



School Bus Safety Tips

Tips for kindergartners and their parents before their first bus ride:

Kindergarten students will ALWAYS need to be met by a responsible adult at the stop.

Kindergartners will get off last.

Parents:

Please show your kindergartner their bus stop before the first day of school. Point out landmarks and houses to help your kindergartner recognize their stop.

Please do not crowd the door while the older students exit.

Please meet your kindergartner near the bus door so the driver can see that a responsible adult has picked them up.

Please do not remove the colored tags placed on your student's book bag by the school. They help the bus driver confirm the correct stop for you child.

Safety rules for ALL students to follow when waiting for the school bus:

Students: While at the bus stop, wait in a safe place away from the road. Do not stand, run or play in the street.

When the bus is coming, line-up in a straight line, at least three giant steps from the curb.

Do not push or shove anyone while waiting in line or getting on the bus.

Safety rules to follow when getting ON the bus:

Students: Wait until the bus stops, the door opens and the driver says that it is okay before stepping toward the bus.

Stay in a straight line while getting on the bus.

Hold on to the handrail when getting on the bus.

Safety rules to follow when RIDING the school bus:

Students: Do not put your hands, feet or any other part of your body outside of the bus window.

Sit with your feet in front of your seat.

Do not yell or scream or throw things, it could distract the driver.

Safety rules to follow when getting OFF the school bus:

Students: Make sure you walk (not run) three steps away from the door before you stop or turn.

Do not pick up anything you drop near the bus. The driver may not see you. Instead, ask the driver for help.

Stay away from the bus wheels at all times! The driver may not see you.

Parents:

Please meet your younger students at the bus stop on the first couple days of school, at least until they are familiar with their stop and the walk home. Kindergarten students will ALWAYS need to be met by a responsible adult at the stop.

Please wait on the same side of the street as the drop off, so your child does not have to cross the street without you.

Please review these tips with your child before the first day of school. Thank you!