Department of Transport and Main Roads



Code of Conduct for School Students Travelling on Buses

Information for students



Description of students' expected behaviours

Hail the bus and wait in an orderly manner

- Stand in a visible location or at a designated bus stop.
- Stand well back from the edge of the road when waiting for the bus.
- Hail the bus as it approaches.
- Remain quiet and calm without pushing or shoving.
- Be patient and wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before getting on.
- Have bus pass, ticket, card or money ready.
- When the bus stops, move quietly to the bus.

Respect other people and their property

- Speak respectfully to the driver and other passengers.
- Respect other people's belongings and personal space.
- Ask for permission before touching other people's belongings.
- Keep hands, feet and belongings to self.
- Follow the driver's directions.
- Follow the bus rules.
- Look after the bus and bus equipment by making sure students:
 - leave the bus and bus equipment tidy and undamaged
 - report any damage to the driver.

Behave in a way that ensures a safe and enjoyable bus journey for all passengers

- Show the driver bus pass, ticket or ID upon request.
- Pay the correct bus fare.
- Show care, courtesy and common sense while on the bus.
- Sit properly on the bus (if a seat is available) and make sure
 - place feet on the floor
 - keep hands and feet out of the aisle
 - face the front of the bus
 - wear a seatbelt at all times, if one is available
 - store belongings under the seat or in an appropriate luggage area

How can I be a safe and responsible passenger?

If you follow these guidelines for student expected behaviours you will be a safe and responsible passenger.

Students' role

To be a safe and responsible passenger.

Students' rights

- To be safe.
- To be respected and treated fairly.

Students' responsibilities

- To act safely and responsibly by:
 - paying a fare
 - following driver instructions
 - following the bus rules and the Code
 - respecting self and others
 - respecting own property and the property of others
 - communicating respectfully with others
 - accepting consequences for bus misconduct (which can include refusal to travel).

Students' expected behaviours

- Hail the bus and wait in an orderly manner.
- Respect other people and their property.
- Behave in a way that ensures a safe bus journey for all passengers by:
 - following bus rules
 - staying in the right place
 - behaving in a calm, non-aggressive way
 - keeping hands and feet to self
 - speaking politely
 - storing all objects safely
- Get off the bus in an orderly manner.
- Follow the driver's safety instructions.