

School Safety

The wheels on the bus: safety on and around school buses
School buses are the safest mode of transportation for your children. In fact, according to the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration, students are about 50 times more likely to arrive at school alive if they take the bus than if they drive themselves or ride with friends, and eight times safer than with their own parents and guardians in the car. School buses are inherently crafted with safety on the forefront: bright colors, cross-view mirrors and trained drivers. Even though the safety features are impressive, it's still crucial to make sure your children know how to behave on and around the bus. Share these tips*:

- When the bus arrives, stand at least three giant steps (6 feet) away from the curb.
- Never walk behind the bus. If you drop something near the bus, tell the bus driver. Never try to pick it up first because the driver may not be able to see you.
- When on the bus, find a seat and stay seated throughout the ride.
- Keep your head, arms and hands inside the bus at all times.
- Clear aisles of books or bags, as they are tripping hazards and block the way in an emergency.
- When you reach your exit, wait for the bus to stop completely before getting up from your seat, and use the handrail down the stairs.
- If you meet your child at the bus stop, make sure you wait on the same side of the street where he/she will be dropped off.



SCHOOL BUSES WITH OVERHEAD
Red and Yellow Lights
(With or Without Bus Stop Signs)

- ▶ Yellow lights are flashing: Prepare to stop
- ▶ Red lights are flashing: Stop no closer than 20 feet from the bus
- ▶ Red lights turned off: Proceed



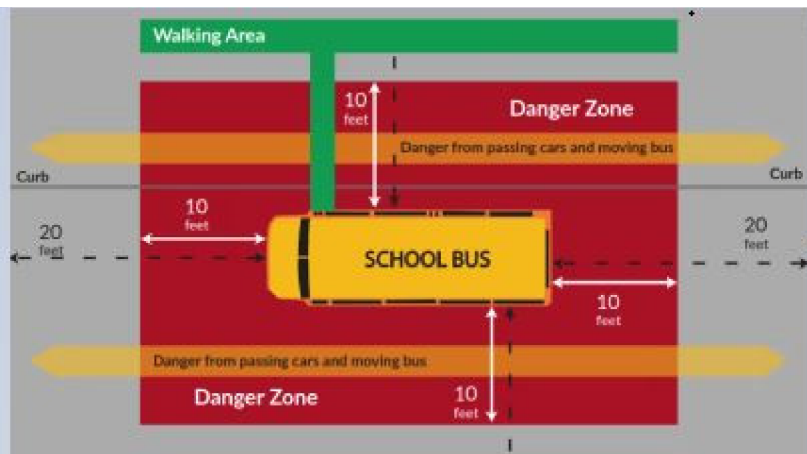
SCHOOL BUSES WITH OVERHEAD
Red Lights
(With or Without Bus Stop Signs)

- ▶ Red lights are flashing and bus is stopped: Stop no closer than 20 feet from the bus
- ▶ When red lights are turned off: Proceed



ALL SCHOOL BUSES
Yellow Lights

- ▶ Yellow hazard warning lights are flashing: Proceed with caution



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