

Ten School Bus Safety Rules



1. **Dress properly for the weather.** Make sure all drawstrings, ties, straps, etc. on all clothing, backpacks and other items, are shortened or removed to lessen the likelihood of them getting caught in bus doors, railings or aisles.
2. **Arrive on time at the bus stop** and stay 10 feet away from the street while waiting for the bus.
3. **Stay 10 feet away from the bus** until it stops completely and the driver signals you to board. Enter in single file without pushing. Always use the handrail.
4. **Take a seat right away and remain seated facing forward.** Keep your hands, arms and head inside the bus.
5. **Help keep the bus neat and clean.** Keep belongings out of the aisle and away from emergency exits. Eating and drinking are not allowed on the bus.
6. **Always follow the driver's instructions.** Be courteous to the driver and other students. Sit with your hands to yourself and avoid making noises that would distract the driver or bother other passengers. Remain seated, keeping your hands, arms and head inside the bus at all times.
7. **Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before standing up.** Use the handrail when exiting the bus.
8. **Stay out of the danger zone next to the bus** where the driver may have difficulty seeing you. Take ten giant steps away from the bus and out of the danger zone, until you can see the driver and the driver sees you. Never crawl under a bus.
9. **Wait for the driver's signal and then cross in front of the bus** if you must cross the street after you get off the bus,. Cross the street only after checking both ways for traffic.
10. **Never run back to the bus,** even if you dropped or forgot something