

Walking Safety Pledge

While participating in the Walking School Bus Program, I promise to:

1. Listen and follow the teacher's directions.
2. Always STOP, LOOK and LISTEN before crossing the street.
3. Look left, right and left again before crossing the street.
4. Always walk, never run.
5. Follow all traffic signs, crossing guards, and safety patrol directions.
6. Always walk on sidewalks if possible.
7. Watch for turning cars.
8. Walk against traffic if there aren't any sidewalks.
9. Refuse to ride with strangers.

Student's Name

Date

Parent's Name

Date

Walking School Bus Arrives on **Walking Wednesday!!**

First Walk is Wednesday October 7, 2009

The Walking School Bus is coming to Califon School! Walking to school helps keep your heart and muscles healthy, decreases traffic congestion and pollutions, lets you talk/meet your friends, helps learn safety rules, makes you more alert when arriving to school and is FUN!

The Walking School Bus will leave Califon School at exactly 8:10 a.m. led by the Student Council. The bus will head down School Street making a left onto Pershing Avenue toward Second Street. We will make a right onto Second Street heading toward Main Street. At this point, a section of the bus will walk down to the intersection of Main St. and Mill St. The other section will make a right onto Main Street walking on the sidewalk. At the crossing guard post, we will cross the street heading toward lower Raritan Drive. We will make a left onto Raritan Drive toward Kellie Court. We will turn around at the corner of Kellie Court and Raritan Drive heading back toward Main Street. We will cross back over to School Street at the crossing guard post. We will meet the other section of the bus and continue up together on School Street toward the school. We will continue up the sidewalk toward Lime Rock Lane. We will make a right onto Lime Rock Lane and follow it around onto Crestmore Street and Cloverhill Drive. We will make a left back onto School Street and proceed back to the School.

Children may board the Walking School Bus anywhere along the route. If you would like to wait for the bus, please meet us at the school at 8:10 or at the intersections along the route. We ask all participants to use the sidewalks when available, always cross at the intersections/crosswalks, and young children must wait with an adult until the bus arrives.

Parents and siblings are invited and welcome to join us on our walk to school. We hope to see everyone along the Walking School Bus Route!

****The bus does not operate in snow or on delayed opening days!**

*****Please sign the parent consent form, discuss with your child and sign the walking safety pledge, and return both forms to school, attention: Linda Patterson**

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The Walking School Bus

Parent Consent Form

Parents must sign a consent form for their children to participate.

I hereby give permission for my child, _____

to participate in the Califon School Walking School Bus Program to go to school on specified dates. I have read the Walking School Bus Safety Pledge and accept that it is my responsibility to discuss these guidelines with my child and stress the need to follow the safety rules.

Parent Signature

Date

***I may be reached at the following phone number if there is an emergency during the school bus route operation.**

_____ home number

Mom _____ cell _____ work numbers

Dad _____ cell _____ work numbers

Walking School Bus 2009 – 2010 Operating Schedule

The Califon Walking School Bus will operate on the following dates:

**Wednesday, October 7 International Walk to School Day
 Fire Safety Week**

Wednesday, October 21

Wednesday, November 4

Wednesday, November 18

(Winter Recess – Bus rests and repairs)

Wednesday, March 24

Wednesday, April 7

Wednesday, April 21

Wednesday, May 5

Wednesday, May 19

Wednesday, June 2

****Questions/Concerns contact Linda Patterson 832-2828, ext. 212**

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