



## **BUS RIDERS' RULES & REGULATIONS**

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### **BUS SAFETY RULES:**

- Be courteous to fellow students, the bus driver, and attendant.
- Assist in keeping the bus safe and clean.
- Keep all parts of your body inside the bus at all times.
- Sit in your seat facing forward at all times.
- Keep backpacks, coats, and all other objects out of the aisles.
- Talk quietly and use appropriate language.
- Do not throw anything while on the bus or out of the bus window.
- Fighting, harassment, and bullying are not allowed.
- Weapons, dangerous objects, and weapon look-alikes are prohibited on the bus.
- Do not tamper with the bus or any of its equipment. Damage to seats or other equipment must be paid for by the offender.
- Use or possession of alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs on school buses is prohibited. Any student suspected of being under the influence or possession of alcohol, drugs, chemicals, tobacco, or illegal substances will be reported by the bus driver to the appropriate school officials.
- There shall be absolute quiet when approaching a railroad crossing stop.
- In case of an emergency, remain in your seat unless given other instructions.

### **GETTING ON AND OFF THE BUS:**

- Be on time at the designated school bus stop.
- Stay off the road/street at all times while waiting for the bus.
- Do not move toward the bus until the bus has been brought to a complete stop.
- When approaching your stop, stay in your seat until the bus has come to a complete stop.
- City Riders – When dropped off in the afternoon, step onto the sidewalk immediately after exiting the bus. If you have to cross the street, wait until the bus leaves the area and then proceed to cross only after checking left and right for oncoming traffic.
- Rural Riders – Wait until the driver signals you to cross the road. After getting off the bus, cross the road at least ten feet in front of the bus.

### **OBEYING BUS RIDERS' RULES:**

- If you disobey the rules and regulations, the bus driver will file a "Bus Conduct Report" with the building principal. Parents will then be notified.
- Ordinarily the first offense will result in a warning, and subsequent offenses may result in a denial of riding privileges for a period to be determined by the building principal. If the initial offense is serious, it could result in immediate suspension from riding the bus.
- Revocation of riding privileges will occur only after parents and the student have been notified.