

Student Conduct on School Buses
(Rules Governing Pupils Riding School Buses)

The following regulations shall govern student conduct on school buses:

1. Pupils being transported are under authority of the bus driver;
2. Fighting, wrestling or boisterous activity is prohibited on the bus;
3. Pupils shall use the emergency door only in case of emergency;
4. Pupils shall be on time for the bus, both morning and evening;
5. Pupils shall not bring firearms, weapons or other potentially hazardous material on the bus;
6. Pupils shall not bring animals, except approved assistance guide animals on the bus;
7. Pupils shall remain seated while bus is in motion;
8. Pupils may be assigned seats by the bus driver;
9. When necessary to cross the road, pupils shall cross in front of the bus or as instructed by the bus driver;
10. Pupils shall not extend their hands, arms or heads through bus windows;
11. Pupils shall have written permission to leave the bus other than at home or school;
12. Pupils shall converse in normal tones; loud or vulgar language is prohibited;
13. Pupils shall not open or close windows without permission of the driver;
14. Pupils shall keep the bus clean, and must refrain from damaging it;
15. Pupils shall be courteous to the driver, to fellow pupils and passersby;
16. Pupils who refuse to obey promptly the directions of the driver or refuse to obey regulations may forfeit their privilege to ride on the buses;
17. Rules Governing Pupils Riding School Buses must be kept posted in a conspicuous place in all school buses.

The superintendent will establish such other regulations as necessary for the safe conduct of students riding district school buses or other forms of district transportation. Such regulations will be available to all parents and students and posted in each school bus or other district vehicle.

Students who violate bus rules of conduct may be denied the use of district transportation.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 339.240
ORS 339.250
ORS 820.100 - 820.190

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