

Getting Ready for School Through Bus Safety



Ready Children

3 Bus Safety Rules

- Sit in your seat
- Keep your hands and feet to yourself
- Use your inside voice

Bus Safety Song

(to the tune of Wheels on the Bus)

The kids on the bus, they sit in their seats, sit in their seats, sit in their seats / The kids on the bus, they sit in their seats / That's how we stay safe on the bus!

The kids on the bus keep hands to self, hands to self, hands to self / The kids on the bus keep hands to self / That's how we stay safe on the bus!

The kids on the bus use inside voice, inside voice, inside voice / The kids on the bus use inside voice / That's how we stay safe on the bus!

Ready Families

Bus Questions to Discuss with Your Child

- Where can I sit on the bus?
- Do I have to wear a seatbelt on the bus?
- What should I do if I start to feel sick on the bus?
- What happens if I leave my backpack on the bus?
- What do I do if a friend bothers me on the bus?
- Who will pick me up at the bus stop?

Ready Schools

Classroom Activities

Bus Games

- Pretend to ride the bus on the playground or in the classroom

Bus Crafts

- Life-size cardboard box bus; Egg Carton Bus:

<http://www.education.com/activity/article/create-school-bus>

Bus Songs

- *Wheels on the Bus*; Other bus songs:

<http://www.do2learn.com/games/songs/Bus%20Songs/index.htm>

Bus Books

- *I Am Your Bus*, by Marilyn Singer & Evan Polenghi
- *The Little School Bus*, by Carol Roth
- *School Bus*, by Donald Crews

Ready Communities

- Review supervision guidelines with parents
- Include bus drivers and local community helpers in discussion about bus safety
- Encourage families to review bus rules and sing bus safety song at home and at the bus stop