## **Bus Stop Safety Tips For Elementary Students**

- ➤ CROSSWALK Cross at corners and crosswalks as you go to and from the bus stop. Make sure it's safe to cross by checking for cars to the left and the right.
- ▶ DON'T PLAY Running or playing at or around school bus stops can be dangerous. Stand and wait quietly for the bus.
- ► MOVE AWAY Take 3 giant steps away from the street while walking or while you wait for the bus. Never sit on the street or the curb.
- ► HEADS UP/PHONES DOWN Put down phones and remove earbuds so you can see and hear what's happening.
- ► COMPLETE STOP Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop. When the door opens, the driver will let you know it's OK to get on or off.

- ► WATCH YOUR STEP Use the handrails when getting on and off the bus. Be careful of straps or drawstrings that can get caught.
- ➤ **NEVER BEHIND** Don't ever walk behind or cross the street behind a school bus.
- ► LEAVE IT If you drop something near or under a school bus, let the driver know before you pick it up. They may not see you if you bend down.
- ➤ SEE AND BE SEEN Cross in front of the bus when you get off and always make sure the driver can see you. If you can't see the driver, they probably can't see you.
- ▶ **DANGER ZONE** When you are not getting on or off the bus, make sure you are 5 giant steps away from the bus.
- ► WATCH FOR CARS Wait for a signal from your driver that it is safe to cross in front of the bus.
- ▶ DON'T TALK TO STRANGERS Alert your bus driver as soon as possible if an unknown person or vehicle tries to approach you.



Sources: National Safety Council and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration



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