



News Release

Halton Student Transportation Services and area bus operators cooperatively host School Bus Orientation Day *Safety program to be held on Saturday, August 29, 2009*

AUGUST 17, 2009 – As the first day of school approaches, the Halton School Bus Safety Committee is moving into high gear to assist parents and first time riders in understanding the importance of school bus safety. The committee, with representatives from Halton Student Transportation Services and all bus operators in Halton, is hosting its annual “School Bus Orientation Day” on **SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2009 starting at 9:00 a.m.**



Parents are encouraged to bring their children to the free sessions, which will feature a classroom presentation on school bus safety, including a special *Winnie-the Pooh* video and a demonstration on a school bus. School bus company safety officers and bus drivers will talk to the children about safely getting on and off of the bus, proper behaviour on a school bus, crossing the street to get to a waiting bus and overall school bus safety. In addition, a tip sheet on school bus safety, entitled “*Think! Think! Think Safety!*” will be distributed. The committee hopes that the orientation sessions will help students and their parents feel more comfortable with the idea of riding a school bus.

The sessions begin at 9 a.m. on August 29, 2009 at the following six locations throughout Halton. To register students for a preferred time slot, parents should call the host bus company at the phone number listed next to the desired location.

AREA	LOCATION	HOST BUS COMPANY PHONE NUMBER
Burlington North	Notre Dame Catholic Secondary School	905-335-7010 (First Student)
Burlington South	Nelson High School	905-333-4047 (Attridge Transportation)
Oakville	Loyola Catholic Secondary School	905-829-2040 (Stock Transportation)
Acton	Acton District High School	519-853-1550 (Tyler Transport Ltd.)
Georgetown	Christ the King Catholic Secondary School	905-877-2251 (First Student)
Milton	Bishop Reding Catholic Secondary School	905-877-2251 (First Student)

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