



Amador County Public School Transportation Bus Conduct and Safety Rules

A Guide to Student Responsibilities While Riding School Buses

The safety and well-being of your child while he or she is riding on a school bus is the number one priority of the Amador Transportation Department. The department may use video cameras to monitor the activities of passengers while riding the bus. California law 5CCR14103 states: *"Pupils transported in a school bus shall be under the authority of, and responsible directly to, the driver of the bus. The driver shall be held responsible for the orderly conduct of pupils while they are in the bus or being escorted across a street. Continued disorderly conduct or refusal to submit to the authority of the driver shall be sufficient reason for a pupil to be denied transportation. The driver of a school bus shall not eject any school pupil unless the pupil is given into the custody of a parent or any person designated by the parent or school."*

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) are asked to please review the following bus rules with their child before the start of school. The bus driver, for any violations of safety rules, will issue citations. A copy of the citation will be sent to the school and parents/guardians. Following are the rules posted on the bus:

"Don't Lose Your Riding Privilege" FOLLOW THESE RULES

1. Observe same conduct as in the classroom
2. Be courteous, use no profane language
3. Do not eat or drink on the bus (water in plastic sealable container is acceptable during hot weather conditions)
4. Keep the bus clean
5. Cooperate with the driver
6. Do not be destructive
7. Stay in your seat
8. Keep head, hands, and feet inside the bus
9. Bus driver is authorized to assign seats

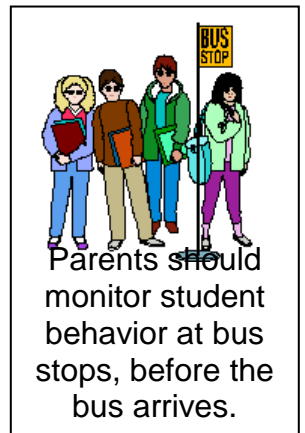
Drivers may enforce additional rules which promote SAFETY, ORDER, and the RIGHTS OF OTHERS
Drivers may confiscate personal items that are used by a student to create a problem
(Confiscated items may be returned at the discretion of the administrator and/or driver)

CITATIONS

Citations will be issued for violations of bus rules. Citations are issued and assigned disciplinary action in accordance with policy and procedures set forth by the department and board. Immediate and permanent suspension of bus riding privileges will result from threatened or actual bodily harm by a student.

PARENTS & STUDENTS: Remember these important safety rules & tips:

- Students **shall not** bring inflated balloons or other floating items on bus
- Students **shall not** trash or destroy the property of others at the bus stop
- Students **shall not** bring on board live animals or pets
- Students **shall not** carry weapons or items resembling weapons
- Students **shall not** bring glass or glasslike containers of any kind on bus
- Students **shall** carry personal identification (bus pass) at all times
- Students **shall** arrive at their bus stop 5 minutes early
- Students **shall** stand 12 feet back from loading area, until bus door opens
- Students **shall** exit the bus at their assigned bus stop only
- Parents/guardians should transport special or large projects to school
- The speed in a school zone is 25 mph.
- "STOP WHEN RED LIGHTS FLASH", the life you save may be a child.
- Transport your child to school if they miss their scheduled bus.
- Bring a bus stop assignment form signed by their parent/guardian for any bus stop changes
- Kindergarten students may not be left unattended or released without supervision at a bus stop.



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