

Student Conduct on District-Approved Transportation

All students eligible for district-approved student transportation shall receive safety instructions and a copy of the regulations governing student conduct.

Violations of the regulations or conduct that jeopardizes the health/safety of self and others may result in the loss of district-approved transportation services. Discipline is established on a progressive discipline plan unless a major incident occurs. Violations involving safety or vandalism may result in long term loss of bus privileges regardless of the number of prior bus referrals. A parent, student, bus driver and transportation manager conference will be scheduled and held prior to a final decision.

Regulations Governing Students Riding District-Approved Vehicles

The following regulations will govern student conduct on school buses and will be posted in a conspicuous place in all buses:

1. Students being transported are under the authority of the bus driver;
2. Fighting, wrestling or boisterous activity is prohibited on the bus;
3. Students shall use the emergency door only in case of an emergency;
4. Students shall be on time for the bus both morning and evening;
5. Students shall not bring firearms, weapons or other potentially hazardous materials on the bus;
6. Students will not bring animals, except approved assistance guide animals, on the bus;
7. Students shall remain seated while bus is in motion;
8. Students may be assigned seats by the bus driver;
9. When necessary to cross the road, students shall cross in front of the bus or as instructed by the bus driver;
10. Students shall not extend their hands, arms or heads through the bus windows;
11. Students shall have written parental permission to leave the bus other than at home or school;
12. Students shall converse in normal tones; loud or vulgar language is prohibited;

13. Students shall not open or close windows without permission of the driver;
14. Students shall keep the bus clean and must refrain from damaging it;
15. Students shall be courteous to the driver, to fellow pupils and passers-by;
16. Students who refuse to obey promptly the directions of the bus driver or refuse to obey regulations may forfeit their privilege to ride on the buses.

The superintendent will establish 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 regulations governing student 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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[OAR 581-023-0040](#)

[OAR 581-053-0002](#)
[OAR 581-053-0010](#)

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