

Rhodes & Alana Ritenour

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School Bus Secret is the first children's book in a new series: **The Adventures of Rhodes and Alana**. This story will capture the imaginations of young readers with three chapters and color illustrations on each page. Parents, educators, and clinicians will appreciate the subtle lessons about friendship, responsibility, and life with diabetes.

Rhodes Ritenour was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes (T1D) at age 5, an autoimmune condition once known as juvenile diabetes. He and his wife, **Alana**, are co-founders of an online community, TheDiabetesSupportGroup.org, that provides practical advice, resources, and encouragement to diabetics and those who support them.

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book summary

Come along as eight-year-old Rhodes and his best friend Alana set out on their first adventure! Missing the school bus leads to an exciting journey, and an opportunity for Rhodes to tell Alana about living with type 1 diabetes. As a result, a new friendship is formed between these two spirited and confident kids.

notable reviews

"This book engages readers of all ages, entertains, and educates about diabetes management..."
-Charles "Chuck" Henderson, CEO of the American Diabetes Association

"This is a story that all kids need to read: an example of pure friendship, acceptance and support... to showcase the importance of education around chronic diseases and the acceptance of our differences."
-Dr. Aaron Kowalski, JDRF CEO

