School bus Driver Safety – Evacuation Procedures Fatality File

School Bus Driver Killed During Evacuation Drill in Ohio

In a tragic incident in Akron, Ohio, a 51-year-old school bus driver lost her life while conducting a routine evacuation drill with students. During the exercise, the bus began to roll, and in an attempt to prevent it from moving further, the driver was run over and dragged several feet by the vehicle. Despite immediate emergency response, she succumbed to her injuries at the scene.

This incident underscores the critical importance of adhering to strict safety protocols during evacuation drills. Ensuring that the bus is securely parked with all safety measures engaged before commencing any drill is paramount to prevent such tragedies.

In response to the incident, local school districts reviewed and reinforced their safety procedures for evacuation drills, emphasizing the necessity of comprehensive training for bus drivers and staff to handle emergency situations safely.

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