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TO: Educational Service District Superintendents
School District Superintendents
School Safety Patrol Coordinator
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Regional Transportation Coordinators

FROM: Chris Reykdal, Superintendent of Public Instruction

RE: School Bus Safety Week, October 20–24, 2025

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PURPOSE/BACKGROUND

This year's National School Bus Safety Week is October 20–24, 2025. Established in 1966, by the National Association for Pupil Transportation (NAPT), the National Association for State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services (NASDPTS), and the National School Transportation Association (NSTA), this important event is intended to call attention to school bus safety and promote school bus transportation. This year's theme is: ***Safety First – Safety Always.***

Washington state is known nationwide for its outstanding Pupil Transportation Program, and almost half of Washington's public-school students ride school buses to and from school every day. Across Washington state, school district transportation departments ensure students arrive at school safely and ready to learn. Each school day in Washington state, more than 10,300 school buses provide more than 686,000 student trips with transportation between home and school—safely traveling more than 87 million miles.

The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction encourages districts to plan events and work with local media to promote school bus safety week. It is an opportune time to focus on the safety record of school buses, as well as educate the motoring public in safely and legally sharing the road with school buses.

Media resources and suggested activities can be found on [NAPT's National School Bus Safety](#)

[Week](#) website.

INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE

Questions concerning school bus safety week may be directed to Jordan Peace, Administrative Program Specialist, at jordan.peace@k12.wa.us or at 360-725-6123. The OSPI [Telecommunication Relay Services](#) number is 711 or 1-800-833-6384.

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