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HOW THE SCHOOL BUS BENEFITS COMMUNITIES

School buses save hundreds of lives each year and are an important part of the education system. Factor in the environmental and financial benefits, and it's hard to find a reason to send children to school any other way.

- School buses maximize the likelihood that school children will arrive at school safely, on time and ready to learn.
- School buses transport over 26 million of the 50 million students who attend school each day.
- One school bus can carry the same number of passengers as 36 cars.
- School buses save approximately 62 billion miles of driving each year.
- School buses provide a convenience to families while saving them time and money.
- Since the first school bus designed to accommodate wheelchairs was built in 1957, the school bus has transported millions of special-needs students to and from school.
- School buses reduce traffic by keeping over 17 million cars off roads each year.
- Students are about 70 times more likely to get to school safely if they take the school bus instead of traveling by car.
- School buses save approximately 2.6 billion gallons of fuel each year.
- The school bus industry provides millions of jobs each year.
- School buses prevent over 20 million tons of CO₂ from being released into the environment each year. This is the consumption equivalent of about 330,000 tanker trucks of gasoline.

Cutting school bus service can result in more traffic and higher concentrations of pollution.

- Due to Environmental Protection Agency standards, school buses run cleaner than ever before.
- School buses can be used to transport students and faculty to extra-curricular activities and be dispatched quickly to evacuate students in an emergency.