



## PENNRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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TO: All Parents  
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SUBJECT: Cell Phone Usage on Bus  
Eating or Drinking on the Bus

### I. Cell Phones

- A. Except in emergency situations, all cell phones are to be turned off when riding on the bus. This is the same rule that is enforced in the schools. It is distracting to the driver to hear the phone ringing and students having conversations with others over the phone.
- B. The driver will warn the student if he/she breaks the above rule. A second occurrence will result in the driver submitting a "Bus Conduct Report" to the Director of Transportation which will be emailed or faxed to the appropriate principal.

### II. Eating or Drinking on the Bus

- A. Please be advised that there is a "NO EATING OR DRINKING" rule on all school buses for Pennridge School District **at all times**. The practice of allowing students to eat or drink on the bus at **any time is not allowed**. This rule applies to all trips (Regular AM & PM routes, votech runs, late bus routes and all field/sport trips)
- B. Allowing students to eat or drink on the bus creates a potential safety hazard. For example, a student may have an allergic reaction. The Transportation Department has the responsibility to safely transport all students and cannot fulfill this responsibility if it allows students to eat or drink on the bus. Additionally, the rules are posted on all buses and the District website.