

Midfield City Schools

School Bus Rules

The Board recognizes the school bus as an extension of the classroom. Students are required to conduct themselves in a responsible manner on the bus going to and from school and on all field trips. The Board further recognizes that riding a school bus is a privilege that will be revoked if appropriate conduct by the student is not observed.

The driver will report student misconduct to the principal or the principal's designee at the school where the child is enrolled. The school administrator or designee will administer discipline in accordance with policies and procedures governing misconduct. Should the misconduct seriously endanger the safety of others, the driver is authorized to stop the bus and notify the Board of Education offices, school administrators, or law enforcement immediately. During transportation of students on school district buses or other modes of transportation used from time-to-time, video cameras may be used by school personnel for the purpose of supervision of students using said transportation. ***Denial of the privilege of riding the bus shall be authorized as an appropriate consequence to serious misconduct.***

Students may not ride a bus other than the one to which they are assigned. Students will provide written permission from a parent to the principal for approval when planning to exit the assigned bus at a stop other than their own. Parents are urged to send notice in writing whenever a student who typically rides the bus home will use another means of transportation.

Student Transportation Rules

1. Students will maintain proper conduct at all times while riding the bus.
2. Students will not use profanity, offensive, or disrespectful language or gestures.
3. Students will remain seated and facing forward with feet on the floor and legs out of the aisle.
4. Students will keep all body parts inside the bus at all times, even when the bus is stopped.
5. Students will maintain a low level of conversation with person(s) in the same seat.
6. Students will not spit or throw anything in the bus or out of the windows.
7. Students will not push, shove, intimidate, harass, fight, or otherwise disturb others.
8. Students will be at the designated bus stop five minutes before the designated pick-up time.
9. Students will present written permission from a parent to the principal/designee no later than 9:00 AM each time the student is planning to exit the bus at another stop. The principal may or may not approve the request.
10. Students may not damage the school bus. Parents are financially responsible.
11. Students may not have any food, drink, candy, or gum on any Midfield bus at any time.
12. Students will respectfully follow the directions of the school bus driver at all times.
13. Students will load and exit in a proper and orderly manner.
14. Students will not carry items on the bus which are not allowed at school. This list includes but is not limited to matches, tobacco products, lighters, knives, guns, weapons, explosives, CD players, radios, tape recorders, players, cell phones, beepers, cameras, electronic devices, live animals, toys, glass containers, large bulky items, etc.
15. Guest riders are not allowed – only students and school personnel.

Parents should be aware that the school bus driver's job is to protect students' lives and safety. Student misconduct distracts the driver and endangers everyone on the bus. Failure of any student to follow the above rules and the rules/regulations of Midfield City Schools will lead to disciplinary actions.

I certify that I have read and understand the above rules and agree to comply with them. I have also discussed this information with my child and stressed the consequences for violating any of the rules listed above.

Parent's Signature _____

Date _____

Student's Name _____

School _____