

WINTER School Bus Safety Tips

With the arrival of winter weather, M. L. Bradley Ltd. would like to remind the importance of winter safety to students when riding the bus.

A review of winter school bus safety tips will help to keep our passengers safe throughout the winter months:



Walking to the Bus Stop

- Allow extra time to get to your bus stop.
- Dress warmly and be sure all drawstrings and straps are tucked in so they cannot get caught on the bus railing or in the door.
- Wear bright clothing so the bus can see you in the early morning and late evening.
- Stand away from where the bus stops. Buses need extra room to stop when there is snow and ice on the roadway.
- Use the handrail when boarding or exiting the bus to prevent slipping on wet steps.

Waiting at the Bus Stop

- Do not stand or play on the snow piles at the bus stop. Pay attention to the bus as it arrives at the stop.
- Don't throw snowballs at the bus or anyone else.
- Don't slide on the snow or ice patches in driveways or on the street.
- Keep away from the bus if you drop something. Never try to pick it up without telling the bus driver that you have dropped something.
- Never chase after the bus.
- Don't push or crowd friends getting on the bus.
- Hands should be kept to yourself at all times while riding on the bus.



On rare occasions, buses are late because of weather conditions or mechanical problems. Talk to your child about what to do if the bus is late. Here are some suggestions:

- When possible, wait with your child for the bus.
- Make sure your child knows their address and a phone number where he can reach you or another trusted adult.
- Help your child set up a bus stop buddy system so your child has someone to wait with for the **bus**.

Wishing you a safe holiday and Winter Season!