



NO bus service will be granted if this policy is not signed and returned

2026-2027 School Bus Behavior Policy

Dear Parent/Guardian: Please read, sign and return the following notice by Monday, May 4, 2026. BHCS will continue bus transportation provided by a third party vendor First Student. School buses do not have bus attendants to monitor behavior. In order to receive school bus service, your child must adhere to the following behavior policies or risk losing the privilege to ride the bus for the duration of the school year. BUS SERVICE IS A PRIVILEGE, NOT A RIGHT. BHCS considers this policy a matter of safety and therefore non-negotiable.

1. Expected Conduct for School Bus Students

- (a) Abide by the School Code of Conduct.
- (b) Be respectful of the bus property and the property of others.
- (c) Remain quietly in your seat. Students must remain facing forward and seated at ALL times. Students may talk quietly with the student sitting next to them.
- (d) Follow the bus driver's directions promptly, the first time they are given.
- (e) No eating or drinking (other than water).

2. Discipline Sanctions

(a) Minor Incidents - Warning Letter or Phone Call to Parent, assigned seat on the bus. Possible alternate consequences such as detention or parent meeting. Examples: Not sitting in seat, bouncing in seat, standing in seat, eating/drinking on bus, teasing, bullying others, being loud.

(b) Moderate Incidents - One week minimum suspension from the school bus, assigned seat upon reinstatement. This includes removal of the student from the afternoon bus line resulting in parent pick up. Examples: Not following instructions of the bus driver, throwing objects, vulgarity harassment, out of seat or assigned spot, running around on the bus or in the bus line, and fighting.

(c) Severe Incidents – Dismissal from the school bus for the remainder of the school year. Child may not ride the school bus. Examples: Destruction of property, fighting, endangering self and others, making threats to cause physical injury, bullying, taking part in a physical struggle. All parties involved will receive consequences.

Please note: 2 minor incidents equal 1 moderate incident. 2 moderate incidents equal 1 severe incident.

Please note: These expectations and disciplinary sanctions will apply to children at or around the school bus stop, in the bus line, and on the school bus. It is important to note that if a student is suspended from school bus service, a parent must continue to provide a means of transportation to the school for the student. Suspension from the bus does not mean suspension from school. Parent/Guardian is responsible for finding alternate means of transportation. Additionally, conduct resulting in a suspension from the bus may also result in disciplinary action in the school. This may include, but is not limited to, detention, community service or out-of-school suspension. Furthermore, you may be liable for property damage or injury caused by your child.

The above examples of the incidents are only a guideline and are not fully inclusive. Therefore, BHCS reserves the right to modify/change the above policies. If your child stops riding the bus, all fees are non-refundable regardless of the reason (including, but not limited to moving, leaving the school system, dismissal from riding the bus, etc.). By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and understood the above policies and have discussed them, and explained them to my child.

Child's Name (Printed)

Child's Signature

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed)

Parent/Guardian Signature



Request for K-8th Grade School Bus Transportation for School Year 2026-2027

Questions - please call 712-252-1350

Return this form by Monday, April 27 to your building secretary via email or drop off at your school office.

Holy Cross Blessed Sacrament - mindy.foulk@bishopheelan.org

Holy Cross St. Michael - araceli.vargas@bishopheelan.org

Mater Dei Immaculate Conception - anne.bride@bishopheelan.org

Mater Dei Nativity - jennifer.bauerly@bishopheelan.org

Sacred Heart - juanita.garcia@bishopheelan.org

Cathedral Dual Language Academy & Bishop Heelan Catholic High School do NOT have bus service.

Kindergarten through 8th grade only

Please complete this form for each child you would like to register for bussing.

Do not put multiple student names on this form.

Student Name _____ **Attending School** _____
Grade _____ **Home Address** _____ **Apt. #** _____

Address must be home address. Childcare address is not permitted.

Parent(s)/Guardian Name(s) _____
Father - Cell phone _____ **Mother** - Cell phone _____
Work phone _____ Work phone _____

HOME/SCHOOL	SHUTTLE FROM CENTER TO CENTER
_____ AM Pick up only	Holy Cross - BS to SM _____ AM only _____ PM only _____ AM and PM
_____ PM drop off only	Mater Dei - NAT to IC _____ AM only _____ PM only _____ AM and PM
_____ Both AM and PM	

Any health concerns the driver should know about? Such as allergies, diabetes, epilepsy, etc? _____

Emergency Contact Person _____ **Emergency Phone** _____

On GoogleMaps, how far do you live from the school your child attends? _____ miles

Cost of transportation - annual rate payable on your tuition bill in monthly installments or in one payment.

Shuttle service only - between building centers, no route - \$100 per student per school year

1st priority for enrollment in the bus route service - 2-4 miles from school - \$750 per student per school year

2nd priority for enrollment in the bus route service - 0-1.9 miles from school - \$650 per student per school year

3rd priority - **and only if available spaces on the bus route** - Over 4 miles - \$850 per student per school year

No bussing will be available for families that live over 5 miles from school.

I have read and understand the guidelines and rules for my child's bus transportation.

Parent's signature _____ Date _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: Date submitted _____ Received by (initials) _____

Transportation: Approved _____ Further questions _____ Denied _____

School Notified _____ Parent Notified _____