

Swan Valley School District #92 Transportation Behavior

Our philosophy

We believe all students can behave appropriately and safely while riding on a bus. We will not tolerate any student stopping drivers from doing their job or preventing other students from having safe transportation.

Policies and Procedures

1. Students should be on time for the bus. In the morning, students should be at the bus stop five minutes before the scheduled pickup. (Snowy weather and mechanical problems may cause delays, but the drivers will always complete their routes.)
2. When crossing the street students must wait for a signal from the driver and walk at least 15 feet in front of the school bus.
3. Items that could be hazardous or cause safety issues are not allowed on the bus. These include skis, skateboards, animals, glass objects, flammable objects, knives, etc.
4. Students must keep the bus clean and refrain from damaging it. By law, any damage caused by students will be compensated by the parent or legal guardian.
5. Students will always treat the driver, or other adults and fellow students, with courtesy and respect.

Bus Rules:

1. Follow the driver's directions the first time they are given.
2. Always stay in your assigned seat, no standing while the bus is moving. (state law)
3. Use classroom voices. You should not be able to hear one voice above the others.
4. Keep all parts of your body and/or objects in the bus.
5. No pushing, shoving, or fighting at any time.
6. No eating, drinking, smoking, or spitting.
7. No swearing, rude gestures, cruel teasing, or put-downs. This means verbal as well as non-verbal.

We will be using video and/or audio recording equipment on the bus. This video or audio will be used to determine and track various behaviors on the buses. By signing this ridership agreement, you give your consent to the school district and transportation department to videotape your child while he or she is on the bus. If this is objectionable to you, we ask that you transport your child in lieu of using the bus.

Disciplinary Steps

1. 1st offense – verbal warning
2. 2nd offense – written conduct report – A parent or legal guardian, must sign the report and the student must return it to the bus driver before being allowed back on the bus.
3. 3rd offense – suspension – Transportation supervisor, principal, student and/or parents will discuss terms of suspensions.

Severability Clause

In the case of disorderly conduct, defiance, fighting, assault, using illegal drugs, arson, vandalism, sexual harassment, or other endangering behavior the driver will stop the bus as quickly and safely as possible to evaluate the situation. In the cases of serious misbehavior, the student may be immediately suspended from all school provided transportation without going through any of the disciplinary steps listed above.

Student Name	Student Signature	Date
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Parent Name	Parent Signature	Date
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