

Bus Rules

The bus driver is fully responsible for the bus and its riders. The safety of the bus and passengers demands complete cooperation from the students. It is the duty of the bus driver or chaperone to report names of students who persist in violating rules and regulations. The administration has the right to deny bus transportation and utilize the student discipline policies for a student who violates one or more of the rules. In such cases, the parents become responsible for seeing that their children get to and from school safely. The following rules apply at all times to all riders including bus trips to out of town activities. **Please review these rules with your child.**

1. Students shall obey all instructions from the bus driver and/or chaperones.
2. Rules of conduct and courtesy expected in school are also to be observed while riding the school bus.
3. Students must be on time at the designated bus stops. The bus cannot wait beyond its regular time schedule for tardy riders.
4. Students must stand in a safe place away from the traffic lane while waiting for the bus.
5. When seats are assigned, students must occupy those seats, otherwise students will enter the bus in an orderly fashion and go directly to a seat. Students must stay in their seats and be in a sitting position when the bus is in motion. Do not change seats or lean over seats bothering others.
6. Hand, arms, heads and other objects are not to be extended out of the bus windows at any time.
7. Shouting, screaming, running, fighting, vulgar talk, and pushing are not permitted.
8. Students must follow the instructions of the driver while entering or leaving the bus. They will wait for the signal from the bus driver to cross the road or highway. The crossing should be made approximately 10 feet in front of the bus, in full view of the driver.
9. Students have the responsibility to assist the driver in keeping the interior of the bus clean and orderly. Paper and rubbish will be collected and disposed of properly.
10. All articles such as athletic equipment, books, musical instruments, etc. must be kept out of the aisle.
11. If a student desires to leave the bus anywhere other than the designated stop, a written permission note from the parent or guardian is needed.
12. Students who do not regularly ride the bus need prior permission from the driver.
13. Students who ride the bus for out-of-town activities must return on the same bus, unless the chaperone receives advance permission from the parent or guardian.
14. Damage that occurs to the bus is to be reported to the driver immediately. Damages will be paid by the rider inflicting the damage and will be subject to suspension or expulsion from school.