Rules Of Conduct

MEETING THE BUS

- 1. Be on time—help keep the bus on schedule.
- 2. Do not stand or play in roadway while waiting for the school bus.
- 3. Stay several feet from the pavement when walking along the highway or waiting for the bus.
- 4. When approaching the bus stop, always walk on the LEFT-HAND SIDE of the road facing traffic.
- 5. Walk **–do not run**—when crossing the highway. Check carefully before crossing the road.
- 6. Do not run along side of the bus when it is moving.
- 7. As the bus approaches, stand 10 feet from the point where the bus will stop.

RIDING THE BUS

- 1. Students may have assigned seats on the bus.
- 2. Keep all parts of your body inside the bus at all times.
- 3. Aisles must be kept clear of all objects.
- 4. No eating, drinking or using tobacco on the bus.
- 5. Do not destroy property.
- 6. Be courteous to everyone.

- 7. No fighting or violence of any kind.
- 8. No profanity, threats, or rude gestures at anytime.
- 9. No cell phones, CD players, radios, or noise making devices.
- 10. Do not talk to or distract the bus driver while bus is moving.
- 11. Quiet at Railroad crossings.
- 12. Do not stand up, change seats, or move about while bus is moving.
- 13. Any behavior that could endanger the safety of passengers or driver will be addressed.

LEAVING THE BUS

- 1. Remain seated until the bus stops. Do not attempt to leave the bus until it comes to a complete stop. Students in front seats leave the bus first.
- 2. Students may leave the bus at designated stops only.
- 3. After getting off the bus, students shall go about 10 feet in front of the bus and wait until the driver directs them to cross. Following these instructions saves lives.

Disciplinary Action Policy for all Schools in Anderson District Two

The principal or his/her designee will take disciplinary action as follows:

<u>First Offense</u> - Warning to the student and a copy of the referral to the parents advising them of the misconduct.

<u>Second Offense</u> - Suspension from riding the school bus for a period of <u>three</u> days and notification to the parents.

<u>Third Offense</u> - Suspension from riding the school bus for a period of <u>five</u> days; notification to the parents; and a parental conference (in school office or phone call) will be required before the student can ride the bus again.

<u>Fourth Offense</u> - Suspension from riding the school bus for a period of <u>ten</u> days; notification to the parents; and a parental conference will be required with the school principal and student to sign a bus contract before the student can ride the bus again.

<u>Fifth Offense</u> - If after the bus contract is broken, a student persists in uncontrollable conduct, he/she will then be suspended from riding the school bus for the remainder of the year.

<u>Use of Video Cameras:</u> Cameras will be used to monitor student behavior. Videotapes are student records subject to school district confidentiality, board policy and administrative regulations. Tapes can be viewed by building principals and/or transportation director when there is a question about a student's misbehavior on a school bus.

Parents, please keep this page for your reference. It does not need to go back to the schools.

Riding The School Bus Is A Privilege, Not A Right

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STATE LAWS RELATIVE TO SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION

- 1. To be eligible to ride a school bus students must live at least 1-1/2 miles from school.
- 2. A school bus cannot leave the approved route to pick up a student who lives within walking distance of less than .3 mile from the point where the bus passes.
- 3. School bus stops must be at least .2 of a mile apart.
- 4. Bus drivers are required to (1) drive only on approved routes (2) make only approved stops.

YOUR DRIVER WILL GIVE YOU THEIR FULLEST COOPERATION AT ALL TIMES. YOU CAN HELP BY GIVING THEM YOUR FULLEST COOPERATION

The following information is <u>required</u> for all bus riders and will be used in providing the safest possible transportation to and from school. This information must be returned to the school on the first day. <u>Contact the Bus Office at 369-4037 if you have questions.</u>

Parent
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 buses:
Parent or Guardian Signature
Date:
Bus Route #
Bus Route #
Emergency Phone:

Attention Schools: This form should be turned in to the teacher and then to the office to put in PowerSchool.