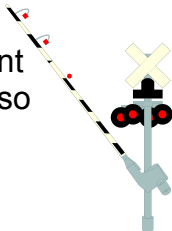




Railroad crossings can be very dangerous. Students must be completely silent when approaching railroad crossings so the driver can hear if a train is coming.

**STOP, LOOK, and LISTEN!**



Refusing to comply with school bus rules and the WV Student Code of Conduct will result in disciplinary actions. Such actions may include, but are not limited to:

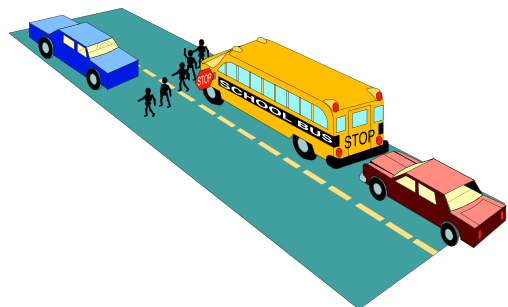
- ✓ Assigned seat closer to the driver
- ✓ Driver conference with student
- ✓ Driver conference with student and principal
- ✓ Driver conference with parent
- ✓ Consequences deemed appropriate by school administrators
- ✓ Loss of bus privilege on a temporary basis
- ✓ Suspension from school
- ✓ Loss of bus privilege on a permanent basis
- ✓ Juvenile petition
- ✓ Expulsion from school

PLEASE REMEMBER TO.....



**IT'S THE LAW!**

It is illegal to pass a school bus with the red flashing lights activated. There are children in the area around the bus. Help us to protect our children.



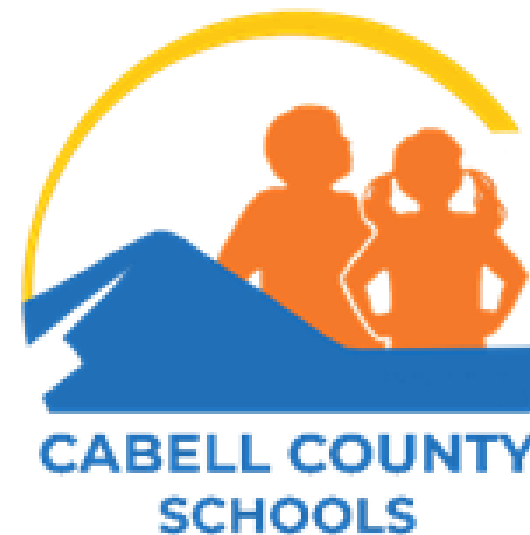
The child's life that is saved may be your own.

- 1st Offense, \$250
- 2nd Offense, \$500
- 3rd Offense, \$1000
- +Jail Confinement

*All of our bus operators have fulfilled the strict requirements of the State of West Virginia for school bus operator certification. These requirements include an extensive background investigation, physical examination, drug and alcohol testing and an in depth training program. All of this is to ensure that your child is provided the safest form of transportation available. However, in order to accomplish our goal, we must have the cooperation of students and parents.*

**This** brochure was designed to help parents and students understand what the state has determined to be necessary in order to have a safe and successful experience on the school bus.

**Parents** are encouraged to read this information with their child to assure that all students are familiar with the regulations and expectations of the Department of Transportation.



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## SUPERVISION AT THE BUS STOP

- Parents/guardian or designated adults are responsible for providing supervision for kindergarten - 3rd grade students at all bus stops until the bus arrives for both pickup and delivery.
- Student will be returned to school if parent fails to meet the bus at the designated bus stop.

WVDE Policy 4336

## WAITING FOR THE BUS

- Students should be at their designated stop before the bus is scheduled to arrive. The bus will not wait for those who are tardy.
- Students are not to run and play at the bus stop.
- Many bus stops are situated near private property. It is important that students be respectful of the property of others.






## BOARDING THE BUS

- Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before approaching to board the bus.
- Line up and board the bus in an orderly fashion with younger children in the front. (Traffic has stopped for student loading, so it should be done as quickly as possible.)
- Hold handrail while going up the stairs and go directly to the nearest or assigned seat.

## RIDING THE BUS

### STUDENTS SHALL:

- Comply with Policy 4373 “Student Code of Conduct”.
- Follow the instructions of the bus operator/aide
- Observe the same conduct as is expected in the classroom.
- Talk quietly in a way which is not distracting to the bus operator.
- Remain seated facing the front of the bus while the bus is in motion.
- Change seats only with permission of the bus operator when the bus is not in motion.
- Keep head and arms inside the bus at all times.
- Keep the aisle clear by keeping personal belongings such as book bags on their laps.
- Be responsible for vandalism that occurs on a seat in which they ride.
- Avoid unnecessary conversation with the bus operator.
- Report any open exit or released hatch to the bus operator.
- Provide enrollment information to the bus operator.

### STUDENTS SHALL NOT:

- Use profane or obscene language
- Use or possess tobacco products
- Eat or drink unless medically necessary
- Throw or pass any object of any nature into or from the bus through a door or window
- Open emergency exits, except during emergencies, unless directed by the bus operator

The school bus is an extension of the school building. Students are expected to behave in the same orderly manner in which they conduct themselves in the classroom at school.

## EXITING THE BUS

- Students should exit the bus in an orderly manner. This routine will be explained by the bus operator.
- Upon leaving the bus, move quickly out of the “**Danger Zone**” surrounding the bus.
- Students should never stop or return to the bus for any reason without first notifying the bus operator.
- Students may only exit the bus at their designated stop. Transportation to a different location may be arranged only when going home would jeopardize a child’s safety. This request must be made in writing and verified by the school administration.



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The “**Danger Zone**” is the area 10 feet from all sides of the bus. Although the bus is equipped with a mirror system which allows the driver to see many areas around the bus, blind spots do exist. Always remain 10 steps away from the bus out of the “**Danger Zone**” and where the bus operator can see you.

*Students are expected to treat everyone (bus operator, motoring public and fellow passengers) with courtesy and respect.*

***Inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated.***