



**MEDIA RELEASE**

**Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium – First Rider Program**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: August 13, 2019 – Barrie, ON:**

August/September 2019 **First Rider Program** – for parents/guardians of all Simcoe County kindergarten and primary age students.

The SCSTC is pleased to welcome students to experience riding on a school bus for the first time!

The SCSTC invites parents/guardians and their children to take part in the **FREE one (1) hour** informative **First Rider Program** – a school bus safety program for first time school bus riders.

No registration is required. **Any Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) or Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board (SMCDSB) Student attending school in Simcoe County are invited to attend any of the sessions be it at a SCDSB or SMCDSB school.**

The program focuses on educating parents/guardians and students of the rules and responsibilities of riding and waiting for the school bus...and includes a ride on a real school bus!

The 2019 **First Rider Program** dates and session start times for August are as follows:

Tuesday	Aug. 13	(6 p.m.)	Alliston	Boyne River Public School
Wednesday	Aug. 14	(6 p.m.)	Barrie	Willow Landing Elementary School
Thursday	Aug. 15	(6 p.m.)	Wasaga Beach	St. Noel Chabanel Catholic School
Monday	Aug. 19	(9 and 10 a.m.)	Innisfil	Goodfellow Public School
Monday	Aug. 19	(6 p.m.)	Orillia	Regent Park Public School
Tuesday	Aug. 20	(6 p.m.)	Collingwood	St. Mary’s Collingwood Catholic School
Wednesday	Aug. 21	(9 and 10 a.m.)	Midland	Huron Park Public School
Wednesday	Aug. 21	(6 p.m.)	Barrie	Sister Catherine Donnelly Catholic School
Thursday	Aug. 22	(9 and 10 a.m.)	Bradford	Fred C Cook Public School
Thursday	Aug. 22	(6 p.m.)	Angus	Our Lady of Grace Catholic School
Friday	Aug. 23	(9 and 10 a.m.)	Barrie	St. Michael the Archangel Catholic School
Saturday	Aug. 24	(9 and 10 a.m.)	Barrie	Trillium Woods Elementary School
Saturday	Aug. 24	(9 and 10 a.m.)	Elmvale	Huron Centennial Elementary School
Saturday	Aug. 24	(9 and 10 a.m.)	Tottenham	Father F.X. O’Reilly Catholic School
Monday	Aug. 26	(9 and 10 a.m.)	Collingwood	Admiral Collingwood Elementary School
Tuesday	Aug. 27	(6 p.m.)	Midland	Monsignor Castex Catholic School
Wednesday	Aug. 28	(9 and 10 a.m.)	Orillia	Monsignor Lee Catholic School
Wednesday	Aug. 28	(6 p.m.)	Barrie	Terry Fox Elementary School
Thursday	Aug. 29	(6 p.m.)	Innisfil	Holy Cross Catholic School
Friday	Aug. 30	(9 and 10 a.m.)	Alliston	Holy Family Catholic School

Please visit the SCSTC website at [www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca](http://www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca) for more information.

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