

## **Romeo Community Schools**

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## A Message from Pupil Transportation: Bus Stop Etiquette

Romeo Community Schools takes pride in providing safe and reliable transportation for more than 3,800 students each day. To provide this level of service, we depend on our caring and skilled drivers and the cooperation and commitment of our parents, students, and the entire school community.

Recently, the Pupil Transportation Department has received several phone calls from residents who have bus stops in front of their homes. The major concerns that have been brought to our attention involve student behavior and a lack of regard for homeowner property.

As always we will continue to address specific bus stops, however, we felt that it would be a good idea to pass along some general guidelines regarding what we call bus stop "etiquette."

## Please remember the following:



- Although we expect students to be waiting for the bus when it arrives, students should not arrive any earlier than 10–15 minutes before their scheduled pick up time. We have observed bus stops where students are arriving as much as 40 minutes prior to the scheduled pick up time. In these cases, having students unsupervised for that length of time can sometimes pose problems.
- While waiting for the bus, students should remain on the sidewalk or public area. Students and those waiting with students should not congregate on lawns, driveways or other private property. In some cases, we have received reports of individuals trampling new lawns and flowerbeds.
- Please take care not to litter while waiting; residents have indicated in some cases that candy wrappers and cigarette butts are sometimes left behind. In other words, please be considerate of the homeowner's property. No one wants to have to clean up after others.
- Please keep noise to a minimum; speaking in conversational tones should not disturb residents around the stop. Yelling, practicing cheers, etc., can be bothersome.
- Please do not use the homeowner's driveway to turn your vehicle around. Also, for safety reasons please do not block driveways or park in such a way as to impede the bus as it continues on the route. We have also received calls about headlights and engine noises waking up residents. Again, please be considerate of your neighbors.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.



