a Sr Analyst Risk Data and System at First Student, Inc., bringing nearly four years of dedicated experience with the company and over 15 years in data analytics and project management. At First Student, Becky specializes in developing dynamic dashboards and reports, streamlining processes through automation, and delivering actionable insights that drive informed, data-backed decisions. Based in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, Becky is an avid supporter of all Wisconsin sports. Outside of work, she enjoys fishing, collecting sports memorabilia, and spending quality time with her family.



**Susan Enslen** is a dedicated Specialist in Safety Reporting and Support with over 20 years of experience with First Student. Susan plays a critical role in ensuring that safety incidents involving school buses are reported accurately and are in-line with the First Student Safety definitions. Susan creates reports for Senior Executives and Board Meetings using the safety data retrieved from Riskonnect. Another focus for Susan is creating and reporting on Site Safety Reviews (Safety Audits) for the company. She resides in Kentucky with the skyline view of Cincinnati and is based in the Cincinnati Headquarter Office. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with family and following several area sports teams. She is a Cincinnati Bengal season ticket holder, still waiting for that Super Bowl win.



**Smith Arroyo** is an Analyst, Risk Data and System at First Student, Inc., with nearly four years of experience with the company and over six years of experience in data analytics and risk management. At First Student, Smith focuses on financial reporting, transaction reconciliation, building dashboards, and automating reporting processes to deliver clear, data-driven insights. Based in Dallas-Fort Worth Area, Smith is passionate about both competitive and recreational sports. Outside of work, he enjoys traveling, fishing, watching or playing sports, trying new foods, and spending time with the family.







# Our Riskconnect Journey

Risk, Safety and Security  
were in **separate silos**,  
all using different platforms

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## One Stop Shop....

- ✓Flash Alerts
- ✓Incident Intake
- ✓Claims Administration
- ✓Root Cause Analysis (RCA)
- ✓Site Safety Reviews (Safety Audits)
- ✓Corrective Actions
- ✓Safety Debriefs and Contacts
- ✓Near Miss and Hazard Reporting
- ✓ERM
- ✓Property Management
- ✓Security
- ✓Task Assignments
- ✓Mobile App





# Challenges before Riskonnect

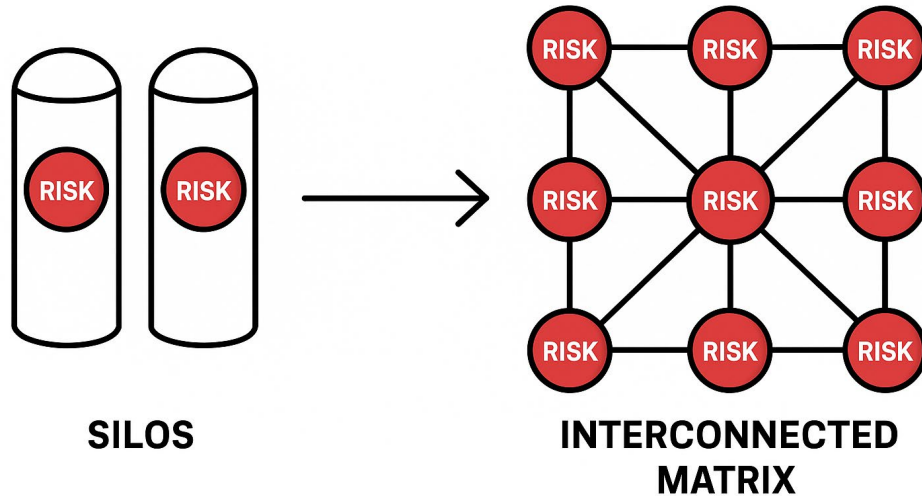
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# The Matrix Concept: Connecting Risks that Matter



Risks are connected, dynamic, evolving.

Moving beyond siloed data –  
**interconnected risk intelligence.**

The Matrix helps us:

Anticipate risks,

Understand  
causes,

Drive  
prevention.



# Our Field Data Sources

## Data Source

Flash Alerts

Incidents

Near-Miss/Hazards

Site Safety Review (Safety Audits)

Daily Check-Ups

Root Cause Analysis (RCA)

Claims Data

Exposure

Vehicles

HR Data

Property Management

## Purpose

Immediate Risk Signals

Captured Events – Driver, Facility, Passenger

Predictive Early Indicators

Systemic Field Insights

High-Frequency Operational Checks

Deep Causal Analysis

WC & Liability – Across US/Canada

Show Risk in Context

Maintain Accurate Vehicle Profiles

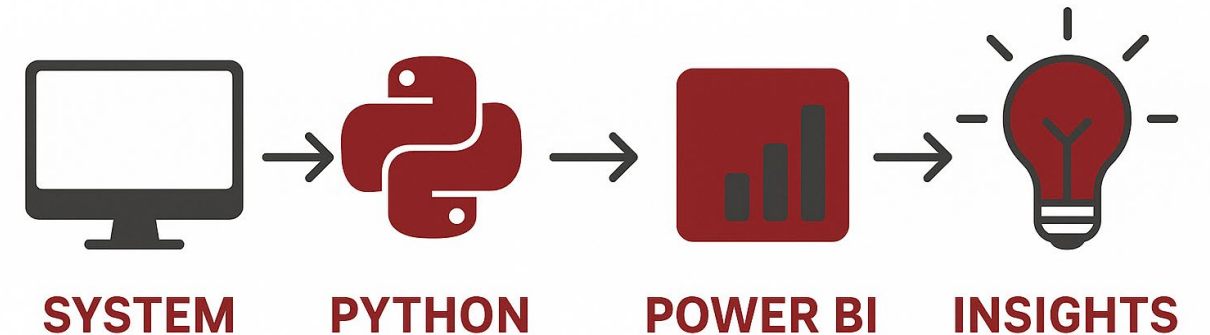
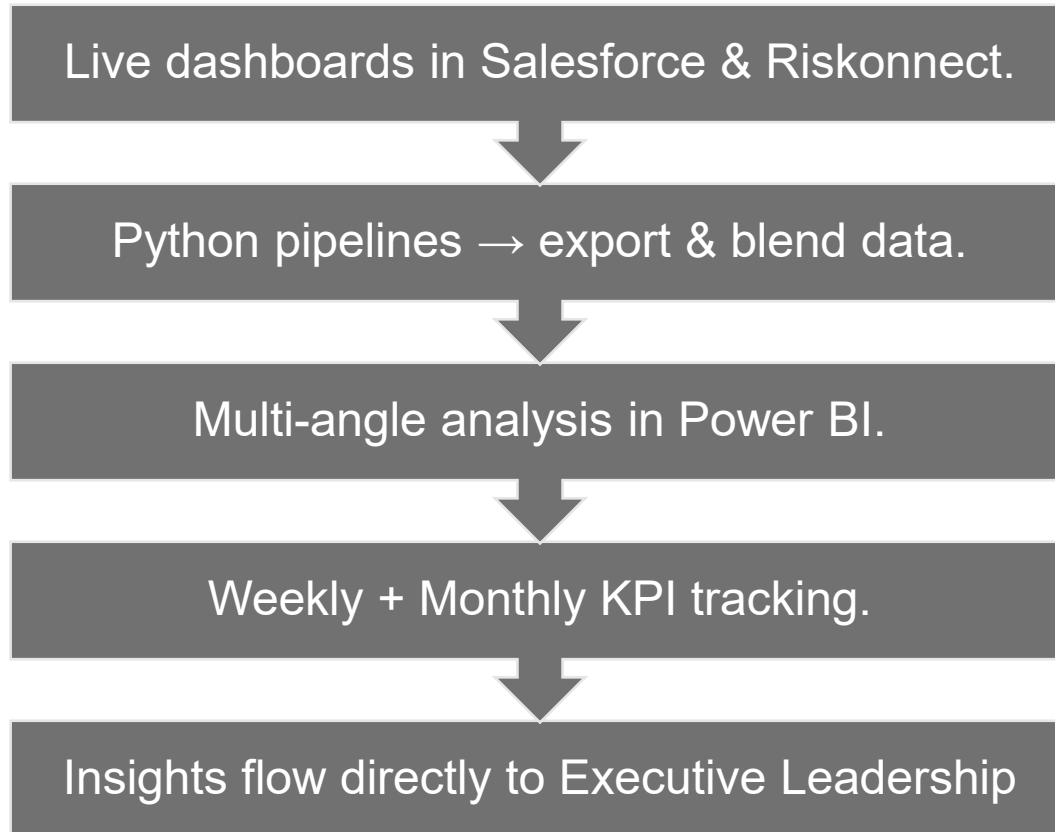
Matching Employee Profiles

Identify Facility Risks





# Analytics & Integration: Turning Data into Intelligence





# Resolutions after Riskonnect

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# Results & Business Impact





# Claims Process Impact

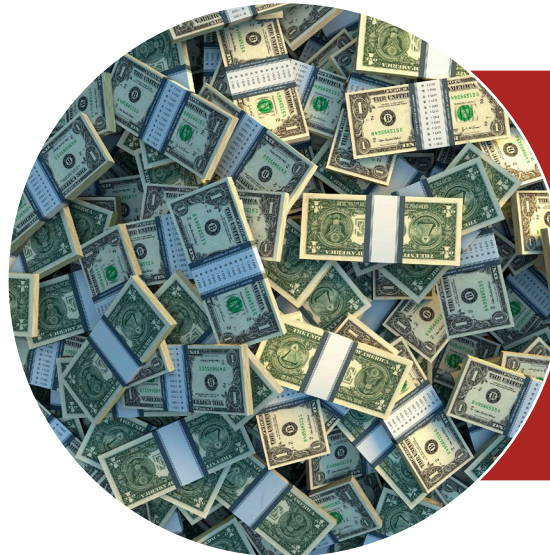
Improved  
Communication

Better Evidence  
Collection

40% Shorter  
Claim Duration

30-40% Lower  
Average Cost

Reduced Legal  
Expenses



Millions in  
Claims Savings

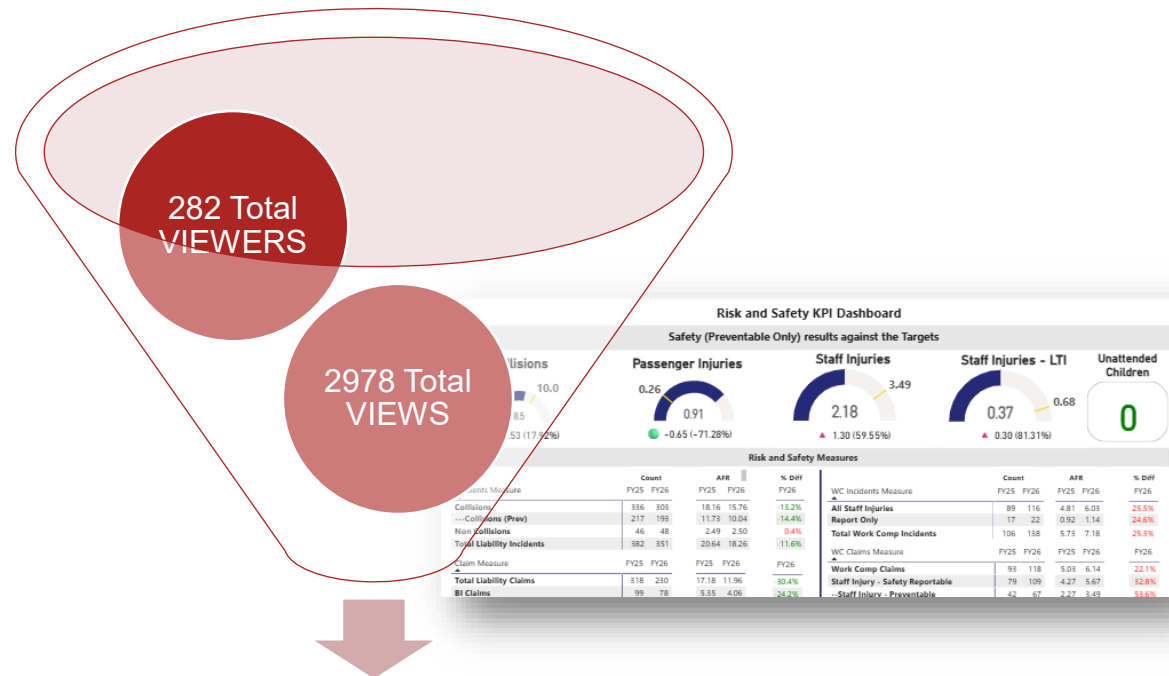




# In Action: Dashboards • Metrics • Insights

## ■ PBI Risk/Safety KPI Dashboard

## ■ Mobile Insights



Multi-Region Adoption

Poll: Names recorded ; Results shared

Are you using the Riskconnect Mobile App and have you shared the "how to use" with your fie

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Haven't Used

☐ Having Issues

Edited

Yes

No

Haven't Used

Having Issues

45% of our users utilize the Mobile app





# Case Example: the Matrix in Action

Repeated slip hazard triggered Flash Alerts.

RCA identified training + facility gap.

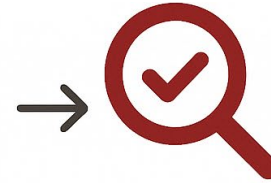
Daily Check-Up data confirmed issue.

Targeted facility upgrade + retraining deployed.

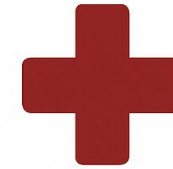
Reduction in related incidents and claims



**FLASH  
ALERT**



**RCA**



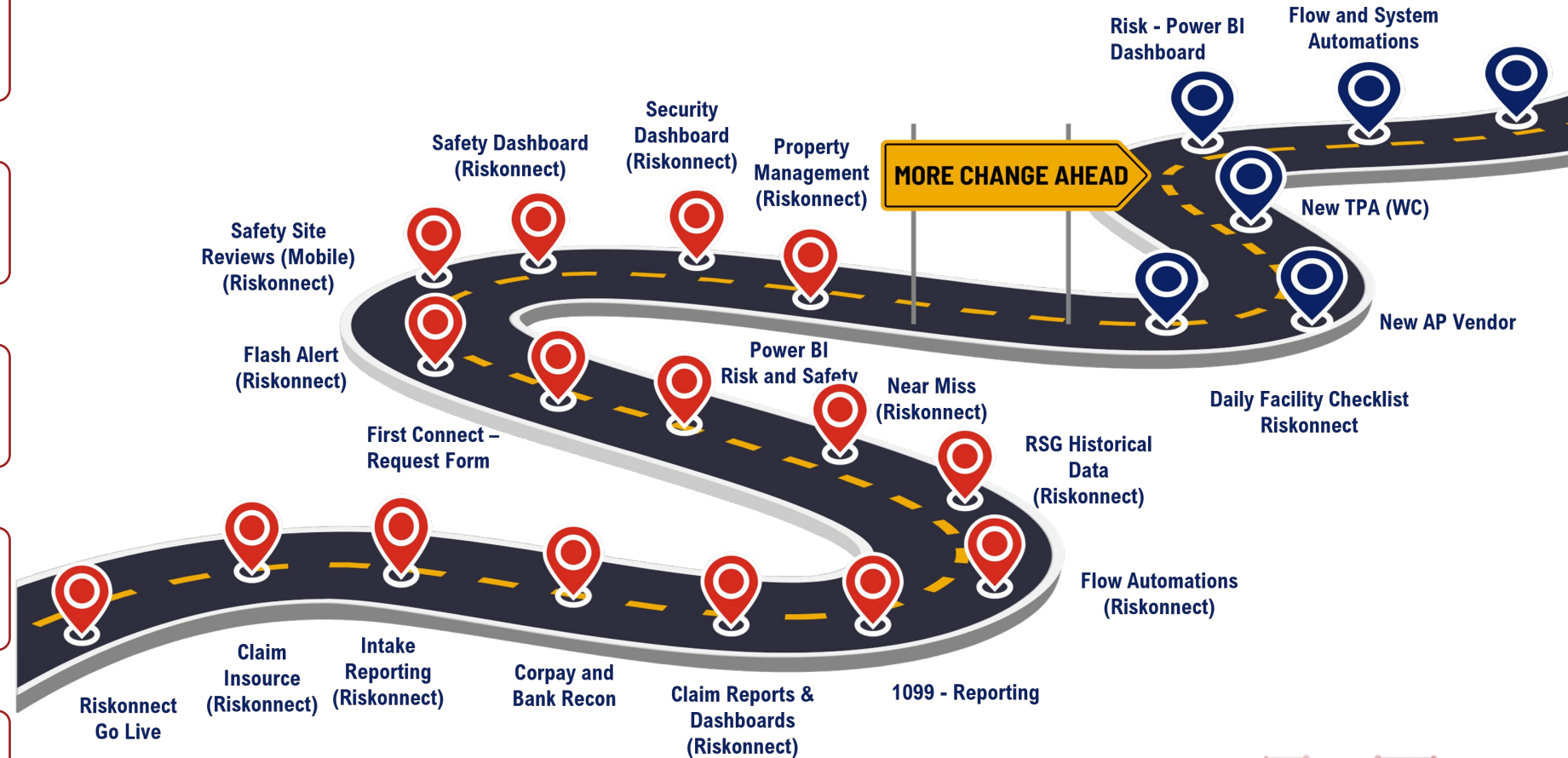
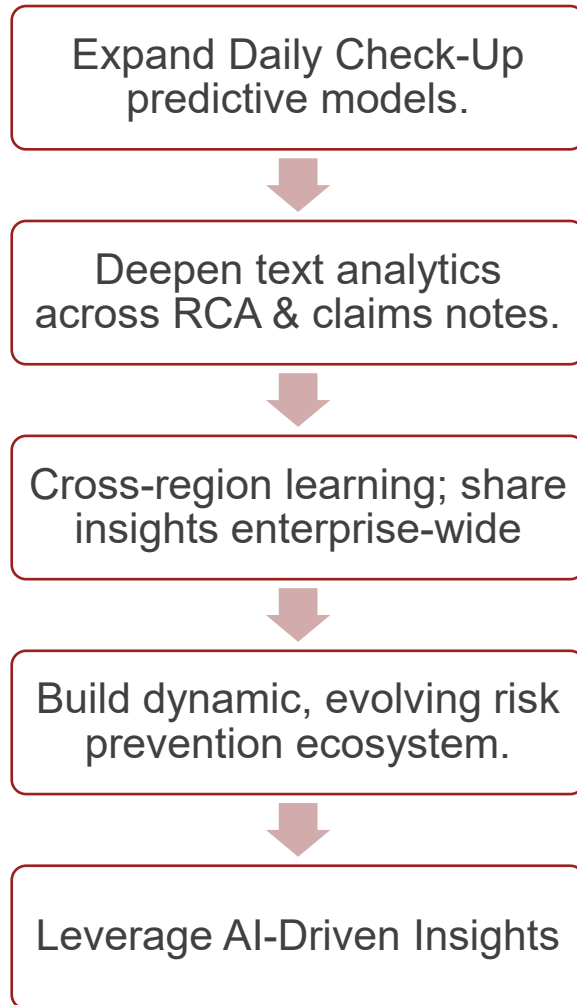
**INTERVENTION**



**OUTCOME**



# Future Vision: Where We Go Next



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# Questions?

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# THE MATRIX

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# Thank You!

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