

TRANSPORTATION/SCHOOL BUS RULES

In the West Central Valley Community School District, each student will sometimes be transported on a school bus. In the name of safety for all students, drivers must be allowed to concentrate on the road and driving. Students, therefore, must behave properly to ensure bus rides are safe. Drivers, students, families, and administrators will work together to make sure bus trips are safe. These rules are taught and reviewed with students. They are posted on the buses. We want everyone to understand the rules and their purpose. We must all support our drivers in their daily duties of safely transporting our children.

Basic Bus Rules:

1. Respect your driver.
2. No loud talking or shouting.
3. No foul language.
4. Keep your hands to yourselves.
5. Keep the aisle clear and remain seated facing forward
6. Put trash in the trash can.

If a student earns a **first write-up**, the consequence will be a warning along with contacting parents. A copy of a Bus Conduct Report is signed and sent to the student's home. In this case, the student is brought to the principal as soon as possible.

If a student earns a **second write-up**, the consequence is an automatic five-day suspension from any route or shuttle bus, along with contacting parents. This suspension can be carried over to the following school year. A copy of a Bus Conduct Report is signed and sent to the student's home. In this case, the student is brought to the principal as soon as possible. A conference is scheduled with the student, parent, and school representatives to rectify the situation to avoid additional bus issues.

If a student earns a **third write-up**, the consequence will be an automatic suspension off any route or shuttle bus for no less than 10 days and up to the rest of the school year, along with contacting parents. This suspension can be carried over to the following school year. A copy of a Bus Conduct Report is signed and sent to the student's home. In this case, the student is brought to the principal as soon as possible. A conference is scheduled with the student, parent, and school representatives to rectify the situation to avoid additional bus issues.

If a student is experiencing problems on the bus, parents should first talk to the driver. If no solution is reached, parents should contact the Principal. In the case that a parent is still not satisfied, the Superintendent can be contacted. It would be helpful to enter these conversations with several ways to solve the problem.

All students deserve a safe bus ride to and from school and school activities. Please understand that transportation is a service the district provides for students, but it is not a right. It is a privilege. School bus drivers, school officials, and families must maintain high levels of safety on buses. Again, consistency is the key. **The Administration does reserve the right to administer a stiffer consequence based on the student's actions, whether it is a first, second or third write-up.**