



## Bus Conduct

Parents should discuss bus rider safety rules with their children.

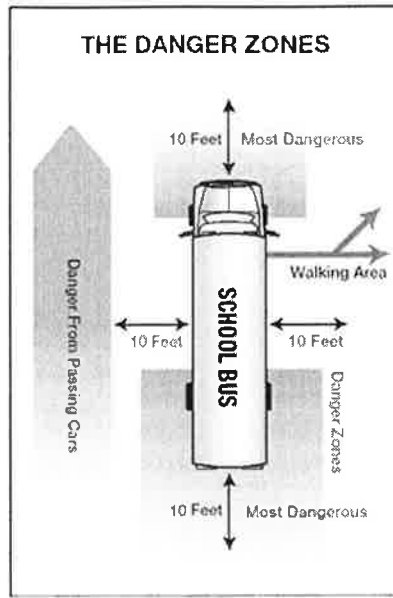
To insure the safety of those who ride the bus, observance of certain rules is necessary. Respect for others is expected on the buses at all times.

Your child should understand that riding a school bus is a privilege, and unruly conduct on the bus is a risk to the safe operation of the bus.

## Bus Safety Rules

Antioch School District 34 buses transport children at least twice each day. To provide for the safety of all riders, the following rules apply:

- Students are required to be at their designated stop five (5) minutes prior to their pickup time.
- Proper behavior is expected at the bus stop. Stay off the road, but be visible to the bus driver. Wait until the bus comes to a **complete stop** before attempting to board.
- Students are absolutely quiet when approaching and crossing the railroad tracks.
- The driver is in charge at all times when children are on the bus, including emergency situations.
- Students shall remain seated at all times.
- Nothing shall be placed in the aisles or out the window.
- Quiet talking with your seat partner.
- Hands and feet shall be kept to yourself.
- Treat school property and all people with respect.
- Do not fight, shove, or push.
- No eating or drinking on the bus.
- Nothing shall be thrown inside the bus or out the window.



### Danger Zone around a Stopped School Bus

- Stay 10 feet away from the front or back end of the bus so that the driver can see you.
- Wait for the driver to signal you to board the bus.
- Before stepping off the curb to board the bus, look left and right to make sure your path to the bus is clear, especially if the bus is stopped away from the curb.
- Check that drawstrings, backpack straps, scarves, and loose clothing cannot get caught on the bus handrail, door, or the seats.
- Use the handrail when entering the bus.
- Do not push or shove other students.

## School Bus Safety Tips for Motorists

Children are at the greatest risk when they are getting on or off the school bus. Most bus-related accidents happen when students are hit by motorists illegally passing a stopped school bus. Please be alert and cautious near a stopped school bus.

### Highlights:

#### Two-Lane Roadway

When a school bus is stopped to pick-up or drop off students, all lanes of traffic must stop.

#### Four-lane Roadway

When a school bus is stopped on a four-lane roadway with at least two lanes traveling in the opposite direction, only those lanes of traffic traveling in the same direction as the bus must stop.

#### One-Way Multi-Lane Roadway

When a school bus is stopped to pick up students, all lanes of traffic must stop.

State law requires all school buses to stop at railroad crossings. The driver will display the hazard warning lights, stop the bus, and look and listen for an approaching train. Stay well back from the school bus, and do not attempt to cross the tracks until the bus has cleared the crossing.