#

Dunklin R-5 Transportation Department

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Dear Parents,

The Dunklin R-5 Transportation Department would like to welcome you to our school district. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration considers school buses to be the safest means of school transportation. (For more information, visit: [www.NHTSA.gov/School-Buses](http://www.NHTSA.gov/School-Buses)).

Our main focus is to insure the safety and well being of the children as we transport them to and from school.  It is important that your contact information is always current; therefore, if your phone number or address changes let us know.  If your child's transportation changes, contact the school office right away so we can ensure that your child is routed correctly.  Please note; we will not be able to make any permanent changes without written authorization and we will not make any changes upon student request.

You will find with this letter a bus route schedule of where the bus stops are in our district and morning times of pick up; students are to be at the stop 5 minutes before the scheduled pick up time.  You will also find our district rules for the student's responsibility on the bus, please go over these with your child. At times throughout the school year, substitute bus drivers will be transporting your child to and/or from school. The substitute driver may not be as familiar with you or your child as their regular driver; however, they are trained and required to follow procedures to insure the safety and well being of every child. We ask for your patience and consideration.

**If your child is in kindergarten**To further ensure the safety of your child, it is mandatory that a parent/guardian or a person appointed by a parent/guardian is present when your kindergartner gets on and off of the bus. If no one is present at the time of afternoon drop off, your child will be returned to school.

We take the safety of our students and drivers very serious; therefore we would like to point out that it is unlawful for anyone besides students and school personnel to step on the school bus. If you have an issue that needs to be addressed, please call the office where your child attends or the transportation office.

Thank you.

Sue Sharp

Dunklin R-5 School District

Director of Transportation