

TIPS TO SHARE AT THE BUS STOP

Walking to the bus stop is a great time to bond with your child. You can practice street safety rules:

- Look both ways when crossing the street
- Never run out or ride a bike into the street without checking for traffic
- Be cautious when standing behind a car where a driver can't see you

It's a time when you let your child know how you care. *"What are you looking forward to for today?"*

- You can name the different plants and trees or practice numbers by counting leaves.
- Share making up a silly story. *"Once upon a time there was a purple turtle who grew a long nose and...your turn..."*

Arriving at the bus stop is a great time to connect to other parents:

- You can compliment a parent or child on something they've done or said. *"That was very kind of you to pick up John's book..."*
- Ask about child care options in the neighborhood. *"Have you heard of anyone interested in starting a baby sitting co-op in the neighborhood?"*
- Comment on activities or services that are great or not so great in the neighborhood. *"I love the way the neighborhood association has planted flowers in the little park on the corner. It connects the kids to beauty and wonder. They get to watch the plants open up..."*
- Have conversations, make connections.

