

Student Transportation Services

The safety of all students riding the bus to and from school is a responsibility we all share. It takes all of us working together to ensure safety: students, parents, bus drivers and school officials. The District has established the student conduct expectations listed below to ensure that all of our students are transported in the safest environment possible. Students who fail to observe these expectations will be subject to disciplinary action. Their failure to do so may affect the safety of others. Failure to follow bus expectations and regulations may result in suspension of bus riding privileges as well as school consequences depending on the seriousness of the violation.

If you should have any issues or concerns and need to talk with your child's driver, it is best to call the Transportation Office at (816) 986-2400 to schedule a time. If you need to approach the bus please do not step into the bus but instead signal to the driver you would like to talk and proceed to the driver's side window. For the safety of all bus riders, our drivers are instructed to close the entrance door when approached and direct you to their side window. Keep in mind the bus has other stops and a schedule so the driver has limited time at individual stops. Under Missouri Law unauthorized entrance on a school bus is trespassing. For the safety of the students we transport, the Lee's Summit School District supports this law and has posted warnings on all buses.

Safe riding expectations and tips for a safe school bus ride.

1. Follow the bus driver's directions
2. Be at the bus stop 5 minutes before and stay at least 5 minutes after your stop time
3. Line up in a single line at the side of the road
4. Sit on your seat, not on knees or backpack
5. Speak quietly to each other
6. Keep hands, feet and other items to yourself on the bus.
7. No food/drinks/gum/candy on the bus
8. Ensure your student knows the danger zone
9. The safest stop is the stop with an adult present

- Students are expected to help keep the bus clean and not purposely or carelessly destroy transportation equipment.
- Damage resulting from misbehavior shall be paid for by the student. Suspension from the bus will occur and continue until all damage is paid for.
- Students will show consideration for other students and the bus driver by being courteous and well mannered.
- No profanity or other abusive language.

Any action that would create an environment contrary to the District's, School's and Transportation Department's missions will not be acceptable. If the action creates an environment in which learning, safety and caring for others is not the primary focus, disciplinary action will result, including possible loss of bus service. Students are expected to follow safe riding expectations listed above.

Mobile Electronic Devices

Cell phones, iPads and other similar electronic devices are permitted to be used on the School Bus as long as the user follows these expectations:

- Must be in backpack or other holder while boarding and departing the bus so hands are free to use handrails
- Sound must be muted or the user must use headphones, ear buds or similar
- Does not create a distraction for the drive
- No material in violation of District policy and procedures
- No sharing of content with other students outside the seat compartment they are in

The above only applies to the school bus, each building has their own expectations for usage of mobile electronics. Please contact your school for their specific practice.

