

JCN School bus Rules

It is important to note that riding the bus is a privilege and can be revoked at any time.

If your child(ren) are not going to ride their Am Bus that morning text the driver. HOWEVER, DO NOT TEXT OR CALL THEM AFTER 6:30 AM They are driving the bus and don't need the distraction. Text or call Cathleen (785-331-8528) instead.

The bus driver is in charge of the students on their bus and will assign seats and maintain the rules and safety. If there is a violation of safety and bus rules the students will be written up for the infraction.

All school and bus rules apply on all buses: regular routes, shuttle buses, field trips, activity trips and at all bus stops.

Students must be ready and waiting for the bus to arrive 5 min. before the time the driver has assigned to their stop/home. When the bus is seen coming down the road stand 10 feet off the roadway and do not approach the bus until signaled to do so. Those crossing in front of the bus MUST NOT cross until they see the driver give them a "Thumbs up".

Keep your hands to yourself. Do not touch anyone or their things.

The student's things, ie: phones, tablets, bags, instruments etc. are the student's responsibility. The student is to hold their stuff or put it under their seat. Their stuff can not take the space from another student that needs to sit down. Nothing is to be put in the aisle or under the feet of another rider.

All parts of a student will stay out of the Aisle, including, head, hands, legs, and feet. They must remain in their seat compartment.

Be courteous and respectful in speech and manner, to other students and driver.

No Cussing, No fighting, No inappropriate conversation topics, and No public displays of affection.

Remain seated until the driver tells you to exit the bus. Don't switch seats unless you ask the driver if you can.

Windows will only be allowed to be put half way down. Keep hands, feet, head and hair inside the windows. Do not throw anything out the windows or inside the bus.

No candy or gum are allowed on any bus.

No food is to be eaten on regular route buses. If there is a coach or sponsor on activity or field trips that are trained in CPR/1st Aide then eating lunch on the way to a sports event will be allowed for those instances. The Driver has the last say in that matter and ALL trash must be thrown away.

Water bottles are allowed. No soft drinks in cans or pop in bottles. Water bottles only.

No Alcohol, No drugs, No Tobacco products, No vaping products, No Weapons, and No Animals are allowed on any bus.

No student is ever allowed to sit in the driver's seat or mess with or operate any equipment on a bus.

Electronics (ie: phones, iPads, handheld games, music/headphones, etc) are permitted on buses but will be taken away if interfering with safety. All Music shall be used with headphones and will be kept at a level that the wearer can hear the driver if they raise their voice.

Students are not allowed to take pictures and/or videos of anyone on the buses. It is a privacy issue.

Students may carry on a conversation with the students they sit with and the ones across the aisle from them, in a normal speaking tone. NO yelling, screaming, or unnecessary noises.

Students are not allowed to change bus stops. If a change is needed or desired the parent must call Cathleen to work out an alternative plan.

The students are to keep their bus clean. If they have trash, it needs to stay in their bags or with them until they exit the bus and can throw it away on the way out the door.

PARENTS.. If you know there's soon to be a temporary change in your normal routine (vacation, overtime etc.) and your child(ren) will need transported to a family member or daycare that we've transported to before, please text Cathleen, or send a note to the Elementary/Middle School Office or contact the HS Office with the details. The sooner the better. If we've not transported to a needed stop contact Cathleen to see if it's a possibility.

No Student will be dropped off at a stop/home that isn't their assigned place without notification from a parent/guardian. Notes, Emails, texts or phone calls are extremely important.

Disciplinary Actions for Violation of Bus safety Rules.

The Principal and Transportation Director/Coordinator reserve the right to review each case individually and assign alternate consequences.

All Minor bus conduct offenses will result in the following:

First write up	Will result in a conference with the student and contact with the parent
Second write up	Will result in a conference with the student, contact with the parent and a 1 day suspension from the bus.
Third write up	Will result in a conference with the student, contact with the parent and a 3 day suspension from the bus.
Fourth write up	Will result in a conference with the student, contact with the parent and a 5 day suspension from the bus.
Fifth write up Or more	Will result in a conference with the student, contact with the parent and Suspension from the bus up to 30 days or the rest of the semester, which Ever is longer

Suspension from regular route buses may also affect whether the student will be permitted to ride a bus to and from field trips and sports activities during the suspension period.

All major offenses will result in a conference with the student, contact with parent and suspension from the bus for up to the remainder of the year as determined by Administration.