

Effective May 8, 2018, the school district will operate six (6) school buses equipped with three-point lap-shoulder seat belt systems. On buses equipped with three-point lap-shoulder seat belt systems, seat belt use shall be mandatory for student riders.

All children will receive instruction on proper use of seat belts on school buses at least three (3) times each year. The bus driver shall be charged with applying and enforcing this policy requirement using standard LEA standards and procedures as it pertains to student behavior management.

School bus drivers are responsible for instructing students to put on belts at three time periods:

- 1) Morning: When students board the bus, inform students to wear seat belts;
- 2) On Route: If a student takes their belt off (visibly) while riding, verbal warn or cite;
- 3) Afternoon: Walk from front to back one time prior to school parking lot departure.

Note: Drivers are not responsible (i.e. liable) for students wearing belts while riding. Drivers are responsible for instructing students to put on belts in any and all of the three above scenarios.

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