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SCHOOL BUS SAFETY WEEK SERVES AS REMINDER TO DRIVE CAREFULLY

DRIPPING SPRINGS, Texas—National School Bus Safety Week will be recognized next week, Oct. 21-25, 2013. Dripping Springs ISD asks all drivers to join the effort to provide a safe environment for bus riders by observing school bus laws and being courteous to buses and bus riders. DSISD transports approximately 1,800 students between home and school, and the district's buses collectively drive more than 3,800 miles each day.

"Our district is committed to efficiently providing safe transportation to all Dripping Springs students," said Director of Transportation Pam Swanks. "In order to accomplish that goal, it is important that drivers contribute to that team effort by following the law and exhibiting caution when approaching school buses or bus stops. Our district is very large and presents some topographical challenges, which our drivers navigate with care and skill."

The district shares the reminder that motorists traveling in both directions are required to stop for school buses that are displaying flashing red lights and a stop arm. This law applies to all roadways that are not divided by a physical median.

The DSISD's Transportation Department website features safety tips both for motorists and for students who ride the bus. Parents are encouraged to review rider safety information with their children. See: www.dsisd.txed.net/bussafety.

Dripping Springs ISD also reminds drivers that it is illegal to use a cell phone in school zones.

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