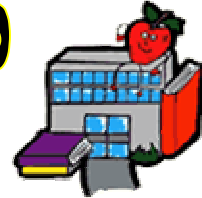


# Back to School!



## Safety Tips for Parents



- ☑ Make sure your child knows their complete name, address, and telephone number.
- ☑ Make sure your child always has identification on them and enough money or a phone card to make a telephone call in a public phone. Remind him that the "Operator" and "911" do not require money to access.
- ☑ Accompany your child to and from the bus stop or find another reliable parent who is also accompanying their child to assist you by taking turns.

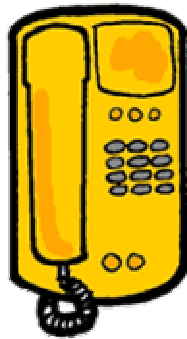


- ☑ Establish a safe route for you child to use to go to school making sure it avoids vacant lots, wooded areas, construction sites and streets that are not well populated or lit.
- ☑ You child should always use the "**Buddy System**" when walking outside.



☑ Always keep your child informed as to who will be picking them up and at what time. Make sure your child knows what to do if you are late picking them up from school or any other public place.

☑ Choose a “**password**” known only to you and your child. Teach your child to accompany only those persons who use the password no matter the circumstances or what is said to them by that person. Be sure to change the password periodically and once it has been used.



☑ Make a mental note of what your child is wearing each day.

☑ Do not allow your child to carry valuable items to and from school (money, walk-mans, expensive pieces of clothing, jewelry, cameras, etc.) making him a target for bullying.

☑ Teach your child: People are like apples - they may look OK on the outside but you can't tell by looking.



Maintain communication with your child at all times; **Always** know where your child is, with whom and what they are doing.