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BUS SAFETY BASICS



WHY TALK ABOUT BUS SAFETY?

The _____ is one of the safest ways to get around, but only if you use it _____.

FYI — most _____ happen when students are getting _____ the bus.

Let's make sure you know how to _____ (and _____) smart.

SAFE AT THE STOP

Staying safe starts _____ you get on the bus.

1. Get to your bus stop at least _____ minutes early.
2. Stand back about _____ feet from the curb — that's _____ giant steps.

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3. Be _____ at the stop.

No _____ or messing around near the _____.

4. Never _____ toward the bus as it approaches. Be _____!

GETTING ON THE BUS

Rushing or ignoring signals can lead to _____.

1. Wait until the bus _____ completely.

2. Only board when the driver _____ it's safe.

3. Use the _____ to get on the bus. No _____ or racing up the steps.

4. Move quickly and _____ to your seat.

STAY SEATED, STAY SAFE

Most school buses don't have _____ — but they're still designed to

_____ you. The seats form a safety structure called _____,

similar to how an egg carton protects eggs.

_____ should always be worn when available!

For it to work, you need to:

1. Sit facing _____

2. Stay in your _____

3. Keep the _____ clear

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KEEP IT CALM ON THE BUS

Loud or rowdy behavior can _____ the driver — and that puts everyone at _____.

1. Use a _____ voice
2. Keep _____ and _____ to yourself
3. Respect the driver's job to _____ on the road

GETTING OFF THE BUS

Many bus-related _____ happen when students are _____

1. Wait for the bus to _____ fully and for the driver to _____ before getting up.
2. Watch your step and use the _____ to exit safely.
3. Don't _____, push or shove! Everyone will be able to get off the bus.

THE DANGER ZONE

The "Danger Zone" is the _____ area around the bus where the driver can't always _____ you.

1. Walk _____ feet away from all sides of the bus
2. Never walk _____ the bus
3. If you _____ something, tell the driver — don't try to _____!

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HOW TO CROSS THE STREET SAFELY

This is important. You are most at risk when crossing the street in _____ of the bus.

1. Walk _____ feet in _____ of the bus.
2. Look _____ for traffic.
3. Make _____ with the _____.
4. Cross only when the driver _____ it's safe.

WHAT DRIVERS ARE SUPPOSED TO DO

There are _____ for drivers to help keep _____ safe when leaving the bus. Cars must come to a _____ stop when the bus has _____ lights and its _____ arm is out. Cars cannot continue until the lights are _____. Drivers must never attempt to _____ in any direction until the school bus begins _____ without its red lights flashing. Unfortunately, not every driver follows these rules. Always _____, even though the law is on your side!

EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

Emergencies on the bus are rare, but it's always good to be _____.

Know where the emergency exits are — usually at the _____ and on the _____ of the bus.

- Listen for the _____ instructions.
- Stay _____ and help others stay calm.
- Move _____ if the driver instructs you to.

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What's one thing you learned about bus safety today that you didn't know before?
