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**Walking School Bus Program – Parent Patrol
(Revised)**

The Birmingham Police Department announces and invites the public to participate in the “Safe Passage Program”. The Safe Passage Program is a combination of Birmingham Police officers, parents, businesses and residents organizing to create a safe environment for youth and residents. This program is designed to enhance the security and welfare of residents in the Birmingham Housing Authority District.

Birmingham City Schools will start the school year on August 8, 2019. As part of the Birmingham Police Department’s goal of building safe and secure communities, the “Walking School Bus Program” and “Parent Patrol Programs” will start in designated Birmingham Housing Authority Districts. As part of the Walking School Bus Program the Birmingham Police Department will provide police officers on the first day of school to walk with children and assure their safe arrival to school. The Parent Patrol Program will assist to ensure children arrive and return home from school safely each day.

For additional information on how you can partner or to volunteer to assist with these programs, contact Lieutenant Shelia Finney at 205-297-8481.

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