

Two complete business days are required BEFORE bus service can begin.

Safe transportation of students is the highest priority. In order to meet the conditions outlined by the State and provide safe, prompt movement of students, the school district has adopted standard regulations and procedures and has provided restrictive measures for violations of the rules. They are outlined below for your information and for the guidance of your student. The School District Code of Conduct also applies to students while riding the bus. The school district is pleased to provide transportation for its students and solicits your assistance in helping create a safe, healthy operation. We ask your cooperation in developing proper behavior patterns for those students who ride the bus.

**As a Bus Rider, I agree to:**

1. Be at my bus stop at least 5 minutes prior to the estimated pick up time.
2. Be visible to my driver by waiting on a sidewalk or driveway that is at least 10 feet from the traveled portion of the road.
3. Not approach the bus until it has come to a complete stop and the service door has been opened. I will not approach the bus any time it is moving. I will wait for the bus driver's signal before crossing the street.
4. Use the handrail each time I enter or leave the bus.
5. Remain seated in my assigned seat (with my bottom on the seat), my feet on the floor, and face forward to keep aisles and exits clear.
6. Understand that I may not put my feet or other belongings in aisles or other seats, or lean across the seat in front of or behind me.
7. Be courteous to fellow students and the bus driver.
8. Not bring anything on the bus that is made of or contains glass.
9. Follow all instructions given to me by my bus driver.
10. Not throw any object including trash or paper inside or out of the bus while waiting for, riding, or after leaving the bus.
11. Not extend hands, arms, heads or object from the bus windows at any time.
12. Refrain from shouting or gesturing to passing vehicles or pedestrians from the bus.
13. Put windows down no more than half way when permitted to do so by the driver.
14. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop and the driver opens the door before standing to exit. I will then exit single file in an orderly manner.
15. Not distract the bus driver at any time.
16. NEVER COME BACK TO A SCHOOL BUS TO RETRIEVE A DROPPED OR FORGOTTEN ITEM WITHOUT GETTING THE FULL ATTENTION OF THE DRIVER FIRST.
17. Observe classroom conduct. Shouting, vulgar language or gestures are not permitted.
18. Stay out of the driver's seat and not tamper with any operating equipment.
19. Not mark, cut or scratch any part of the bus. Vandalism cost will be paid by the person who is responsible. Students will not be allowed to ride the bus until payment is made.
20. Not exit from the emergency door unless directed to do so by the driver.
21. Not eat or drink on the bus.
22. Not bring tobacco, drugs or alcohol in any form on the bus.
23. Bring an approved note for any bus riding change. \*Students will not be allowed to ride home on another bus with a friend or bring a friend home on their assigned bus without informing the school office. The office will then issue a bus note to be given to the bus driver.
24. Not bring large items that cannot be held on my lap. \*Other arrangements must be made to transport large items to and from school when necessary as space is limited on school buses.
25. Will not open hand sanitizers, cologne, perfume, deodorant etc. on the bus.
26. Not bring any item creating a safety hazard on the bus including, but not limited to: animals, knives, matches, firearms, including cap and water pistols, or explosives.
27. Understand that if I engage in conduct considered dangerous to the health and safety of myself or others, I will be subject to immediate emergency removal from the school bus.
28. Understand that if I do not obey any of the rules, I will be issued a conduct notice.