

Bus Conduct

The safety of our students is our top priority. Therefore, each student is expected to cooperate fully by always obeying the rules. The authority of the bus driver, who is in charge of the bus, will be recognized and supported by all. For everyone's safety, the bus driver must:

1. be heard;
2. be able to hear traffic sounds such as sirens;
3. be obeyed by students quickly and efficiently.

School transportation is a privilege. Transportation is available, but it can be taken away if students choose to violate any of the safety and conduct rules. If transportation privileges are lost, the parents/guardians are responsible for getting their children to and from school.

Rules For Pupils Who Ride The Bus

School bus drivers are to have control of all school children transported between the homes of the children and the school, and return. The driver shall keep order, maintain discipline among the children while in the bus or along the route, shall treat all the children in a civil manner, see that no child is imposed upon or mistreated while in his/her charge, and shall use every care for the safety of the children under his/her charge. School bus drivers shall assure that the following regulations are observed by all pupil passengers:

- a. Each pupil shall be located immediately upon entering the bus in the place assigned by the driver.
- b. No pupils shall stand or move from place to place during the trip. Students should be sitting down and facing the front of the bus at all times.
- c. Loud, boisterous, or profane language, or indecent conduct shall not be tolerated.
- d. Pupils shall not be allowed to tease, scuffle, trip, hold, hit or use their hands or body in any other objectionable manner.
- e. Pupils shall not open or consume food or beverages, i.e. soft drinks, etc., while riding the bus, unless permission has been given by the driver for a special reason or occasion.
- f. Pupils shall not be allowed to transfer from their regular route bus to another unless they have a bus pass from the school office.
- g. No pupils shall enter or leave the bus until it has come to a full stop and the door have been opened by the driver.
- h. The child should be waiting at his or her boarding station when the school bus arrives. In case of an emergency causing late arrival by the pupil at his or her station, the school bus driver will be required to wait no longer than three minutes after the scheduled time for arrival at the pupil station. If the school bus driver is already three minutes late, he or she need not wait at all.
- i. Upon recommendation of the bus driver, school authorities may deny the privilege of riding on the school bus to any pupil who refused to conduct himself or herself in a gentlemanly or lady-like manner on the bus.