

STUDENT CONDUCT ON ~~SCHOOL BUSES~~ **DISTRICT MANAGED
TRANSPORTATION**

The following regulations pertain to ~~student school bus~~ **conduct on District managed transportation** and are intended to ensure the safety and welfare of the students, the ~~bus~~ driver and other drivers on the road and to ensure safety and proper maintenance of school ~~buses~~ **vehicles**.

Students will:

1. be careful in approaching bus stops, walk on the left facing oncoming traffic, ~~and~~ be sure that the road is clear both ways before crossing the highway **and wait in a location clear of traffic**;
2. ~~be on time~~ **arrive** at the bus stop **before the bus is scheduled to arrive** in order to permit the bus to follow the time schedule;
3. **not exhibit behavior at the bus stop that threatens life, limb or property of any individual**;
- 4.3- sit in assigned seats (~~bus~~ drivers have the right to assign a student to a seat ~~in the bus~~ and to expect reasonable conduct similar to conduct expected in a classroom);
- 5.4- reach assigned seat ~~in the bus~~ without disturbing or crowding other students and remain seated while the ~~bus~~ **vehicle** is moving;
- 6.5- obey the driver promptly and respectfully and recognize that he/she has an important responsibility and that it is everyone's duty to help ensure safety;
- 7.6- keep the ~~bus~~ **vehicle** clean and sanitary, refrain from chewing gum or consuming candy, food or drinks on the ~~vehicle bus~~ **at any time (accept as required for medical reasons)**;
- 8.7- refrain from **using profane language and from** loud talking or laughing (unnecessary confusion diverts the driver's attention and might result in a serious accident);
- 9.8- **remain seated keeping aisles and exits clear**, keep head, arms and hands inside the ~~bus~~ **vehicle** at all times **and not throw or pass objects on, from or into the vehicle**;
- 10.9- be courteous to fellow students and to the ~~bus~~ driver;
- 11.10- treat ~~bus~~ equipment as one would treat valuable furniture in his/her home (damage to the school ~~bus~~ **vehicle** is strictly forbidden); ~~and~~

- ~~11. remain seated until the bus stops, wait for the signal from the bus driver and cross in front of the bus.~~
- 12. not use tobacco on the vehicle or possess alcohol or drugs on the vehicle except as prescription medications may be required for a student and**
- 13. carry on the vehicle only items that can be held in their laps.**

Students must remain seated until the vehicle stops, then promptly unload and wait in their designated place of safety until the vehicle leaves. Students who must cross the street to reach the residence side of the street must wait for the signal from the driver and cross in front of the vehicle after also checking for traffic themselves.

Failure of a student to follow these regulations may result in his/her forfeiting the right of transportation ~~by school bus~~ **on District managed transportation.**

Discipline

The Board authorizes the Superintendent or other administrators to suspend a student from ~~school bus riding~~ **transportation** privileges only for a period of up to one school year. The only due process required is notice to the student of an intended bus riding suspension and an opportunity to appear before the administrator considering the suspension before it happens. The administrator's decision is final.

When discipline problems with individual students arise, use the following guidelines.

1. If possible, the driver should resolve the problem.
2. When the driver is unable to resolve the problem, he/she should report it to the transportation supervisor. The transportation supervisor and driver, if necessary, confer with the principal. Any discipline is imposed by the principal of the school.
3. Problems that cannot be resolved by measures specified above are referred to the Superintendent.

(Approval date:)

NOTE: The coding indicates that the identical regulation also is filed in Section J, Students. It is advisable that regulations in the area of student transportation bear the board's official stamp of approval.