

KINDERGARTEN BUS GUIDELINES

- ❖ Please be at your bus stop 10 minutes prior to pick-up time.
- ❖ Children should have an identification tag that includes their name, address, phone number, bus route number (not the painted number on the bus) and bus stop. The bus route number will be on the letter you receive and will be displayed in the window of the bus. Please be sure to keep your contact information up-to-date with the district.
- ❖ Look for the route number on the bus, which is visible in the window in line with the first seat after the entrance door. The printed number on the bus or the driver may not always be the same.
- ❖ Avoid having anything hang too loosely from a backpack. Also avoid loose clothing or drawstrings that can get caught in the door or be tripped over.
- ❖ Seat belts must be fastened by students. Parents/Guardians are not permitted on the bus.
- ❖ In the afternoon, a parent, guardian or their designee must be at the bus stop to receive your child. A K/1 Bus Stop Release Safety form will be in the mailing you receive and is also available on the Transportation page of the Middle Country website. The form should be completed and returned to your child's bus driver on the first day of school.
- ❖ If there is no one at the stop to receive your child, he or she will remain on the bus until arrangements can be made for him or her to be picked up. In some instances, your child may be brought back to school to be picked up there. It is imperative that the school always have a current phone number for you.
- ❖ Bus drivers cannot see everything that occurs on the bus. You or your child need to inform the driver of any situations that occur.
- ❖ Eating or drinking on the bus is not permitted.
- ❖ Any items brought on the bus must be kept on the child's lap or on the floor in front of him/her.