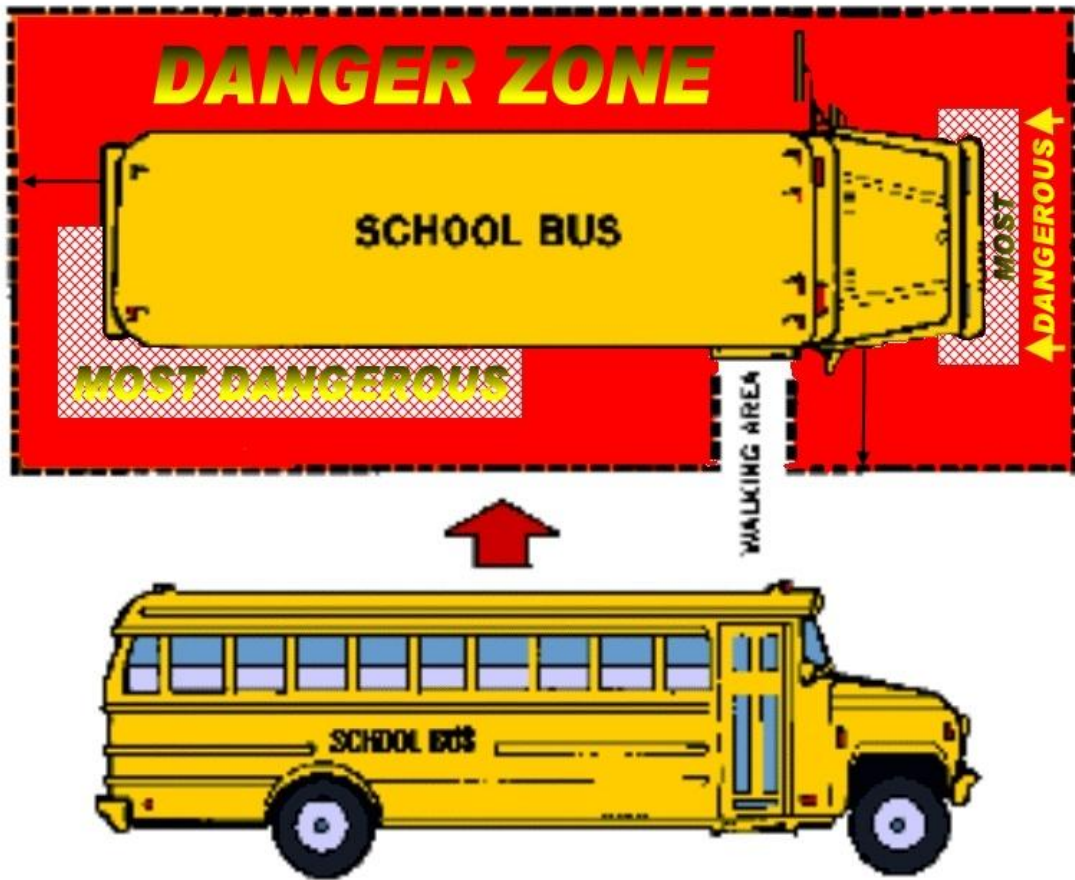


Bus Safety



TISD Bus Expectations

I. PRIOR TO LOADING .

(on the road and at school)

1. Students are to wait for the bus at the assigned stop in an orderly manner until the bus comes to a complete stop.
2. Students should wait for the bus in a single line, 10 feet back from the roadway. DO NOT PUSH.
3. If a student misses the bus, he/she should go home immediately. It will be the parent's responsibility to take the child to school.

RIDING ON THE BUS

1. Students must go to a seat and be seated immediately upon boarding.
2. The bus will not move until all students are seated.
3. The driver may assign seats.
4. Students must remain seated while the bus is moving.
5. Students may not change seats after boarding without driver's approval.
6. Students should not have any part of their body out of the window. They should keep arms, hands, legs and head inside the bus at all times.
7. Students shall not eat, or litter on the school bus. No food or drinks (cups, cans or bottles) will be permitted on the bus without the driver's permission.
8. Students will assist in keeping bus safe, clean and sanitary.
9. Scuffling, fighting and the use of obscene, vulgar or profane language and gestures are not allowed.
10. Students will not mark, cut, or scratch any part of the bus. Vandalism costs will be charged to the person responsible for damages.
11. Do not throw objects inside or out of the bus.
12. The use of any type of tobacco, alcohol or drug products on the bus is forbidden by State Law.
13. Students will keep books, packages, backpacks, coats and legs out of the aisle.
14. The emergency doors and exit window controls should be used only during drills or actual emergencies.
15. The school bus driver has the authority to recommend to the Principal that a student be removed from the bus for discipline reasons. Students refusing to obey instructions from the driver or who refuse to obey the bus conduct rules will forfeit their privilege to ride the bus for a period of time determined by the school administrator.

EXTRACURRICULAR TRIPS

1. Bus rider rules apply to all school sponsored trips.
2. All bus riders shall respect the wishes of a competent Chaperone appointed by the school. At least one Chaperone will be on each bus.
3. A trip report will be prepared by each driver and submitted to the Transportation Director.
4. The bus must be returned clean and in good condition after each trip.

PROHIBITED ITEMS ON THE BUS

1. Live animals.
 2. Any type of weapons or look like weapons.
 3. Glass containers.
 4. Any object (musical instrument, class project, etc.) too large to be carried by the student.
- All other items must be kept on the student's lap at all times..



School Bus Safety

Safety Tips

Riding the Bus School bus transportation is safe. In fact, buses are safer than cars! Even so, last year, approximately 26 students were killed and another 9,000 were injured in incidents involving school buses. More often than not, these deaths and injuries didn't occur in a crash, but as the pupils were entering and exiting the bus. Remember these safety tips:

- Have a safe place to wait for your bus, away from traffic and the street.
- Stay away from the bus until it comes to a complete stop and the driver signals you to enter.
- When being dropped off, exit the bus and walk ten giant steps away from the bus.
- Keep a safe distance between you and the bus. Also, remember that the bus driver can see you best when you are back away from the bus.
- Use the handrail to enter and exit the bus.
- Stay away from the bus until the driver gives his/her signal that it's okay to approach.
- Be aware of the street traffic around you. Drivers are required to follow certain rules of the road concerning school buses, however, not all do. Protect yourself and watch out!