



## VERNON VERONA SHERRILL CENTRAL SCHOOL

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### IMPORTANT BUS SAFETY NOTICE

Dear Parents & Students:

A number of school bus related incidents occurred both locally and nationally over the course of the previous school year which point to the dangers of crossing students on a major highway in general, and more specifically, of students crossing without the aid of crossing controls.

All school bus stops in the VVS District where students are crossed have been considered and designed that way with attention to the ages of the students and the physical properties of the stop location. ***In the interest of student safety, VVS will no longer be able to honor requests to allow students to change how or where they are crossed.*** We understand that these requests are usually made to avoid a longer bus ride, an earlier pickup time, or a later drop off time, however student safety is our primary focus and critical to our mission.

In addition, and again in the interest of student safety, please adhere to the following crossing procedures:

- ~ If the driver misses your stop and turns around to come back, do not cross the road on your own and do not expect the driver to stop and cross you. It is safer for the driver to go past the stop and then return on the proper side of the road as designated.
- ~ If the bus normally goes by your house twice, do not expect the driver to stop and cross you on the way back the second time through. Drivers are instructed not to make a second stop, as this may add an unnecessary and potentially dangerous student crossing. Students must be at the bus stop at the time indicated for that stop.

Should you have any questions, please contact VVS Transportation Supervisor @ 829-2520 ext. 7801. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in the safe transport of our students.

Sincerely,

Mark Wixson  
Asst. Superintendent for Finance and Operations