



## **SCHOOL BUS SAFETY RULES CODE OF CONDUCT**

Be respectful to all other riders, the bus driver, pedestrians and motorists.

Only registered riders shall ride the bus and must ride their assigned bus. Friends must have prior approval from Transportation to ensure availability of seating, call 604.792.1255.

### **Waiting for the Bus**

1. Be at your assigned stops five minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.
2. Stay off the road, and keep the bus stop area litter free.
3. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop, the door is open and the driver signals to board.

### **Boarding the Bus**

1. Form a single line as you walk onto the bus.
2. Respect personal space between yourself and the student ahead of you.
3. Go to your seat and sit down. Students may be assigned to a specific seat.
4. Small items may be carried onto the bus (including a musical instrument) and must be carried on your lap and nothing higher than the seat back.
5. Do not bring items that could cause harm. Examples include alcohol, animals, bikes, drugs, explosive items, glass, hockey sticks, laser pointers, lighters, matches, scooters, skateboards, skates without safety bags, skis, ski poles, strong-smelling sprays or liquids, tobacco products, and weapons (real or fake). The driver has the authority to secure items of concern.

### **On the Bus**

1. Follow the bus driver's instructions. He/she is in full charge of the bus and passengers.
2. Sit facing forward with your back against the seat. Keep your legs, feet, and personal belongings out of the aisle. Do not sit sideways or turn around in your seat.
3. Put your backpack or book bag on your lap.
4. Keep your belongings inside your backpack or book bag.
5. Use the garbage can, not the floor.
6. Do not put anything out the window. This includes your hands and head.
7. Use a quiet voice when talking to other riders.
8. Do not eat or drink on the bus.

### **Leaving the Bus**

1. Move away from the bus. If you drop something tell the driver.
2. If you must cross the road, See our safety brochure "CROSSING THE ROAD SAFELY" on the school district website or ask the driver for a copy.

**RIDING THE SCHOOL BUS IS A PRIVILEGE, NOT A RIGHT.**