

OVERVIEW

Role of the AAA/CAA School Safety Patrol

AAA/CAA School Safety Patrollers are school-sponsored student volunteers from upper elementary, middle and junior high schools. **Patrollers direct children, not traffic.** As school-age leaders in traffic safety, Patrollers teach other students about traffic safety on a peer-to-peer basis. They also serve as role models for younger children. Typically, teachers and principals appoint Patrollers, who participate with parental approval. A teacher usually serves as patrol Advisor.

School Safety Patrollers:

- Complete traffic safety training
- Protect students from the hazards of crossing roads and highways on their way to and from school
- Assist bus drivers in safely transporting students to and from school
- Teach fellow students about traffic safety
- Serve other leadership functions under the direction of school officials

Benefits

To Students

Students gain:

- Safety awareness
- Leadership
- Teamwork
- Pride
- Citizenship
- Respect for law enforcement

To Schools

Schools benefit from opportunities to promote:

- Traffic safety awareness
- Peer-to-peer education
- Character-building opportunities
- A constructive outlet for students' energy
- A positive relationship with parents, law enforcement and the overall community

To Communities

Communities benefit from:

- Safer environments for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists
- A spirit of a connected community, volunteerism and civic-mindedness
- A positive collaboration between students, parents, schools and law enforcement

