



TRANSPORTATION

RIDING THE SCHOOL BUS – SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

At the Bus Stop

- Be at the bus stop five minutes before established arrival time of bus.
- Do not run to, or from the bus stop.
- Choose the safest walking route to, and from the bus stop. Keep well clear of the road while waiting for the bus.
- Be certain that the road is clear, or traffic is stopped before crossing the road.
- Line up for the bus in single file, with the first person no closer than two meters from the roadside. No crowding, pushing, or horseplay while waiting at the bus stop.

Getting On and Off the Bus

- Board and exit the bus ONLY at your designated stop.
- Do not move toward the bus until it has come to a complete stop, the red lights are flashing, and the door is opened by the bus driver.
- Hold onto the handrail to prevent slips or falls.
- Go directly to your seat and sit down. Remain seated until you get to school or to your assigned stop.
- Move away from the bus as soon as you exit, by taking ten giant steps away from the bus.
- Keep a safe distance from the bus, even if you drop or forget something. Never bend down near, or under the bus.

Riding on the Bus

- Follow the instructions of the driver at all times.
- Talk quietly and stay seated while the bus is in motion. No loud talking or shouting.
- Be courteous and respectful of others. Do not use profanity or abusive language.
- Do not distract the bus driver by creating a disturbance, or talking to the bus driver while the bus is in motion, except in an emergency.
- Do not write on, or damage the seats. Parents/Guardians may be held financially responsible for any damage to a school bus caused by their child.
- Keep arms and head inside the windows.
- Always ask the bus driver for permission to open or close windows.
- Keep books, backpacks and other belongings out of the aisle.
- Never throw objects inside the bus or out of the windows.
- Eating or drinking on the bus is prohibited.

School Bus Safety Week: Oct. 15-19
School Bus Evacuation Drills: Oct. 18, Apr. 18