

Annual First Rider Program

May 11, 2010

We are pleased to inform you that the **First Rider Program** will be running for young students throughout the Board's jurisdiction during the month of August.

The **First Rider Program** is a School Bus Safety program that introduces young children and their parents to school buses and school bus safety. The program is intended to be a fun learning experience. While open to all young students, it is especially designed for children who will be riding the school bus for the first time in September, and for young students who ride a bus to school on a regular basis. The program reviews bus safety rules and allows parents and their children an opportunity to ask questions about school bus safety. As part of the program, parents and their children will also be invited to take a ride on a school bus.

Please note the following dates/times and locations:

BOWMANVILLE:

Location: Clarington Central Secondary School, Bowmanville
Date/Time: August 20, 2010 (3:30pm – 6:00pm)
Date/Time: August 21, 2010 (10:00am – 1:00pm)

NORTHUMBERLAND:

Location: Northumberland Mall, Cobourg
Date/Time: August 27, 2010 (3:00pm – 6:00pm)
Date/Time: August 28, 2010 (10:00am – 1:00pm)

PETERBOROUGH:

Location: Lansdowne Place Mall, Peterborough
Date/Time: August 27, 2010 (3:00pm – 6:00pm)
Date/Time: August 28, 2010 (10:00am – 1:00pm)

Parents can drop by with their children during the times noted. Each session runs approximately 30 minutes on the hour and half hour. We strongly encourage parents to take advantage of the **First Rider Program** as it is especially important for young students who will be riding the school bus for the first time in September.

Please plan to attend one of these sessions with your children. If you have any questions about this important safety program please contact the STSCO office (1-800-757-0307) or check our website (stsco.ca) for more information on School Bus Safety.

Sincerely,

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