

New Paltz Central School District

Bus Safety

The bus driver is in charge of the bus and is responsible for the safety of students en route and while they are crossing the roads. Behavior that distracts the driver, and thus endangers the safety of the students on the bus, is prohibited. Students on school buses must obey the requests and directions of the bus driver. Please review the following bus safety rules with your child in order to ensure a safe, comfortable ride for all. Students who choose not to follow these rules will be subject to disciplinary action, including bus suspension. Parents/guardians will be contacted regarding inappropriate behavior on the bus. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

- No student may attempt to enter or leave the bus while it is in motion.
- After boarding, students are to take their seats quickly and remain seated until they leave the bus.
- If students live on the side of the road opposite that on which the bus stops, they must remain there until the bus stops and the bus driver directs them to cross. Students should cross 10 feet in front of the bus.
- Students may not eat on the bus.
- Students may not yell, fight, push, shove, wrestle, tease, or engage in name calling.
- Books, musical instruments, lunches, etc. that can be held in the student's lap may be carried on the bus. Large objects and glass jars may not be transported.
- No live animals may be transported on the bus.
- Nothing may be thrown about on the bus or thrown out the window.
- Students are expected to care for the bus and not litter or damage the bus in any way.
- Students are to keep hands, arms, heads, and feet in the bus at all times.