

Kettering City School District
 Transportation Department

STUDENT RULES FOR RIDING THE SCHOOL BUS

PARENTS: Please read and review the following rules with your child. Sign below to indicate your understanding and agreement, and have your child return the bottom portion to the school bus driver within five days.

THE FOLLOWING ARE BASIC BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENTS RIDING A KETTERING CITY SCHOOL BUS:

- OBEY THE BUS DRIVER - HE/SHE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL RIDERS
- IF YOU NEED TO CROSS THE ROAD, CROSS ONLY IN FRONT OF THE BUS AFTER RECEIVING A CLEAR SIGNAL FROM THE DRIVER THAT IT IS SAFE TO CROSS; CHECK TRAFFIC AND CONTINUE TO DESIGNATED SPOT OF SAFETY
- RIDE ONLY YOUR ASSIGNED BUS AT YOUR ASSIGNED STOP BOTH TO AND FROM SCHOOL - BUS DRIVERS ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO CHANGE EXISTING BUS STOPS
- ENTER AND LEAVE THE BUS IN AN ORDERLY FASHION AND GO TO DESIGNATED SAFE SPOT - SINGLE FILE
- REMAIN SEATED *QUIETLY* WHILE THE BUS IS IN MOTION (BUS DRIVERS ARE AUTHORIZED TO ASSIGN SEATS)
- CARRY ON BOARD ONLY NECESSARY MATERIALS/PARCELS WITH NO SHARP POINTS OR EDGES AND NO LONG STRAPS OR STRINGS; NO SKATEBOARDS – ALL ITEMS (INCLUDING MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS) MUST FIT EITHER ON STUDENT'S LAP OR UNDERNEATH BUS SEAT
- BE AT THE BUS STOP ON TIME, READY TO BOARD FIVE (5) MINUTES BEFORE BUS ARRIVES, FOR YOUR SAFETY (AND SO THE BUS CAN STAY ON SCHEDULE) - NO RUNNING TO CATCH THE BUS

IMPORTANT:

Student misbehavior and noise can be a distraction for the driver. This is hazardous to the safe operation of a vehicle and jeopardizes the safety of all passengers. **THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS BY STUDENTS RIDING KETTERING CITY SCHOOL BUSES ARE NOT PERMITTED** and will result in a BUS CONDUCT REPORT (“write-up”) to be taken home by the student, signed by the parents, and returned to the driver:

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| * Disobeying driver | * Vandalism |
| * Failure to remain seated while bus is in motion | * Spitting |
| * Bothering others | * Hanging out of window |
| * Fighting, pushing, or tripping | * Opening emergency door |
| * Harassment | * Concealed weapon or dangerous material |
| * Profanity or abusive language | * Lighting matches |
| * Throwing objects at/on bus or out of bus window | * Possession or use of tobacco, e-cigs, drugs or alcohol |
| * Yelling, stamping feet, or clapping hands | * Bringing any type of animal on board (including live insects/fish) |

A violation of any of the above rules or subsequent amendment may result in denial of bus privileges up to the end of a semester. Repeated violations may result in a recommendation to the Principal or Superintendent for suspension or expulsion from school. Any serious violations such as firecrackers, smoke bombs, physical/verbal abuse of a bus driver, etc., will result in immediate removal from bus transportation for a period of not less than 10 days or for the remainder of the semester.

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AGREEMENT

I have read and understand the above rules regarding my child riding the school bus.

Name of student _____ School _____ Grade _____
 Bus # _____ Bus stop location _____
 Telephone # _____ Home address _____
 Date _____ Parent signature _____