



SCHOOL BUS SAFETY RULES

Dear Parents,
Please give your children the instructions below to be safe when travelling to and from school.
Children should follow these simple safety rules:



AT THE BUS STOP / COLLECTION POINT

- Avoid the Danger Zone. Remain 10 steps away from the bus to be out of the “Danger Zone” and where the driver can see you. When crossing the street, cross in front of the bus, not behind it. Look left, right, and left again before crossing.
- Always walk to the bus stop or collection point. Don't run.
- Use the pavement. If there is no pavement, walk on the left facing traffic.
- It is recommended you go to the bus stop at least about five minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.
- While at the bus stop, wait in a safe place away from the road. Do not run and play while waiting.
- Never speak to strangers at the bus stop or get into a car with a stranger. You should go straight home and tell your parents if a stranger tries to talk to you or pick you up.
- If it's necessary to cross the street to board the bus, be sure to wait for the bus to come to a complete stop and for the driver to open the door and let you in.

ON THE BUS

- When the bus arrives and the door opens, get on the bus in single file.
- Go to a seat and fasten your seatbelt. All children below 150cm or 36kg are required to use booster seats on school buses equipped with three-point seat belts. (Not applicable on big city buses - shuttle buses and minibuses equipped with two-point seat belts). Remain seated and facing forward for the entire ride.
- Keep your school bag in the racks above the seats or put it below the seats.
- Talk quietly (so the driver will not be distracted).
- If you need to talk to the bus driver: wait for the bus to stop, raise your hand, and call the driver's name.
- Don't throw things on the bus or out the windows or cause vandalism. Never play with the emergency exits.
- Please act politely at all times and be considerate to your fellow passengers.
- Bringing unsafe or prohibited items to school or on the bus is not allowed.
- You should not eat, drink, chew gum or smoke on the bus. Keep the bus clean.
- Keep the aisles clear at all times.
- If there is an emergency, listen to the driver and follow his instructions.



EXIT THE BUS

- Children can leave the bus only with the driver's permission.
- When getting off the bus make sure you walk (not run) a safe distance from the door. Stay away from the bus wheels and watch out for moving cars!
- Once you get off the bus, go straight home so an adult will know where you are. Primary school children are to be handed over to an adult (parent/guardian). (Not applicable for shuttle buses.)
- Only get on and off the bus at your designated stop. If you need to get off the bus somewhere else, you will need to have a note from your parents (Logistics Officer to be informed).
- If you leave something on the bus, never return to the bus to get it. The driver may not see you come back and they may begin driving away.
- Also, if you drop something near the bus, tell the bus driver before you attempt to pick it up, so they will know where you are.

For your safety and security, follow all the school bus safety rules. Always be responsible, safe, and set a good example!