

Dear Parent/Guardian:

After you have discussed the bus safety rules with your child and you are sure he/she understands all of these rules, please have your child and you sign this form and return the sheet with your child to the bus driver. Thank you for your co-operation and continued support in helping to make your child's bus trip safe.

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY RULES

1. The right of students to ride a bus is based upon the continued observance of the rules and regulations. The conduct of the students should be such that the driver's attention is not diverted from his primary duty of safely transporting students.
2. ORDERLY CONDUCT MUST BE OBSERVED.
3. The driver is in full charge of the bus and pupils. Pupils must obey the driver promptly and with respect.
4. The driver has the right of assigning seats to any student. The student must remain assigned to that seat until the driver changes it.
5. Students must be at their assigned bus stop five minutes before bus arrival time. After school the bus cannot wait for those who are tardy for any unnecessary reason.
6. Students must load on the right hand side of the road (according to the direction in which the bus is traveling). Students must never walk behind the bus and must walk at least 10' in front of the bus when the driver says it is safe to do so.
7. When leaving the bus, the students must follow any special directive received from the driver.
8. Students shall sit in their seats as soon as they get on the bus. STUDENTS MUST REMAIN SEATED AT ALL TIMES.
9. Students must NOT extend hands, arms or their heads out of the windows.
10. Students must keep the aisle clear. Books, bags, feet, etc. cannot be in the aisle while the bus is moving.
11. Students shall not be allowed to get off /on buses except at their assigned stop or at the school grounds without the written consent of the parent or the student's principal or teacher.
12. Any damage to the bus must be reported at once to the driver.
13. Damage to the seats or other equipment shall be paid for by the student.
14. Help keep the bus clean, sanitary and orderly. Pupils will not throw or shoot any article in the bus at any time. Food and drink carried on the bus shall be in proper containers and not eaten or drunk on the bus without permission. Glass containers will not be allowed on the bus unless properly enclosed.
15. CD players, Walkmans, etc. may be played with headphones only.
16. Students suspended from bus riding privileges may not ride any route bus.
17. All passengers must be silent while the bus is stopped for railroad crossings and remain quiet while the bus is crossing the tracks.
18. Harassment in any form will not be tolerated.
19. The possession or use of tobacco and alcohol is prohibited.
20. Students riding in any school bus equipped with factory installed lap belts shall wear a properly secured lap belt at all times the vehicle is in motion.
21. No live animals/pets of any type will be permitted on the bus.

STUDENTS WHO VIOLATE ANY RULE MAY BE REPORTED TO THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL AND THE TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISOR. STUDENTS MAY BE SUSPENDED TEMPORARILY OR PERMANENTLY FROM RIDING ANY BUS.

I/We hereby give permission for _____ to be trained as a Student Leader to help in the event of an emergency evacuation of the bus.

Yes _____ No _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

Student Signature

Bus #