

STUDENT RULES

Loading and Unloading

1. Be at your assigned loading zone on time (5 minutes before pickup). Buses cannot wait for late students and still get to school on time.
2. Exercise extreme caution in getting to and from your assigned bus stop.
3. Look in both directions before stepping from behind parked cars.
4. Stay well off the roadway until the bus comes to a complete stop and the bus driver indicates that it is safe to board.
5. Do not play on or near the road while waiting for the bus to arrive.
6. Look in both directions before crossing any roadway.
7. Never walk on the road when there is a sidewalk or pathway.
8. Always walk on the left side of the road facing oncoming traffic and step off the road when a motor vehicle approaches.
9. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before trying to load or unload.
10. All articles of clothing or attachments that dangle or swing freely while a student is walking must be secured before boarding a bus.
11. Use the hand rail while getting on and off the bus.
12. If possible, wear white or light colored clothing or carry a flashlight if you walk on the roadway in the dark in order that the motoring public can see you.
13. When you must cross the road to board or exit the bus always cross at least 10 feet in front of the bus after getting the "okay" from the driver.
14. Occasionally buses are delayed due to weather or traffic conditions. Students should wait a reasonable amount of time for a bus that is late. Parental discretion is needed for the amount of time depending on weather conditions. If a bus is more than fifteen minutes late please call the school office.

While in the Bus

1. Do not distract the driver's attention other than when necessary.
2. Talk to your friends in a normal tone and do not shout. Do not talk or make unnecessary noise when the bus is approaching and crossing a railroad or a highway intersection.
3. Keep head, hands, and articles inside the bus.
4. Do not bring unauthorized articles on the bus (i.e., pets, combustibles, weapons, sharp objects, balloons, etc.). Check with the driver before taking any questionable item on the bus.
5. An open container or other object that could spill must be secured so that dropping it does not create a problem.
6. Parents should arrange transportation for students who have unusually large or cumbersome objects to take to school (very large band instruments, science projects, etc.) Fund raisers that require more than one shopping bag in addition to a book bag should not be taken on the bus.
7. Do not smoke or use profane language.
8. Do not fight or scuffle.
9. Be courteous to and follow the instructions of your bus driver.

At the Bus Stop - Due to the obvious lack of supervision the school can provide at bus stops, parents must assume responsibility for the conduct and safety of their own child as they walk to (and from) the stop and wait for the bus. Rules/regulations of student conduct and appropriate behavior also apply at these times. Students who violate them are subject to the school discipline code.

Throwing rocks, snowballs or other harmful objects is not permitted at bus stops.