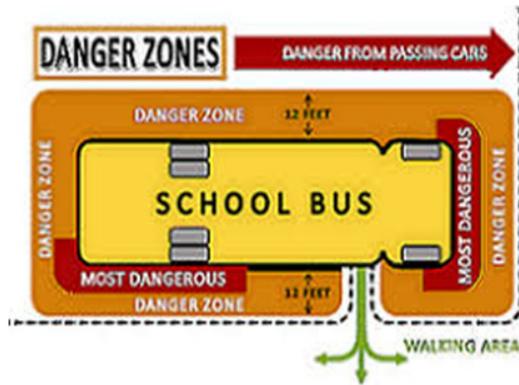


## Talk to your children about the **Danger Zone** Today!



The **Danger Zone** is the area on all sides of the bus where children cannot be seen by the bus driver and are in the most danger of being struck by the bus.

**FRONT DANGER ZONE**—the area which extends ten feet in front of the bus

**SIDE DANGER ZONE**—The area which extends ten feet on each side of the bus

**REAR DANGER ZONE**—The area which extends ten feet behind the bus

If you can touch the bus, you are **TOO CLOSE!!!!**

## Rules for Motorists

Red flashing lights and extended stop arm indicate the bus has stopped and children are loading or unloading. You must stop and remain stopped unless otherwise stated by law.

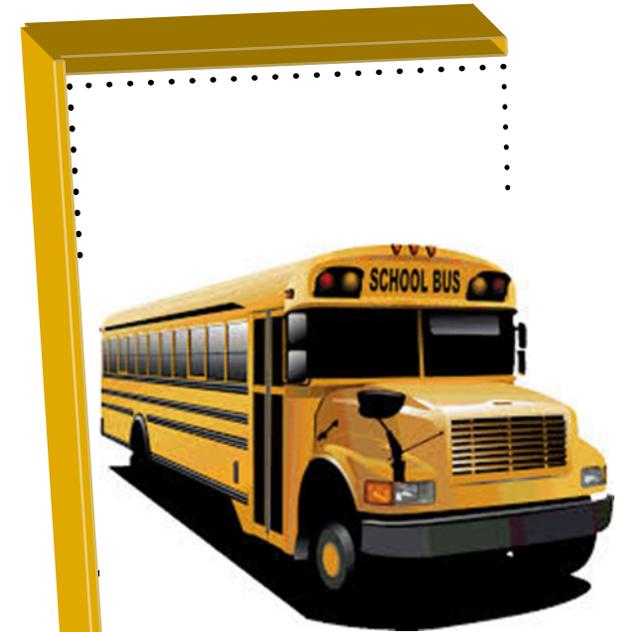
## School Bus Safety is For Everyone!



If red lights are flashing, **STOP!** They show that children are getting on or off the bus and may be crossing the street.

**OBEY ALL  
SCHOOL BUS  
WARNING  
SYSTEMS!**

**PROTECT  
OUR  
CHILDREN!**



# School Bus Safety



Framingham Public Schools  
Transportation Department  
73 Mt. Wayte Ave  
Suite 5

## School Bus Safety Rules For Students



Walk to the bus stop.

Walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk, walk on the left facing traffic.

Be at the bus stop at least five minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.

If you are late, NEVER run to catch a moving bus.

When the bus arrives, stay away from the Danger Zones.

Make sure the bus is stopped and the red school bus warning lights are flashing and the stop and crossing arms are extended before getting on the bus.

If you have to cross the street, go at least 5 big steps in front of the bus and wait until the driver signals for you to cross the street.

When entering the bus, hold the handrail. Watch out for dangling pieces of clothing, drawstrings on hoods or backpack straps that could get caught or tripped over.

When exiting the bus, look to the right before stepping onto the curb.

NEVER go back to the bus after you get off it. If you drop something, wait until the bus is gone.

## Safety Rules For Kindergarten Parents

**The driver must see approved adult at bus stop.** If someone other than the parent/guardian is greeting the kindergarten student, notify the student's school of the change.

**The parent/guardian of kindergarten student must be available at bus stop 10 minutes before listed stop time.** If no one is available at the bus stop to greet the kindergarten student, unless accompanied by an older sibling, they will be returned to the student's school.

We highly encourage the parent to teach their child to know their name and address. We ask that you label the students backpack and belongings. We also encourage parent/student to know their assigned bus number.

### Safety on the bus is important!

1. **Stay seated**, facing front to avoid injury. Keep all body parts inside the bus.
2. **Be respectful** of others; use inside voices and keep your hands to yourself.
3. **No eating or drinking** allowed on the bus.
4. **No large musical or sport equipment** allowed on bus.
5. **Follow the direction of the driver.**

