

**UCHRA VAN BUREN COUNTY HEAD START
BASIC BUS SAFETY RULES**



Parents should encourage their children to follow all Bus Safety Rules to ensure safety practices are reinforced both at home and at school.

- * Always obey the bus driver
 - *Be ready and one time to be picked up
- *Stay away from the street while waiting for the bus; Parent must accompany children to and from the bus if crossing the street
 - *Use handrail to get on and off the bus
- *Children should never board the bus until the driver is on the bus
- * All children must remain buckled in a child restraint system until after the bus stops; children must remain buckled until told to unbuckle
- *Everyone riding the bus, including staff, must use seatbelts while bus is in motion.
 - *No eating or drinking on the bus
 - *Never scream on the bus
- *All cargo must be secured while the bus is in motion, including backpacks and coolers (for field trips)
- *Keep hands, arms, legs and head inside the bus and out of the aisle
- *When children are walking in front of the bus, always cross where you can see the driver: if you cannot see the driver he cannot see you
 - *Never walk behind the bus
- *All riders must attend bus evacuation drills monthly
 - *No smoking on the bus
- *All medications sent to school must be given to the bus driver
- *Absolutely no profanity, biting or spitting will be tolerated on the bus
 - *Children must keep their hands and feet to themselves