Can you drive the bus safely to school?

Welcome to the Pendergast Transportation Department

The employees responsible for transporting your children are very dedicated and committed to providing a safe and comfortable environment for each child. Pendergast bus drivers and bus attendants exceed state and federal requirements for training. Our office staff is here to answer your questions and ensure all bus routes operate on time and most of all safely. Our mechanics are highly skilled and keep our fleet in excellent condition.

I assure you the safety of your child is our daily mission. Regardless of resources, we will never allow your child to ride in an unsafe bus, nor will we allow safety to take a back seat. We welcome your assistance at bus stops, and in helping us teach young people safety.

If you have questions, please contact us. We are here to serve you and your child.

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Student behavior on the bus is an important part of bus safety. Being quiet and staying seated will allow everyone to hear directions the bus driver may be giving. Follow these rules for a safe ride to and from school:

- Follow bus driver and school staff instructions immediately.
- Face forward and remain seated while the bus is moving.
- All carry-on items (balls, musical instruments, etc.) must be controlled by and kept on student’s lap.
- Keep aisles clear and all parts of your body in the bus.
- Stay clear of the danger zones outside the bus.
- Maintain safe and orderly conduct at bus stops.
- Keep your hands to yourself.
- Talk quietly and use appropriate language.
- Food, gum, and drinks (except water) are not permitted on buses. State law forbids animals, insects, tobacco, glass, or dangerous items on school buses.

Students are required to use the bus stop and bus route assigned to them. If a parent/guardian needs temporary or long term changes to their child’s assigned bus stop and bus route, they must send a written request to the school office for verification.

As parents, you are an important part of a total safety program for children who travel by school bus. Children need to learn to be safe pedestrians as they walk to and from the bus as well as to be safe riders when they are on the bus. Help your child get ready for the bus by putting everything they carry in a backpack. This will help prevent them from dropping things while walking to or riding the bus.