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2. Before the first day of school, point out the bus stop where you and your child will go to meet the bus each morning.
3. If you haven't met, be sure to introduce yourself and your child to the bus driver on the first day of school. This way, your child will be sure to get on the right bus to come home at the end of the day. (Your child's teacher will also be there to help.)
4. Reassure your child that you or someone your child knows well, such as a day care provider, will be there at the end of the day.
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