Safety is the first priority of our Transportation Department. Students are expected to follow the same behavioral standards while riding school buses as are expected in school classrooms.

**Be Safe**
- Load and unload following the bus drivers directions
- Remain seated at all times
- Keep aisle way clear

**Be Respectful**
- Use inside voices
- Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself
- Be kind - no abusive or offensive language

**Be Responsible**
- Be on time for the bus (arrive 5 minutes early)
- No eating on the bus
- Follow your bus drivers instructions

on the school bus

The Oregon Department of Education School Bus Safety Rules (listed below) are posted on every bus. Enforcement of the rules is necessary for the safety of all passengers. Any student who violates the student conduct and/or school bus safety rules is subject to disciplinary action in accordance with school and District Discipline Policy and may result in the denial of transportation privileges.

ORS 581-053-0010  Rules Governing Pupils Riding School Buses and School Activity Vehicles

1. Pupils being transported are under authority of the bus driver.
2. Fighting, wrestling, or boisterous activity is prohibited on the bus.
3. Pupils shall use the emergency exit only in case of emergency.
4. Pupils shall be on time for the bus both morning and evening.
5. Pupils shall not bring firearms, weapons, or other potentially hazardous material on the bus.
6. Pupils shall not bring animals, except approved assistance guide animals on the bus.
7. Pupils shall remain seated while bus is in motion.
8. Pupils may be assigned seats by the bus driver.
9. When necessary to cross the road, pupils shall cross in front of the bus or as instructed by the bus driver.
10. Pupils shall not extend their hands, arms, or body parts through bus windows.
11. Pupils shall have written permission to leave the bus other than at home or school.
12. Pupils shall converse in normal tones; loud or vulgar language is prohibited.
13. Pupils shall not open or close windows without permission of driver.
14. Pupils shall keep the bus clean, and must refrain from damaging it.
15. Pupils shall be courteous to the driver, to fellow pupils, and passersby.
16. Pupils who refuse to obey promptly the directions of the driver or refuse to obey regulations may forfeit their privilege to ride buses.
Emergencies

All 4J school buses are supplied with a set of emergency equipment in the case of an accident, breakdown, or medical emergency. These items include:

- a First Aid Kit,
- Fire Extinguisher,
- Body Fluid Kit,
- Reflective Warning Devices
- and a Two-Way Radio.

Evacuations

If an evacuation should be necessary, the driver will give that direction. All riders should remain calm and follow their drivers' instructions to evacuate the bus as quickly and safely as possible.

Evacuations should be done one row at a time starting with the first row, and alternating right and left sides.

1. Student helpers take positions to assist
2. Evacuate one seat at a time
3. Stay calm, don't run or push past other students
4. Assemble at least 100 feet from the bus
5. Stay together and wait for help

(Although bus evacuations are rare, preparation and training are essential for everyone's safety.)

Riding the School Bus Safely