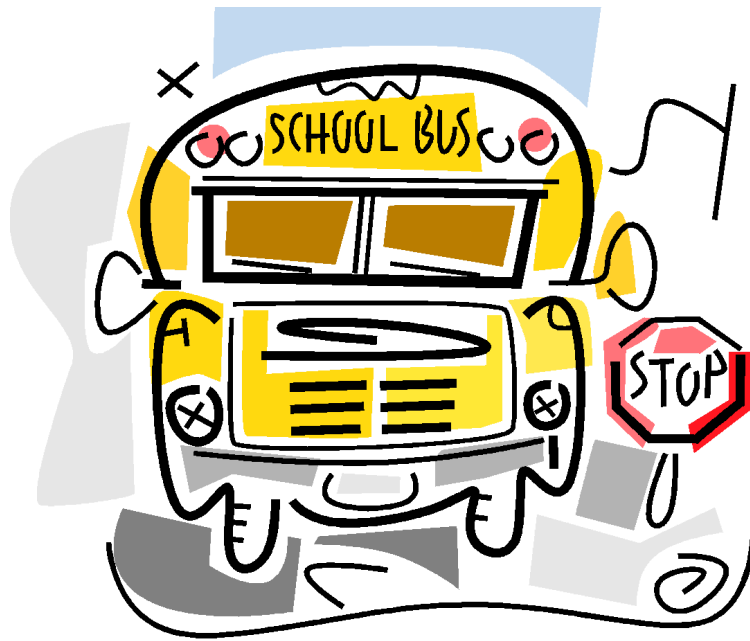


Chillicothe R-II Preschool Bus Rider Handbook 2018-19



Parents,

This handbook is to provide information to you on school bus rules and procedures. All district bus drivers, either regular route, substitutes, or trip drivers, have the appropriate required certification licenses and receive additional training each year in safe driving and emergency procedures. The primary goal of Chillicothe R-2 School District Transportation Department is the safe and orderly transportation of students to and from school. To accomplish this, the district will not tolerate misconduct while students are loading, unloading, or on a school bus. Students who have the privilege of bus transportation also have the responsibility to make the trip safe, orderly and pleasant for each student.

There must be arrangements made for a responsible party to meet the student at the bus stop. Students who have no one at the stop are considered undeliverable and will be returned to school. Repeat offenses may be reported to the Division of Family Services. Since most stops are at the house, you may just wave to the driver from the door instead of going out to the bus - the driver just needs to see you before letting the student off the school bus as a precaution against leaving a preschooler home alone.

Neither the bus driver nor the district is responsible for items left on the bus.

Thank you, and if you have any questions or would like information concerning bus transportation please call 646-6309 or email bwillard@chillicotheschools.org or tmammen@chillicotheschools.org

Daily Bus Changes

If your child will not need to ride the bus to school, please call the Bus Barn and let us know - will save the driver from an unnecessary stop/wait. You may call any time, even after-hours, since we have an answering machine.

If your student is a Noon pick-up or drop-off:

All bus changes must be made before 10:00.

If your student is a PM drop-off:

All bus changes must be made before 2:00.

Requests involving changes to a bus route will usually not be made on the same day requested so call ahead if a change to the routine is needed.

There are different buses for different routes so following these simple rules will help assure that your student is on the correct bus for their drop-off/pick-up site. Buses do not pick-up or drop-off at businesses.

If a student does not ride for three consecutive days without notifying the bus barn of the change, the bus will not stop again until the parent calls the bus barn to resume pick-up/drop-off.

Bus Rules



Rules are made for safety purposes. The safety of every student riding a bus is our number one concern. Please go over these rules with your child so they know what we expect of them:

- Follow directions from the driver and bus aide
- Stay sitting in seat; no standing in seat or walking around while bus is moving
- Be nice to others; no bullying or hitting, pushing or shoving
- No eating or drinking on the bus
- Do not throw articles within the bus or out the window of the bus
- Do not be real loud - no loud talking, screaming or whistling
- Do not bother bus equipment like windows or emergency door
- Do not intentionally damage any part of the bus, ex. writing on or cutting seats

Riding the bus is a privilege and not a right. Students may lose the privilege for breaking bus rules. The school bus driver and bus aide will make every effort to deal with minor discipline problems but continued disruptive behavior will have the following consequences:

1st Conduct Report: considered a 'warning'. Report to be signed by a parent/guardian and returned to bus driver

2nd report: 1-3 days of no bus riding privileges

3rd report: 5 days of no busing

4th report: 30 days of no busing

5th report: no busing the rest of the school year

Discipline problems will be referred to the Director of Special Services.

2018-19 Bus Rider Safety Handbook Acknowledgement Form

This will acknowledge that I, as parent/guardian of

_____,
(first and last name of child-please print)

have received and reviewed the Bus Rider Safety Handbook and have gone over these rules and regulations with my child.

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

Date: _____

Please sign and return this form to your child's teacher/school

