

## 2009 - 2010 BUS CONDUCT RULES

1. Aisles and step well should be kept clear at all times from articles such as athletic equipment, books, and musical instruments.
2. The emergency door will be used for emergencies only. All other use must be done by driver.
3. Students are not permitted to open or close windows or escape hatches without permission of the bus driver.
4. Students are under the supervision of the bus driver, and all reasonable directions given by him/her shall be followed.
5. Throwing objects in and out of the bus is prohibited on the bus.
6. Lighting matches, spitting, littering, and use of tobacco are prohibited on the bus.
7. Students will refrain from rude, discourteous, and annoying conduct.
8. Fighting, pushing, tripping, or scuffling types of behavior are prohibited on the bus and at bus stops.
9. Wait for a signal from the bus driver before crossing the street at a bus stop. When crossing a street is necessary, students shall always be so far enough ahead of the bus so that they are able to see the face of the driver and he/she may adequately observe them.
10. Electronic devices such as CD players, iPods, etc... are permitted on the bus with the approval of the driver, BUT earphones must be used at all times, this is a privilege and can be lost at anytime.
11. Students must sit on seats as assigned by the driver. (Girls and Boys must be seated separately.)
12. No animals or insects dead or alive can be transported on the school bus.
13. Students shall remain seated while riding the bus.
14. Excessive noise or behavior which disrupts a driver will not be tolerated.
15. Each student is responsible for keeping his/her immediate area clean.
16. Students getting off the bus at a destination other than their own or riding a bus other than their assigned bus must have prior approval from the driver and/or principal at the request of the parent or guardian. A **Yellow Bus Pass Form** signed by the principal at the child's school must be given to the bus driver.
17. No food or drinks will be allowed on buses.
18. All students will ride their assigned route bus and transfer bus.
19. Students will not willfully and persistently violate bus rules.
20. Immoral or disreputable conduct of vulgar or profane language is prohibited.

21. Violence or threatened violence against the driver of any personnel assigned to the bus is prohibited.
22. Students are not to willfully or maliciously damage the bus or property of persons riding the bus (Parents and students will be financially responsible for damages incurred).
23. Assaulting the driver or other students with vulgar, obscene, or threatening language is prohibited.
24. Possession of a gun or weapon of any kind is prohibited.
25. Students will not display a knife of any kind.
26. Possession or use of any alcoholic beverage, illegal drugs, or marijuana is prohibited.
27. Students will not incite, advise, or counsel others to engage in any of the acts described elsewhere.
28. Students will not engage in any other conduct prejudicial to good order or discipline on any public school bus.
29. Plants, flowers or balloons are not allowed on the bus for any reason.
30. Musical Instruments or Roll-on Backpacks that cannot be held in students' lap without taking up extra seating cannot be carried on a school bus.
31. Cell Phones are to be used only with the approval of the driver, no exceptions. Cell phones should remain non-visible at all times.
33. No Child Development infant model or infant seat can be transported on the bus unless prior approval has been made through the Transportation Department.
34. Students will abide by the rules and dress code in their schools' student handbook on the bus.
35. All Regular Buses are equipped with audio and video cameras.