

“I save Lives”



Handbook



Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District

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Some elementary schools have this handbook on their web site.

Chippewa Falls Area School Safety Patrols, Inc. (CFSSP, Inc.)

This corporation was organized to promote safety and to aid and assist the betterment of the school safety patrols in the public and private schools within the boundaries of the Chippewa Falls Unified School District. During the 2005-2006 school year, the corporation with the help of the Parent-Teacher Organizations (PTOs) assumed the responsibility for the equipment as well as the reward activities. Donations are accepted.

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Never Stop Traffic

A patrol member should never stop traffic. Only police and adult crossing guards have the authority to stop vehicles. The law does not give a school safety patrol member that authority. Patrol members hold back only classmates. (See section on laws)

Before allowing classmates to cross, be sure cars are far enough away and are not going fast. Look for a **safe gap** in traffic. A driver needs a long distance to stop a car.

- The driver must see people crossing.
- The driver must decide to stop.
- The driver must put on the brake.
- The driver must take hold and stop the car.
- Road and weather conditions play a factor.

All this takes time.

Be sure you allow enough time for your classmates to safely cross the street. Again, it takes at least 10 seconds to cross an average street. Your school and the police department depend on you to protect your classmates.

Cold Weather Guidelines *Below Zero Degrees*

We live in an area with cold winters. Students and parents expect the Safety Patrol to be at their post every school day. These cold weather guidelines are set to insure uniformity among all schools in the district. WAYY Radio and WEAU-TV are the official designated sources for temperatures.

Temperatures to -10 degrees, patrols go to their post as usual. (actual or wind chill temperatures)

Temperatures -10 to -20 degrees, patrols will stay at their post half of their assigned times and rotate. (see note below)

Temperatures -20 and colder, patrols will not be at their posts.

Note about the minus 10 to minus 20 temperatures guideline, **all** the assigned patrols for the day will report to the school at the regular time. (This **may** require additional patrols on cold days.) Half of the patrols would go to their post for half of the time. About the “half-way” point the patrols at their post would be replaced with warm patrols. Patrols would not leave their post until relieved making sure the post is always attended. All street crossing posts must have a patrol. Most distances from the school are long walks, using the “half-way” point of the assigned times will minimize multiple patrol switching. A **post** is your assigned crossing. Dress for the weather, however, **Do not wear** “hoodies” (hooded sweatshirts, etc.) on patrol, they block side vision and reduce hearing.

Rain and Lightning Guideline

Patrols do “patrol” in the rain! Rain gear, (ponchos) are provided for rainy days. They are worn in place of the vest. On arrival at school **if** there is lightning visible, schools may choose to not have patrols at their posts. If lightning comes about after patrols are at their post, they should return to the school.

Note: Parents should be aware that at temperatures below -20 degrees or lightning, there may be no patrol on duty. Parents expect a patrol to help their children safety cross the intersections. A note in the student handbook or newsletter would accomplish this notice.

Traffic Cones

Some of the elementary schools are located on streets with high volume or in an area where vehicles tend to exceed the speed limits. In these areas the patrols use **Fluorescent “Yellow-Green” Traffic Cones** to increase visibility. The cones are placed on the street just out from the curb area near the crosswalk before and after school. These cones are expensive and need special care. They can be destroyed if run over by a vehicle or can be broken in extremely cold weather. When leaving your post after morning patrol, place the cones on school property and away from the edge of the road. After school, when leaving your post, place them inside the school in an assigned location.

Safety Patrol Responsibilities

Check your schedule to be certain of your assignment date and time.

Patrols are at their post by 7:30 AM and 2:30 PM. (*May change by school.*)

Afternoon Patrols leave your classroom to be **at your post** by 2:30 PM. On early release days, be at your post before walking students arrive there.

Follow proper flagging and holding techniques. See the section on “rules.” Special assignment patrols will follow instructions for the assignment they are on. Greeter or bus line duties are examples of “special assignments.”

Always be alert. Watch for approaching vehicles and students. Ask others to walk on the sidewalks and in crosswalks. Ask those with skateboards to carry them and those with bicycles to walk them in the crosswalk and follow other school rules pertaining to bicycles and skateboards.

As a patrol, your behavior is an example for all students to follow. **If you cannot patrol**, you must call a substitute. This is in the contract you signed. Reward activities (page 6 &7) are dependent on this contract.

The official **yellow-green safety patrol vest** must be worn over other clothing while performing your duties. The safety patrol poncho or rain coat may be worn in place of the vest on rainy days. Safety patrol lime-yellow belts may be worn on special assignments. Safety patrol flags are fluorescent yellow or “yellow-green” as permitted by a recent change in State Law. The wearing of hooded garments, “hoodies,” is discouraged while on patrol, they block side vision and impair hearing. “Hoodies” are not safe for patrols and the safety of those whom they are protecting.

Note: Bus riders are welcome to be safety patrols, however, they **must be at their assigned post by 7:30AM.**

They **must** also be able to stay at their post **until** walkers have crossed, this could be as late as 2:45PM.

In some cases parents bring their children to school to allow them to participate in this rewarding program!

Please read the “student contract” patrols must sign before they can participate. The school may have regulations relating to early arrivals and after school presence. Remember the safety of the other students depend a reliable safety patrol.

RULES FOR WORKING AT YOUR ASSIGNED POST:

Your post is your assigned position. You should go to that post and be there on time. A good patrol is always on-the-job. Make your school and classmates proud of the way you appear and act both at your post and during the school day.

Dress neatly and cleanly. Keep your patrol equipment clean and properly worn or used. "Velcro" enclosures on vests must be properly closed.

Be polite. You are a leader and a role model; other students look up to you. Walk to your post with the flag straight up. If you are late walk fast, **do not run**.

At some schools, the patrols place Out "No Parking" signs. Do not place this on the sidewalk! Make sure the ones labelled "Buses" and "Student Pick-up" face the correct direction and in the right place.

Patrols are on duty to help others cross the street safely. When you are at your post waiting for students to arrive, stand erect one foot back from the curb in line with the left crosswalk line. The left crosswalk line is the one closet to oncoming traffic. Hold your flag in your right hand and straight up in the "attention" position. Do not allow friends to loiter around you and visit, their presence could cause a distraction and a student to get hurt while crossing at your post.

When classmates approach your post, put your flag down to your right, across the sidewalk to hold them back.

The left hand should be under the flag, fingers and palm facing the street. If the flag is struck, the flag, not the patrol will be pulled toward the vehicle.

Tell your pedestrians to wait until you tell them to cross. Pick a time when there is a "safe gap" in traffic and move your flag into the street. Place your left foot into the gutter, the right foot out about 12 inches but not on the traveled portion of the road. Your flag should be extended out to your right. Always face traffic. *A one-way street is an exception. But always face traffic.* Remember; do not step back onto the curb until the walkers are completely across the street. Remember, it takes at least **10** seconds to walk across a street. If a car approaches your crossing, tell those that have not entered the crosswalk, to "please wait". Then step back (like a "robot") on the curb with your flag extended to your right to hold students back until the next safe gap. If a parked vehicle blocks your view, a patrol may step out only far enough to see around it. **Do not leave** your post until all students within a **reasonable sight** of your post have crossed. You may have to wait for them.

On busy crossings, a patrol should be on each side of the street to effectively warn vehicular traffic that children are present in the crosswalk. *If short, be on the side where walkers are coming to AM far side PM school side.* Proper use of the flag will help keep the patrol and other students safe.

Cell phone, i-pod and other electronics usage is **not permitted** while on patrol. They are distractions and could cause a serious incident.

Annual Activities

Safety Patrol Mini-Camp

The Chippewa Falls Schools Safety Patrols, Inc. with the cooperation of the Chippewa Falls Unified School District, Halmstad Elementary School, the Chippewa Falls Police Department, McDonald's Restaurant and Chippewa Yellow Bus Co. sponsor a training session during the week before school starts in the Fall. This training session is called a "mini-camp." This camp is entirely voluntary and all safety patrols from all Chippewa Area Schools are encouraged to attend. Attending this mini-camp will enable the patrols to go on patrol on the first day of school. Halmstad School has a bus drop off lane camp participants use to simulate a city street. The training session includes: classroom lecture and discussion, a video, a visit by a police officer and some on-street practical activity. Each patrol receives a certificate of completion and a Mini-Camp T-shirt. Patrols are bused to McDonalds for a complementary lunch. Members of the Optimist Club assist with this training session. TTM technologies is the primary sponsor of this camp.

Movie-a-Month

Micon Cinemas will provide each safety patrol with a pass for one movie a month during the school year. This pass will reward the patrol for the job they volunteer to do. This pass privilege is revocable. To keep the pass each safety patrol **must** follow the student contract they signed at the beginning of the school year. It is not transferable to anyone else and is the property of the Chippewa Falls Area School Safety Patrols, Inc. Some movies are advertised as no passes accepted. This pass will be issued **after** the student contract is signed and returned to the school.

Roller Skating Party

A back to school roller-skating party is held at High Rollers on Melby St. EC. Admission, pizza, soda and regular roller skates are provided by the CFSSP, Inc. A friend may come at his or her own expense. This event is usually held in October. Wear your "mini-camp" T-shirt as identification, it will be your admission to this event.

Christmas Party

The CFSSP, Inc. Board of Directors provides a Christmas Party prior to the holiday break. This event is held at Jim Bob's Pizza (Ojibwa Golf). The Ojibwa Golf and Bowl, Pepsi and the Chippewa County Professional Police Association sponsor this event. This party is usually held on the second Thursday in December, at 3:15PM.

Safety Patrol Scholarships

At the end of each school year, The Chippewa Falls Safety Patrol Board of Directors awards scholarships to two qualifying patrols. To apply for a scholarship, a patrol must have signed and fulfilled the provisions of their "student contract," and complete an essay. Only regular patrols may apply for scholarships. An official Safety Patrol application form and topic for the essay will be available about April 1st, and **must** be returned by May 1st, no exceptions. The essay will be judged by an independent committee and will be awarded by an employee of the sponsors at the year-end honors and awards program at the recipient's school. Two scholarships are presented. One by Chippewa Sand Transport and a second by EOG Resources, the same criteria and application form is used for both.

Safety Patrol Congress

The purpose of the congress is to recognize and reward students who faithfully serve as school safety patrols during the course of the school year. These students are positive role models and recognized as leaders by their peers. The Wisconsin Safety Patrol Congress is a special event that expresses our appreciation for your hard work and dedicated service. This event is co-sponsored by the Wisconsin Dells Visitor's Bureau, the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Wisconsin DOT and AAA Wisconsin. About 5000 patrols from around the state attend this event. The patrols and chaperons travel to Wisconsin Dells, the site of the Congress, by coach bus. This event is for regular patrol members. Patrols **must wear** the "T-shirt presented at the mini-camp and the ID Lanyard that will be issued to them at trip time. It **will** be visible at all times! The individual school's PTO or parent organization assumes the responsibility for part of the cost of this event. **All** meals, travel and admissions are included. This event is subsidized by the CFSSP, Inc. This event is usually held on the third Friday in May. This is a school district approved field trip.

Year-End Picnic

At the end of the school year the Chippewa Falls patrols are invited to a picnic in Irvine Park hosted by Gordy's County Market. Chippewa Falls Optimist Club provides the kitchen equipment and serves the food, pop and ice cream. The CFSSP, Inc. provides many prizes and contracts with Chippewa Yellow Bus Co. to provide transportation. Regular and substitute patrols are invited to this picnic. Patrols **must wear** the "T-shirt" presented to them at the mini-camp earlier in the year. "Subs" that are on the list for the full year are invited. *Some schools put on subs in May, these are not invited to this picnic.*

Any questions about these activities should be presented by email. Email addresses are in the front of this handbook.



**PARENT/ GUARDIAN PERMISSION FOR SCHOOL SPONSORED FIELD TRIPS
CONSENT TO MEDICAL TREATMENT AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

Please complete both top, bottom, and back of form return by (date is here).

(Printed Name of student) _____ has the opportunity to participate in the "School Safety Patrol." With your endorsement, your child will take on responsibilities that will strengthen character and provide an opportunity to help fellow students develop a better understanding of pedestrian and vehicular traffic hazards. There is a pledge form and "student contract" each child will be expected to sign and fulfill.

Parental consent: I understand the above and give my consent for my child to serve as a member of the School Safety Patrol at (school name will be here) **Elementary School.**

_____	_____	
Printed Child's Name	Printed Parent/Guardian Name	
_____	_____	<i>Please read entire document both sides!!!</i>
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date	

Members of the safety patrol have several reward activities offered to them. These activities are away from the school premises. If you approve your child's participation in these activities, please sign below. Your child may decline to attend any or all of these activities.

ADVISOR: **Ralph Coughman**

NATURE OF ACTIVITY: **SAFETY PATROL FIELD TRIPS.** Some are not during the school day.

- Activity: Back to school roller skating party. Oct. ____, 6:00PM to 8:00PM at High Roller's 3120 Melby St. Eau Claire, WI. Patrols must find their own transportation to and from this location. Safety Patrol T-Shirt required for admittance, skates, drinks and pizza.
- Activity: Christmas Party at Jim Bob's Pizza in Ojibwa Golf and Bowl, December ____ at 3:15PM, Transportation to and from is not provided. Students need to be picked up by parents/guardian at 4:15PM. Safety Patrol T-Shirt **NOT** required for this event!
- Activity: Safety Patrol Congress at Wisconsin Dells, May _____. Meet at 6:45AM at a prearranged location and return about 11:45PM. Transportation: Kobussen Coach Bus. Safety Patrol T-shirts a must! (Only 5th and 8th grade patrols should attend this trip.)
- Activity: Safety Patrol Picnic Irvine Park, May ____, at 11:30AM to 1:00PM. Times of pick-up at the schools will vary from 10:30AM to 11:15AM. Return 1:15PM to 2:00PM. Transportation: Chippewa Yellow Bus Co. Safety Patrol T-shirts required. (Substitute patrols, those on the sub. list all year may attend this picnic.)

_____	_____	_____
Child's Name	Parent/Guardian Signature	Date

I understand the nature of the school activities in which my son/daughter will be participating and that he/she is expected to abide by all school regulations, and those specific to each event, during the course of the activity. Copies of rules for the Wisconsin Dells trip will be provided prior to this event.

By signing below, I hereby give my permission for him/her to participate in the activities described on the front side of this form.

In the event of an accident, illness or other circumstance requiring medical treatment, such treatment may be procured for my son/daughter without financial obligation to the school district, the sponsor, or the Chippewa Falls School Safety Patrols, Inc. I do further authorize emergency treatment to be initiated at any medical facility to which my son/daughter has been transported.

I further agree that if my son/daughter receives medical treatment and/or is hospitalized, his/her name shall be released to school district/system officials upon their request.

IMPORTANT MEDICAL INFORMATION ADVISORS SHOULD KNOW:

EMERGENCY CONTACT PERSON(S) AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

THIS A COPY OF THIS FORM SHALL BE KEPT BY THE TEACHER/ADVISOR/CHAPERON DURING FIELD TRIP ACTIVITIES AND ORIGINAL LEFT AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

Signature of Parent/ Guardian _____ Date _____

Printed Parent Name _____ Home Phone _____

Address _____ Cell Phone _____

City _____ Email _____

Consent to Photograph

In the beginning of the school year, at student registration, a form was filled out allowing students to be photographed/video taped during classroom activities and programs with pictures used in newsletters, yearbooks or local newspapers. Safety patrols are occasionally photographed for news releases. One release is a full page advertisement printed in the Chippewa Herald on a weekend in May, thanking the patrols. In order to be certain your child's privacy is not infringed upon, please sign below once again giving permission to use photos as described above.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

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Patrol Members Pledge

I promise to do my best to...

Report to duty on time.

Perform my duties faithfully.

Strive to prevent accidents, always setting a good example myself.

Obey my patrol advisor and teachers.

Report dangerous student practices.

Strive to earn the respect of fellow students.

Participation in the "annual activities" (handbook pages 6 & 7) is dependent on this student contract.

Student Contract

As a Safety Patrol member, I agree to the following: *(This form changes to fit each school.)*

- I will be present at my post at 7:30AM and at 2:30PM. On early release day, I will be at my post before walking students are dismissed.
- I will perform my Safety Patrol duties to the best of my abilities.
- I will receive no failing grades on my first and second trimester report cards.
- I will accept responsibility to call another Safety Patrol to sub for me when absent or tardy from school.
- I will treat safety patrol equipment and the property of others with respect.
- I will always represent my school in a positive way by demonstrating respect, responsibility, kindness and leadership on-duty, while performing my Safety Patrol duties and when off duty, during the school day.

I, _____, agree to follow the above expectations and

Student name **printed**

fully understand that I may be suspended or removed from the Safety Patrol if I violate any of the above items.

Student Signature

Date

Parent/ Guardian Signature

Date

Completed form is kept on file in the school office.

Safety Patrol Authorization

The Chippewa Falls School Safety Patrol was authorized by the Board of Education and the Chief of Police, during the 1930-31 school year and continues to operate under that authority to this day.

State Laws Pertaining to Safety Patrol

(Flags used by safety patrols)

346.41(2) "No person shall place or maintain nor shall any public authority permit upon any highway any traffic control device bearing thereon and advertising except that a "yellow-green" or federal yellow flag, bearing either the words "Safety Patrol" or "School", attached to a light weight pole 8 feet or less in length maybe used by members of School Safety Patrols standing adjacent to but off the roadway to warn traffic that children are about to cross the roadway.

118.10 "School Safety Patrols. Any school board may organize school safety patrols and, with the permission of the parents, appoint pupils as members thereof for the purpose of influencing and encouraging the other pupils to refrain from crossing public highways at points other than at regular crossings and for the purpose of directing pupils not to cross highways at times when the presence of traffic would render such crossing unsafe. Nothing in this section authorizes or permits the use of any safety patrol member for the purpose of directing vehicular traffic, nor may a safety patrol member be stationed in that portion of the highway intended for the use of vehicular traffic, but this section shall not effect any plan in operation on July 11, 1939, under which a junior police patrol directs traffic under the authorization, supervision and control of either the sheriff's department or the chief of police or traffic department of the police department of any city, town or village. No liability shall attach to the school district or any individual, school board member, school district administer, teacher or other school authority by virtue of organization, maintenance or operation of a school safety patrol organized, maintained and operated under this section."

Note: Restates s. 40.63

346.24 Crossing at uncontrolled intersection or crosswalk. (1) At an intersection where traffic is not controlled by traffic control signals or by a traffic officer, the operator of a vehicle shall yield the right of way to a pedestrian, or to a person riding a bicycle or electric personal assistive mobility device in a manner which is consistent with the safe use of the crosswalk by pedestrians, who is crossing the highway within a marked or unmarked crosswalk.

(2) No pedestrian, bicyclist or rider of an personal mobility device shall suddenly leave the curb or other place of safety and walk, run or ride into the path of a vehicle which is so close that it is difficult for the operator of the vehicle to yield.

340.01(10) "Crosswalk" means either of the following, except where signs have been erected by local authorities indicating no crossing:

- Marked crosswalk. Any portion of the road clearly marked for pedestrian crossing by signs, lines or other markings on the surface; or
- Unmarked crosswalk. In the absence of signs, lines or markings, that part of the road, at an intersection, which is included within the transverse lines which would be formed on such roadway by connecting the corresponding lateral lines of the crosswalks on opposite sides of such roadway or in the absence of a corresponding sidewalk on one side of the roadway, that part of the roadway which is included within the extension of the lateral lines of the existing sidewalk at right angles to the center line thereof, except in no case does an unmarked crosswalk include any part of the intersection and in no case is there an unmarked crosswalk across a street at an intersection of such street with an alley.

Other laws pertaining to vehicle traffic in school areas:

346.57(4) Fixed limits. In addition to complying with the speed restrictions imposed by subs (2) and (3), no person shall drive a vehicle at a speed in excess of the following limits unless different limits are indicated by official traffic signs:

- (a) Fifteen miles per hour when passing a schoolhouse at those times when children are going to or from school or are playing within the sidewalk area at or about the school.
- (b) Fifteen miles per hour when passing an intersection or other locations properly marked with a "school crossing" sign of a type approved by the department when any of the following conditions exists:
 1. Any child is present
 2. A school crossing guard is present within the crosswalk area at the intersection...

Equipment

Standard uniform for Safety Patrol Members in the Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District, public and parochial, is yellow-green traffic vest with "safety patrol" wording affixed to it and a AAA School Safety Patrol Badge on it. A safety patrol raincoat may be worn in place of the vest on rainy days.

A yellow-green safety patrol belt may be worn for non-traffic duties, such as special assignments within the school building, or when assisting with bus lines etc.

Note: Florescent yellow and "yellow-green" are considered the same color.

"Hoodies," hooded shirts, jackets and sweatshirts are not part of the uniform and are considered "unsafe."

Addendum #1 Care and cleaning of equipment.

Flags are an important piece of equipment. They should not be used to chip ice, damage street signs or light poles, or dragged on the ground or snow. **(Remember your student contract!)** If they do get dirty, they should be removed from the metal post and cleaned (in a washing machine or by hand) with laundry detergent. They should be line dried. The lettering on the flag is screen printed with a rubber type ink and the heat from a dryer could damage the print.

Vests also are expensive! Please hang them in the proper place. Keep them off the floor!

Rain Ponchos should be hung on a plastic clothes hanger when not in use. Hanging them on a hook will cause a hole to appear in the rubberized material. Hang them in the assigned location. Do not let them lay on the floor!

The preferred method of cleaning is wiping with a damp cloth. They can be hand washed using laundry soap and warm (not HOT) water. Line dry, do not put in the dryer!

Addendum #2 In case of an accident:

Do not leave your post unattended. Get the help of an adult. If there are two patrols at a post, only one of them should seek help. The remaining patrol should protect the scene if someone appears to be injured. An adult in the school should call for emergency services.

As soon as possible make notes of what happened. Try to collect make and color of vehicle, license number, male or female driver, direction vehicle went and a description of what happened. Do this soon before you forget any of the facts!

Addendum #3 Incidents while at your post:

Occasionally, incidents happen near our schools. Safety patrols are sometimes given verbal or other inappropriate abuse by people passing by, or in parked cars, high school students, vehicles driving recklessly and so on. If these incidents are serious or repetitious, they should be reported to the principal who will decide if the police should be notified. On the "strength" of the complaint and information from the safety patrol action may result in a traffic citation or arrest. If the principal or school authority feels the incident important they will require a written statement as-soon-as possible while information is fresh. See **addendum #2** for some of the information needed. If it is determined the police are needed they should be called immediately.

Interesting Facts about Safety Patrols

The safety patrol is a voluntary group of students helping younger students cross streets in elementary schools across the United States. The official School Safety Patrol program was organized in 1920 by the American Automobile Association. In the early years it was called "Junior Police" or "Junior Safety Patrol." As of 1995, safety patrol members were located in 76 percent of the communities in all 50 States and Canadian provinces. There are about 500,000 members of the safety patrol program in more than 50,000 schools.

Today, generally, each school that has a safety patrol provides a staff member that organizes and supervises the safety patrol. Members of the patrol take a post at school crossings and work to ensure the safety of fellow students. In Chippewa Falls a volunteer coordinator provides training, safety lectures, and an ongoing supervision. School staff members provide direct supervision and support, while some of the equipment for the safety patrol is provided by the American Automobile Association, some "localized" equipment such as the flags and safety vests, are purchased by the Chippewa Falls School Safety Patrols, Inc., or donated by local businesses.

Early, the role of students in the junior safety patrol was to "teach safety and role model it." Student members were taught, and still are, to "direct children, not traffic." Chippewa Falls and most other safety patrols have no authority to direct traffic. Originally the patrols had the authority to stop traffic. When the law changed, the only known Wisconsin city where the safety patrol can stop traffic is Eau Claire!

Growing from concern for the well-being of students walking to school, the Chicago Motor Club pioneered the concept of School Safety Patrols in 1920 The Omaha Police Department in Omaha, Nebraska instituted one of the first safety patrols in the United States in 1923 The Junior Safety Patrol was instituted in Seattle, Washington in 1928. The junior safety patrol movement took hold in the 1930s. Chippewa Falls organized it's Safety Patrol in the 1930-1931 school year, under the direction of Police Officer Jack Hedrington. Members of the Safety Patrol were originally all boys and called "patrol boys". They were formally identified by a badge and a white cloth Sam Browne belt. Today both boys and girls serve as safety patrols and wear a fluorescent lime/yellow reflector vest or lime/yellow Sam Browne belt.

The CF Police Department, in 2005 withdrew from elementary school related safety programs including the Safety Patrol, for budget reasons. The Chippewa Falls School District and the CFASSPs Inc. with volunteer help currently guide the patrols.

In 2009, The Chippewa Falls Safety Patrol Advisor contacted State Senators and Representatives serving our area and as a result the florescent yellow became an official safety patrol color authorized by law. [346.41(2)]

In May of 2010, Patrol Lauren Micolichek received the AAA National Life Saver Award for her heroic actions at Southview School in April of 2009. She received her award medal in Washington, DC. Loren was also recognized for her actions at the Wisconsin Dells Safety Patrol Congress.

At that same awards ceremony in Washington DC,, the Chippewa Falls school district patrol advisor, Ralph Cushman, received the 2010 AAA National Safety Patrol Advisor of the Year Award.

In May of 2014, Jake Siegenthaler from Halmstad Elementary was named AAA Wisconsin Safety Patroller of the year! He received the trip with his mom and dad to Washington DC. He also was recognized at the award ceremony at the Wisconsin Safety Patrol Congress in Wisconsin Dells.

In April of 2015, Diane Bradley, patrol advisor at Halmstad School was named the Wisconsin AAA School Safety Patrol Advisor of the Year and received a trip to Washington DC.

Notes