

*Student Conduct on District-Provided Transportation*

*Student Safety Procedures in Transportation*

The District recognizes its responsibility for providing safe transportation for all students transported to and from school. Therefore, no student can be permitted to conduct themselves in a fashion that could endanger their own safety or the safety of other students. In order to insure the safety and well-being of all students, the following rules and regulations shall be observed by the student:

Student Conduct at Transportation Stops

1. Wait off the roadway out of the way of traffic.
2. Do not play games or chase anyone.
3. Be sure the road is clear and wait for the driver's signal before you cross the road. Always cross in front of the vehicle.
4. Enter the vehicle promptly in an orderly manner after the vehicle has come to a complete stop.

Student Conduct on Vehicles

Vehicle safety depends upon student cooperation with the driver. It is impossible for the driver to give their full attention to the road when students are misbehaving. Therefore:

1. Students must remain seated and keep their hands, head and feet inside the vehicle.
2. Students may not eat or drink at any time on District-provided transportation. Throwing of anything on the vehicle or out of vehicle windows is prohibited.
3. Smoking is prohibited on all District-provided transportation.
4. The emergency exit is for emergency use only.
5. Students are not to tamper with the vehicle or any of its equipment.
6. Students will ride only on the assigned District-provided transportation and get off only at the assigned stop unless given prior approval through the principal's office and the transportation office.
7. Students will observe the same conduct as in the classroom.
8. Students will be courteous and use no profane language on District-provided transportation.
9. Students must wear seat belts when available on District-provided transportation.

Guidelines for School Procedures for Misconduct on District-Provided Transportation

The driver, or other assigned personnel, is expected to handle routine behavior problems; but when misconduct continues, the problem will be referred to the school administrator using the established reporting system as soon as possible but in any event within one school day of the occurrence. District-provided transportation is a privilege which may be withdrawn for certain specified periods by the appropriate administrator. Recurrent misbehavior shall be addressed in consultation with the Superintendent's office.

The established procedure for drivers to follow regarding reporting student misbehavior problems is as follows:

1. Drivers, using the District discipline notice form, will report the offense to the building administrator.
2. Building administrator will assess the problem and take necessary action as outlined in Student Discipline Regulation 5401. Such action will include, when deemed appropriate, withdrawal of District-provided transportation service for a prescribed period of time. Any such withdrawal of transportation privileges greater than five school days shall be reviewed by the Superintendent of Schools.