



# Public Schools of North Carolina

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## DON'T IDLE!



## Save Fuel & Breathe Easier

### TIPS FOR DRIVERS

- ◆ Do not idle your school bus for longer than five (5) minutes to build up air pressure. Additional idling does not help the school bus get warmer.
- ◆ Do not idle your bus while loading or unloading on school grounds.
- ◆ Driver must be within 3 feet of the bus while it is running. No exceptions!

### TIPS FOR ADMINISTRATORS

- ◆ Buses should not park on school grounds near building air-intake systems.
- ◆ Buses should not park “nose to tail” when it can be avoided.

### INTERNET RESOURCES

[www.nasdpts.org/reports.html](http://www.nasdpts.org/reports.html)

“Air Quality: Suggested Operational Practices for School Buses.”

[www.ncchild.org/diesel8x11.pdf](http://www.ncchild.org/diesel8x11.pdf)

N.C. Child Advocacy Institute paper on diesel fumes

[www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus](http://www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus)

Clean School Bus USA program