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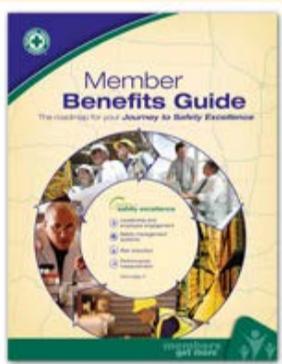
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Welcome to *Spotlight on Safety*, an e-newsletter brought to you by the Department of the Interior Office of Occupational Safety and Health in partnership with the National Safety Council. We hope you will find this service of value. Send feedback or ideas on topics you would like to see to [membershipinfo@nsc.org](mailto:membershipinfo@nsc.org). Please put "Department of the Interior feedback" in the subject line.

### Back-to-school safety tips for motorists



The reality of school bus safety is that more children are hurt outside the bus than inside as passengers. Most of the children who lose their lives in bus-related crashes are pedestrians, four to seven years old, who are hit by the bus or by motorists illegally passing a stopped school bus. For this reason, it is necessary to know the proper laws and procedures for safely sharing the road with school buses:

- All 50 states have a law making it illegal to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children.
- School buses use yellow flashing lights to alert motorists that they are preparing to stop to load or unload children.
- Red flashing lights and an extended stop sign arm signals to motorists that the bus is stopped and children are getting on or off the bus.
- All 50 states require that traffic in both directions stop on undivided roadways when students are entering or exiting a school bus.
- While state laws vary on what is required on a divided roadway, in all cases, traffic behind the school bus (traveling in the same direction) must stop.
- The area 10 feet around a school bus is where children are in the most danger of being hit. Stop your car far enough from the bus to allow children the necessary space to safely enter and exit the bus.
- Be alert. Children are unpredictable.
- Children are more likely to take risks, ignore hazards or fail to look both ways when crossing the street.
- Never pass a school bus on the right. It is illegal and could have tragic consequences.

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### 5-Minute Safety Talk: Incident investigation



A cut hand, a forklift collision, a chemical spill, even a near miss - no one likes it when an incident occurs on the job. But when something goes wrong, it is in everyone's best interest to determine exactly what happened and why. Investigations should be conducted not only to discover the cause of the incident, but also to help prevent future incidents of the same kind from occurring.

Unless everyone keeps an open mind, the investigation may not reveal the incident's true cause. Objectivity is a necessary part of a successful investigation. Everyone in the organization, regardless of their position, needs to be taught the importance of being objective. If this does not happen, people may focus on uncovering fault rather than the facts, leaving the true cause undiscovered.

Schedule a [5-Minute Safety Talk](#) with your employees to learn more.

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