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## **Governor Musgrove Proclaims “School Bus Safety Week”**

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has proclaimed the week of October 19, 2003, as “School Bus Safety Week” to encourage all citizens to exercise courtesy and care near school buses and to recognize the men and women who drive our children to and from school each day.

“Over 410,000 of our students are transported to and from school each day in more than 5,700 school buses,” said Musgrove. “It is up to us all to be cautious and vigilant when in the vicinity of a school buses that are carrying our most precious resources.”

Pupil transportation in the State of Mississippi has compiled an excellent safety record thanks to driver and student education programs, careful maintenance of buses, and inspections by the Mississippi Department of Education and the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol.

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