

This form must be signed and returned to the school. It is imperative that the form be returned promptly.

I have read and understand the Regulations for Pupils Riding School Buses and agree, as a passenger to abide by said regulations.

STUDENT SIGNATURE OR NAME

SCHOOL ATTENDING

GRADE SECTION

ADDRESS (STREET)

CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

FOR PARENT OR GUARDIAN

I have read and understand the Regulations for Pupils Riding School Buses and agree to assume full responsibility for my child's conduct on said bus.

PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURE
FALSIFYING INFORMATION ON THIS DOCUMENT IS SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

For further information about the Ohio County Schools, call the Central office at 298-3249 or write
Ohio County Schools
315 E. Union St. PO Box 70
Hartford, KY 42347

OHIO COUNTY SCHOOLS TRANSPORTATION REGULATIONS



PUPIL RIDING SCHOOL BUSES



The transportation department of the Ohio County Schools provides you with the best equipment, best drivers, best provides you with the best equipment, best drivers, best monitors, and with the safest program possible. We ask for your cooperation.

Regulations for Pupils for riding School Buses are issued in accordance with the Students Code of Conduct, Ohio County Board of Education Policy, Kentucky Administrative Regulations and Kentucky Revised Statutes do not require Boards of Education to furnish transportation to and from school for pupils. Students have the privilege of riding an Ohio County Schools bus to and from school provided they comply with the directions from the driver following the rules and regulations for pupils riding school buses.

School bus transportation is authorized only for pupils regularly enrolled in a public school from pre-school through twelfth grade

RIDING THE BUS

*The driver and the monitor are in charge of the bus and students. Pupils are to follow the directions given by the driver the **FIRST TIME** they are given.

*Pupils shall ride their assigned bus and no other bus.
Drivers have the right to assign seats to students.

*Report promptly to the driver any damage done to the bus.
Persons causing damage shall be required to pay in full cost of repairs before riding privileges are restored.

*Pupils shall not engage in any activity which might divert the driver's attention away from driving the bus and cause an accident.

*Pupils shall not engage in any activity which might damage or cause excessive wear to the bus or other property.

*Pupils shall board the bus and immediately take a seat without disturbing other passengers. Ride three to a seat.

*Pupils shall not try to get on or off the bus or move around within the bus while it is in motion.

*Avoid making excessive loud noise.

*Remember that fighting at bus stops or on the way to and from school bus stops is subject to disciplinary action from your school principal.

The following activities are prohibited at all times:

- (a) Improper behavior to include insolence, disobedience, vulgarity, foul language, fighting, pushing, shoving and similar offensive acts.
- (b) Use of tobacco products.
- (c) Eating or drinking on the bus.
- (d) Possessing knives or weapons.
- (e) Bringing animals on the bus.
- (f) Throwing articles or objects in or from the bus.
- (g) Obstructing the aisle in any manner.
- (h) Occupying more space in a seat than is required (All items which a student brings on the bus must be held in student's lap).

Violations of the rules and regulations for riding a school bus shall result in the following actions:

1. First offense- Bus driver will issue a warning to the student. *
2. Second offense- Bus driver will move pupil to a front seat and notification will be sent to parent/guardian.
3. Third offense- Principal warns student that suspension of riding privileges for a minimum of three (3) days could result.
4. Fourth offense- Principal suspends bus riding privileges for a minimum of three (3) days. *
5. Fifth offense- Elementary and middle school students, bus riding privileges will be suspended five (5) days. High school students- bus riding privileges will be suspended ten (10) days.
6. Sixth offense- Elementary and middle students, bus riding privileges will be suspended ten (10) days, High school students, bus riding privileges

will be suspended the remainder of the school year.

- Elementary and middle school students- Bus riding privileges will be suspended the remainder of the year.

*Some offenses are of such a serious nature that they can be deemed to warrant suspension of bus riding privileges without following the procedures outlined above.

Passengers are permitted to leave the bus only at the regular designated stop. Any change must be made with the parent's request in writing and approved by the signature of the school principal.

If a pupil lives on the opposite of a road from the bus stop, the pupil shall go forward of the bus at least 10 feet and wait until the bus driver gives the signal to cross the road. **NEVER** cross the road in the rear of a stopped school bus.

Responsibilities of parents of very young Children (preschool, kindergarten and special needs):

- Must be present to receive their children when the bus arrives at the bus stop.
- The bus driver must have a visible indication that an adult is present before allowing the child to leave the bus.
- When a responsible adult is not present to receive the child the bus driver will return the child to school.
- Parents who are not present when the bus arrives at the bus stop will be required to pick their child up at school.

Responsibility of Parents:

Any complaints of drivers, monitors, pupils or parents shall be reported promptly to the principal or Director of Transportation.

Parents should report any misconducts on school buses to the principal.

Parents should report all traffic hazards and the bus numbers of all buses observed being operated carelessly; call the transportation department at 298-4832.

Parents should encourage students to observe all safety and conduct regulations established for the safe and efficient operation of the school bus.

Parents should observe extreme caution when approaching bus stops, moving buses or stopped buses.

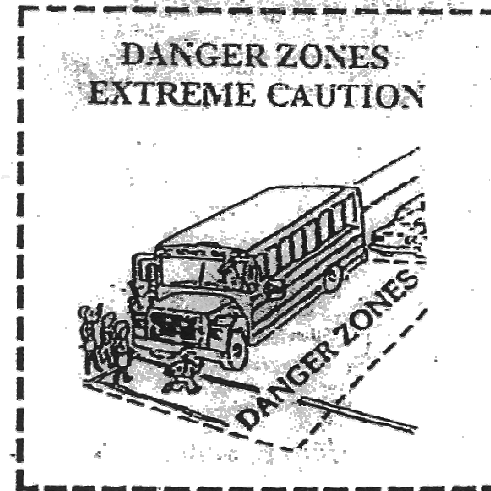
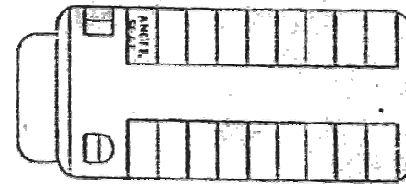
Parents should help supervise large numbers of children at bus stops.

Parents should see that their children are at the stop five minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.

GET ON AND OFF THE BUS USING ANGEL SEATING

- Students use handrails when boarding bus.
- Students fill up seats from front to rear of bus but they leave the front seat opposite the driver (the :Angel Seat) vacant for the last two students who board at each stop.
- At next stop, the students in the angel seat get and take another seat toward the rear.

- The last two students to board again sit in the angel seat.
- When loading the process is reversed; the last two to get off at the next stop sit in the angel seat. As the seat is vacated, two students who get off at the next stop move to angel seat.



Bus Number _____

A.M. _____

P.M. _____

To: **PARENTS OF PUPILS RIDING SCHOOL BUSES**

From: **OHIO COUNTY SCHOOLS TRANSPORTATION DEPT.**

Dear Parent:

In order for you to understand the regulations covering the conduct of your child while riding an Ohio County School Bus, we are sending you this copy of Regulations for Pupils riding school buses. Please read these regulations together with your child.

You cooperation will make it possible to provide a safer and more efficient transportation program. Thank you for helping us transport kids in a safe manner.

Tom Woods
Director of Transportation
Ohio County Schools

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Non-Discriminatory Policy Statement
Students, their parents and employees of the Ohio County Board of Education are hereby notified this school district does not discriminate on the basis of color, national origin, age, religion, marital status, gender or disability of employment, educational programs, vocational programs or activities as set forth in Title IX, Title VI, Section 504 and ADA.
Any person having inquiries concerning the Ohio County Board of Education compliance with Title IX, Title VI, Section 505 and ADA is directed to contact Christy Nofsinger, Ohio County Board of Education, P.O. Box 70, 315 East Union Street, Hartford, KY 42347, (270) 298-3249, who has designated to coordinate the district's efforts to comply with Title IX Title VI, Section 504