



# Stay in the School Bus Safety Zone



These local businesses would like to wish all of this year's students a safe, happy and successful school year!

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Parents, be sure to review these important bus safety tips with young riders and drivers to keep kids safe this school year.

## 10 School Bus Safety Tips for Kids

1. Get to the bus stop early, and wait in a safe place at least five giant steps away from the edge of the road.
2. Wait until the bus stops, the door opens and the driver says it's okay before you approach the bus.
3. Enter the bus single file, and be sure to hold the handrail.
4. Walk straight to your seat, and sit with your legs facing forward.
5. Speak quietly, so you don't distract the bus driver.
6. Keep the bus aisles clear, and keep your arms and head inside the bus.
7. Raise your hand if you need to get the bus driver's attention.
8. Look left, right and left again before exiting the bus or crossing the street.
9. Always cross the street at least 10 feet in front of the bus. Never cross behind the bus.
10. If you drop something near or under the bus, tell the driver. Never try to pick it up yourself.

## 5 School Bus Safety Tips for Motorists

1. Know that yellow flashing lights signal a school bus is preparing to stop. Red flashing lights and a stop sign indicate the bus is stopped, and children are entering or exiting.
2. Never pass a school bus that is stopping or stopped to load or unload children. It is unsafe and illegal.
3. Stop your vehicle a safe distance of at least 10 feet from a stopped school bus.
4. Once the flashing red lights and stop sign have been turned off by the bus driver, proceed slowly and with caution, looking both ways for children who may still be close to the road.
5. While driving, never pass a school bus on the right. It is dangerous and against the law.