

A decorative border of small yellow school buses with black and red details, arranged in a rectangular frame around the page. The buses are oriented horizontally and vertically along the edges.

Helpful Bus Rider Tips for Parents/Students

1. Allow enough time in the morning for unhurried, calm school preparation time.
2. Prepare as much as possible the night before.
3. Have your students wear bright, contrasting colored coats or put a piece of high visibility, reflective tape on coats and backpacks.
4. Help your students to leave on time. Allow for weather and plan to arrive at the bus stop five minutes before the scheduled pickup time.
5. Go with and meet students aged 8 and younger at the bus stop or have a designee assist.
6. Tell your students to walk in groups, if possible.
7. Please train pets to stay in the yard, away from bus traffic.
8. Remind your students to walk on the sidewalks or out of the street, and facing traffic.
9. Teach your students to Stop, look left, right, and then left again before crossing the street.
10. Running games, shoving, or horseplay are dangerous at the bus stop and around traffic.
11. Tell your students to stand six feet (3 GIANT STEPS) away from the street when waiting for the bus, they should wait there until the bus driver says it's OK to board the bus.
12. If anything is dropped during loading or unloading the bus, students must **WAIT** for instructions from the bus driver before attempting to retrieve it.

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