



BUS RULES AND REGULATIONS

To ensure a safer ride for our students on the bus, we ask that parents review the following rules and consequences with your children.

AUS Transportation Mission

- **Safety is the priority.**
- **Bus service is a privilege not a right.**
- **Bus rules and regulations must be followed.**
- **First pick up is the first drop off, no exceptions.**

Eight Basic Bus Rules

1. Morning Bus Pick Up Rules:

- a. During morning pick up, the child should be ready and waiting to board the bus. The bus waiting time for your child is two (2) minutes. When the bus arrives at your residence, if your child is not on the bus within the allotted two (2) minutes waiting time, the bus will depart without your child. Should this occur, it is the parent's responsibility to bring their child to school.**

2. Afternoon Bus Drop Off:

- a. Upon arrival for afternoon bus drop off to your residence, an adult should be waiting outside to greet children in grades PK-5. If there is no adult present, the bus will provide a maximum of two (2) minutes wait time. After that time the bus will depart with your child to finish the route. After which, your child will be transported back to school. Should this occur, it is then the parent's responsibility to pick up their child from school.**

- 3. No "roughhousing" of any kind, pushing, loud noises, fighting, profanity, and throwing of anything is strictly forbidden/prohibited.**
- 4. All bus riders must remain seated until the bus comes to a complete stop and the door is opened.**
- 5. NO OBJECTS (Arms, Legs, Lunch Bags, Book Bags, etc.) should be out any window of the bus.**
- 6. Line up at the bus stop and wait until the bus stops fully before approaching to load. Depart off the bus in an orderly and controlled, safe and patient manner. Behave in a way which demonstrates RESPONSIBILITY, CONSIDERATION, and RESPECT for others and for property.**
- 7. No eating or drinking is allowed on the bus. The only exception is WATER.**
- 8. Follow ALL directions from the bus monitor (Teacher) and bus driver. NO EXCEPTIONS!**



Consequences for Bus Misbehavior

Any infractions of the rules have consequences. The ultimate consequence is that a student may be forbidden from riding the school bus. No one wants that to ever happen. The importance of proper and safe riding behavior must be understood and respected.

Severe Bus Behavior Consequences

In the event of severe bus behavior, a student referral to the school administrator will be made by the Transportation Coordinator. In addition, parents will also be notified. If bus misbehavior is determined to be chronic, a student may be denied riding privileges, up to the remainder of the school year. Certain acts or behaviors constitute grounds for suspension or possible expulsion from school as an additional consequence.

Severe misbehavior on the school bus includes, but is not limited to:

Defiance of the valid authority of the driver or monitor. The adult in charge is the final authority in all matters regarding safe operation of the vehicle.

Smoking of any type (including the lighting of a match or lighter). Fighting (striking another student with hands, feet, or object), "play fighting" or "horseplay."

Possession or use of firecrackers or explosives of any type (or any other dangerous or damaging items of no practical purpose on the bus).

Vandalism or property damage of any type. The school needs your cooperation and the cooperation of each rider in the enforcement of these rules. Their main purpose is to allow the driver to devote his or her full attention to driving, not discipline. Please help us have safe buses.

Absence

If your child is absent for any reason, please SMS or call **Abdul Najeeb Kunnath at 5110 9004** or **Raju Kandy at 9787 0506** by 6:00 AM to let us know your child will not be riding the bus that day. If we must wait at a bus stop for a child who is not attending, it can make the rest of the route to school late and penalties may be assessed.

Child's Name: _____ DOB: _____ Grade: _____

Parent's Printed Name: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____