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Paris ISD recognizes School Bus Safety Week

The Paris ISD Transportation Department is reminding drivers to obey state law by not passing any stopped school bus with flashing lights or a stop sign.

The week of October 21st through the 25th is National School Bus Safety Week and PISD wants to remind everyone to obey the law.

“We are asking our citizens to not put our children at risk,” said Transportation Director Tony Gunn. “A driver, traveling in either direction, must stop when approaching a school bus that is stopped and operating a visual signal. The motorist may not proceed until the school bus resumes motion and the red flashing lights go off.”

During the 2013 legislative session, state lawmakers increased the fines for illegally passing a school bus when its red lights are flashing. Drivers who violate the law could face fines of up to \$1,250. Repeat offenders can be fined up to \$2,000.



Photographed on front from the left are Marcus Deverell, Marcus Jenkins, and J.D. Sims. On the second row are Gary Hass, Kimmie Snowton, Marvin Wroten, Karee Spargur, Don Walters, and Antonio Chaverria.

In back are PISD Safety and Security Department Officers Brad Ruthart, Kyle Martin, and Billy Jordon, Paris Police Department Lieutenant Steve Owens, Lisa Campbell, Cindy Johnson, Tommy Thompson, LaTonya McCarty, and Tony Gunn.