



Bannockburn Elementary School Safety Patrol Frequently Asked Questions

1. What time should students report for duty?

- Walker patrollers should report to school at 9:00 to stash backpacks and then report to their assigned posts at 9:05.
- Kindergarten and bus patrollers should report to their bus stops 5 minutes prior to the bus' arrival time to monitor students at the bus stop.

2. What are the expectations regarding dress?

Safety patrollers should wear layers to address the hot and cold of changing seasons. They are expected to report to their posts wearing their belts/badges. Appropriate attire for winter includes coats, hats, mittens/gloves, and closed shoes. Rain ponchos are available for safety patrollers.

3. To whom should patrollers report absences?

Patrollers should let bus or walker sergeants know of intended absences, like scheduled appointments, so posts can be covered. For illness or extended absences, please email one of the safety patrol sponsors—Mrs. Seiler or Mrs. Cromwell.

4. Can you be in clubs if you're a safety patroller?

Yes. We understand that there is SOME overlap in activities. Walker patrollers can do assigned posts before afternoon clubs start. Bus patrollers should make their sergeants aware of an absence for a club. Because joining the safety patrol is a privilege and competitive, it's important that others see patrollers as reliable and responsible. We emphasize that being a safety patroller is a job and that attendance is important.

5. What is the discipline policy regarding the safety patrol?

The BES Safety Patrol uses a 3-strike system to check and redirect errant behavior. Parents should EXPECT some strikes initially as students learn to be the BES role models we know they can be. If a student is having difficulty meeting his responsibilities or repeatedly displaying behavior unbecoming of a patroller, dismissal may be warranted. A Commitment to Excellence contract and a list of possible violations are provided to parents and patrollers at the beginning of the school year and is posted on the school website.