

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT ON SCHOOL BUSES

While riding a school bus, students will comply with the following rules adopted by the Oregon Department of Education (OAR 581-053-0010):

1. Students being transported are under the authority of the bus driver;
2. Fighting, wrestling or boisterous activity is prohibited on the bus;
3. Students will use the emergency exits only in case of emergency;
4. Students will be on time for the bus, both morning and evening;
5. Students will not bring firearms, weapons, or other potentially hazardous material on the bus;
6. Students shall not bring animals, except approved service animals, on the bus;
7. Students will remain seated while the bus is in motion;
8. Students may be assigned seats by the bus driver;
9. When necessary to cross the road, students will cross in front of the bus or as instructed by the bus driver;
10. Students will not extend their hands, arms, or heads through the bus windows;
11. Students will have written permission to leave the bus other than at home or school;
12. Students will converse in normal tones; loud or vulgar language is prohibited;
13. Students will not open or close windows without permission of the driver;
14. Students will keep the bus clean and must refrain from damaging it;
15. Students will be courteous to the driver, fellow students and passers-by;
16. Students who refuse to promptly obey the directions of the driver or refuse to obey regulations may forfeit their privilege to ride on the buses.

Students will also comply with the following additional rules adopted by Crook County School District:

1. Students shall not possess, use or be under the influence of tobacco or nicotine products, narcotics, drugs, or alcohol on the bus;
2. Students shall not interfere with any school bus operating controls, except in an emergency or as instructed by the driver;
3. Students shall conduct themselves so as to promote an atmosphere free from discrimination, harassment, prejudice, and racism;
4. Large, bulky objects or any object which may be a danger in the event of an accident and which cannot be held in the student's lap or stowed directly under a seat are prohibited on home to school routes;
5. Students shall not bring glass, balloons, laser pointers, aerosol cans, or other potentially hazardous items on the bus;
6. Students shall not eat or drink anything except water on the bus. Field trips and athletic trips may be an exception;
7. Students shall utilize available seat belts or other specified restraint systems on any bus so equipped;
8. Students shall not utilize electronic devices in any manner that causes distraction or harassment to any other pupil or the bus driver. This may include, but is not limited to cameras, video/audio recording, playing music, cyberbullying;
9. Skateboards and scooters may only be transported secured on or in a backpack or duffle bag;
10. Any item used in a hazardous or inappropriate manner on the bus will be confiscated. Parents will be required to retrieve these items from the transportation department;

Students shall not board any bus while on suspension or expulsion from their route.