



**GWINNETT COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND
EMERGENCY SERVICES AND
*Fire Station #4 - Proudly Serving
Peachtree Corners***

PEDESTRIAN/SCHOOL BUS STOP SAFETY

(August, 2016) As the summer season draws to a close, the crew at Fire Station #4 in Peachtree Corners and Firefighters all across Gwinnett County are gearing up for Pedestrian/School Bus Stop Safety.



PEDESTRIAN/SCHOOL BUS STOP SAFETY: Back-to-school also means more pedestrian traffic at neighborhood bus stops and sidewalks/crosswalks leading to area schools. Motorists are encouraged to pay close attention during bus stop hours in the early morning and in the afternoon. Slow your speed and

watch for children walking to and from school or getting off the school bus. Be sure to follow all traffic laws that apply to school zones, neighborhoods and school bus stops. Children are often preoccupied with the day's activities and may not be paying attention to the hazards around them. Do your part by watching out for children. Not obeying the stop signal and flashing red lights on the school bus places children in increased danger of being seriously injured or killed. Parents should supervise younger children at the bus stop and should teach them the rules for staying safe when getting on or off the bus; and when walking to the bus stop or crossing the street. Look both ways before crossing the road and avoid stopping to pick up an item you may have dropped in the street. When crossing at the bus stop, be sure to step far enough away from the front of the bus that you can make eye contact with the driver. Cross when the bus driver says it is safe to do so.

For additional information on pedestrian safety, please visit the Safe Kids Worldwide website at www.safekids.org/child-pedestrian-safety. **Help make the school year safe for everyone!**

