



Safety Spotlight

Back to School Safety Series

Getting to and from School Safely

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It is just a few more days before school starts and many parents are getting the kids and themselves ready for another successful school year. Don't forget to include safety conversations for getting to and from school safely.



Bicycle and Pedestrian Tips

- ◇ Always wear a properly fitted helmet on every ride, every time
- ◇ Travel on the right side of the road and in the same direction traffic is going
- ◇ Cross at an intersection with a crossing guard or with traffic signals

Bus Rules ~ For Parents

- ◇ Most Southlake streets require drivers to **STOP** in **BOTH** directions when a bus is dropping off or picking up students
- ◇ Wait with your children at the bus stop if possible
- ◇ Kids depend on motorists to know the law and to drive safely around school buses



Make eye contact with the driver before crossing a street

Bus Rules ~ For Kids

- ◇ Never walk behind the school bus
- ◇ Stand at least 3 giant steps back from the curb
- ◇ Get on and off only after the bus has come to a complete stop
- ◇ Do not distract the driver with loud noises or horse play
- ◇ The bus driver is in charge and responsible for your safety



Driver Rules

- ◇ Do not park or drop off students in the school bus zones
- ◇ Talking on a cell phone is illegal in school zones and on school properties
- ◇ Texting and driving will be illegal in Texas on September 1, 2017
- ◇ Vehicles must yield to pedestrians in crosswalks



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