

KAWARTHA PINE RIDGE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

Section: Business and Administrative Services

Transportation

Regulation: SAFETY AND CONDUCT ON SCHOOL

BUSES: RULES OF CONDUCT ON

SCHOOL BUSES

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This administrative regulation is written in accordance with the guiding principles in Board Policy No. BA-8.4, Safety and Conduct on School Buses.

Rules have been established in an attempt to create the safest possible environment for students being transported. The driver is responsible for the safety of the pupils. Therefore, it is important that the pupils follow the driver's instruction. The following list is not intended to be all inclusive.

- Pupils should be at their pick-up point at least 10 minutes prior to the bus arrival time.
- Pupils should choose the safest walking route to and from the bus stop and keep well clear of travelled roadways while waiting for the bus.
- Pupils should be certain that traffic is clear or stopped before crossing any roadway.
- Pupils must line up and board the bus promptly in single file without crowding or pushing.
- Pupils must be picked up and discharged only at designated stops.
- Pupils must take their assigned seats on the bus and must remain seated throughout the trip to and from school.
- Pupils must keep aisles clear at all times and pupils must keep books, lunch boxes and other items under the bus seat. Pupils must obtain permission in advance from the principal, who shall consult with the driver, if they wish to bring larger bulky items on the bus (e.g. musical instruments or sporting equipment).
- Pupils must not drink or eat, chew gum, litter, smoke, drink alcohol or use non-medical drugs on a school bus.
- Pupils must not throw objects at, on, or from the school bus.
- Pupils must not at any time create a disturbance, however slight, by yelling, using profanity, by taunting another student or touching another student's personal property.
- Pupils must not bring firecrackers, matches, water pistols or any other dangerous or annoying objects on school buses. Such items are prohibited at all times.

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Pupils must not open windows unless authorized by the driver and must keep all parts of their body inside the bus at all times.

- Pupils and/or their parent(s)/guardian(s) will be financially responsible for any act of vandalism.
- Pupils must not touch emergency equipment except in the case of an emergency and pupils should be aware of bus evacuation procedures and the location of emergency equipment and exits.

Schools shall establish a plan to ensure students are educated in these rules.

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