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Purple Equals Parent P=P

Getting them home Safely!



The **Purple Equals Parent** or **PEP** program is designed to help bus drivers identify young bus students that need to be met at their bus stop.

The **Toronto Student Transportation Group** will provide the purple tags to schools that have students riding buses. Both School Boards recommend that Schools distribute the tags to all their JK-Grade 3 classes so that staff can tag their bused students. The tags should be attached to the top of their back packs. **PEP Tags** may also be used for other students that require someone to meet or escort them from their bus stop.

School staff will check periodically to ensure the tags are still in place. Requests for more tags can be made directly to TSTG or the Transportation Safety Officer at

safety@torontoschoolbus.org

Bus Drivers will ensure that all tagged students are met by their parent, caregiver or responsible sibling before they are released from the bus.

Parents or Caregivers need to be at the bus stop every day on time. If they cannot be there they must arrange for another responsible person to meet the bus. Parents should contact the school or the bus company to let them know if there is a change in arrangements so the child and driver will be aware. This will save time at the end of the day and reduce any undo anxiety for the young student.

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