

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY IN TEXAS



MUNICIPAL TRAFFIC SAFETY
INITIATIVES

**Protecting Our
Kids, One Stop
at a Time!**

 QUICK SAFETY
CHECKLIST



Kids arrive early



Everyone stays alert



**Parents
supervise when
needed**



**Drivers stop
for buses**



School bus safety is a shared responsibility. When we all follow the rules, we protect what matters most—our children.

FOR KIDS: HOW TO RIDE THE BUS SAFELY

- ✓ Stand at least 3 giant steps away from the curb
- ✓ Wait until the bus stops completely
- ✓ Stay seated and keep aisles clear

FOR PARENTS: WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

- ✓ Practice safe crossing techniques
- ✓ Supervise younger children
- ✓ Explain the danger zone (10 feet around the bus)

● THE "DANGER ZONE"

The Danger Zone is the area 10 feet around the bus where the driver may not see children.

Teach kids to:

- Stay visible at all times
- Never bend down near the bus
- Move away quickly after exiting

FOR DRIVERS: SCHOOL BUS LAWS IN TEXAS

● STOP MEANS STOP

When a school bus has:

- Flashing red lights
- Extended stop arm

👉 You **MUST STOP**.

🚦 Two-Lane Roads

- Traffic in both directions must stop

🚧 Divided Highways

- Only traffic behind the bus must stop
- Opposite side traffic may continue

⚠️ Penalties

Fines up to \$2,000

Possible license suspension for repeat offenses



Best Practices for Drivers

- Slow down in school zones
- Watch for children near roadways
- Be extra cautious in neighborhoods