

STUDENT CONDUCT ON SCHOOL BUSES

Buses are a service provided by the Columbia Local Board of Education. Children are required by law to behave on the bus. Behavior problems will be handled by the bus driver, the transportation supervisor, or the principal. Students must obey the bus driver as they would their teachers.

If a student is going to ride a bus other than his or her assigned one, he or she must have a note from home, which is signed by a school official before presenting it to the bus driver. The same procedure applies to a student wanting to get off at a different bus stop. Students who miss a school bus at the end of the day should report to the office. Columbia bus regulations for students are as follows:

1. Pupils shall arrive at the bus stop before the bus is scheduled to arrive.
2. Pupils must wait at the bus stop and stay clear of traffic.
3. Behavior at school bus stops must not threaten life, limb, or property.
4. Pupils must go directly to their assigned seat.
5. Pupils must remain properly seated, keeping aisles, windows and exits clear.
6. Pupils must maintain classroom conduct and obey the driver promptly and respectfully.
7. Pupils must use proper language at all times. Pupils should avoid any unnecessary disturbing noises and be silent at railroad crossings.
8. Pupils must refrain from eating or drinking on the bus and help keep the bus clean.
9. Pupils must not have or use tobacco on the bus.
10. Pupils must not have or use alcohol or drugs on the bus.
11. Pupils must not throw or pass objects on, from, or into the bus.
12. Pupils may carry on the bus only objects that can be held safely in their laps. (No animals, large instruments, etc.)
13. Pupils must leave or board the bus at locations to which they have been assigned.
14. The building principal shall alert the transportation supervisor of any pupils with medical problems. The transportation supervisor will inform the appropriate driver of the situation.
15. Pupils must not violate the schools' conduct code.
16. Pupils must cross all roads at least ten (10) feet in front of the bus. Before crossing, look to the driver for the hand signal.

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