

RULES FOR STUDENT CONDUCT ON SOUTHWEST LOCAL SCHOOL BUSES

Students need to recognize that they must follow directions from the driver while on the bus just as they must follow teacher directions in the classroom.

- a. Students shall arrive at the bus stop before the bus is scheduled to arrive. (We recommend 5-6 minutes prior to the scheduled pick up time.)
- b. Students must wait at a location clear of traffic, twenty feet away from the bus stop, in the designated place of safety assigned by the regular route driver. Once the bus arrives, students must wait for the driver to signal that all is safe before the students walk toward and board the bus.
- c. Behavior at school bus stops must not threaten life, limb or property of any individual.
- d. Students must go directly to an available or assigned seat.
- e. Students must remain seated, keeping aisles and exits clear. Students should keep their hands to themselves.
- f. Windows may only be opened with driver permission.
- g. Students must observe classroom conduct and obey the driver promptly and respectfully. Talking quietly with your seat partner is permitted. Speaking loudly to surrounding students is not permitted. Students must not use profane language.
- h. Students must refrain from eating and drinking on the bus except as required for medical reasons. (Please notify the transportation office in advance.)
- i. Students must not use tobacco on the bus. Students must not have alcohol or drugs in their possession on the bus.
- j. Students must not throw or pass objects on, from or into the bus.
- k. Students may carry on the bus only objects that can be held in their laps. See OAC 3301-83-20 paragraph (J). (This includes musical instruments and school projects.)
- l. Students must leave or board the bus at locations to which they have been assigned unless they have a bus pass signed by the building administrator. Passes will only be issued for emergencies to be determined by the building administrator.
- m. Students must not put head or arms out of the bus windows.
- n. The emergency door is only to be used in case of emergency.
- o. Upon exiting the bus, students must go to their assigned point of safety, twenty feet from the bus and stand there until the driver is able to count that all the students that left the bus are now safely away from the bus and the bus drives away. THEN, the students are permitted to go to their homes.