



Huntington Beach Union High School District Board Policies and Administrative Regulations

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Students

Bus Conduct

Passenger Conduct on Buses

1. Purpose and Scope

To establish rules for students and passengers riding school buses of the district.

2. The Huntington Beach Union High School District has adopted rules and regulations for the protection and safety of the students and passengers. The following rules have been adopted in compliance with State and Federal laws governing pupil transportation.

A. Students, teachers, advisors and all passengers transported in a school bus shall be under the authority of and directly responsible to the driver.

(1) The driver shall be responsible for the orderly conduct of the passengers.

(2) Continued disorderly conduct or refusal to submit to the authority of the driver may result in denial of transportation.

B. Teachers or adult advisors will assist the driver in maintaining discipline while on the bus.

C. The following list of passenger actions constitute violations of established rules of conduct:

(1) Abusive body contact (slapping, poking, shoving, etc.) in the bus or when loading or unloading.

(2) Fighting in the bus or at authorized stops.

(3) Using a bus stop other than the student's designated stop.

(4) Using profane language or obscene gestures.

(5) Unauthorized exits (from emergency doors, windows).

(6) Putting any part of the body outside the windows at any time.

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- (7) Any movement out of seats while the bus is in motion.
- (8) Riding the bus when transportation has been suspended.
- (9) Creating excessive noise.
- (10) Legs, feet, and objects obstructing the aisle or not sitting facing forward.
- (11) Any improper behavior at bus stops (rock throwing, property damage, harassing cars, fighting, etc.).
- (12) Unauthorized opening, closing or tampering with vehicle doors, windows or emergency exits.
- (13) Any damage to or defacing of the bus.
- (14) Lighting matches, lighters, cigarettes or other objects on the bus.
- (15) Throwing objects while inside the bus or at the bus.
- (16) Littering the bus or leaving it dirty.
- (17) Transporting live animals (other than dogs for assistance to the visually or hearing impaired), reptiles or insects.
- (18) Eating or drinking while on board.
- (19) Showing disrespect to the driver.
- (20) Giving false identification to the driver.
- (21) Tampering with the radio, controls or other equipment in the bus.
- (22) Not obeying the driver.
- (23) Any act which results in distraction of the driver while driving.

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Passenger Conduct on Buses (continued)

- (24) Bringing firearms or weapons on board.
- (25) Other unauthorized or unsafe actions.
- (26) Wearing cleats on the bus.