

Athens City Schools - Bus Safety Rules & Regulations

- ✓ To ensure safety, the driver must be totally in charge. Passengers must respond promptly to instructions given.
- ✓ The use of tobacco, food or drink on the bus is prohibited. Animals, oversized objects, and glass containers are not permitted.
- ✓ Passengers must observe classroom conduct on the bus and at **bus stop**. Ordinary conversation is permitted. Horse-play, unruly behavior, abusive and obscene language or gestures are not permitted.
- ✓ Keep aisles and step-well clear at all times.
- ✓ Never extend any portion of your body out bus windows.
- ✓ Do not attempt to get off or move about while the bus is in motion. Always remain seated until bus stops.
- ✓ If you cause damage to the bus, you or your parents must pay for that damage.
- ✓ Regular schedules must be observed. The bus cannot wait for tardy passengers.
- ✓ Wait at the proper stop. Never stand in the roadway.
- ✓ If you cross the street to board, wait for the driver's signal. Cross well in front of the bus.
- ✓ Observe driver's instructions when you unload. If you cross the street, wait for the driver's signal and cross well in front of the bus.
- ✓ Drivers will not unload passengers at places other than regular stops without proper authorization from the Director of Transportation.

Failure to follow these rules/regulations will result in suspension from all Athens City Schools' transportation.

I have read, with my child, the above listed *Bus Safety Rules & Regulations* and the consequences for violation of these rules as listed on the reverse page.

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Please Print Name

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date

- *Copy of this document must be kept on file at school in which student is enrolled*
- *Consequences for Violation of Bus Safety Rules/Regulations are listed on the back of this page*

CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATION OF BUS SAFETY RULES/REGULATIONS

OFFENSE	LEVEL I	LEVEL II	LEVEL III
1 st	Assigned seat placement	Suspension 3-5 days	Long-term suspension
2 nd	Suspension pending parent conference	Suspension 5-10 days	N/A
3 rd	Suspension 3-5 days per incident	Long-term suspension	N/A

VIOLATIONS

LEVEL I

Eating/drinking on bus
 Failure to remain seated
 Improper boarding/departing
 Refusing to obey driver
 Loud, rude or abusive behavior
 Profane language/obscene gestures
 Any behavior jeopardizing safety
 Other_____

LEVEL II

Tampering with bus equipment
 Fighting/pushing/tripping
 Bringing articles on bus of injurious or objectionable nature
 Destruction of property
 Possession/use of tobacco
 Throwing objects in or out of bus
 Hanging out of window
 Other_____

LEVEL III

Physical assault/verbal threat directed to bus driver
 Possession/use of alcohol, drugs
 Possession of a weapon
 Use of chemical substance with intent to do bodily harm
 Unapproved use of emergency exits on bus
 Other_____

1 st Report	2 nd Report	3 rd Report
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