

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR BUS RIDERS

SEYMOUR COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Please keep in mind that riding the school bus is a privilege, and that this privilege can be taken away if your child is not willing to follow the regulations necessary to insure the safety and comfort of all passengers. Video camera monitors may be used on any bus to document student behavior problems and may be used to assist the school administrators in determining the proper disciplinary action.

THE BUS RIDER:

1. shall conform to the same standards of conduct that are expected of them at school.
2. is expected to obey the driver the same as other school staff and be respectful of other students.
3. or his/her parent or guardian shall be financially responsible for damage done to the seats or other bus equipment..
4. shall remain in assigned seat and not engage in horseplay on or around the bus.
5. shall not put any part of their body out of a window.
6. shall be absolutely quiet when approaching a railroad crossing stop.
7. shall not throw anything in the bus or out the window.

BUS SAFETY PROCEDURES:

1. The bus rider is expected to be on time at the designated bus stop. The bus cannot wait for students.
2. The bus rider should wait at the end of their driveway until the bus comes to a complete stop.
3. If the bus rider crosses the road, he/she shall do so in front of the bus after making sure that the highway is clear, and after receiving a signal from the bus driver. The student shall stay at least ten (10) feet in front of the bus while crossing the road.
4. The bus rider is expected to get on and off the bus at their regular stop unless a parent or guardian sends a written request to the building principal.
5. When stepping off the bus, students are to proceed directly to their driveway. Do not go to the mailbox, paper box, etc.
6. Unnecessary distractions may cause confusion and divert the driver's attention which may result in a serious accident.
7. The bus rider will not be allowed to use the last two seats in the rear of the bus unless the bus is at capacity.

DISCIPLINARY GUIDELINES:

If a violation of the above rules occurs, the driver will fill out a conduct report and return it to the building principal within 24 hours of the offense. The report will state the date of the offense, student name, offense committed and the driver's signature and route number.

The following disciplinary actions will be taken by the school administration, depending on the nature of the report.

1. The school official will inform the parent or guardian of the offense and discuss possible disciplinary measures to correct the situation or,
2. The school official could recommend that the Board of Education expel the student from bus service for the remainder of the school year.

IN CONCLUSION:

Parents or guardians and students are to be aware that in any of the preceding actions, they have the right to due process.

Drivers may refuse to transport a student only if an immediate report of the circumstances is made to the school principal on the next trip to the school. No students shall be put off the bus except at the school or at his/her home. The driver may not put a student off the bus unless authorized by the building principal or school official.

The bus driver or school official has the authority to assign riders to designated seats.