

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SCHOOL BUS STUDENTS

- A. Conduct of students before boarding (on the road and at school)
1. Students must:
 - a. Arrive on time at their designated bus stop in order to help keep the bus on schedule.
 - b. Walk on the side of the road facing traffic, if there is no sidewalk or path, to get to the bus stop.
 - c. Stay off the road while waiting for the bus.
 - d. Conduct themselves in a safe manner while waiting for the bus.
 - e. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before attempting to board the bus.
 - f. Line up in an orderly, single file manner to board the bus.
 - g. Use the handrail and watch their step while boarding the bus.
 - h. Be courteous.
 2. Students must not:
 - a. Stand on the traveled portion of the highway while waiting for the bus.
 - b. Walk on people's lawns as this is private property.
 - c. Take advantage of younger children in order to get a seat.
 - d. Rush to get on the bus.
- B. Conduct of students on school bus
1. Students must:
 - a. Get on and off the bus only when the bus is fully stopped.
 - b. Enter and leave the bus only at the front door except in cases of emergency.
 - c. Take a seat when they enter the bus and remain seated while the bus is in motion.

- d. Sit only in those seats to which they have been assigned.
- e. Move from one seat to another only by permission of the driver and at a time when the bus is not in motion.
- f. Keep articles out of the aisles.

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2. Students must not:

- a. Use indecent or profane language
- b. Be rowdy or talk loudly.
- c. Talk unnecessarily with the bus driver.
- d. Eat or drink on the school bus.
- e. Smoke, light matches or play with hazardous items.
- f. Use or possess alcohol or drugs.
- g. Throw wastepaper, hats, caps, books, lunches or other articles while they are in or about the bus.
- h. Open bus windows without the permission of the driver.
- i. Extend their arms or head out of the bus window at any time.
- j. Throw articles from bus windows or throw articles from outside the bus into the vehicle.
- k. Bring large packages, large musical instruments, or any animals (caged or otherwise) on the bus.

C. Conduct of students after leaving the bus

1. Students must:

- a. Leave the bus in an orderly manner.
- b. Cross the road immediately after getting off the bus, at least ten feet in front of the bus, and only after looking to be sure that no traffic is approaching from either direction.
- c. Help look after the safety and comfort of small children.

- d. Be alert to danger signals from the driver.
 - e. Walk on the left side facing traffic when it is necessary to walk along highways.
2. Students must not:
- a. Leave the bus at any stop other than the one to which they have been assigned unless proper authorization has been given in advance by the Director of Transportation.
 - b. Loiter around the bus or run beside it when it is in motion.
 - c. Throw balls, paper, rocks, missiles, snowballs or other objects while they are either on or off the school bus.

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D. Other

- 1. Students who damage, injure, or deface any bus or any equipment on any bus, shall be held liable for such damage.
- 2. Students shall not challenge the authority of the bus driver while entering, riding, or leaving the bus.
- 3. All complaints shall be directed to the Director of Transportation or to the school Principal.

