

Rialto Unified School District/ Student Transportation Contract

Parents/Guardians: Please review this contract and the Parent/Guardian and Student Transportation Handbook with your son/daughter, and return completed form to the school office.

School _____ Grade _____ Student ID# _____

Student's Name _____

Address _____
Street _____ Apt. # _____ City _____

The bus rider shall obey all bus rules, including those listed below:

1. Students shall follow the instructions and directions of the bus driver at all times.
2. Students shall arrive at their bus stop five (5) minutes prior to the pick-up time and stand in a safe place at the stop.
3. Students shall enter the bus in an orderly manner and go directly to their seats.
4. Students shall sit down and fasten any passenger restraint systems. Students shall remain seated while the bus is in motion.
5. Students shall not block the aisle or emergency exit with body or personal belongings.
6. Students should be courteous to the driver and to fellow passengers. Vulgarity, rude, or abusive behavior is prohibited.
7. Any noise or behavior that could distract the driver, such as loud talking, scuffling or fighting, throwing objects, standing, or changing seats, is prohibited and may lead to suspension of riding privileges.
8. Students shall not use tobacco products, eat, or drink while riding the bus.
9. Electronic devices are permitted on the bus if such devices are permitted at school. If the use of any electronic device disrupts the safe operation of the school bus, the bus driver may direct the student to no longer use the device on the bus.
10. Students shall not put any part of their body out of the window nor throw any items from the bus.
11. Students shall help keep the bus and the area around the bus stop clean. Students shall not damage or deface the bus or tamper with bus equipment.
12. Animals are prohibited on a school bus except for signal, guide, or service animal.
13. Upon reaching their destination, riders shall remain seated until the bus comes to a completed stop and upon the signal from the driver, unfasten any restraint system, enter the aisle, and go directly to the exit.
14. Student should be alert for traffic when leaving the bus and shall follow the District's transportation safety plan when crossing the road and exiting the bus.

Consequences of displaying unacceptable behavior

If a student violates any of the above rules, the driver will use any of the following steps of remediation prior to placing the student on the formal warning steps.

1. Counsel Student
2. Move students to another seat
3. Release student last when exiting the bus.

Severity of a violation may result in an "Unsatisfactory Report" on the first offense.

Step 1 – Warning

In the event that a student's conduct on a bus is unsatisfactory, the "Notice of Unsatisfactory Conduct" form shall be completed by the bus driver and submitted to site administration.

Step 2 – Warning/ Administrative Action

The bus driver will issue the second formal notice which cites infraction and states that the student has been placed on the second warning step. At this point, it is required the Principal/ designee take appropriate action.

Step 3 – Warning

The bus driver will issue the third warning which cites infraction and states that the student has been placed on the third warning step.

At Step 3, the student's bus privileges may be suspended from one (1) to five (5) days; or the student receive a school suspension from one (1) to five (5) days; or assigned appropriate discipline. A meeting may be held with the student, parent/guardian, transportation representative and school administrator to establish a bus riding action plan for the student. Student suspension is an administrative decision and will be made by the Principal/designee.

Severe Infractions are listed below but are not limited to be inclusive:

Changing seats while vehicle is in motion

Failure to obey crossing procedures

Smoking/causing any type of fire

Tamper with emergency exits (jumping out)

Standing while bus is motion

Abusive Language/Verbal Altercation

Bullying/Harassment

Theft/in possession of stolen property

Fighting

Weapons

Hitting or throwing objects at the driver

Cutting seats or damaging the window

Hanging out the window (head & shoulders)

I have read and understand this contract, and agree to abide by these rules as a condition of bus transportation.

Student's Signature

Date

Parent's Signature

Date