



TO: Parents of Incoming Kindergarten Students

FROM: Transportation Routing Department

SUBJ: Kindergarten Awareness Program

The Clovis Unified School District Transportation Department would like to assist your kindergarten student(s) in having a positive transportation experience. Since riding a school bus for the first time is both an exciting and anxious moment for kindergarten children as well as parents, your assistance in following a few basic rules and procedures will help to reduce or eliminate these moments.

For your child's safety, it is essential that they know the following:

- Name of their bus stop
- Their home telephone number
- Their first and last name

If a child is not able to repeat this information, attach a note onto the child's clothing. For your convenience, the bus stop your child is assigned will be the bus stop located closest to your home. To further increase your child's safety and confidence, it is suggested you walk the route from your home to the bus stop, familiarizing your child with the surroundings prior to the first day of ridership. It is also recommended that you walk with your child the first weeks of the school year, wait at the bus stop with your child prior to pick-up, and meet your child at the bus stop at the end of their school day. At such time when you feel comfortable that your child is able to walk home alone, please notify your driver in writing that you will no longer be meeting your child at your bus stop. If you have not notified your driver and you are not at the bus stop to meet your child, the driver will return your child to the school and you will be called to pick up your child.

In situations where students must cross the street that the bus is stopped on, the school bus driver will operate the flashing red signal (cross over lamps), and escort your students across the road.

By following these simple rules and suggestions, we are confident that your child will have a safe and exciting transportation experience. If you have any questions regarding the transportation of your child, please feel free to contact the Transportation Department at 327-9700 opt 3.

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