



Nye County School District Transportation Department

Rules for Student Transportation

Rules of School Bus / Student Transportation Passenger Conduct / Parent Expectations

The safety of student transportation passengers is the most important consideration of the school bus / district vehicle operation. Bus Drivers/Monitors are required to report known violations or failure to comply with the listed rules resulting in a disciplinary report to the school administration via the Transportation Department. (N.R.S. 392.4644)

Student Transportation Passenger Safety and Conduct while traveling to/from and waiting at School Bus Stops (N.R.S 392.375)

Safety

- Wear light colored clothing to improve their visibility to drivers
- Plan to leave the home allowing time to arrive at the stop location ten (10) minutes prior to the scheduled stop time.
- Walk off of the roadway whenever possible, staying close to the edge of the roadway
- While at the stop, stay away from the edge of the roadway a minimum ten (10) feet if possible
- Do not play in the roadway
- Do not approach or “rush the bus”. Instead, walk calmly and orderly to the bus once the bus has stopped and the door is open
- Stay out of the DANGER ZONE (See diagram below). If you drop something under the bus, let the driver know.

Conduct

- **At the Bus Stop**
 - No horseplay while traveling to and from the bus stop
 - Keep your hands, feet and other objects to yourself
 - Do not throw anything at other students, vehicles, animals or property
 - Damage to any property will require restitution, paying for the damage
 - Be at the bus stop ten minutes prior to the scheduled stop time.
 - Stay off Private Property.
 - Do not sit on fences, landscaping, or play in abandoned/empty lots
- **On the Bus**
 - Comply with the directions of the driver.
 - Behave in an orderly manner while en route to, waiting for, entering, riding or exiting the bus.
 - Remain properly seated AT ALL TIMES.
 - Do not extend any part of their bodies out of the bus or throw any item in or out of the bus.
 - Do not bring any food or drink on the bus. Bus drivers may make exceptions for athletic trips, medical reasons, and weather related occasions.
 - Do not damage any part of the bus or another student’s property.
 - For any infractions involving damage, restitution will be required for all damages, along with the assigned consequence.
 - Not bring skateboards, glass containers, large instruments, sports equipment, animals, weapons, liquor, tobacco/vape, drugs or any other item that cannot be held on lap or could interfere with passenger safety.
 - Not participate in loud talking, use of profanity, displaying obscene gestures, scuffling, throwing things, spraying perfume, cologne, hairspray etc, standing or changing seats, or any other action which creates a safety hazard or which distracts the attention of the driver.



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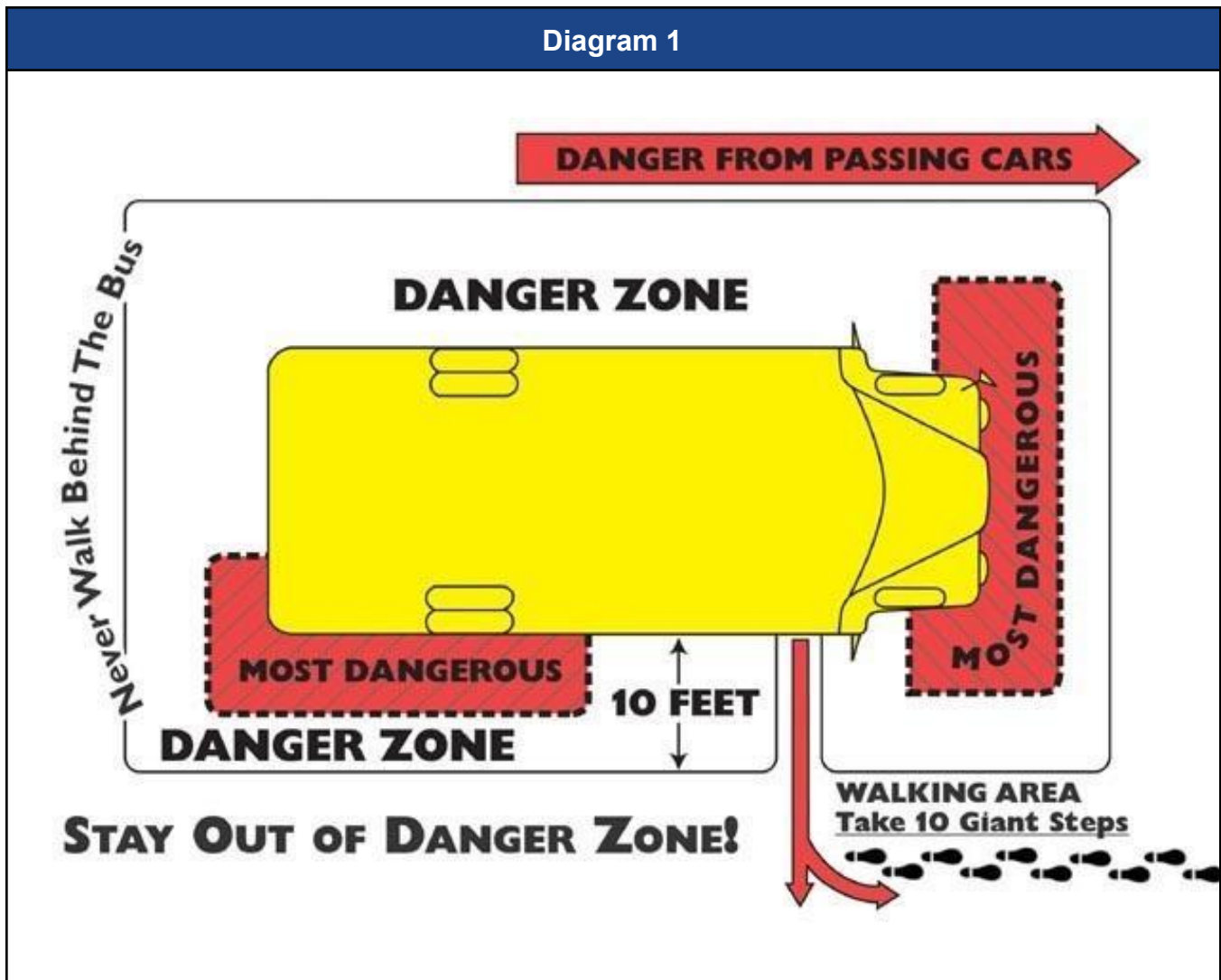
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- Follow the bus driver's directions and signals when crossing the road, and while entering or departing the bus.
 - Crossing behind the bus is prohibited. Do not touch the outside of the bus.
- Not ride a bus other than their assigned bus. Students will board and disembark from the bus only at their assigned bus stop

PLEASE REMEMBER:

- **If it is against the rules at school, it is against the rules on the bus and at the bus stop.**

Diagram 1





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Parent Expectations/Requirements

- Parents/guardians should practice with their student(s) so they can identify their stop location and path to and from the stop.
- Parents are expected to reinforce the rules contained herein to assist:
 - The District in providing safe and reliable transportation
 - The motoring public and community members in enjoying a safe and low-risk transportation operation in their community
 - All students in having access, when qualified, to safe and efficient transportation to and from school and events.
- Kindergarten students must be met at the bus stop by an approved parent/guardian/adult unless written permission is provided to the Transportation department.
- Parents that are required to meet their student at the bus stop after school or those who choose to meet their students at the stop must be at the stop 10 minutes prior to the scheduled arrival time.
 - Please Note: Failure to be available at the scheduled stop at the scheduled stop time to receive your student or communicate that you will be late to the stop location will require Transportation/School personnel to contact Nye County Sheriff's Office.
- Do not drop students off behind the bus as this increases the risk to student safety when the student enters the bus Danger Zone (See diagram below).
- Do not block private driveways, park on private property, or park immediately adjacent to the actual bus stop location.
- Ensure your student is respectful of private and public property. Keep litter and trash away from stops and walk paths.
- Per N.R.S. 392.040, loss of transportation privileges does not excuse a student from school attendance and transportation therefore becomes the parents'/guardians' responsibility.

Consequences of Violating Bus Rules

The School Administrator will determine the level of discipline in accordance with applicable NCSD Policies and Regulations.

Severe misbehavior that causes a safety concern if the student continues to ride could result in an immediate suspension from student transportation. These inappropriate behaviors may include but are not limited to:

- Physical harm to or a direct or indirect threat to themselves or other students.
- Physical harm to or a direct or indirect threat toward the driver or other Transportation employee.
- Fighting, pushing, tripping, smoking, possession or use of: alcohol, weapons or drugs.
- Property damage (restitution will be required).
- Refusal to comply with the direction of the bus driver or other Transportation employee.

The goal of Transportation is to provide a safe ride to and from school and events. We need the assistance of all students and parents/guardians to help make this happen.

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