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SCHOOL BUS SAFETY



At the bus stop

When waiting for the bus, stay away from the road and traffic.

Avoid horsing around or other behavior that can lead to any child being pushed into street.

Do not play in the street.

Do not stray onto streets, alleys or private property.

Line up away from the street or road as the school bus approaches.

Wait until the bus has come to a complete stop and the door has opened before stepping towards the bus or onto the road.

Behavior on the bus

When on the bus, find a seat and sit down.

Talk quietly as shouting can distract the bus driver.

Never put head, arms or hands out of the window.

Keep aisles clear – books or bags are tripping hazards and can block the way in an emergency.

At your stop, wait for the bus to stop completely before getting up from your seat, then walk to the front door and exit, using the handrail.

Getting off the school bus

If you have to cross the street in front of the bus, walk at least ten feet ahead of the bus along the side of the road until you can turn around and see the driver.

Make sure that the driver can see you.

Wait for a signal from the driver before beginning to cross.

Do not cross the center line of the road until the driver has signaled that it is safe for you to begin walking.

Stay away from the bus's rear wheels at all times.

Do not bend down anywhere near the bus where the bus driver may not see you.

Do not try to retrieve any items that have fallen on the ground near the bus. Tell the bus driver.

If you leave something on the bus, never return to the bus to get it. The driver may not see you come back and he/she may begin moving the bus.