



**TRACY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT
2021-2022 BUS RIDING RULES**

1. Always be on time to board the bus. NEVER run to or from the bus.
2. Always stand back twelve (12) feet from the curb in a single file line. DO NOT stand, sit, or play in the bus loading zone. NEVER crawl under a school bus. DO NOT touch the exterior of the bus. DO NOT push or shove while at the bus stop, or while boarding or exiting the bus. DO NOT touch anything within the driver compartment of the bus or emergency equipment. When crossing the street, WAIT for the driver's signal before crossing. ALWAYS cross at least twelve (12) feet IN FRONT of the bus.
3. Follow the driver's instructions AT ALL TIMES. Disrespectful behavior is NOT allowed.
4. **Items that are NOT allowed on the bus (include, but are not limited to):** food, liquids, candy, gum, glass containers, perfume, cologne, hair spray, balloons, toys, skates, skateboards, scooters, bats, balls, **electronic devices** (including mp3 players, cell phones/bluetooth headsets, cd/dvd players, video games), pornographic material, hobbies and crafts, refreshments for parties, live or dead insects or animals, lighters, tobacco, drugs, alcohol, weapons, replica weapons, or materials of ANY kind that could cause harm to another student or distract the driver. **DRIVER MAY CONFISCATE ANY UNAUTHORIZED ITEM(S)!!**
(Hiding/attempting to conceal any item will not be tolerated.)
5. DO NOT stand or move while the bus is in motion. Stay in your seat, feet on the floor, facing forward, and sitting upright. Backpacks/book bags must be removed for the duration of the ride. DO NOT move from seat to seat without permission from the driver. **DRIVER IS AUTHORIZED TO ASSIGN SEATS!!**
6. All riders MUST wear seatbelts at all times if the bus is so equipped.
7. Keep all body parts INSIDE the bus at all times. DO NOT expel any object(s) out of the windows or doors of the bus. DO NOT throw any object(s) inside of the bus. DO NOT throw any object(s) at a bus.
8. DO NOT yell, shout, or cause distraction. Profanity is NOT allowed. Vulgar or gang related gestures/comments are NOT allowed.
9. All riders MUST be silent at railroad crossings.
10. DO NOT touch another person. DO NOT fight. NO teasing or horseplay. Violence, harassment, threats and/or physical contact is NOT allowed. Retaliation will NOT be tolerated. *(Physical contact could result in immediate suspension of bus riding privileges.)* Spreading bloodborne pathogens/bodily fluids may result in disciplinary action.
11. DO NOT eat or drink (no food/drink allowed), spit, chew gum, or litter. All trash is to be placed in designated waste containers.
12. DO NOT deface the bus. Pencils, pens, markers, sharpies, etc. must be kept inside student's backpacks AT ALL TIMES. **PARENTS WILL BE CHARGED FOR DAMAGE!!** *(Failure to pay for damage may result in bus riding privilege suspension.)*
13. DO NOT block the aisle of the bus. Due to limited storage space and the safety of ALL riders, ANY item larger than 14" x 20" may be refused by the driver. All items must be kept inside rider's backpack at all times.
14. Each rider MUST possess and show and Scan THEIR valid, unaltered bus pass to the driver every time he/she boards and disembarks the bus – both morning and afternoon. Using or attempting to use another rider's bus pass is NOT allowed. Giving a bus pass to another rider to use is NOT allowed. Using or attempting to use an expired bus pass is not allowed. Altering a bus pass is NOT allowed. Riders may only utilize the specific type of transportation indicated on their bus pass.
15. All riders MUST ride their assigned route number at their designated time. All riders MUST board or exit the bus at their designated bus stop or loading zone. Riders may NOT attempt to board or exit the bus at a stop or loading zone that is undesignated to them. Riders may not ride or attempt to ride during any suspension. *(Additional citations may be issued for this offense.)*
16. For safety reasons, crutches are allowed ONLY if the rider can board and depart the bus WITHOUT use of the crutches.

In addition to the rules listed above, riders are expected to follow the School Rules and/or Student Handbook at all times while riding the bus. Riders may be given IMMEDIATE suspension from the bus, depending upon the severity of the rider's actions.
(Consequences may continue to the following school session.)

Student behavior may be monitored by video recording devices within the school buses.
Video may be used by district administrators in disciplinary proceedings.

The driver and/or school district bears no responsibility for lost, stolen, or damaged items brought onto the bus.

Any item(s) confiscated by the driver or left on the bus must be picked up by a PARENT or GUARDIAN from the Transportation Department Office within 30 days.

!!!!!!! PLEASE COOPERATE WITH YOUR BUS DRIVER !!!!!!!

“We are dedicated to safely transport tomorrow's future.”