

Get On Board With These

School Bus SAFETY TIPS

Parents, make sure kids travel to and from school safely with these tips for taking the bus.

Arrive at the bus stop at least five minutes early to avoid rushing, and never run to or from the bus.

When waiting at the bus stop, stand at least five giant steps away from the curb.

Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop, the door opens and the driver gives you the okay before approaching the bus.

Make sure the bus driver can see you. Always take at least ten giant steps forward before crossing in front of the bus, and never cross behind it.

Use the handrails when entering or exiting the bus to keep your balance, and never push or shove.

If you drop something near the bus, don't try to pick it up. Tell the bus driver instead.

Always look left, right and left again before crossing the street. Cross at crosswalks or corners whenever possible, and never cross from in between parked cars.

When riding the bus, stay in your seat facing forward whenever the bus is moving. Keep the aisles clear, and keep your head and hands inside the bus.

Talk quietly on the bus, so you don't distract the bus driver, and always follow his or her instructions.

Drivers, slow down and remain alert in school zones and near bus stops. Prepare to stop when you see flashing yellow or red lights from a school bus, and never pass a stopped school bus that is picking up or unloading students. Remember that kids are often excited about the start of school and may not be paying attention at all times. It's our responsibility to be aware and keep them safe!

Have a safe school year and a great first day!



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