



White Bear Lake Area Schools

## Parent Responsibilities

As a vital member of the “School Bus Safety Team”, the parent or guardian can help provide a safe and pleasant experience. One of the primary ways in which you may help is by reviewing safety training with your children on a regular basis.

### **What do I need to do as a parent of a student who uses transportation?**

1. Provide accurate student information, including the students name, home address, home telephone number, emergency contact information for the parent/guardian, and day care information, via Synerg/ParentVUE. If your child will be dropped off or picked up at a day care, please complete the day care form [here](#).
2. Arrange for your students to be at their bus stop five minutes before their scheduled pick-up time. Under no circumstances should students arrive at the bus stop more than 10 minutes prior to the schedule pick-up time.
3. Be aware that the bus will pick up and drop off students at the same stop every day school is in session.
4. Help you children learn their school name and bus numbers. If your students in grades k-2 has a “bus pass,” please make sure it is fastened to their backpack.
5. Review with your children the bus safety rules.
6. Accompany young children to the bus stop and meet the bus at the end of the day as appropriate.
7. Understand that the bus pick-up and drop-off times are based on existing weather and road conditions. Traffic congestion, road construction, inclement weather and population changes may cause minor adjustments in pick-up times. Parents will be notified of any major changes in bus schedules that will affect their child.
8. Remain alert to impending weather and have your child properly clothed for the current weather conditions. Also, consider in advance how long your child will be waiting at their bus stop possibly during conditions that may include extreme cold and wind chills.
9. Provide the child with a book bag or knapsack for books and loose papers, pencils, etc.

**IT IS A PRIVILEGE, NOT A RIGHT, TO RIDE THE BUS!**