Brantley County Schools Safe Riding and Evacuation Procedures

Dear Students and Parents:

Throughout the course of the school year, most children in Brantley County will ride on a school bus at some point in time. Whether it is on a regular route to and from school, a sporting event, or a field trip, it is almost certain that each child in the school system will ride on one of our school buses. With the safety of our county's future at the top of our priorities, we want to ensure that in the unlikely event of an emergency, our students are knowledgeable in how to evacuate the bus. With this in mind, please familiarize yourself and your child with the following procedures.

- 1) Remain Calm and Quiet
- 2) Follow the Instructions of the Driver
- 3) Exit the Bus via the Nearest Emergency Exit
 - a. Front Door
 - b. Rear Emergency Door
 - c. Roof Hatches
 - d. Emergency Windows
- 4) Leave All Personal Belongings on the Bus
- 5) Once Off the Bus—Move Quickly Away to a Safe Spot
- 6) Wait for Further Instruction From the Driver or Emergency Response

Please also be aware that each bus in Brantley County is equipped with a fire-extinguisher and two-way radio. These items are to be used by the driver. A student-rider may use the two-way radio to call for help if they are within the county and it is safe to remain on the bus.

Each of our school buses are designed with 8 exits

- -Front Door
- -Rear Door
- -Two Roof Hatches
- -Four Emergency Push-out Windows
 - (2 Windows on Each Side of the Bus)

The roof hatches and push-out windows are only to be used as a last resort. The front and rear doors are the main exit points and should be used whenever possible.

Please remind your student-riders that once they have evacuated the bus, they are to go to a single spot away from the danger. Please also remind your child to pay attention to other dangers outside of the bus, such as traffic, broken glass and other debris.

We would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation and support. We hope all of you have a safe and healthy school year.