

Bus Safety Rules

The following guidelines ensure that scholars arrive safely to school and return safely home:

- Only ride the school bus that you are assigned.
- Follow directions of the bus driver, the first time given.
- Always walk to the front of the bus.
- Use the handrail when getting on and off the bus.
- Remain absolutely quiet at all railroad crossings.
- Sit in assigned seat.
- Remain seated while the bus is in motion.
- Never put hands, arms or other objects out of the window.
- Talk quietly while on the bus. Do not yell or make other loud noises that could distract the bus driver.
- Do not eat or drink anything while riding on the bus.
- Do not block the bus aisle with feet, backpacks, books or musical instruments.
- Do not touch emergency exits.
- Keep your hands and feet to yourself.
- Only get off the bus at your designated stop.
- Do not use mirrors, lasers, cell phones, or any other lights or reflective devices that can distract the driver.

Parent/Caregiver Reminders

One of the things that makes KIPP unique is the power of our team and family. Please help us maintain safe bus routes by:

- Contacting local government agencies to report unsafe conditions (broken traffic signal, uneven sidewalks, unattended animals, or suspected criminal activity).
- Ensuring that scholars are accompanied to and from bus stops.
- Ensuring that scholars only ride the bus they are assigned.
- Reminding your scholar(s) to follow instructions provided by bus drivers.
- Reminding your scholar(s) to be kind and courteous to other teammates while riding the bus.
- Reminding your scholar(s) to respect the bus by following the bus rules.
- Picking up your scholar at the **last** stop of the bus route or at the school if you miss your pick-up at the assigned stop.
- Keeping your contact information (i.e., phone number & address) updated with your school's Main Office so you can always receive messages and notifications in a timely manner.
- Contacting your school's Main Office to share concerns or opportunities for improvement related to bus services.

With your continued partnership, our scholars will arrive to and from school safely.