

School Bus Rules

All students are to understand that the bus driver is in charge of the bus at all times. Any student who repeatedly violates the safety precautions and/or conduct rules may be denied the privilege of riding the bus and is subject to other disciplinary action to be determined by the Headmaster. To that end, the following conduct rules are called to your attention:

1. Students must arrive at the bus stop 5 minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive. The bus will not wait.
2. Students must wait quietly in a location clear of traffic and away from the bus stop.
3. Student behavior at bus stops must not threaten life, limb or property of any individual.
4. Students must go directly to an available or assigned seat.
5. Students must remain seated, keeping aisles and exits clear
6. Students must observe classroom conduct. All school rules apply on the bus. Obey the driver promptly and respectfully.
7. Students must be courteous and respectful to fellow students and to the bus driver. (School Policy)
8. Students must not engage in loud talking or laughing, excessive horseplay, or fighting. (School Policy)
9. Unnecessary confusion diverts the driver's attention and might result in a serious accident.
10. Students must not use profane or abusive language.
11. Students must refrain from chewing gum, eating and drinking on the bus except as required for medical reasons.
12. Students must not use tobacco, or related products, on the bus.
13. Students must not have alcohol or drugs in their possession on the bus except for prescription medication required for student.
14. Students must not throw or pass objects on, from or into the bus.
15. Students may carry on the bus only objects that can be held in their laps. No living creatures are permitted.
16. Students must treat bus equipment as one would treat valuable furniture in his/her home. Vandalism will not be tolerated. Keep the bus clean and sanitary.
17. Students must not extend any part of their bodies out of the bus windows.
18. Students are to remain absolutely quiet at railroad crossings until the bus has completely crossed and the driver says it is OK to talk.
19. Students must leave or board the bus at locations to which they have been assigned unless they have written parental and administrative authorization to do otherwise.

Driver's responsibility prior to the first written conduct report:

1. Drivers will confer with the student and/or change the student's seating assignment.
2. Drivers are strongly urged to call parents (doing so is a proven, effective way of managing student behavior).