

School Bus Reminders For Parents

SPRING SAFETY TIPS:

As clocks spring ahead and the seasons change, roads and highways throughout the nation become a bit more dangerous. In the spring and early summer motorists have to deal with shadows, glaring sunlight and busier streets as more children walk to school and increase their outdoor playtime.

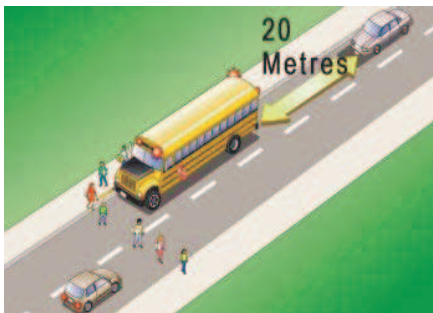
When driving your children to school, slow down.

Be especially careful when driving on neighborhood streets and around school zones, always expect the unexpected.

Be alert for youngsters walking to and from school as you back out of your driveway or leave your parking garage.



We want children to be safe. Watch for them on bicycles, especially at intersections and driveways. Young children have a tendency to dart out of driveways without looking for traffic.



Stop your car when you see lights flashing on a school bus. Red flashing lights indicate that the bus is stopped or stopping and students are getting on or off. Be aware it is illegal to pass a school bus when its lights are flashing.

Don't start driving until the red lights stop flashing. Be aware that a child may dash across the street.

Avoid stopping, blocking and obstructing the school buses in the Bus Loading Zones.

If you decide to meet your child at the bus stop after school, wait on the side where the child will be dropped off, not across the street. Children can get so excited at seeing you after school they might forget safety rules and dash across the street.

Note: It is not recommended to take your family pet to meet the bus, if you do always keep them on a leash and remember many young children have allergies and can get very nervous around dogs.

