

Grand County School Bus Drivers takes great pride in their record of safety and service to the students and families of the District. These transportation pros know that motorists, parents and passengers must work together in order to ensure a safe ride to school. Here are a few instructions to share with your child.

STUDENTS BE COOL AND FOLLOW THE RULES

Be on time for the bus, no more than 5 minutes before bus is scheduled to arrive.

Never run to or from the bus.

Be alert and stand back from the curb.

Wait for the driver's signal before crossing or boarding the bus.

Always cross at least 12 feet in front of the bus.

Don't push or shove and always use the handrail.

Go directly to your seat.

Don't yell or shout.

Always obey the driver.

Never crawl under a school bus.



Parents should also consider the following:

Meet the bus.

-Coordinate with other parents to ensure an adult is present at the bus stop every day, especially when children under the age of nine are present. Do not allow your child to be at the bus stop more than 5 minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive. Discuss a back-up plan with you child about what to do in the rare event the school bus fails to arrive. Walk your child to the bus stop and point out hazards on the route, i.e. cars backing from driveways, etc.

Avoid using gadgets near buses.

-Headphones, cell phones, MP3 players all distract our kids from knowing when a bus is approaching. Urge your kids to wait to use them when they're in a safe place from the bus and other traffic.

Remove drawstrings.

*-Clothing children "like" may not always be safe. Drawstrings and flip flop sandals can catch in playground equipment, fences, and school bus doors. Hoodies may reduce visibility and hearing. **Back packs: encourage your child to place all belongings inside a backpack and keep it there until he or she arrives at home or school.***

Lost and Found

-Identify your child's clothing articles, lunch boxes and backpacks by clearly printing their names on each of the items. Call the bus barn at 259-5430 if your child leaves something on the bus.

