

Back to School Safety Reminder



Whether your children are beginning their first year in school or their last year, safety precautions are needed for all school age children and young adults. Students walk, ride buses, drive bicycles and some high school students drive cars to school. Each of these modes of transportation requires safety precautions to prevent danger to the student on his or her way to and from school.

Following the safety tips listed below could mean the difference between a safe and enjoyable school year or one filled with personal tragedy. Just reading these reminders is not enough. To help eliminate the elements of danger, these reminders should be taught to your children and made a part of their everyday routine. Here is to a safe and enjoyable school year!

Riding a bus this year???

Make sure your children arrive at the bus stop early and instruct them to keep well to the side of the road or on the sidewalk. This will allow the bus plenty of room to pull over. It will also keep your children safer from traffic. It may be of benefit to accompany your children to the bus stop the first day or so to assist in choosing a safe route walking to the bus stop and to choose the safest place for them to wait.

SAFETY TIPS FOR BUS RIDERS:

- ☑ When boarding the bus, use the handrail to keep from falling. Be seated as soon as possible. If you are standing when the bus starts moving, you could be thrown down.
- ☑ Do not block the aisle with musical instruments, books, lunch boxes, legs, feet, or anything. Avoid horseplay while on the bus and obey the bus driver's instructions.
- ☑ When getting off the bus don't push or shove. Use the handrail and watch your step.
- ☑ After getting off the bus, keep away from the side of the bus as it pulls away. If you need to cross in front of the bus, cross the road at least 10 feet in front of the bus so that the bus driver can see you. It is usually not permissible to cross in back of the bus.



*Your school bus is like a classroom on wheels.
Show the same respect to your bus driver
as you do your teachers.*



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