

WALL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

PUPIL COOPERATION IN SCHOOL BUS SAFETY:

The following rules have been approved as Board policy. They are to be discussed each year by teachers and students (K-5) as soon as possible after the opening of school.

Pupils are expected to cooperate with school bus drivers at all times and abide by the following rules:

ALWAYS BE CAREFUL IN APPROACHING BUS STOPS: WALK ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE ROAD FACING ONCOMING TRAFFIC.

ON EXITING THE BUS, CROSS THE ROAD ONLY AFTER THE BUS DRIVER HAS SIGNALLED THAT IT IS SAFE TO DO SO. CROSS IN FRONT OF THE BUS.

ALL PUPILS ARE EXPECTED TO BOARD AND LEAVE BUSES ONLY AT THEIR DESIGNATED STOPS, UNLESS TEMPORARY PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED BY THE PRINCIPAL IN WRITING.

ALWAYS BE AT THE BUS STOP 10 MINUTES BEFORE THE BUS IS DUE TO ARRIVE.

GO TO YOUR SEAT IN THE BUS WITHOUT DISTURBING OTHERS.

FASTEN YOUR SEAT BELT.

REMAIN SEATED WHILE THE BUS IS IN MOTION.

ALWAYS OBEY THE DRIVER PROMPTLY, CHEERFULLY, AND RESPECTFULLY. REMEMBER THEY HAVE A BIG RESPONSIBILITY AND IT IS YOUR DUTY TO HELP.

ALWAYS KEEP HEAD, ARMS AND HANDS INSIDE THE BUS. PROJECTING ANY PART OF THE BODY OUT OF THE BUS IS A DANGEROUS PRACTICE.

ALWAYS TREAT THE BUS EQUIPMENT CAREFULLY AND HELP KEEP IT CLEAN.

AVOID DISTRACTING THE DRIVER'S ATTENTION WITH LOUD TALKING, LAUGHING OR UNNECESSARY CONFUSION.

THE CENTER AISLE MUST BE CLEAR AT ALL TIMES. AVOID CLUTTERING THE AISLE WITH BOOKS, LUNCH BOXES, ETC. - HOLD THEM ON YOUR LAP UNLESS THE BUS HAS A BOOK OR OTHER TYPE OF RACK.

EATING, DRINKING AND CHEWING GUM IS PROHIBITED ON THE BUS.

REMEMBER, THE DRIVER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MANY LIVES. YOUR COOPERATION IS NEEDED AT ALL TIMES.

PUPILS WHO RIDE BICYCLES WILL LEAVE SCHOOL GROUNDS AS DIRECTED BY THE BUILDING PRINCIPAL.

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DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE FOR SCHOOL BUS PROBLEMS

The following disciplinary procedures have been approved as Board policy to govern the general conduct of all pupils transported to school. Will you kindly familiarize yourself with these requirements, remove, sign and return the attached form to the school at your earliest convenience.

- 1. At first sign of misconduct, there will be a verbal warning given by the bus driver.**
- 2. If misconduct continues, a "Student Conduct Report" will be made out by the bus driver and submitted to the Principal and to the Transportation Manager.**
- 3. The Principal will contact the parents and ask for their cooperation. (If necessary, the bus driver will be consulted).**
- 4. If misconduct continues, the bus driver will again inform the Principal (by a "Student Conduct Report") and the Transportation Manager.**
- 5. The student will be denied transportation for a period of one week. His/her parents will then be expected to provide the necessary transportation.**
- 6. If misconduct continues, more stringent action will be taken.**
- 7. A copy of these regulations shall be posted in all schools and copies will be sent to the parents of all Wall students (K-5).**