

## **MEETING & ENTERING THE BUS**

1. Students will select the safest route to designated bus stop.
2. Students should be at the bus stop five minutes prior the normal stop time. The bus will continue its route if the student is not present.
3. Students will wait for the bus in an orderly fashion and refrain from fighting, horseplay, or unsafe conduct.
4. Students at all times will respect the property of their neighbors.
5. Students will stay off the road while waiting at a bus stop. They will not cross the road until the bus and all traffic has stopped. When the bus arrives, students will line up single file and not attempt to board the bus until it is completely stopped, the door is opened, and the driver indicates they may board.
6. Students will walk across the road in front of the bus in full view of the driver.

## **ON THE BUS**

1. Students should follow the bus driver's instruction, including assigned seating if so designated.
2. Students should show courtesy and respect toward the bus driver and fellow students at all times.
3. Students will enter the school bus, take their seats quickly and remain seated with their feet on the floor. They will refrain from moving around or changing seats in the bus when it is in motion.
4. Students will keep all body parts inside the bus at all times.
5. Students will not throw objects inside the bus or out the window.
6. Students will not shout, wave, or gesture to pedestrians or occupants of other vehicles from the bus windows.
7. Students are not allowed to bring any items on the school bus that will compromise the safety of other students or are against school rules.
8. Students will not eat, drink, or chew gum while riding on a school bus.
9. Students will keep the aisle clear and never pile books, musical instruments, lunch boxes or other objects in the aisle.
10. Students will not use profane or vulgar language or gestures, tobacco, or alcoholic beverages while riding on a bus.
11. Students will not be loud, boisterous, or distract the driver's attention in any way.
12. Students will maintain complete silence at all railroad crossings.
13. Students will not fight, play, or scuffle on the school bus.
14. Students will not tamper with the emergency exits or any other part of the bus (including extinguishers or first aid supplies).

15. Students will not mar or deface the bus in any way. Students will be required to pay for any damage.
16. No person will ride a bus unless assigned to it by the principal or designee.
17. Students will not litter the school bus and will help keep it clean.

### **ARRIVAL ON SCHOOL GROUNDS**

1. Students will remain seated until the bus reaches the unloading area the driver has opened the door and dismissed students from the bus
2. Students in front should move out first, walking quickly and orderly.
3. Students will not loiter or play near a stopped school bus.

### **ENTERING THE BUS AFTER SCHOOL**

1. Bus students will walk directly to their buses after the dismissal bell.
2. After entering the bus, students should quickly find a seat and talk with an inside voice so that all students can hear any driver's instructions.

### **LEAVING THE BUS EN ROUTE HOME**

1. A passenger will ride only his/her assigned bus and will leave the bus only at his/her designated stop. Only with permission of the principal or designee will the driver be permitted to allow a passenger to leave the bus at any other stop not designed for him/her.
2. When the bus arrives at the assigned stop, students will remain seated until the bus has completely stopped and the bus driver has opened the door. Students will then leave the bus while following the bus driver's directions.
3. If the road must be crossed after getting off the bus, students will cross ten feet in front of the bus making certain the stop signal is extended, all traffic is stopped and the bus driver has gives you a signal to proceed. Do not cross the road behind the bus.
4. If the road is not to be crossed after getting off the bus, students will move quickly away from the bus in view of the driver and go directly home. Students will not stop to pick up dropped objects without informing the driver and receiving permission.

### **STUDENT DISCIPLINE & BUS WRITE UPS**

School rules apply to the bus as it does during the normal school day. In addition, all students are expected to follow the stated bus rules. Please remind your child that improper behavior on the bus may endanger his/her safety and the safety of others. Improper conduct could result in your child receiving a written bus referral, parent contact by the school, assigned seating on the bus, in school detention, suspension or

removal from the bus. Parents will be responsible for transportation if a student is suspended from the school bus.