

OCEAN VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT
17200 Pinehurst Lane
Huntington Beach, CA 92647

CODE OF BUS CONDUCT

The National Safety Council has issued a set of safety rules for pupils riding the school buses. They are incorporated in the following:

Safety Rules for Pupils:

1. Be careful in approaching bus stop; in areas without sidewalks, walk on left, toward oncoming traffic.
2. Pupil may be picked up and discharged from the bus only at his/her designated bus stop.
3. Be on time for the bus; help keep the bus on schedule. Be at the bus stop five minutes before scheduled time.
4. Go directly to a seat in the bus without disturbing or crowding other pupils; remain seated while the bus is moving.
5. Follow instructions of the bus driver promptly and cheerfully; realize that he/she has a big responsibility and that everyone can help.
6. Help keep the bus clean and sanitary. Do not eat on the bus.
7. Remember that loud talking, laughing or unnecessary confusion diverts the driver's attention and may result in a serious accident.
8. Keep head, arms and hands inside the bus at all times.
9. Be courteous to fellow students. Remember we are working together for safety.
10. Treat bus equipment as you would valuable furniture in your own home. Damage to seats, etc., is unnecessary and always costly.
11. Remain seated until the bus stops to unload. Wait for signal from bus driver; then cross the street in front of the bus. The driver will be in the street to help.
12. No pets are permitted on the bus.
13. No articles deemed hazardous by the driver are permitted on the bus.

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The following is taken from Regulations and Laws Concerning Operation of School Buses in California, California Highway Patrol Book 82.7:

Authority of Driver

Pupils transported in a school bus shall be under the authority of and responsible directly to, the driver of the bus, and the driver shall be held responsible for the orderly conduct of the pupils while they are on the bus or being escorted across a street or highway.

Denial of Transportation

Continued disorderly conduct or persistent refusal to submit to the authority of the driver shall be sufficient reason for a pupil to be denied transportation. The school district governing Board of Trustees shall adopt rules and regulations to enforce this.

Ejection of Pupils

The driver of a school bus shall not eject any school pupil unless the pupil is given into the custody of a parent or any person designated by the parent or school.

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It is the policy of the District to require all students who regularly ride the bus to school to ride the bus to their assigned stop at the close of school, unless they have written permission from the parents to do otherwise.

With the cooperation of parents, teachers, bus drivers and pupils, we believe these rules can be enforced and therefore, insure safety to all. Should any pupil continually fail to observe these rules, the following procedure will be used:

Parent/guardian will be notified of the misbehavior and if improvement is not shown, the pupil will be deprived of the privilege of riding the bus for a specified period of time. After this, if he/she does not obey the safety rules, he/she will be removed from the bus immediately and a conference will be held with the parent/guardian, school administrator and transportation representative.