

## **REGULATIONS FOR STUDENTS RIDING A SCHOOL BUS**

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### ***RULES TO FOLLOW WHILE WAITING FOR AND BOARDING A SCHOOL BUS***

1. Keep sidewalks clear for pedestrians.
2. Avoid misbehavior and excessive noise at the bus stop.
3. Wait on the sidewalk, or if a sidewalk is not available, Wait for a safe distance from the roadway.
4. Arrive at the bus stop at least five (5) minutes before the arrival time of the bus.
5. Be considerate of private property such as flowers, grass, plants, etc.
6. Board in a single line when the bus arrives.
7. Do not push or shove.
8. Anything brought on the bus, including band instruments or projects must be held safely on your lap and may not obstruct the view of the driver.
9. Use handrails when boarding or exiting the bus.
10. Locate a seat promptly and be seated.
11. School rules are in effect at the bus stop.

### ***RULES TO FOLLOW WHILE RIDING A SCHOOL BUS***

1. Do not abuse the privilege of riding the bus.
2. Cooperate with the bus driver at all times.
3. Remain seated at all times while the bus is in motion.
4. Always keep your hands and arms inside the bus. Do not throw anything out of the window.
5. Report any emergency to the driver as soon as possible.
6. Keep the aisle free of feet, books, or any objects that may obstruct the pathway.
7. Do not fight, push, play, or participate in any activity that would cause excessive movement or loud noise on the bus.
8. Do not mark on, cut, tear, or abuse the interior or seats of the bus.
9. Help keep your bus clean.
10. Report anything which is considered unsafe, harmful, obscene, offensive, or in need of repair to the bus driver as soon as possible.
11. Be courteous, respectful, and understanding of one another.
12. Eating, drinking, and gum chewing are not allowed on the bus.
13. No toys or pets are allowed on the bus.
14. Keep all materials such as pencils, rulers, etc. in book bag while riding the bus.
15. Unless you have a written permission slip signed by the principal, you will not be allowed to ride a different bus nor get on or off the bus except at your designated stop or at school.
16. It is permissible for the driver to have a "No Talking" rule on the bus.
17. All school rules are in effect while a student is riding the bus.
18. Students who do not adhere to the rules are subject to disciplinary action, suspension, or expulsion.

19. When a student is suspended from riding the bus he/she will not be permitted to ride any Iberia Parish School bus until the suspension has ended.
20. Exit from the rear door only in the case of an emergency.

### ***RULES TO FOLLOW WHEN EXITING A SCHOOL BUS***

1. Remain seated until the bus has come to a complete stop.
2. Only exit the bus at your designated stop.
3. Exit the bus promptly and orderly after it has come to a complete stop.
4. Students who must cross the road after getting off the bus should walk at least ten (10) feet in front of the bus to make sure the driver sees them. Never walk in the back of the bus. Cross only when directed to do so by the driver.
5. Look in all directions when crossing the road and only cross if the traffic has stopped.
6. Walk directly home by the safest route.
7. Avoid trespassing on private property.

### ***PROPER REPORTING***

Students who have difficulty with other students while riding the bus should report the problem to the driver as soon as possible. If the problem cannot be resolved by the driver, then it should be reported to the principal of the school where the student attends. Bus drivers will report unsatisfactory behavior to the school principal.

### ***SEATING***

The bus driver is responsible for seating arrangements and has the authority to assign students to a seat. Factors such as safety, fairness, physical disability, age, and conduct are major considerations.

### ***PICK UP TIME***

Bus pick-up times will be determined by the Transportation Department.

### ***PARENT NOTICE***

**\*\*Bus stops are not changed for inclement weather.\*\***  
Keep this rules and regulations sheet for future reference.

**\*\* A parent/guardian MUST be outside to get students in SPED and Pre-k thru 2<sup>nd</sup> grade off of the bus\*\***