

Regulations for Students Riding a Bus



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Safety First in Transportation
“Riding a bus is a privilege, not a right.”

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See [The School Bus Incident Report to Parents](#) For Specific Consequences of Misbehavior.

Parents: If there are any questions about the penalties, call the principal. If there are any questions about policies, call the Transportation Director, Rian Craft at 270-864-5607.

REGULATIONS FOR PUPILS RIDING SCHOOL BUSES

Bus drivers are in charge of their buses and their first responsibility will be the safe transportation of their passengers. The privilege of riding a school bus is conditioned upon continued good behavior by the pupil. Any pupil who violates rules or regulations for passengers on a school bus will be reported to the pupil's principal. Continued unacceptable behavior may cause the pupil to lose bus-riding privileges. If one or more pupils are behaving in such a way as to harm other pupils on the bus, the drivers are authorized to order the offending pupils off the bus. In that event, drivers will make every effort to drop the pupil near a house or open business establishment. At the first reasonable opportunity, the driver will notify the principal of the school where the pupil attends, Director of Transportation, and the pupil's parent or legal guardian.

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Walking to the Bus

1. Obey all traffic signs and signals
2. Look left, then left again when crossing the street
3. Try to wear light clothing that motorists can see
4. Do not accept rides or gifts from strangers
5. Walk to your assigned bus stop; do not run
6. Walk on the left side of the road facing traffic
7. Respect other people's property

Items on the Bus

1. No knives, glass containers or other sharp objects
2. No live, stuffed or preserved animals
3. No objects that cannot be held in the pupil's lap
4. No items that will cause a disturbance (electronic games and cell phones)
5. No balloons permitted

Waiting for the Bus

1. Be at your bus stop, 5 minutes ahead of time
2. Line up and don't push when the bus arrives
3. Do not stand in the road

Boarding the Bus

1. Only board the bus you are assigned to unless you have *written permission* from your principal
2. Wait for the bus to come to a complete stop before you board
3. If crossing the street, wait until the bus comes to a complete stop and the bus driver waves you across
4. Use the handrail
5. Go quietly to your assigned seat and sit down.
6. Do not stop to talk to your driver.

Riding the Bus

1. Sit quietly-Face forward at all times with feet on the floor, bottom in the seat, and keep your hands to yourself.
2. Change seats **ONLY** when the bus driver gives you permission.
3. Do not stand in the stepwell or landing, in front of the emergency door or any place that might block driver's vision.
4. Be quiet at all railroad crossings and road intersections.
5. Open windows **ONLY** when the bus driver gives you permission.
6. Keep your arms, legs, and head inside the bus.

7. Do not eat, drink, chew gum or smoke on the bus.
8. Keep all your items in your lap.
9. Report any damage to the bus to the driver when you leave the bus
10. Do not throw items on or off the bus.
11. Do not do or say anything that might distract the driver's attention.
12. Obey any directions given to you by the driver.

Leaving the Bus

1. Wait in your seat until the bus stops
2. Do not crowd or push
3. Use the handrail
4. Do not jump off the steps
5. Go directly into the school or directly home
6. Leave the bus only at your assigned stop unless you have *written permission* from your principal
7. When crossing the street, wait for the driver to signal you across.

Bike Riders:

1. Wear a helmet which is properly fitted at all times.
2. Ride on the right side of the road.
3. Stop at all stop signs and obey red lights just as cars do.
4. Stop and check for traffic in both directions when leaving driveways, pathways, or curbs.
5. Slow down and check traffic at all corners.
6. Keep both hands on the handle bars except when doing turn signals.
7. Walk their bike at all crosswalks.
8. Never ride over or between road medians.
9. Walk their bike after entering the campus.

Walkers Shall:

1. Use the sidewalk or other areas designated for pedestrians.
2. Always cross the street at designated crosswalks.
3. Stop and check for traffic in both directions when crossing streets or leaving the curb.
4. Stop at all stop signs and obey crossing signals.
5. Stay off busy streets whenever possible.

Parent-Pick-ups Shall:

1. Wait for rides on the sidewalk and other designated areas.
2. Be picked up by 3:00 on regular school days.

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Transportation Safety Contract

Student signature or name

Grade

Street or Road name

City

State

Zip

Phone Number

I have read and understand the REGULATIONS FOR PUPIL RIDING SCHOOL BUSES and agree to assume full responsibility for my child's conduct on the buses. Failure of the above named student to comply with the following conditions may result in disciplinary action. I have read and agree to abide by the above conditions.

PARENTS Responsibility:

- Report any misconduct on school buses to the principal.
- Report all traffic hazards and the bus numbers of all buses observed being operated carelessly to the Transportation Department.
- Encourage students to observe all safety and conduct regulations established for the safe and efficient operation of the school bus.
- Observe extreme caution when approaching bus stops, moving buses or stopped buses.
- See that your children are at the bus stops 5 minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.
- If your child will not be riding the bus, make appropriate transportation arrangements for the student. Please follow school procedures.
- Students are to be picked up by 3:00 pm on regular school days.

My student will be riding the bus:

Morning Route Afternoon Route Both Morning and Afternoon Route or

Different times throughout the school year (field trips, etc.)

X _____
Parent or guardian signature

Date

X _____
Student signature

Date

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Bus Discipline Handbook for 2016-17 SY

Recommend Changes:

Date Change on the first page.

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Bus Discipline Handbook for 2014-15 SY

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Bus Discipline Handbook for 2013-14 SY

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Bus Discipline Handbook for 2012-13 SY

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Superintendent Change on the first page

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Under #1 Sit quietly-**Face forward at all times with feet on the floor, bottom in the seat and keep your hands to yourself.**

Under #4. No items that will cause a disturbance (electronic games and **cell phones**)

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Bus Discipline Handbook for 2010-11 SY

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