



School Bus Evacuation Training

Throughout Ontario, **School Bus Safety Week** is scheduled for October 21 to 25, 2019.

The Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC) reminds all drivers to be extra cautious in the vicinity of school buses and in school bus loading and unloading zones.

During school bus safety week, in partnership with our School Bus Operators, the SCSTC will be offering School Bus Evacuation Training for all home-to-school transported students.

School bus drivers will be educating students on how to evacuate a school bus safely in an emergency situation.

Training will include how to evacuate the school bus safely using:

- the front door;
- the rear door;
- the front and rear doors simultaneously;
- other evacuation options.

Training will also confirm that the school bus driver remains in charge during any evacuation situation and that students are to move away from the vehicle to a safe location designated by the driver following an evacuation.

Please note:

- Wednesday, October 23, 2019 is School Bus Driver Appreciation Day in the province of Ontario. This is a great opportunity for the school community to thank the bus drivers for all their hard work, as well as for transporting students to and from school safely.

Additional information regarding school bus safety and school bus evacuations is available through the Ministry of Transportation's website at:

<http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/safety/school-bus-safety.shtml>

If you have any questions you may contact the SCSTC via the contact link at www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca

The Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC) provides student transportation services within Simcoe County for the Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) and the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board (SMCDSB).

The role of the SCSTC includes contracting bus and vehicle operators on behalf of the SCDSB and SMCDSB.