



RESPECT THE BUS™— Interactive School Bus Safety Program
Signature Safety Message: Bee Safe. Stay Out of the Danger Zone.
Presentation Overview for School Transportation Departments
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Program Goal

The **Respect the Bus™** program teaches elementary students (Grades K–2) how to become safe, responsible school bus riders through interactive storytelling. Based on the children's book *Tuffy the School Bus Safety Hero*, the program reinforces positive bus behavior while helping prevent injuries around the school bus.

Recommended Audience

- Elementary Schools
- Kindergarten Orientation
- First week of school
- National School Bus Safety Week
- Transportation Safety Events

Learning Outcomes

- ✓ Reinforces school bus rules and expectations
 - ✓ Supports school transportation safety initiatives
 - ✓ Promotes positive behavior and respect
 - ✓ Understand the importance of respecting the bus driver
 - ✓ Recognize and understand the Danger Zone
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Program Outline

Welcome & Introduction

- Meet the presenter
- Why school bus safety matters
- Introduction to **Respect the Bus™**

Meet Tuffy the School Bus Safety Hero

- Interactive story featuring Tuffy, Bus Driver Buzz Bee, and friends
- Students discover how good choices keep everyone safe

School Bus Safety Lessons

- **Bee Ready** for the bus – arrive safely and be prepared
- **Bee Careful** on the bus – hold the handrail when getting on or off the bus
- **Bee Quiet** on the bus – help the driver focus on driving
- **Bee Seated** on the bus – remain seated facing forward
- **Bee Kind** on the bus – treat others with respect
- **Bee Safe** every day – stay out of the danger zone!

The Danger Zone Message

- What the Danger Zone is
- Why they should never go under the bus
- What to do if something falls near the bus
- The simple rule: **"If you can touch the bus, you are in the Danger Zone."**

Closing Message

- Students are empowered to become **School Bus Safety Heroes** and help keep themselves, their classmates, and their drivers safe.

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Helping Children Become School Bus Safety Heroes, One Ride at a Time.