

## SCHOOL PATROL EVALUATION CRITERIA

1. **DISCIPLINE AT THE POST:** Patrols must be alert... talking to friends, fighting or playing around are not permitted
  
2. **STANCE:** With the crossing in closed position, the patrol holding back the children will have their arms at a 45 degree angle while facing the street. This stance shows authority and deters small children from running past the patrol and onto the street.
  
3. **FLAGS STRAIGHT:** With the traffic having come to a complete stop, the patrol opens the crossing by stepping onto the roadway facing traffic, keeping their curb side foot against the curb and their street side arm out at shoulder level.
  
4. **GOOD ARM WAVE:** While crossing the children, the patrol will wave the children across by raising the curb side arm to shoulder level then move it in a firm and steady up and down motion; bring the arm to the side or behind the back.
  
5. **REMAIN IN THE CROSSING POSITION:** While crossing children, both the entering and exit patrol will remain in a crossing position until the last child steps onto the crossing exit curb.
  
6. **DISCIPLINE TO AND FROM POST:** Patrols are to leave and return to their school during their patrolling assignment in a well-organized and disciplined manner.
  
7. **CROSSING INTENTION SIGNALS:** Patrols intending on crossing children raise their left arm to shoulder level directly in front of them. This will let motorists know of the intention of crossing children. Patrols will not stop traffic and will only open the crossing after all traffic has “stopped” or the intersection has cleared
  
8. **VERBAL/PHYSICAL SIGNALS:** Patrols often use physical signals (hand or head motions) or verbal signals (clear or open) between one another at the entering and exit position of the crossing