



Dog Safety for Students

Dog safety for Walking Students

- If you see a dog, behind a fence, on a leash or running loose, **LEAVE THE DOG ALONE**. Walk away. Never try and catch a loose dog!
- Stay quiet and calm. Loud voices and fast movements may excite the dog.
- If you are near a crossing guard, ask the guard to contact animal control.
- If the dog comes near you, stand still like a tree and give yourself a hug. Be boring.
- If the dog jumps on you, drop to the ground like a turtle with your hands behind your neck.

Dog safety at Bus Stops

- If there is a loose dog at the bus stop, ask the bus driver or a parent standing with the students to call animal control. **DO NOT TRY TO CATCH THE DOG!**
- If a parent walks a dog to the bus stop, give the dog space. Even a friendly dog can knock you over. A scared or excited dog can bite.
- Remain calm and quiet around the dog.

Dog Safety in the School Yard

- If you see a loose dog, stop playing and get slow and boring.
- Walk to a teacher and ask to have the office call animal control.
- **TEACHERS AND OFFICE STAFF:** your duty for the safety of students is to bring students inside and call animal control immediately. Do not brush this off. Loose dogs on school property are a risk to students and staff.

Never approach a stranger and ask to pat a dog. Always have a grown up with you. Never go with anyone who asks for help looking for a dog or who says he/she has a puppy to show you. If this happens, inform an adult as soon as you get to school or home.