



EAST GREENWICH

TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope this letter finds you well. As we settle into the school year, we would like to take a moment to stress the importance of bus safety and highlight the essential role that our bus drivers play in ensuring the well-being of our students.

School buses are an extension of the classroom, and it's important that students follow safety guidelines to create a respectful and secure environment for everyone. We ask for your support in reminding your children of the importance of staying seated, following the driver's instructions, and treating their peers and the driver with respect. These guidelines help ensure that everyone gets to and from school safely.

In addition, we feel it is important to recognize the people who work hard each day to keep our students safe. With that in mind, we are excited to introduce the **Bus Driver of the Month Program**, which will highlight one driver each month for their exceptional service. To make this truly meaningful, we will invite parents to submit positive feedback through a Bus Driver of the Month [Google Form](#), which will also be available on our school website throughout the year. Parents can submit their nominations at any time.

Our hope is to recognize our first driver this September. Each month, one driver will be selected to receive a gift card as a token of appreciation, generously provided by the **East Greenwich Home and School Association**, and every student registered to that bus will earn one Buzz Buck! On the last day of each month, we will present the driver with the gift card and a Certificate of Appreciation, along with a brief summary of why they were chosen in our monthly newsletters.

We are also excited to announce that at the end of the year, in June, we will recognize a **Bus Driver of the Year**, chosen from our monthly honorees.

Our goals for this program are twofold:

- To recognize the critical role our bus drivers play in ensuring the safety and well-being of our students.
- To foster a positive and respectful culture within each bus, promoting a safer and more enjoyable environment for all.

We are looking forward to the positive impact this program will have on both our drivers and students.

Thank you for your time and support,

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