

# FIRST STEPS ACADEMY SCHOOL BUS RULES!



Please talk about the “Danger Zones” in RED!

## School Bus Safety!

To be safe when they travel to and from school, follow these simple safety rules:

### AT THE BUS STOP:

- Always walk to the bus stop. Never run.
- Walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk, walk on the left facing traffic.
- Always go to the bus stop about five minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.
- While at the bus stop, wait in a safe place away from the road. Do not run and play while waiting.
- Stand in a line. NOT in a group.
- Never speak to strangers at the bus stop and never get into the car with a stranger.
- Wait for the bus to arrive, watch for red flashing lights and the stop sign to be extended.
- Walk on to the bus one at a time with no pushing.
- Walk to the back of the bus. Filling the seat from back to front.

### ON THE BUS:

- Remain seated and facing forward for the entire ride.
- Talk quietly (so the driver will not be distracted).
- If you need to talk to the bus driver: wait for the bus to stop, raise your hand, and call the driver's name.
- Never throw things on the bus or out the windows. Never play with the emergency exits.
- Keep the aisles clear at all times.
- If there is an emergency, listen to the driver and follow instructions.

### EXIT THE BUS:

- When getting off the bus make sure you walk (not run) three more steps away from the door. This is the best place to be around a bus. Stay away from the bus wheels and watch out for moving cars!
- Once you get off the bus, a) go straight to the school so an adult will know where you are. b) when arriving at FSA walk to the front door and wait for the everyone before entering.
- If you leave something on the bus, never return to the bus to get it. The driver may not see you come back and they may begin moving the bus.

Also, if you drop something near the bus, tell the bus driver before you attempt to pick it up, so they will know where you are.

***PLEASE go over these instructions with your children and enforce the importance of these rules.***