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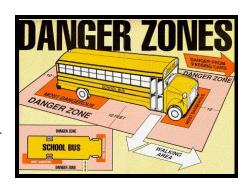




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The bus is considered an extension of school; therefore the same BCSD Code of Conduct applies. Children who ride the school bus are expected to behave as they would in their classrooms to ensure a safe trip. Misbehavior on the bus may result in the loss of riding privileges.



GETTING TO THE BUS:

- Stand back from the curb.
- Don't push or shove when entering or exiting.
- Always use the steps and hand rail.
- Obey the bus driver and wait for driver's signal before crossing.
- Always cross at least 10 feet in front of the school bus.
- Never crawl or reach under the bus.
- Keep backpack free of dangling keychains that can get caught in the bus door.

SEATING ON THE BUS:

- Sit down right away and put seatbelt on.
- Sit in your designated grade level section.
- Stay seated when the bus is moving.
- No saving seats or refusing someone's seat.
- Keep the aisle clear of feet and backpacks.
- Keep head, hands, and arms inside the bus.

BEHAVIOR ON THE BUS:

- Use indoor voices. Do not distract the driver.
- Use kind words at all times. No inappropriate language.
- No teasing, name calling or hurtful words.
- No eating or drinking.
- Keep the bus clean. No littering.
- Keep hands and feet to yourself.
- Listen to the directions of the bus driver.

BUS EXPECTATIONS PLAN:

If a student chooses to break a rule on this bus safety contract, the following consequences may occur:

First time: Verbal warning

Second time: Verbal warning and reflection sheet

Third time: Reflection sheet, assigned seat one week, call home

Fourth time: Reflection sheet, assigned seat one month, call home

Fifth time: Reflection sheet, assigned seat two months, call home

Sixth time: Parent must provide transportation for child.

At the discretion of the principal, the frequency, duration, and intensity of the bus behavior will determine the consequences in accordance with the BCSD Code of Conduct.

What to do if you are having a problem on the bus:

- Ignore.
- Tell the person to STOP.
- Ask a friend for help.
- Talk to the driver.
- Talk to your teacher.
- Talk to a parent.
- Talk to the principal.