

## GENERAL RULES FOR TRANSPORTATION

- Students are required to be out waiting for the bus five(5) minutes prior to their bus stop time. Drivers have a schedule to maintain and will not wait for tardy pupils. If the bus cancels its lights or pulls away, DO NOT CHASE THE BUS. This is how accidents happen.
- Cheerfully obey the bus driver's instructions. Friendly, respectful people get along better.
- Students are expected to display good behavior while on the bus. Quiet conversation is fine. When approaching a railroad crossing, students are to be silent until the bus is safely across the tracks.
- Always remain seated while a bus is moving. It may be necessary to sit three to a seat. The bus driver will assign seats at the start of the school year and those assignments may change on occasion, due to behaviors.
- Wait until the bus has come to a complete stop before attempting to enter or leave the bus.
- Eating or drinking is not permitted on the buses except for special occasions approved by the driver.
- Musical instruments, books, projects or other personal items must be held by the owner. We encourage parents to transport on days large items must be taken to school.
- Stay off the roadways at all times while waiting for a bus. Form a single line and board the bus one at a time. Remember to respect the property of others while waiting for the bus.
- Hands and heads are to be kept inside the bus at all times. There will be no unnecessary disturbing noises or vulgar/profane language.
- Students are expected to get on and off the bus at their designated stops ONLY. A bus pass for the driver or a call to transportation is expected if it is necessary to get on and/or off at another location, even if it is on the same bus you normally ride. This practice is not encouraged due to the bus loads.
- When crossing, students must be 10 ft. in front of the bus. You must wait for the driver to signal. Students may then cross only in front of the bus. NEVER should a student cross the road behind the bus.
- Animals, glass containers and helium balloons, are not allowed on the buses.
- Students are expected to help keep the buses clean. Dispose of paper and other unwanted items properly.
- Students are asked to report any damage they see to the driver. Vandalism is a serious issue and will be addressed as soon as possible.
- Riders are expected to be considerate to all other passengers and to the driver at all times.
- Misconduct on the bus will not be tolerated. Drivers are in charge at all times and are required to report this behavior to building principals. Riding privileges may be suspended.
- Remember...school bus transportation is a privilege, not a right. Misconduct may result in the loss of this privilege. Our buses have camera systems and are viewed by the supervisor and principal if necessary.