



### **School Bus** Rules and Regulations

### Safety is our **First Priority**

The main objective of Clearview Transportation Services is to ensure students are transported to and from school safely.

We engage students, parents, drivers and our communities to be active participants to ensure the safety of all students on the bus. The school bus is considered an extension of the classroom therefore. classroom conduct is to be observed at all times.

The bus driver is responsible for the safe transportation of students and should be respected. This requires the cooperation of each student.

Together we all play a part...

"Riding the Bus is a privilege, not a right"

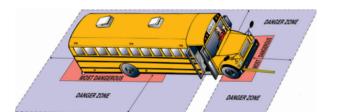
#### Know your Zone, Safely Home

#### When Getting on the Bus When Getting off the Bus

- 1. Be at the bus stop 5 minutes
- 2. Stay in the safe zone.
- 3. Stand in a single file line and don't push or shove
- 4. Wait for the bus to come to a complete stop & doors open.
- 5. Always use the handrail.
- 6. Obey the bus driver.

#### 1. Stay in your seat until the bus is

- stopped and the door is opened.
- 2. Watch your step and use the handrail. 3. Walking to the Safety Zone and follow the rules as taught by the bus driver.
- 4. Obey the instructions of the bus
- 5. If you drop something by the bus, wait until the bus is gone to retrieve it.
- 6. The Danger Zone is the area extending 3m out from the bus on all sides.



### **Parent Expectations &** Responsibilities

- Ensure their child's safety while getting to and from the bus pickup and dropoff points.
- Ensure the students are at their designated pickup point five minutes prior to their scheduled pickup time.
- Ensure that students are appropriately dressed for the weather e.g. winter snow pants, gloves, toques, boots etc.
- Let your driver know either the night before or previous to their route start time if your child/children will be absent. If this is not possible please call the Transportation office at 403-742-6192 ext. 1 Drivers' first priority is to transport students safely.
- Review school bus rules and regulations and encourage children to obey them and their driver, including the importance of safety zones.
- Larger items may only be transported according to Clearview Administrative Procedure 563 - Cargo on School Buses.
- Contact your driver for permission for guests to accompany your student on the bus. Ensure the guest has written approval from their parent/guardian.
- Report any safety concerns to the bus driver, school administrator or the Director of Transportation at 403-742-6192 ext 1.
- Parents/Guardians will be financially responsible for willful damage to the bus.

# Student Expectations & Responsibilities

- Take your seat right away, sit back in the seat facing forward keeping your feet to the front not in the aisle.
- Hands to yourself.
- Talk quietly, to ensure the Bus Driver is not distracted.
   Remember it is the driver's responsibility to keep you safe.
- All students are to remain absolutely quiet while the bus is backing up or is stopped at a railway crossing and while it is crossing.
- Please be respectful if eating on the bus, students are responsible for disposing of their garbage.
- The bus aisle must be kept clear at all times.
- Stay seated until the bus comes to a complete stop and the bus door is open. Before you leave your seat take all of your belongings with you.
- Be Kind, Respectful and Considerate.
- If your driver is being distracted
   ALL passengers are at Risk.

## **Bus Driver Expectations**& Responsibilities

- Transport students in a safe and efficient manner.
- Orientate students on procedures and safety.
- Follow the designated route and adhere to the schedule of times for pickups and drop offs.
- Develop seating plans and assign students seats, as necessary.
- Treat all students with respect and dignity.
- Document and report student behavior concerns.
- Maintain a clean/sanitary and fueled bus
- Adhere to all policies, procedures and guidelines set out by Clearview
   Public Schools and the Director of Transportation, including the Transportation Handbook and Safety Program.

## Policy & Administrative Procedures

- Policy 17 Student Transportation
- Policy 17A Appeals Regarding Transportation Matters
- AP 560 Student Transportation Services
- AP 563 Cargo on School Buses

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