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Brookings-Harbor Voices PSA - Student Safety

Hello, this is Sean Gallagher – Superintendent of Brookings-Harbor School District here to remind the public that when you see the red lights flash on a bus, it means that students are either loading or boarding. As the light diminishes earlier in the evening and rises later in the morning, the school district is reminding all drivers to be on high alert as busses are making their normal bus routes, transporting our precious students between school and home.

Every year there are students that are injured nationwide around bus stops. Sometimes busses have clear paths to pull off to the side of the road to safely offload or load students, but many times a bus doesn't have a choice but to stop in the middle of the road to transport students. When you see the red lights flash, it is not the time to dash, but the time to stop, watch, be safe, and be observant of young kids moving around the bus itself. Sometimes students, despite bus driver's regular instructions get excited, they are anxious for the next event in their life and it is easy for them to forget that they have to be safe also.

As adult drivers, it is imperative that we are always observant for young students that may forget and accidentally dash out in front of a car. This is a tragedy and we all want to prevent. Our students are our future, their safety is top priority for everyone involved.

All busses are equipped with video cameras, if a driver violates the requirement to stop their vehicle when the red lights flash, law enforcement will be contacted.

Remember that we all want to celebrate the success of our students, and part of that success is maintaining safe transportation standards. We appreciate everyone's help with this, thank you for helping to protect our students. We wish everyone a safe holiday season, one that ensures that Every Student Can Succeed here at Brookings-Harbor School District.