

Bus Rider Rules

1. Previous to Loading (on the road and at school):
 - A. Be on time at the designated school bus stops--keep the bus on schedule.
 - B. Stay off the road at all times while waiting for the bus.
 - C. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before attempting to enter.
 - D. Be careful in approaching bus stops.
 - E. Bus riders are not permitted to move toward the bus at the school loading zone until the bus has been brought to a complete stop.

2. While on the Bus:
 - A. Keep hands and head inside the bus at all times after entering and until leaving the bus.
 - B. Refrain from the use of any form of tobacco.
 - C. Assist in keeping the bus safe and sanitary at all times.
 - D. Remember that loud talking and laughing or unnecessary confusion diverts the driver's attention and may result in a serious accident.
 - E. Treat bus equipment as you would valuable furniture in your own home. Damage to seats, etc., must be paid for by the offender.
 - F. Bus riders should never tamper with the bus or any of its equipment.
 - G. Leave no books, lunches, or other articles on the bus.
 - H. Keep books, packages, coats, and all other objects out of the aisles.
 - I. Help look after the safety and comfort of small children.
 - J. Do not throw anything out of the bus window.
 - K. Bus riders are not permitted to leave their seats while the bus is in motion.
 - L. Horse-play is not permitted around or on the school bus.
 - M. Bus riders are expected to be courteous to fellow pupils, the bus driver, and the patrol officers or driver's assistants.
 - N. Keep absolute quiet when approaching a railroad crossing stop.
 - O. In case of a road emergency, children are to remain in the bus.
 - P. Bus driver is responsible for all riders.

3. After Leaving the Bus:
 - A. When crossing the road, go at least ten feet in front of the bus, stop, check traffic, watch for the bus driver's signal, then cross the road.
 - B. Students living on the right side of the road should immediately leave the bus and stay clear of traffic.
 - C. Help look after the safety and comfort of small children.
 - D. The driver will not discharge riders at places other than the regular bus stop, except, by proper authorization from the parent or school official.

Student Conduct on Buses/Bus Rider Rules - continued

4. Extra-Curricular Trips:

- A. The above rules and regulations will apply to any trip under school sponsorship.
- B. Pupils shall respect the wishes of a competent chaperon approved by the school officials.

5. Discipline:

- A. Discipline is necessary for the safety of the students on the bus.
- B. Positive disciplinary actions will be the first step in dealing with discipline problems.
- C. When positive disciplinary actions do not succeed, suspension from riding school transportation may result.

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Legal Reference:

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