Jefferson Elementary School District
Transportation Department

BUS RULES

For everyone’s safety, BUS RULES MUST BE FOLLOWED AT ALL TIMES:

- Be on time, NEVER run to or from the bus. Arrive at least 5 minutes before bus.
- Stand back from the curb. No pushing or shoving while at the bus stop or while boarding or departing. Wait for the driver’s signal before crossing. ALWAYS stand/cross at least twelve (12) feet from the bus.
- DO NOT bring on the bus any glass containers, balloons, skateboards, bats, balls, live animals, live insects or materials of any kind that could cause harm to other students or distract the driver.
- Cell phones or other electronic devices may not be used on the bus.
- Follow the driver’s instructions AT ALL TIMES. Disrespectful behavior is NOT allowed.
- All riders MUST wear seatbelts at all times if the bus is so equipped. Bus 1 has seatbelts and the law requires they be worn.
- STAY IN YOUR SEAT! DO NOT stand or change seats while the bus is in motion. Stay in your seat, feet on the floor, face forward and sit upright. Do not change seats without permission of the driver. DRIVER IS AUTHORIZED TO ASSIGN SEATS!
- All riders MUST be silent at railroad crossings.
- NEVER crawl under a school bus.
- DO NOT yell, shout or use profanity.
- DO NOT fight. No horseplay. DO NOT annoy others.
- DO NOT eat, drink, chew gum, or litter on the bus.
- Keep all body parts inside the bus.
- DO NOT bring tobacco, alcohol or weapons on the bus.
- DO NOT deface the bus in any way (including writing, cutting or sticking things to seats or walls). PARENTS WILL BE CHARGED FOR DAMAGES!
- For safety reasons, crutches are allowed ONLY if the rider can board and depart bus WITHOUT use of the crutches.
- All students must show their bus pass before entering the bus.

Students in violation of any of the bus rules will be subject to the following actions:

1. Verbal Warning
2. Written citation with copy sent home to parent(s)/guardian(s) to sign
3. Three (3) day suspension – parent(s)/guardian(s) contacted
4. Ten (10) day suspension – parent(s)/guardian(s) contacted
5. Termination – no transportation for remainder of year

Students may be given IMMEDIATE suspension or termination from the bus, depending on the severity of the student’s actions.