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Stop for School Buses!



Students who are returning to in-person learning may rely on school buses to get them to and from school safely.

Did You Know: School buses are the most regulated vehicles on the road; they're designed to

be safer than passenger vehicles in preventing crashes and injuries; and in every state, stop-arm laws exist to protect children from other motorists.

If you are driving, remember these simple rules:

- **Yellow flashing lights** on a school bus mean slow down – don't speed up – because the bus is preparing to stop. There are likely students waiting to get on the bus or parents waiting nearby to pick up children.
- **Red flashing lights mean stop** – and wait at least 20 feet behind the bus – because children are getting on or off the school bus. Stay stopped until the red lights stop flashing, the extended stop-arm is withdrawn, and the bus begins moving.
- **Even when lights aren't flashing**, watch for children, particularly in the morning or mid-afternoon, around school arrival and dismissal times. Be alert as you back out of a driveway, or drive through a neighborhood, school zone or bus stop.

Parents - talk bus safety with your children:

Your child should arrive at the bus stop at least 5 minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive. Teach them to play it SAFE:

- Stay five steps away from the curb.
- Always wait until the bus comes to a complete stop and the bus driver signals for you to board.
- Face forward after finding a seat on the bus.
- Exit the bus after it stops and look left-right-left for cars before crossing a street.

Learn more: [nhtsa.gov/road-safety/school-bus-safety](https://www.nhtsa.gov/road-safety/school-bus-safety)

If you or someone you know had a student injured by a careless driver, please contact the attorneys at Czack Law. Czack has your back!

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Drowsy Driving Can Be as Dangerous as Drunk Driving

Drowsy driving kills – but is preventable. Learn about three factors commonly associated with drowsy-driving crashes and pick up some helpful tips to avoid falling asleep at the wheel.



How to Avoid Driving Drowsy

1. Getting adequate sleep on a daily basis is the only true way to protect yourself against the risks of driving when you're drowsy. Experts urge consumers to make it a priority to get seven to eight hours of sleep per night. For more information on healthy sleep, see In Brief: *Your Guide to Healthy Sleep* at the **National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute website**.
2. Before the start of a long family car trip, get a good night's sleep, or you could put your entire family and others at risk.
3. Many teens do not get enough sleep at a stage in life when their biological need for sleep increases, which makes them vulnerable to the risk of drowsy-driving crashes, especially on longer trips. Advise your teens to delay driving until they're well-rested.
4. Avoid drinking any alcohol before driving. Consumption of alcohol interacts with sleepiness to increase drowsiness and impairment.
5. Always check your prescription and over-the-counter medication labels to see if drowsiness could result from their use.
6. If you take medications that can cause drowsiness as a side effect, use public transportation when possible.
7. If you drive, avoid driving during the peak sleepiness periods (midnight – 6 a.m. and late afternoon). If you must drive during the peak sleepiness periods, stay vigilant for signs of drowsiness, such as crossing over roadway lines or hitting a rumble strip, especially if you're driving alone.

Learn more: [nhtsa.gov/risky-driving/drowsy-driving](https://www.nhtsa.gov/risky-driving/drowsy-driving)



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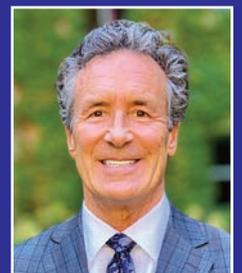
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If you or someone you know has suffered a serious personal injury due to someone else's negligence or carelessness, then call us today at 216-696-9216 or email: mczack@czacklaw.com. There is no cost or obligation to meet with or speak to Mr. Czack or a member of his staff. We welcome and look forward to the opportunity to serve you.



Is There a Recall on Your Vehicle?



Use the NHTSA (National Highway Transportation Safety Association) online tool to discover if there is a recall on your vehicle: www.nhtsa.gov/recalls

VIN search tool will show

- An unrepaired vehicle affected by a vehicle safety recall in the past 15 calendar years.
- Vehicle safety recalls from major light auto automakers, motorcycle manufacturers, and some medium/heavy truck manufacturers.

Where's my VIN?

Look on the driver's side of your car's windshield for your 17-character Vehicle Identification Number. Your VIN is also located on your car's registration card, and it may be shown on your insurance card.

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