

## BEHAVE ON THE BUS

Be considerate of other pupils.

Help to keep the bus clean.

Keep belongings out of the aisle.

Stay on the seat – do not play games or throw things on the bus.

Avoid too much noise – this may distract the driver and cause an accident.



Keep head and hands inside the windows.

Ask permission to open the windows

Help the driver at railroad crossings – be extra quiet.

Learn how to leave the bus during a bus drill – follow instructions.

Bring only school items on the bus – **Pets are not allowed!**

## BE A GOOD CITIZEN AT THE BUS STOP

Stay off the road – always watch for danger.

Respect the property of others.

Wait in an orderly way – do not play games or scuffle with friends.

Always wait for the bus to STOP before moving toward the door.



## BOARD THE BUS CAREFULLY

Stay in single file - without crowding or pushing.

Hold the handrail – steps may be slippery.

Go directly to your seat



## HELP THE BUS DRIVER TO DRIVE SAFELY

Follow the driver's instructions.

Talk quietly and stay seated!

Be courteous – to the driver, other children and passing motorists.



## GET TO THE BUS STOP SAFELY – AND ON TIME

Leave home early – so the bus will not have to wait on you. You should be at the stop 5 minutes before the assigned time.

Walk on the LEFT shoulder of the road if there are no sidewalks.

## THERE ARE MANY WAYS FOR CHILDREN TO GO TO SCHOOL

Some



Some ride bicycles



Some go in the family car



We ride the SCHOOL BUS



**NO MATTER HOW WE GO TO SCHOOL, WE MUST PRACTICE SAFETY**

Children, parents and bus drivers are responsible for SAFETY.



**SAFETY ON THE SCHOOL BUS MEANS...**

No boy or girl who rides the bus gets HURT. No boy or girl does something, which causes someone else to get hurt.

**WE CAN HAVE SAFETY ON THE SCHOOL BUS WHEN...**

All boys and girls obey the



## LEAVE THE BUS CAREFULLY

Always walk in a single file.

Move away from the bus door as soon as you are off the bus.

Never play in the bus-loading zone



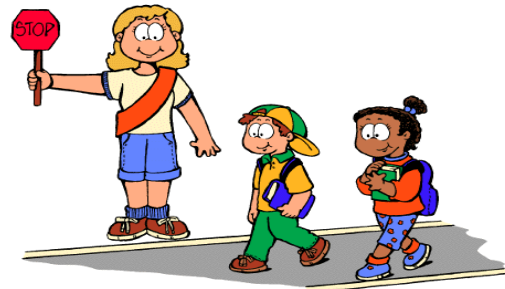
## CROSS ROADS VERY CAREFULLY

When the bus is using flashing lights, wait for the driver's signal to cross.

Always be alert to possible dangers.

When crossing streets after the bus has left, always use the crosswalk.

Look both directions before crossing the road-never run in front of a car.



# BUS DISCIPLINE

1. Riding the bus is a privilege not a right. Misconduct on the bus can result in the student losing that privilege.
2. Principals are authorized to suspend bus privileges depending on the severity of the child's misbehavior on the bus.
3. When a child loses his/her privileges, the parents assume the responsibility for transportation to and from school
4. When a child accumulates 10 days bus suspension, that child will lose his/her bus riding privileges for the remainder of the semester. The first offense after returning to the bus will result in loss of bus privileges for the remaining of the year.

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## RIDE THE BUS

### YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO RIDE

Always get permission to ride a different bus. A note signed by a parent and verified by the principal is required to ride a different bus.



"DO NOT LOSE YOUR BUS PRIVILEGE!"

### FOLLOW THESE RULES...

1. Observe same conduct as in the classroom.
2. Be courteous, and use no profane language.
3. Do not eat or drink on the bus.
4. Keep the bus clean.
5. Co-operate with the driver.
6. Do not smoke
7. Do not damage bus or equipment
8. Stay in your seat.
9. Keep head, hands, and feet inside bus.
10. Do not fight, push or shove.
11. Do not tamper with bus equipment
12. Do not bring pets on the bus.
13. Do not bring flammable material on the bus.
14. The bus driver is authorized to assign seats.
15. Have a safe trip.

# WE RIDE THE SCHOOL BUS



## A MESSAGE TO PARENTS

The information in this bulletin is taught to your children in order that they may develop safe habits and good bus riding attitudes. Parents, teachers and bus drivers, in partnership, can elicit safe and desirable behavior from bus riders by encouraging their compliance with these necessary rules of safe conduct.

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