



BUS DISCIPLINE

Consequences for school bus/bus stop misconduct will apply to all routes. Decisions regarding a student's ability to ride the bus in connection with co-curricular and extra-curricular events (i.e., field trips or competitions) will be the sole discretion of ProCommute. Parents or guardians will be notified of any suspension of bus privileges.

Students K-12:

- * Written warning – copy mailed home
- * 1st offense - 1 day bus suspension
- * 2nd offense - 5 day bus suspension
- * 3rd offense - bus suspension for the remainder of the school year

Special Ed. students will receive discipline in conjunction with the student's I.E.P.

Based on the severity of a student's conduct, more serious consequences may be imposed at any time. Depending on the nature of the offense, consequences such as suspension or expulsion from school may also result from school bus/bus stop misconduct.

Records of school bus/bus stop misconduct will be forwarded to the individual school building and will be retained in the same manner as other student discipline records. Reports of serious misconduct will be provided to the Department of Public Safety. Records may also be maintained in the transportation office.

Students damaging school buses will be responsible for the damage. Failure to pay such damages/ restitution (or make arrangements to pay) within two weeks will result in the loss of bus privileges until damages are paid.

In cases involving criminal conduct (i.e., assault, weapons, possession or vandalism), the transportation office will press charges on the student involved and will inform the Superintendent, local law enforcement officials and the Department of Public Safety.

BUS STOP RULES

- **Students are expected** to be at their bus stop 5 minutes before their scheduled pick up time. School bus drivers are not able to wait for late students.
- **Students are expected** to respect the property of others while waiting at their bus stop.
- **Use of profanity** is not permitted at bus stops.
- **Students must stay** away from the street, road or highway when waiting for the bus. Students should wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before approaching the bus to board.
- **Student departing** the bus must move away from the bus.
- **If students must cross the street**, they are to always cross 10 feet in front of the bus where the driver can clearly monitor the student's location. Students are to wait for the bus driver to signal students to cross the street.
- **Fighting, harassment, intimidation and horseplay** are forbidden at bus stops. No use of alcohol, tobacco or drugs at bus stops.

SCHOOL BUS RULES

- **Students are to immediately** follow the directions of the driver.
- **Students are to sit** in their seat facing forward.
- **Use of profanity** is not permitted on the bus and students are to talk quietly.
- **Students are to keep** all parts of their body inside the bus.
- **Students are to keep arms, legs and belongings** to themselves.
- **Fighting, harassment, intimidation and horseplay** are forbidden on the bus.
- **Students are not to throw** any object on the bus.
- **No use of alcohol, tobacco or drugs** on the bus.
- **All articles** that students bring onto the bus with them must be able to fit on the student's lap in their bus seat.
- **Do not bring any weapon** or dangerous objects on the bus.
- **Students are not to damage** the school bus.
- **Bus drivers** have the right to assign seats to students.