

HOW TO BE A SAFE BUS RIDER!



Stow-Munroe Falls City School District
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FOLLOW THE BUS RULES

All students who use school transportation are expected to follow the rules established by the State of Ohio and the Stow-Munroe Falls City School District. Any behavior that distracts the bus driver is a serious safety concern and puts all passengers at risk. These rules include:

- Be at your assigned stop at least five (5) minutes before your pick-up time and wait in your designated place of safety until the bus arrives.
- Go directly to your assigned seat and remain seated for the entire bus ride, keeping your body and belongings out of the aisle.
- Keep your backpack closed and on your lap.
- Do not throw or pass items.
- Speak quietly and do not use inappropriate language or disrespectful gestures.
- Do not eat or drink on the bus.
- Do not bring alcohol, tobacco, drugs or drug paraphernalia, animals, live insects, glass objects, weapons, or instruments of violence onto the bus.

FOLLOW THE BUS RULES (CONTINUED)

- Be absolutely quiet at railroad tracks, and whenever your driver or bus aide instructs you to be quiet.
- Do not hang body parts or items out the window.
- Do not throw anything out the window.
- Keep your body to yourself. Do not horseplay or fight with others.
- Electronic devices may not be used on the bus.
- Remove all hanging objects from outside of bookbag and backpacks.
- The safest place for items is packed securely inside your backpack.



BE READY AT YOUR BUS STOP

- Your child must be dressed, backpack on, and ready to go when our bus arrives.
- Please be at your designated place of safety five (5) minutes before your bus arrives.
- Delays can cause us to be late for the next student.

SUPPORT YOUR KINDERGARTEN STUDENT

We would like to see a parent or designated adult at the bus stop waiting for their kindergarten student, to help them safely get home. **Please be there at least five (5) minutes before your designated drop off time.**

Please make sure your student's belongings are clearly labeled with their name. This will help the bus driver identify and return items if they are left on the bus.





NO EATING ON THE BUS!

Food and drinks are not allowed on the bus. Eating can be a choking hazard and may create messes that are difficult to clean and attract pests. Please make sure your student understands and follows this rule to help keep everyone safe and our buses clean.

FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS TO CROSS THE ROAD IN FRONT OF THE BUS

- When you exit the bus, turn and walk **10 giant steps** along the roadway. Stop. Look at your driver. She or he will have their hand up. When they lower their hand, walk to the edge of the bus and look both ways before crossing to your driveway or parent.
- NEVER cross behind the bus.
- If you drop something near the bus, do not try to pick it up. Tell your bus driver instead.



WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEP STUDENTS SAFE

Keeping our students safe is our top priority. A safe bus ride depends on every student doing their part.

It is very important for students to remain seated at all times and speak in a quiet voice so the driver can focus on the road. They are not permitted to leave their seats or walk around while the bus is moving.

Keeping hands, feet, and belongings to themselves helps prevent distractions and ensures everyone's safety.

Please take a few moments to review these expectations with your child. Working together, we can help make every bus ride safe and positive for all students.



GET STARTED WITH My Ride K-12

My Ride K-12 is a school bus tracking app that allows parents and students to access their bussing information - bus stop location, route, and pickup time - at the touch of a button.

1. Download the app from the Google Play Store or Apple App Store, or visit <https://myridek12.tylerapp.com>.
2. Open My Ride K-12 once installation is complete.
3. When prompted, search for and select Stow-Munroe Falls City School District.
4. You'll be taken to the login page. If you do not have an account, click **Register** and enter your name, email address, and password.
5. Check your email and confirm your registration by clicking the verification link.
6. Log in and go to **My Students**, then tap the "+" button to add a student.
7. Enter the required student information provided by your district. Repeat this step to add additional students if needed.
8. Select your student's profile to view transportation details.



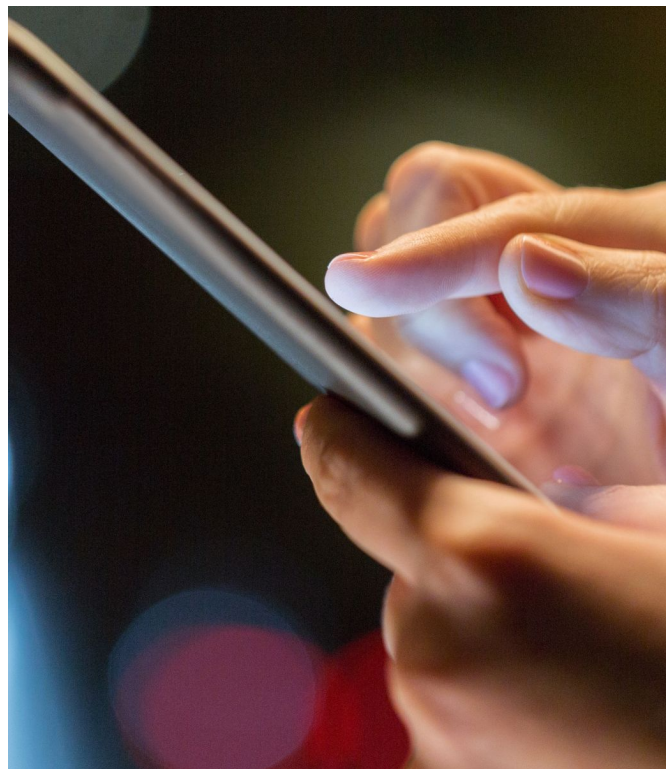
GET STARTED WITH My Ride K-12 (CONTINUED)

Sharing Access on My Ride K-12

To share a student's information, tap the **Share** button and enter the recipient's email address. They will receive a confirmation email with access instructions. (They must register for My Ride K-12 if they do not already have an account.)

Helpful Tips

- Keep the app updated to ensure you have the latest features and notifications.
- Stay logged in to receive district notifications, even when the app is not actively open.



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