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SAFETY RULES FOR SCHOOL BUSES

Two General Rules

- Always follow the directions of the bus driver.
- Be courteous to all passengers.

Waiting for the Bus

- Help the buses run on time. Be at your stop ten (10) minutes early.
- Be considerate of private property.
- Stay off the road while waiting for your bus.
- No ball or game playing at the bus stop.
- Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before trying to get aboard. Do not push or crowd when getting on the bus.
- If you are late, never run after a moving bus.
- Parents are responsible for children at bus stops. **It is strongly recommended that parents be at the bus stop in the morning and afternoon for elementary age students, especially for the lower grade students.**
- **No chasing the bus with a car, etc. to have children board at another stop.**

Riding the Bus

- Keep your hands and head inside the bus at all times.
- Help keep the bus clean. Don't throw trash on the floor or out the windows.
- Loud talking, laughing, and yelling can be distracting to the driver. Speak at a moderate level and do not cause disturbances on the bus.
- Live animals, glass containers, firearms, explosives, weapons of any kind or any other dangerous or objectionable items may not be taken on the bus.
- Keep objects out of the aisle. Gym bags, sports equipment, instruments, or school projects must be held on your lap or they will not be allowed on the bus.
- Inflated balloons are not permitted on the school bus/van.
- Sit in your assigned seat if you are assigned one.
- Find a seat as soon as you board the bus. Do not leave your seat while the bus is moving.
- Share your seat with others. If the bus is filled, ride three to a seat.
- Absolute quiet is required when the bus approaches and crosses a railroad crossing.
- *No smoking, vaping, or tobacco products*, lighted matches, or open flame is permitted in the bus.
- The student will have to pay for the repair of any damage they may cause to the bus.
- No eating or drinking is allowed on the bus.

Leaving the Bus

- Always cross the street in front of the bus where the driver can see you.
- Stay a safe distance away from the side of the bus.
- Passengers may only exit the bus at their assigned stop or with a valid bus pass from their assigned school. To obtain a bus pass parental contact must be made with the school office and the school will issue a bus pass.

REMEMBER

Riding the bus is a privilege. These rules help insure safe bus transportation for students and bus drivers. Students who violate these safety regulations may be excluded from riding the bus. Parents are responsible for transporting their child to and from school if the child has been excluded from bus transportation.