

## **Regulation**

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### BUS CONDUCT

The following rules and regulations for students riding school busses will be observed by all students:

- A. While waiting for the bus, students are asked to stand on the sidewalk or on the side of the road and observe all safety precautions;
- B. Students are required to be at the bus stop before the bus's expected arrival time. Missing the bus is not a valid excuse for either lateness or absence from school;
- C. Students are expected to report to the bus stop. Drivers have been instructed to accept students only at designated stops;
- D. Students must show their identification pass to the driver when they board the bus. This pass must be carried at all times;
- E. Hands and head must be kept inside bus windows at all times;
- F. Students are required to keep the bus neat and clean at all times;
- G. Bus equipment is to be treated with extreme care. Anyone abusive to bus equipment will be held directly responsible for damages;
- H. Students are not to tamper with switches, controls, or the handle to the emergency exit, etc.;
- I. If a seat has been assigned by the driver, the student must occupy it at all times when riding. No one is to be standing while the bus is moving;
- J. When buses leave the school in the afternoon, once the bus door is closed and the bus is moving, no students will be admitted;
- K. Students are to be courteous to each other and the bus driver at all times. Anything which distracts the driver's attention from the road may result in a serious accident;
- L. Harassment, intimidation, or bullying is prohibited;
- M. When an emergency occurs, students are required to remain quietly seated and await further instructions from the driver. In case of fire, students will be specifically instructed to leave the bus and wait a safe distance away;
- N. Smoking will be prohibited on school buses in accord with New Jersey State law;
- O. Students who must cross the highway to reach their destination shall cross in front of the stopped bus after the driver verifies that warning lamps are operating and indicates that conditions are safe to cross.

Student's violating the conditions of these rules may be subject to the revocation of their transportation privileges and/or other disciplinary measures as detailed in the code of student conduct.

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