

CONDUCT ON SCHOOL BUSES GUIDE FOR STUDENTS AND CAREGIVERS

Riding the school bus is a privilege, not a right. The school district's general student behavior rules are in effect for all students on school buses, including nonpublic and charter school students.

Consequences for school bus/bus stop misconduct will be imposed by the school district under adopted administrative discipline procedures. In addition, all school bus/bus stop misconduct will be reported to the school district's transportation safety director. Serious misconduct may be reported to local law enforcement.

The school district school bus safety rules are to be posted on every bus. If the rules are broken, the school district's discipline procedures are to be followed. In most circumstances, consequences are progressive and may include suspension of bus privileges. It is the school bus driver's responsibility to report unacceptable behavior to the school district's transportation office/school office.

Rules at the Bus Stop

- Arrive to your bus stop 5 minutes before your scheduled pick-up time. The school bus driver will not wait for late students.
- Respect the property of others while waiting at your bus stop.
- Keep your arms, legs, and belongings to yourself.
- Use appropriate language.
- Stay away from the street, road, or highway when waiting for the bus.
- Wait until the bus stops before approaching the bus.
- After getting off the bus, move away from the bus.
- If you must cross the street always cross in front of the bus where the driver can see you. Wait for the driver to signal to you before crossing the street.
- No fighting, harassment, intimidation or horseplay.
- No use of alcohol, tobacco/nicotine, or drugs.

Rules on the Bus

- Immediately follow directions of the driver.
- Sit in your seat facing forward.
- Talk quietly and use appropriate language.
- Keep all parts of your body inside the bus.
- Keep your arms, legs, and belongings to yourself.
- No fighting, harassment, intimidation, or horseplay.
- Do not throw any object.
- No eating or drinking. No use of alcohol, tobacco/nicotine, or drugs.
- Do not bring any weapon or dangerous objects on the school bus.
- Do not damage the school bus.

To review consequences for rule violations, please visit our district's website at www.alschools.org and navigate to the "transportation" page.

Thank you,