WAYNE TRACE TRANSPORTATION POLICIES

Riding the school bus is a privilege and a convenience; it is not a right. The Board authorizes the superintendent and other administrative personnel to suspend, if necessary, a student's bus riding privileges. Insubordination, unruly behavior, vandalism, inappropriate language and/or conduct will be sufficient reason for refusing transportation service.

Students shall be picked up at one assigned bus stop and dropped off at one assigned bus stop. This stop may be a residence, a child care provider, or some other designated stop. Students will not be assigned to more than one bus stop in the morning or in the afternoon.

Open enrolled students can be assigned a bus stop at any existing bus stop location. The Transportation Director must be notified by August 1st in regards to the location of such bus stop. Any request for a bus stop made after August 1st, will be granted only through use of existing bus stops where the capacity of the bus will not be increased beyond the legal limit.

Students may be required to walk up to onehalf mile to a designated stop.

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Wayne Trace Local School District Transportation Safety Guide



Safety starts with knowledge.

INTRODUCTION

The goal of the Wayne Trace Transportation Department is to provide safe and cost efficient transportation to all eligible Wayne Trace students. Buses are inspected regularly; drivers are trained and retrained; bus stops and routes are reviewed yearly in order to provide this service.

In our community, we are sometimes faced with inclement weather and road closures. Both of these situations may affect our schedules. We appreciate your patience and understanding when bus schedules may be temporarily modified due to these conditions.

We also ask for your support in reinforcing the importance of following rules and guidelines. Each time a student on the bus neglects to follow the rules, they compromise safety for themselves and other students as well. Please take time to review these rules with your child.

Thank you in advance for your help and support.

Amy Noggle Transportation Director

TIME FOR SCHOOL

Don't miss the bus.....

Ohio law requires children to be waiting at the bus stop prior to its arrival. Buses are not required to stop at locations where there are no students waiting. Bus drivers count the students at the bus stop as they approach and as the students get on the bus to ensure all children are safely on board. If students are not waiting at the bus stop the bus driver cannot count them and cannot be certain the students are all safely on board. If your child misses the bus, do not chase the bus. This causes a safety issue that could have catastrophic consequences such as a child being struck by the bus. A bus, like any other vehicle, has blind spots. If your child should be walking up along the side of the bus they will not be seen by the driver and therefore are put into harms way. While your child is at the bus stop their behavior should be no different then what is expected of them in school. Students can lose transportation privileges for unruly behavior on the bus and at the bus stop. For a complete list of the Ohio Operation and Safety Rules visit www.ode.state.oh.us



RIDING THE BUS

Getting on the bus. Do not approach the bus until the bus comes to a complete stop and the door has opened. If you cross the street, do not do so until the bus driver has signaled you to do so.

Be quiet. Your bus driver needs to concentrate on driving. Don't distract the driver. At a railroad crossing all students must be silent.

Stay seated. Take your seat quickly. Stay in your seat facing forward at all times. This insures maximum safety if the bus should need to come to an abrupt stop.

Keep the isle clear. Nothing should be in the aisle, no legs, arms, book bags, or anything someone could trip over.

Danger Zone. The most dangerous place is outside of the bus. Never let your child walk beside or behind the bus.

Please review this guide with your child. Help them form good passenger habits.

