

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## CLASS Celebrates National School Bus Safety Week October 17-21, 2022 and Driver Appreciation Day October 19, 2022

Chatham-Kent Lambton Administrative School Services (CLASS) is encouraging parents, students, school staff and motorists to recognize the importance of school bus safety within our communities. In addition, CLASS is urging children and parents to say a special 'thank you' to the many dedicated bus drivers, who ensure students arrive safely at school every day.

CLASS is a consortium which provides bus transportation each day to more than 17,500 students of the Lambton Kent and St. Clair Catholic district school boards, across Sarnia-Lambton and Chatham-Kent.

National School Bus Safety Week is a public education program that is observed throughout North America during the third full week of October each year. The theme for this year's campaign is "1 Bus + 1 Driver = a BIG Impact on Education"

School Bus Driver Appreciation Day, which is also a nationally recognized observance, will be celebrated on Wednesday, October 19, 2022.

"This annual observance is a great opportunity for each of us to pause and reflect on the importance of school bus safety as well as recognizing the valuable work of our school bus drivers and operators," says Kent Orr, CLASS General Manager. "We ask that our students, families and schools join us in showing our appreciation to the dedicated people who keep our students safe on the ride to school and back home every day."

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