

BUS RULES AND POLICY

The Board of Education believes that bus transportation is a privilege and not a right, and we expect our students to treat our staff and vehicles with respect.

CONTACTING TRANSPORTATION

Do you have transportation questions or concerns, including questions about your assigned bus stop? Call the Transportation Department at 734-744-2517 or email lbsbus@livoniapublicschools.org. All Transportation questions and concerns will be addressed as quickly as possible.

IMPORTANT

Students must use the stop that they are assigned. No stops will be created to accommodate students or parents for personal reasons or for reasons of convenience. Due to safety reasons, we cannot allow students to ride any buses/bus routes other than their own.

BUS STOP TIMES

Bus stop pick-up and drop-off times are approximate, based on weather, traffic and student behavior. Students should be at their bus stop 7-10 minutes before the scheduled time in the morning. Parents/ Guardians are responsible for the safe passage of their students to and from their bus stops.

RULES

Safety on the bus is top priority. Please read the following and review it with your student. The following rules are posted on every bus:

- Follow the bus driver's directions.
- Stay in your seat. Sit facing forward and keep the aisleway clear.
- Cell phones should be put away in backpacks except in the case of an emergency.
- No recording or photographing the driver or other students.
- No yelling or swearing.
- Keep hands, arms, legs and objects to yourself.
- No fighting or throwing things.
- No eating, drinking, smoking, or vaping.

Because one driver must supervise a number of children and drive at the same time, it is necessary to enforce firm rules of bus behavior. All LPS buses are equipped with monitoring cameras.

CONSEQUENCES

Administrators are notified of all issues recorded by bus drivers, regardless of the step.

Step 1: Warning

Step 2: Second warning – move student to seat near driver (conference with driver).

Step 3: Permanent assigned seat

Step 4: Referral to the principal/administrator

Severe Clause: Immediate referral to principal/administrator (ex.: damage to bus)

ELEMENTARY

KINDERGARTEN TRANSPORTATION

1. All students who ride buses will have a visual aid to help identify to which bus they are assigned. Every kindergarten student will have a bus tag adhered to their backpack.
2. All kindergarteners will line up at the front of the bus lines.
3. All kindergarteners will sit in the front of the bus. No exceptions – no sitting with siblings. If siblings want to sit together the older sibling will need to sit near the front of the bus. Kindergarten students will always be seated in the first rows of the bus.
4. An adult must be present at the bus stop for a child to be released from the bus. If an adult is not present, the child will not be dropped off at the stop and the driver will contact the dispatch office.

SUGGESTIONS FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

- Show your child where their bus stop is before the first day of school. Find an identifying feature on a nearby house that they can find the bus if they forgot the street name of their stop.
- Get to know who the older students are at your bus stop, so your child knows someone they feel safe to ask a question.

SECONDARY

SECONDARY BUS PASSES

High school students and middle school students should use a copy of their bus assignments printed from parent connect for the first two weeks of school until they receive their new student ID that displays their bus route.