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**School safety patrollers:
The champions of safety are back to give everyone a lesson on
back-to-school safety**

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THORNHILL, Ont. - School's open and that means thousands of school safety patrollers wearing electric lime green vests will be a familiar sight around school zones.

In Canada, more than 100,000 of these champions of safety volunteer their time to ensure that their fellow students make the daily trip to and from school each day safely. Aged 10 to 14, the patrollers assist students at intersections, crosswalks and school driveways and while boarding and disembarking buses. In South Central Ontario alone there are 25,000 school safety patrollers.

Several CAA School Safety patrollers with their school bus (provided by First Student transportation) will be with the Ontario Provincial Police at Yorkdale Mall on September 4 in the morning offering media a few basic lessons on back-to-school traffic safety. We will be located at the North East parking lot starting at 6 AM.

What: Back-to-school event - school safety lessons

Who: CAA and School Safety Patrollers along with OPP

**When: Fri., Sept 4, 2009
6 am – Noon**

Where: Yorkdale Mall (North East parking lot)

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