Chester County School System

School Bus Rules

1. To ensure safety, the driver must be totally in charge. Students must respond promptly to instructions given.
2. If students have to cross the road, they must do so under the driver’s direction.
3. Go directly to your seat after getting on the bus. Remain seated until the bus has stopped.
4. Face the front and keep legs, books, and other objects, out of the aisle. Hazardous materials/objects, nuisance items, balloons, and animals are not permitted in the bus.
5. Students are expected to keep the bus clean.
6. The driver may assign seats.
7. “No Spray Zone” – No perfume, cologne and/or lotions may be opened, sprayed, or applied while on the bus.
8. Do not put any part of your body out of the window and do not throw anything out of the window.
9. If a student damages a bus, payment will be made for the damages.
10. Students must observe the same rules of conduct as they do in the classroom. Ordinary conversation is permitted.
     Horseplay and unruly behavior, abusive and obscene language or gestures are unacceptable.

Failure to observe these regulations may result in disciplinary action and possible suspension from the bus.

School Bus Procedures

- Arrive at the bus stop shortly before the bus arrives. Buses cannot wait for late students.
- Wait in a safe place, clear of traffic, and away from where the bus stops.
- Form an orderly line. Avoid unsafe play or behaviors.
- Do not damage property while waiting for the bus.
- Wait until the bus has come to a complete stop before attempting to enter or leave the bus.
- Enter the bus in an orderly manner and go directly to an available or assigned seat.
- Students who must cross the street at a bus stop shall not do so until they receive a signal from the bus driver. Never cross in back of the bus.
- Students are permitted to leave the bus only at their assigned stop at home or at school. Leaving the bus at other stops shall require proper authorization as stated in Board Policy.
- Keep aisles and exits clear.
- Do not distract the driver at any time during bus operation.
- Do not tamper with the emergency door, fire extinguisher, or other equipment on the bus.

Any situation not specifically covered in the rules and procedures shall be at the discretion of the Director of Schools, Transportation Department, or Driver.