

Oologah-Talala Public Schools

SAFETY AND BEHAVIOR CODE FOR BUS RIDERS

PERMISSION FOR ANY PUPIL TO RIDE IN A BUS IS CONDITIONED ON HIS/HER GOOD BEHAVIOR AND OBSERVANCE OF THE FOLLOWING RULES AND REGULATIONS. ANY PUPIL WHO VIOLATES ANY OF THESE WILL BE REPORTED TO THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL AND CAN BE DENIED PERMISSION TO RIDE A BUS TO AND FROM SCHOOL.

1. Masks will be worn on the bus at all times. (Kindergarten-12th grades)

2. The emergency door is not to be opened except at the direction of the bus driver. If the door is opened, it could endanger the lives of the passengers.
3. No student is permitted to be out of his/her seat while the bus is in motion.
4. All students are under the direct control and supervision of the bus driver while on the bus. Obey the driver's instructions promptly.
5. Keep all parts of the body inside the bus at all times after entering and until leaving the bus. Students are not to throw objects of any kind out of the bus windows at any time.
6. Consumption of food (*including suckers and gum*) or drinks (*bottled, canned or otherwise*) will not be permitted on the bus. (*Exceptions will be made for Vo-Tech routes and extreme weather conditions*)
7. No one should run toward a school bus while it is in motion.
8. Pupils who must cross the road to enter or exit the bus should only pass in front of the bus at the direction of the bus driver. Pupils are not to cross behind the bus.
9. No tobacco, drugs or weapons will be allowed on any bus.
10. It is the responsibility of all students to help keep the bus clean.
11. No glass containers or balloons can be taken on the bus. (example: flowers during Valentine's Day)
12. Any complaints by the drivers, pupils, or parents should be reported promptly to the principal and/or Transportation Department.
13. Good behavior and manners are expected on the bus and at the designated bus stop.
14. Students can be denied permission to ride a bus to and from school.

TO: PARENTS OF CHILDREN RIDING SCHOOL BUSES
FROM: THE OOLOGAH-TALALA BOARD OF EDUCATION, Transportation Division

Dear Parent:

In order for you to understand and become familiar with the regulations covering the conduct of your child while riding an Oologah-Talala Public School Bus, as well as your own responsibilities, we are sending you excerpts from SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION, OOLOGAH-TALALA PUBLIC SCHOOLS, POLICIES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES, pertaining to you. **It is requested that you and your child read these responsibilities and regulations.**

Your cooperation with us will make it possible to provide a safer and more efficient transportation program.

Please print the legal name of the student:	Grade	Teacher
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I have reviewed the Bus Transportation Policies, Regulations and Procedures with my child:

Parent or Guardian Name (please print)

Parent or Guardian Signature

Physical Address

Contact Phone Number

*It is the parent's responsibility to discuss with the student the provisions of the Safety and Behavior Code for Bus Riders and to support the principal in the enforcement of the code.

*The parent must assume responsibility for the behavior of their child while riding the bus.

IF PERMISSION TO RIDE THE BUS IS REVOKED; THE PARENT MUST
PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM SCHOOL FOR THEIR CHILD
UNTIL SUCH TIME AS REINSTATEMENT MAY BE MADE.