

Springfield School District 19

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Student Conduct on School Buses

The following regulations will govern student conduct on school buses and Type 10 Vehicles if used for transporting students from home to school, school to home and to and from district-sponsored activities and will be posted in a conspicuous place in all buses:

1. Students being transported are under the authority of the bus driver and transportation assistant.
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 items on the bus.
6. Students shall remain seated while the bus is in motion.
7. Students may be assigned seats by the driver.
8. When it is necessary to cross the road , students shall cross in front of the bus or as instructed by the driver.
9. Students shall not open or close windows without permission of the bus driver.
10. Students shall not extend their hands, arms, or heads through bus windows.
11. Students shall have written 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 will keep the bus clean and must refrain from damaging it.
14. Students will be courteous to the driver, fellow students and passers-by.
15. Students who refuse to promptly obey the directions of the driver or refuse to obey regulations may forfeit their privilege to ride on the buses.
16. Students will not bring animals, except approved service animals, on the bus.

In addition to Oregon Administrative Rules, the district adopts the following rules:

1. Large items which cannot be safely transported while held in the student's lap or stored directly under the seat are generally prohibited unless the bus has a baggage compartment.
2. Large items may be allowed on the bus with the prior approval of the Transportation Supervisor. These items will only be allowed on the bus if transporting these items can meet the following ODE requirements:
 - a. The items can be placed in a location not adjacent to students.
 - b. The items can be secured by the driver in a manner that insures that they will not move even in the event of a bus collision.
 - c. The items do not block the aisle way or access to an emergency exit.
3. Students shall not interfere with school bus operating controls except in an emergency or as instructed by the driver.
4. Devices that create sounds that are distracting to the driver may not be used on the bus.
5. Skateboards are not allowed on buses.

The superintendent will establish other administrative regulations as necessary for the safe conduct of students riding district school buses or other forms of district transportation and for disciplinary procedures. 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 to -820.190](#)

[OAR 581-021-0050 to -0075](#)
[OAR 581-023-0040](#)
[OAR 581-053-0002](#)
[OAR 581-053-0003](#)

[OAR 581-053-0004](#)
[OAR 581-053-0010](#)
[OAR 581-053-0210](#)

Letter Opinion, Office of the OR Attorney General (Nov. 22, 1988).

Cross Reference(s):

EEA - Student Transportation Services
JFCB - Care of District Property by Students