



RULES FOR STUDENT CONDUCT ON SCHOOL BUSES

Background

1. The school bus is considered an extension of the classroom and, therefore, classroom conduct must be always observed.
2. The bus driver is responsible for the students on the bus and must, therefore, receive the respect, consideration and cooperation of each student.
3. Students shall be assigned seats and shall remain in that seat while on the bus.
4. Students are not to attempt to get on or off the bus or move inside the bus while the vehicle is in motion.
5. Students are expected to be on time. The bus will not wait in the morning for students who are not at the pick-up point at the scheduled time.
6. Students are expected to go promptly to their bus after school is dismissed or when their bus is scheduled to leave school.
7. Students must ride their designated scheduled bus.
8. Eating on the bus is at the discretion of the driver; however, if the bus is not kept clean the privilege will be withdrawn.
9. While leaving the bus, students shall observe the directions of the driver.
10. Skates may be taken on the bus only if guards cover the blades and are in a backpack.
11. Students shall leave equipment in the area designated by the driver. The driver may refuse to carry large items that obstruct aisles or doors or be a danger in any way. Skateboards and scooters are not allowed on the school bus.
12. Any student violating bus regulations shall be reported by the driver to the Principal of the school that they attend as soon as possible. The Principal has the authority to suspend or recommend permanent withdrawal of bus privileges subject to the provisions of the Education Act.
13. The following activities are prohibited:
 - 13.1 Unnecessary conversation with the driver;
 - 13.2 Extending any part of the body out of the window;
 - 13.3 Possessing alcoholic beverages and/or drugs.



- 13.4 Using profane language;
- 13.5 Throwing any items;
- 13.6 Smoking or vaping on the bus; and
- 13.7 Fighting.

Reference: Section 4, 11, 33, 36, 37, 52, 53, 59, 59.1, 68, 197, 222, 225 Education Act
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