



Jenison Public Schools Transportation Services Winter Bus Safety

Transportation Services wants to remind parents, student riders and motorists of important weather safety information. Snow and ice can make road conditions slippery.

The following are winter school bus safety tips that will help keep your child safe throughout the winter months.

- Motorists should use extra precaution when approaching or following a school bus as they make frequent stops loading and unloading students.
- Students who walk to or wait at school bus stops should dress appropriately for cold, icy weather. Proper outerwear includes warm coats, gloves, hats and waterproof footwear.
- Students should wait 10 feet from where the bus stops and wait for the bus to stop completely before approaching the bus to load.
- Always use caution when stepping on or off the bus and wait for the driver's signal to cross in front of the bus when loading and unloading.
- Remember the "Danger Zone" around the bus. Loading and unloading is the most dangerous time when riding the bus. Staying out of the danger zone will help ensure the driver is able to see you and make loading and unloading safer.
- Students should never run after the bus. Plan ahead and allow sufficient time to get to the bus stop. Please remember, when we wait on your student to run out of the house to get to the bus, the bus falls behind on the route and it forces all of the other students on that route to wait in the cold.
- School delays or closings may occur when officials determine that weather conditions are too severe to ensure safe travel to and from school. Parents and students should check the school web page or local media for school cancellations or delay information.