



The Bus Zone

MARCH 2010

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Nancy's Reminders:

No School – March 11th
No School – March 12th

No School – April 2nd

Last Day of School and
1:30 Dismissal – May 21st

Recruiting Drivers- 2009

By Nancy Romshek

As you are well aware of we are in need of substitute drivers. If you know of anyone who has an interest in driving, please contact me. It would be great if we could get one or two more substitute drivers in rotation for next year. Perhaps a neighbor or a parent of one of your student passengers has inquired about what it takes to drive a school bus. I can certainly call an individual and start the licensing process.

Student Update

By Nancy Romshek

I would like to double check with each of you, the names of those currently riding routes.

I will soon be asking parents to fill out transportation requests for next year and I want to be sure I have all those currently riding to be accounted for.

Spring Activity Trips

By Nancy Romshek

The golf team will continue to use the 14-passenger bus with Mr. Van Winkle driving to their meets and it appears the track team will be needing two buses and the middle school will have one full bus. Field trips and other unscheduled events requiring busing continue to trickle in. I will assign them as I get them. Thanks for all your help & cooperation.

Handicap Parking

By Nancy Romshek

At times a bus can be very difficult to park, as a bus driver, I know we want to get the kids as close to a door as we can so they can load and unload safely. Please keep in mind your surroundings, if you are blocking a handicap parking stall, the bus must be moved. We are representing David City High School, and need to be a responsible role model for our children.

Safety Reminders

1. Turn on the headlights and body clearance lights when visibility is poor. Be sure that you can see and be seen by others. Clean light lenses as needed for maximum brightness.
2. Use defrosters as needed to clear the windshield and windows for good visibility.
3. Reduce your speed and be especially alert in congested areas.
4. Brake smoothly on wet or icy roads. Avoid skidding if at all possible.
5. Exercise extreme caution at intersections and railroad crossing. Never assume that the other motorists will or can stop.
6. Be consistent in picking up your students. They will more likely be on time if you are.
7. Pay a lot of attention to the pre-trip inspections. Knowing your vehicle will result in safer driving and more efficient performance.
8. Report defects promptly and in writing, especially components that are essential to the safe performance of the vehicle.
9. Remind your students to practice good riding habits.
10. Use extreme caution when loading and unloading students due to the possibility of drawstrings from certain types of clothing getting snagged on the handrail in the step-well area or in the service door.

