

DID YOU SEE ME?



The greatest dangers in school transportation are outside the bus

As a driver, you can help ensure children are safe whenever you drive near a school bus, whether you are on the road or in a school zone.

- Always pay attention to signs and signals in school zones and surrounding areas, as well as in the school yard.
- Always remain vigilant near a school bus.
- Always abide by the rules of the *Highway Safety Code*, particularly near children.

Passing or crossing a school bus when the red lights are flashing can lead to a fine of \$200 to \$300 and 9 demerit points. This stop is not mandatory when you are approaching a school bus in the opposite lane on a road with a median.

As a parent, regularly review the rules to observe around and inside the school bus with your child.

The bus stop:

- Go to the bus stop early to avoid running.
- Stay in line to wait for the bus without shoving others.
- Wait until the bus has come to a complete stop before approaching it.
- Get on the bus in single file and hold onto the handrail.

On the school bus:

- Go to your seat and sit down.
- Don't put anything in the aisle.
- Don't bother the driver.
- Keep your objects in your bag.
- Keep your arms and head inside the bus.
- Stay in your seat until the bus has come to a complete stop.

Getting off the school bus:

- Move away from the bus as soon as you get off and stay away from the wheels.
- After getting off the bus, count ten steps before crossing in front.
- Make sure the driver has seen you before you cross in front of the bus.
- Check for traffic to the left, to the right, and to the left again before crossing the road.
- If you drop something that rolls under the bus, tell the driver and wait for permission before picking it up. If you cannot speak to the driver, ask an adult for help or wait until the bus has left before picking up the object.
- Never go behind a school bus.

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