

Going to School in Snow and Icy Weather



Safety Tips for Bus Smart Riders

If your bus runs on a snowy or icy day:

Do:

- Allow extra time in the morning to get to your bus stop on time.
- Wear bright warm clothes so you can be seen easily in the early morning and late afternoon; wear colors other than yellow so you don't blend in with the bus.
- Dress warmly: coat, hat, gloves, and boots to keep you from getting sick.
- Remember your book bags and books.
- Keep your pet in the house before school.
- Look carefully before crossing the street. Check both ways for traffic coming.
- Stand far back from the bus stop. Remember, your bus needs more room to stop when it is snowy or icy.
- Walk directly away from the bus when you get off. Don't stop to play at the bus stop.
- Keep a safe distance from the bus after you get off. A safe distance means you can't touch the bus.

Don't:

- Play in the snow while you wait for your school bus.
- Throw snowballs at the bus or anyone else.
- Slide on the snow or ice in the street; you could slide under the wheels of a school bus.
- Stoop down to pick up papers. Make sure your bus driver can see you.
- Push or shove other kids around at the bus stop. Someone could slip or fall under the wheels of the bus.