

Telra Institute Bus Rider Expectations

We know you share our concern for the safety of every student who rides a school bus. We ask you to impress upon your child that following the rules and obeying the bus driver is necessary. You must review the rules and responsibilities below and those included in the Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook of Telra Institute.

Conduct of Students

- Obey the bus driver promptly concerning conduct on the bus.
- Be at the place designated both morning and afternoon, ready to board the bus, 10 minutes before the posted pick-up time.
- The driver maintains this schedule and will not wait for tardy students.
- Help keep the bus clean, sanitary, and orderly. Do not damage or abuse the cushions or other bus equipment. Students will be required to pay for damages. Eating is not permitted on the school bus for the child's safety.
- In case of emergency, ask the driver to stop the bus.
- Do not use drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or profane language on the bus.
- Students are prohibited from using recording devices or radios on buses.

UNDER NC GENERAL STATUTE 115C-245, governing student conduct

- Fighting, smoking, drinking, using or possessing drugs, using profanity, or refusing to obey the driver.
- Entering or leaving the bus without the permission of the driver.
- Refusing to be seated or not allowing others to be seated.
- Using the emergency exit when there is no emergency.
- Not leaving the bus at the right time or place.
- Delaying the bus schedule.
- Distracting the bus driver or participating in any inappropriate behavior while riding the bus.

Repeated violations will result in permanent removal of transportation privileges.

UNDER NC GENERAL STATUTE 115C-399 governing parent/guardian conduct.

- Willfully trespassing upon or damaging a school bus.
- Entering a school bus or school activity bus after being forbidden to do so; or
- Refusing to leave a bus upon request.
- Unauthorized people, including parents and guardians, are not permitted on buses.
- Entering a school bus without permission is unlawful under North Carolina law, and the violator could receive a trespassing charge. School bus rules and school bus drivers' actions are for our children's safety.

Behavior on the School Bus or at the Bus Stop

So that the Telra Institute can provide safe transportation for all students, the following guidelines must be observed:

1. Always obey the bus driver.
2. Stand off the roadway while waiting for the bus.
3. Arrive at the bus stop at least ten (10) minutes before the scheduled stop time.
4. Cross the roadway several steps in front of the bus.
5. Ride only on the assigned bus.
6. Board and depart only at the assigned bus stop.
7. Act appropriately while waiting for the bus.
8. Give your proper name when requested by the bus operator or monitor.
9. Always remain seated when the bus is moving.
10. Remain silent when the dome lights are on.
11. Remain silent at railroad crossings.
12. Refrain from bringing food, chewing gum, or drink on the bus.
13. Refrain from displaying signs on the bus.
14. Refrain from using profane language or gestures.
15. Refrain from acts of vandalism.
16. Refrain from throwing objects from the windows of the bus.
17. Refrain from conduct or behavior that interferes with the orderly, safe, and expeditious transportation of bus riders.
18. Do not use cellular telephones or other electronic devices on the bus. Video cameras have been installed on some buses, and students may be filmed while on the bus.
19. Violations of these expectations or any behavior that substantially distracts the driver and causes, or has the potential to cause, a safety hazard on a moving bus, maybe the basis for suspension from bus/school and/or removal of bus-riding privileges