

EMERY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

My child and I have read and understand the bus rules and discipline plan associated with the privilege of riding a school bus in the Emery County School District.

School or Schools of Attendance _____

Name of Student _____ Grade _____

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Home Phone _____ Cell/Work Phone# _____

Street Address _____

P.O. Box # _____ City _____

Guardian's Name _____

Emergency Contact Name & Number

Signature _____ Date _____

****Only one form per family is needed****



TRANSPORTATION SAFETY RULES

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Emery County School District shares an equal concern with parents/guardians regarding the safe transportation of children. We desire to do all we can to ensure students who ride ECSD school buses travel to and from school safely. We would like each student to have a pleasant bus experience, which allows them to arrive at school in a good frame of mind, feeling prepared, and ready to learn.

This document contains ECSD's rules and regulations related to riding a school bus within this district. These rules and regulations come to us from state and federal law, as well as policies passed by the State Board of Education. It is important for the safety and comfort of those riding, that each student understands and follows these rules. Please assist us by becoming familiar with ECSD's bus safety rules, and making sure your children understand them. Your support and effort in this cause will help us serve you and your children better, and will make riding the school bus a safe and pleasant experience for all.

All automobile drivers play a role in keeping our bus-riding students safe. In this regard, the most important rule for automobile drivers to understand is "***all motorists must stop in both directions when school bus red lights are flashing.***" Red, flashing lights, are used when children are loading or unloading the bus. Motorists who fail to stop when red lights are flashing will be reported to local law enforcement agencies. The safety of our students is our top priority.

Please be aware that students are expected to be on time for the bus, both morning and afternoon. In the morning, students must be at their designated bus stop five minutes before scheduled pickup time. Buses will leave the school in the afternoon no sooner than five minutes after the last bell has rung. If there are no sidewalks available, students should walk on the left side of the road, facing oncoming traffic, when walking to their bus stop. If a student is late to the bus, or sees the bus pulling away before they have boarded, they must **NEVER** run alongside the bus or try to catch up - this poses extreme danger to the student.

Students may only ride their assigned bus to and from school, and must get on/off at their designated stop, only. If it becomes necessary for a student to ride a bus other than their assigned bus, please contact the Transportation Supervisor ahead of time to discuss the situation and receive permission. **A note from a parent/guardian and/or school principal is no longer acceptable.**

For everyone's safety, no item which could create a hazard to any passenger or the driver will be allowed on the bus. This includes but is not limited to: cigarettes, E-cigarettes/Vapes or other controlled substances, live animals, skateboards, glass objects, knives, firearms, explosives, etc. The transportation of school projects, large band instruments, etc. will be left up to the discretion of the driver.

Please complete the attached Bus Enrollment form and return it to your child's school within five days.

Our drivers are thoroughly and carefully trained and our safety record is excellent. We wish to do everything possible to maintain this outstanding record and continue

to preserve the safety of all our students. With your help, we will build a safe environment for all. Thank you for your support in our safety efforts. We look forward to a wonderful and safe new school year!

Sincerely,

Ryan Maughan
Ryan Maughan
Superintendent

Tracy Rowley
Tracy Rowley
Transportation Supervisor

ECSD SCHOOL BUS RULES

FIVE BASIC RULES

Rule #1 - Student will follow the directions of the Bus Driver.

Rule #2 - Student will stay in his/her assigned seat while the bus is in motion.

Rule #3 - Student will keep all body parts and/or objects inside the bus.

Rule #4 - No pushing, shoving, fighting or inappropriate language at any time.

Rule #5 - Do not litter, write on or damage the bus/bus seats in any way.

CONSEQUENCES

1st Offense: Student name noted and verbal warning given.

2nd Offense: Driver/Student Conference; Student may be assigned to a different seat.

3rd Offense: Notification of Parents, Principal, & Transportation Supervisor.

4th Offense: Conference with Parent, Student, Driver, Transportation Supervisor. The Student may lose bus privileges.

If a Student goes through this procedure twice, the situation will be reviewed by the Driver, Parent, Principal and Transportation Supervisor to determine if the Student should continue to ride the bus. Keeping in mind that riding a school bus is a privilege, any or all of the above steps can be bypassed if the offense is one of a severe nature and presents a safety hazard to the other students on the bus and/or the driver. The severe clause outline below can be activated at the discretion of the Transportation Supervisor.

SEVERE CLAUSE

In the case of disorderly conduct, assault, arson, obscenities or other extremely unacceptable behavior, the Transportation Supervisor will invoke the severe clause. The severe clause may entail immediate suspension of bus privileges. Parents and Principal will be notified and bus privileges may or may not be reinstated after a conference with Driver, Student, Parent, Principal and Transportation Supervisor. Local law enforcement agencies may be contacted for assistance when necessary.

**STUDENTS WHO CHOOSE TO FOLLOW THE RULES WILL
HAVE A SAFE AND PLEASANT RIDE**