Transportation Safety Tips

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South County Transportation
470-254-6060
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Riding the bus?
What you need to know...
FCS Bus Rider Expectations
- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible

At the Bus stop
Wait in a safe place 12 feet back from the bus door
Honor other students’ personal space
Use appropriate language
Be on time

While Loading/Unloading the Bus
Follow the driver’s directions
Notify the driver if you drop an item in front of the bus BEFORE you pick it up
Cross the street with the driver’s signal
Proceed directly to your assigned seat
Bring only approved items on the bus
Wait until the bus stops, before standing to leave the bus

Riding the Bus
Keep aisles and exits clear
Keep your body and your materials inside the bus
Wear seat belts when provided
Remain silent at railroad crossings
Use technology in an appropriate way
No food or drink while the bus is in motion
Remain seated while the bus is moving
Use an appropriate voice level and appropriate language while riding
Help keep the bus clean
Safety For Your Child Is Our Mission

**AM Pick-Up**

We ask that your child be at the bus stop 5 minutes before your scheduled pick-up time.

Transportation strongly suggests that parents/guardians use the Here Comes the Bus app. It is free for parents and students to install on their device. You can find the directions on how to install Here Comes the Bus on the Transportation homepage at www.fultonschools.org.

All students will have an assigned seat.

**PM Drop Off**

FCS requests that a parent, guardian, or authorized caregiver be at the bus stop to receive their child in grades PK-1st grade. If an adult is not at the bus stop, the student will be returned to the school.

Students should wait to stand when the bus comes to a complete stop.

Parents, please remain back from the bus door as your child unloads. If you need to speak with the driver, please stay off of the bus.

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**Mission Statement:** “To deliver students safely to their destination on-time and in a frame of mind ready to learn.”

**What is the "Danger Zone?"**

*The Danger Zone is the 12-foot area that surrounds a stopped school bus. This “danger zone” is the area where your school bus driver might not be able to see you or your child.

Twelve feet equals 4 “giant steps” for elementary school students.

We ask that students:

a) Stay away from the most dangerous areas at the front of the bus, around both front tires, at the entrance door and around the right rear tires.

b) Make sure you are always able to see the bus driver when outside the bus. If you can see the driver, then they can see you. You must never go behind the school bus!

c) Be aware of the danger of passing cars that do not stop like they should. The danger may be from cars passing from both the front and rear and on both the left and right sides of the school bus.

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**Support and Follow our Safety Rules**

1. Follow the directions of your bus driver.
2. Sit in your assigned seat.
3. No eating or drinking while the bus is in motion. (Except water in extreme heat)
4. Keep all your belongings in your backpack.
5. In the AM, we ask that students wait 12 feet back from the bus door in an orderly manner, with no “horseplay”, to load the bus.
6. Remember the *12-foot danger zone around the bus while students are loading and unloading. Allow your child’s bus driver to train their students on how to properly load and unload the bus, including how to cross the street.
7. If your child misses the bus, do NOT allow your child to chase after the bus or go to a different stop. The driver will not be expecting your child at another stop, which could create a safety hazard. Please drive your student to school.

**Help us keep your child safe!**