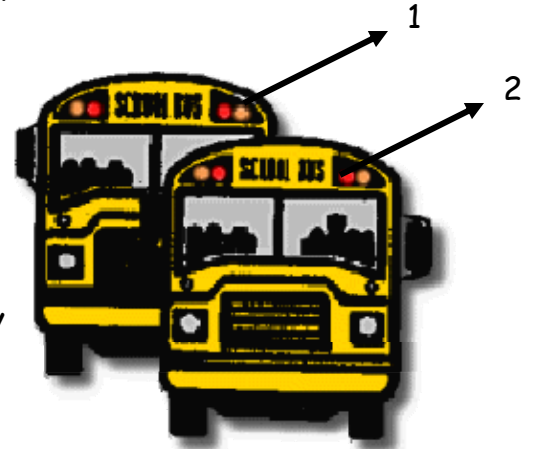


Bus Safety

Look at the diagrams below to locate the different parts of a bus that help to keep you safe.

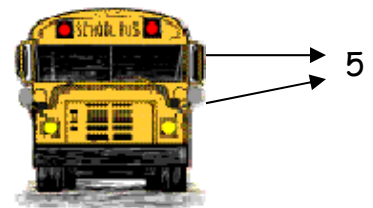
1. **Yellow flashing lights** on the bus indicate the bus is getting ready to stop and load or unload. This means cars need to slow down and get ready to stop.



2. **Red Flashing Lights and**
3. **Stop Signal Arm** indicates that the bus has stopped and that children are getting on or off. This tells motorists to stop their cars.

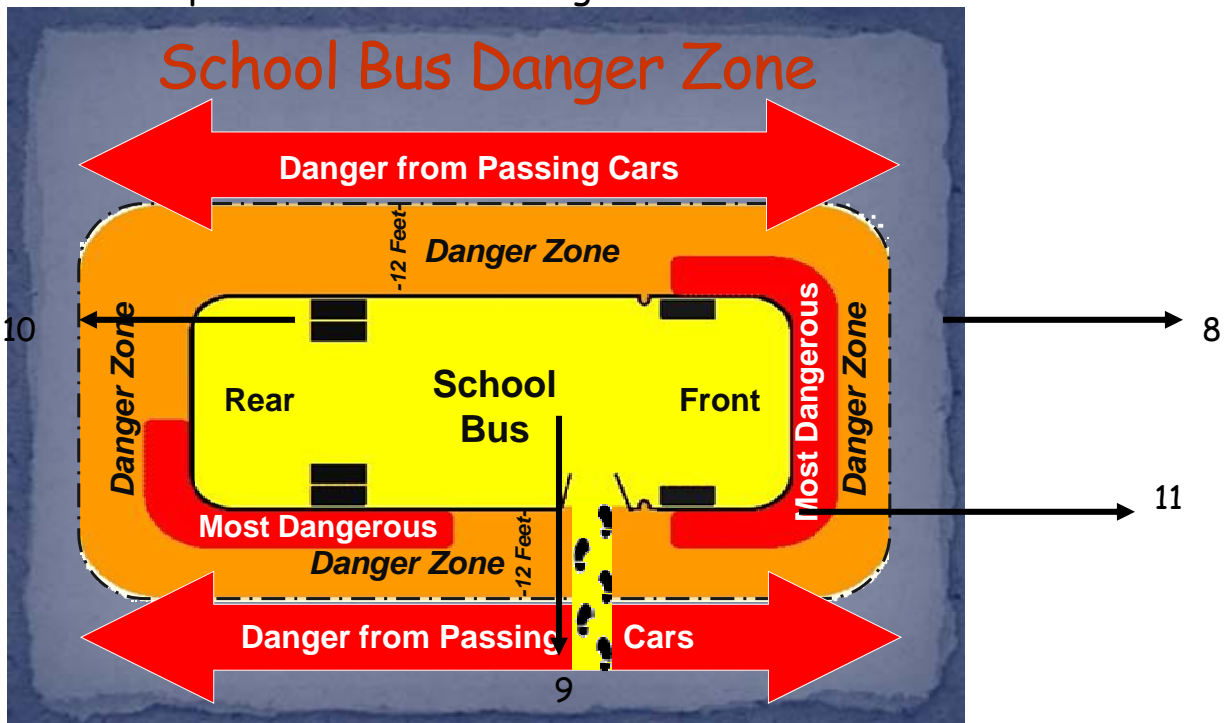


4. **The bus driver.** A bus driver's main concern is safety. To become a bus driver you must be a good driver and pass a test which allows you to get a special license. What's your bus driver's name?
5. **Side and Rear View Mirrors** let the driver know what is going on around them so they can see kids walking up to the bus.





- 6. **Emergency Exits.** Let's hope you never have to use them, but just in case, you should always know where the exits are. In a real emergency listen to your driver for instructions.
- 7. **Crossing Control Arm** is mounted on the front bumper and will swing out when the door is opened. It is designed to keep children from walking close to the front of the bus.



- 8. **Danger Zone (front): DANGER ZONE!** It's never safe to walk close to the front of the bus. The bus driver may be sitting up too high to see you. Walk 5 giant steps ahead of the bus before crossing in front of it.

9. **Danger Zone (sides):** DANGER ZONE! Remember never walk close to the side of a school bus. Stay at least 3 giant steps away from the side. You may be in the bus driver's blind spot—if you are where he/she can't see you.
10. **Danger Zone (behind bus):** DANGER ZONE! Never walk behind a school bus. The driver will not be able to see you.
11. **Walking Area:** When getting off the bus make sure you walk (not run) three more steps away from the door. This is the best place to be around a bus. Stay away from the bus wheels and watch out for moving cars!