# Come Join Us - For a Practice Run!! Kindergarten Bus Round-up!!

Monday, July 25th

\*\*\* For CHESTATEE ELEMENTARY

Kindergarten Students \*\*\*

- © Ride the bus with your mom, dad and/or guardian!
  - Find out where your bus stop is located!
  - © Learn about SOAR and the "Danger Zone"!
- © Ride your bus to school in fine SOAR fashion!
- See where your bus picks you up in the afternoon!
  - © Experience riding the bus home from school!
  - Practice how to get off the bus at your stop!

#### **NOTES:**

- -Your bus driver will contact you 1 to 3 days before the event to tell you the location of your bus stop and time.
- -The student(s) and parent(s) should be at the stop 5 minutes before the bus arrives.
- -After the ride to school there will be a brief presentation at the school (30 minutes).
- -Students will board the buses for the ride home just as they will during the school year.

Please try to make arrangements for younger children and older school aged children so they don't take away from this experience for your kindergarten student.

\*\*This will only include students who have <u>completed</u> their registration. \*\*
\*\*If your child's registration is not complete, he/she will <u>not</u> be contacted nor allowed to ride the bus. \*\*

See reverse side for frequently asked questions.

# ?? Frequently Asked Questions ??

#### What is the Kindergarten Bus Round Up?

Kindergarten Bus Round Up is a rehearsal day for school bus routing. By allowing students and parents to ride the bus together they become familiar with their students' route, driver, bus stop and SOAR (Safe, Orderly, And Respectful) procedures.

# How will I know where by bus stop is and what time I need to be there?

If your Kindergartener has been registered well before the round up then your bus driver will phone you and give you your bus stop time and location; however if you registered late please refer to our mapping website to determine your time and location:

http://www.forsyth.k12.ga.us

In the event you are not certain of your time, please be at the bus stop closest to your residence by 8:10 AM and wait for your bus to arrive. All buses will have serviced all bus stops along their route by 8:55 AM.

# Will my student meet their Kindergarten teacher at this event?

No, the Kindergarten teachers will be preparing for the upcoming open house event. You will meet your teacher at open house.

#### Why should my student and I participate in the round up?

Kindergarten Round Up is an opportunity for parent and student to experience the Forsyth County Schools' Transportation Service. If your student will not ride the school bus every day, this will prepare them for field trips which use our school buses for transportation.

### What if my child has special needs?

Kindergarten Round-up will also be available for students with special needs. If your child attends a school outside your home school district for program need or is unable to ride a regular education bus due to a physical disability, please contact North end transportation supervisor Penny Martin at 770-888-1234 ext.220116 or South end supervisor Leslie Horton at ext. 220513 or West end supervisor Sheila Trowell. You must contact transportation 3 days prior to July 25th in order to arrange a pick-up time. Parents must ride the bus with your child but please make other arrangements for siblings due to limited space on the bus.

I look forward to meeting you and your student at the Chestatee Kindergarten Bus Round Up.

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