

RULES FOR BUS RIDERS

In order to provide all passengers with a safe environment, the bus driver is in charge. The driver's directions are to be followed at all times. The driver may assign seats to insure an orderly, safe environment. All school rules are to be followed, while on school buses.

In addition, to assist the driver in providing this safe environment, all students are to conform to the behaviors listed below.

- We will not have in our possession or use objects, which are forbidden, in school. This includes but not limited to weapons, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, animals, lighters, balloons, etc.
- Radios, IPOD's mp3 players, etc. will be allowed with earphones. Students are discouraged from bringing cell phones on the bus and to school. Cell phones should be turned off and in a student's pocket or book bag. Drivers may confiscate these devices if they become a distraction.
- We will not fight, hit, throw things, or engage in horseplay on the bus.
- We will keep our arms, heads, legs, and possessions inside the bus.
- We will take our seats and remain seated, facing forward, until exiting the bus.
- We will not sell or purchase items on the bus.
- We will take care of the bus by being careful not to damage it.
- We will help to keep the bus clean and safe. Eating or drinking on the bus is not permitted. Gum chewing is not permitted on the bus.
- We will be courteous and respectful in our words and actions towards others. Behaviors to be avoided include but are not limited to: throwing items, obscene language or gestures, name calling, racial remarks, ridiculing others, disrobing, or damaging property.
- We will keep our belongings under control and out of the aisle. Large school related items may be brought on the bus if they can be safely stored within the seating compartment.
- We will keep our conversation at a low volume as not to distract the driver.
- We will get our parent's permission and the school's written permission before making any change in bus routing, such as getting off at another stop or riding a different bus.

Students who fail to comply with the above rules or in a manner exhibit improper behavior may be denied bus riding privileges. This penalty may range from a day to the remainder of the school year.