

SAFETY AND BEHAVIOUR ON SCHOOL BUSES

1. School buses are an extension of the school and students will be responsible to their school principal for discipline as if they were in a school building.
2. Students must follow instructions of the bus drivers. Misbehaviour on school buses may be reported to the principal and such misbehaviour could result in suspension of riding privileges.
3. Passenger conduct must be orderly at all times so as to provide a safe environment.
4. **Basic Bus Rules**
 - a. **Obey the driver at all times**
 - b. **Sit properly in your seat: seat to seat, back to back**
 - c. **While talking among students is permitted, there is to be no undue noise**
 - d. **Remain seated at all times while the bus is moving**
 - e. **Nothing goes out the windows**
 - f. **Respectful behavior is required at all times**
 - g. **Isles must be clear**
 - h. **Garbage goes in the garbage**
5. Accordingly, the following rules will be strictly enforced:
 - a. Students shall take seats assigned to them by the bus driver when told to do so.
 - b. Eating of lunches or other articles of food on the bus shall be at the discretion of the bus driver.
 - c. Profanity will not be permitted.
 - d. There will be no tobacco products, vapor products, profanity, drugs, alcohol or weapons permitted on school buses.
6. Students must line up for the bus as instructed by the driver or school personnel, prior to boarding the bus. Pushing or shoving will not be permitted.
7. Students will be picked up or let off at designated school bus stops ONLY.
8. Students crossing the road must do so at a safe distance in front of the bus while the loading lights are operating following the safe crossing procedures.
9. Snowballs must not be thrown in bus loading areas.
10. Any intentional or negligent act of a student that destroys or damages property of the School Board, that student and that student's parents are jointly and severally liable to the Board in respect of the act of that student.