

Transportation Safety Rules

Waiting for the Bus

- Stay off of public roadways
- Respect private property
- Avoid roughhousing and horseplay
- Be safe by being alert to dangers.
- Line up 20 feet away from the street or roadway as the school bus approaches.
- Be at your Bus Stop 5 minutes prior to the scheduled pick up time.

Getting on the school bus

- Wait for the bus driver to signal that it is safe to approach the bus and then approach the bus in a safe and orderly manner.
- Use the handrail(s) when entering the bus.
- Front seat load, sit in the first available seat.

Behavior on the bus

- Maintain a safe seated position; sitting and facing forward.
- When speaking to others use an inside voice.
- Keep your head, arms and hands inside the window.
- Keep the aisle clear of: legs, books, bags and instruments that are hazards and block safe passage.
- Before your stop, gather all your belongings and prepare to exit.

Getting off the school bus

- At your stop, wait for the bus to come to a complete stop before standing, walk in an orderly manner to the front door, and exit using the handrail.
- If you need to cross the street, do so in front of the bus. Stay on the side of the roadway and walk at least ten feet ahead of the bus, then stop, turn and make eye contact with the bus driver.
- Stay 12 feet away from the bus at all times.

Safely crossing streets

- Wait for and follow the bus driver's signal(s) that it is safe before crossing.
- Follow the driver's hand signals, walk directly across the road, and keep an eye out for sudden traffic changes.
- After the driver signals that it is safe to cross, look left, look right, and then left again before crossing.
- When the student's vision is blocked by the bus or other obstacle, they should watch for the driver to signal that it is safe to proceed -- then stop, look left-right-and left again.