

KWRL STUDENT SAFETY AND BUS CONDUCT

Because of the importance of safety, the KWRL School Transportation Cooperative takes precautions each year to see that students and their families become familiar with the school district's rules for riding school buses.

SAFETY AND CONDUCT RULES:

1. Students shall obey the directions of the bus driver at all times. The bus is an extension of the classroom and thus all items and behaviors banned in the classroom shall also be banned on the school bus.
2. In the event of an actual emergency, students must follow emergency exit procedures as established by emergency exit drills which are discussed and practiced each year.
3. Students shall ride their regularly assigned bus at all times unless permission has been granted by school authorities to do otherwise.
4. No student shall be permitted to leave the bus, except at the regular stop, unless permission to change is given by school authorities.
5. Each student may be assigned a seat in which they will be seated at all times unless permission to change is given by the bus driver.
6. Students shall: (1) sit properly in seat, (2) not throw anything on the bus, (3) keep their hands to themselves, (4) be courteous to other passengers (5) maintain reasonable classroom volumes (6) keep the aisles clear at all times (7) remain seated at all times and until the bus comes to a complete stop.
7. Students are to assist in keeping the bus clean by keeping their waste paper and other trash off the floor. Eating on the school bus from home to school and school to home routes is not allowed without the permission of the driver.
8. No student shall smoke, light matches or lighters, or use any type of flame, sparking or exploding device on the school bus.
9. Students shall not have in their possession any substance banned by the school such as tobacco, alcoholic beverage, marijuana, narcotics, stimulant drugs, drug paraphernalia, or any over the counter drug that is used outside of the normal and customary guidelines for that drug.
10. Any item that causes disruption or distraction to the driver such as, but not limited to, electronic devices may be confiscated.
11. Windows shall not be opened without the permission of the driver. No student shall at any time extend any body part out of the windows whether the school bus is in motion or standing still. Students must not throw anything out the windows.
12. Students must see that they have nothing in their possession that may cause injury to themselves or another, such as banned weapons, sticks, breakable containers, balloons, straps, or pins extending from their clothing. No animals other than service animals are allowed on the bus.
13. Scented products such as perfume, cologne, deodorant or any aerosol devices may not be discharged on the bus.
14. Skateboards, folding scooters, and bikes are not to be brought on the bus.
15. Consistent with school district policies, bullying or harassing behavior will not be allowed or tolerated on the school bus.
16. School projects that cannot be placed in a backpack or safely secured may not be transported on the bus. Music instruments are allowed but must be placed safely in the same seat compartment as the student owner.

17. No students shall sit in the driver's seat, nor shall any student be to the immediate left or right of the driver while the
18. bus is in motion.
19. Students shall leave the bus in an orderly manner. They must not cross the highway without verifying that it is safe to proceed and until given consent by the driver. When boarding or leaving the bus, students must be in view of the driver at all times. Students shall cross the highway only in front of the school bus and never behind.
20. Students must arrive at the bus stop on time (at least 5 minutes before the bus arrives) and must not stand or play on the roadway while waiting for the bus to arrive.
21. Self-discipline should be exercised by the students at the bus loading area. Students will refrain from pushing and shoving other passengers or engaging in other unsafe activities.
22. Students who have to walk some distance to the bus-loading zone must walk, where practicable, on the left-hand side facing the oncoming traffic. This will also apply to a student leaving the bus-loading zone in the evening.
23. Students are not to run errands between the bus stops and home. (For example, students running behind a bus to cross a busy street to get mail creates an extremely dangerous situation.)
24. The school district will be reimbursed by parents or the student for damage to school buses resulting from student misconduct.
25. Failure to abide by these rules may result in the loss of bus riding privileges.
26. Parents are reminded that cars and other motor vehicles must stop for school buses loading and unloading children when the bus's stop sign is out and the bus's red lights are flashing. Please help us by reporting violators and by talking to your student about why it is important for all of to practice safe driving techniques...especially when children are present.

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KWRL ELECTRONIC AND TELCOMMUNICATION DEVICES

KWRL Policy for Electronic and Telecommunication Devices

KWRL Transportation is a cooperative effort of Kalama, Woodland, Ridgefield and La Center school districts to provide safe and efficient transportation services for each respective member district. All students boarding KWRL school buses must abide by the school district policies and student handbooks approved by each separate member district school board.

KWRL Transportation bus rules are a supplemental operational directive and do not replace or supersede any specific school district policy set forth and approved by member district school boards.

- Personal electronic devices are for each individual student's personal use only. Contents of personal electronic devices may not be shared visually, audibly or through digital transmission with any other students while on a KWRL school bus. Using an electronic device for photography or recording video while on a KWRL school bus is strictly prohibited. Sharing content or use of an electronic device in violation of RCW 9.68A.011 will be reported to the respective school district and to local law enforcement

- The use of an electronic device on a KWRL school bus that creates an unsafe condition or distraction to the driver is strictly prohibited. Distracting, or unsafe conditions shall include any condition that distracts the driver's attention from their duties or encourages students to alter their safe seating orientation within their seat compartment.
- KWRL will not be responsible for managing lost, stolen or damaged electronic devices brought onto a KWRL school bus.
- By bringing a cell phone onto a KWRL school bus, the students and parents consent to the search of the device when school officials have reasonable suspicion that such a search will reveal a violation of school rules. For the purpose of this rule, a school official shall be defined by the respective school district.

Student transportation services are a privilege not a right in the State of Washington and adherence to KWRL Transportation Bus Rules is a required condition for access to transportation services. Students that do not respect or adhere to KWRL Transportation rules may have their transportation services suspended or revoked to ensure the safe and efficient transportation of all students. Possession of an electronic device on a KWRL school bus is a privilege and not a right of the student or parent/guardian. Permission to use or possess an electronic device on a KWRL school bus may be suspended or revoked.

For more information with regard to KWRL school bus rules please contact KWRL at 360.841.2023 or www.KWRL.org

Kalama School District

3245 STUDENTS AND TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES

While on school property or while attending school-sponsored or school-related activities students shall not use personal telecommunication devices including but not limited to pagers, beepers and cellular phones in a manner that poses a threat to academic integrity disrupts the learning environment or violates the privacy rights of others. Students in possession of telecommunications devices and other related electronic devices shall observe the following conditions:

- Telecommunication devices shall be turned on and operated only under guidelines established in the official student handbooks unless an emergency situation exists that involves imminent physical danger or a school administrator authorizes the student to do otherwise.
- Students shall not send, share, view or possess pictures, text messages, emails or other material of a sexually-explicit nature in electronic or any other form on a cell phone or other electronic device, while the student is on school grounds, at school-sponsored events, or on school buses or vehicles provided by the district.
- Students who violate this policy will be subject to disciplinary action, including suspension or expulsion; and losing the privilege of bringing the device onto school property. In addition, an administrator may confiscate or with reasonable cause to search the device, which shall only be returned to the students' parent/guardian. Content or images that violate criminal laws will be forwarded to law enforcement.
- By bringing a cell phone and other electronic devices to school or school-sponsored events, the student and parents consent to the search of the device when school officials have a reasonable suspicion that such a search will reveal a violation of school rules.
- Students are responsible for the devices they bring to school. The district shall not be responsible for loss, theft or destruction of devices brought onto school property.

- Students shall comply with any additional rules developed by the school concerning the appropriate use of telecommunication or other electronic devices.

Additional References:

Policy 2022 Electronic Resources Policy 3207 Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Policy 3241 Classroom Management, Corrective Actions or Punishment Policy 3241P Classroom Management, Corrective Actions, Or Punishment Procedures Policy 4310 Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies, Child Protective Agencies and County Health

http://kalamaschools.org/district/school_board

Woodland Public Schools

Policy 3225 / Personally Owned Telecommunication and Electronic Devices

Preserving a beneficial learning environment and assuring the safety and well-being of all students are primary concerns of the Board of Directors. To this end, inappropriate use of personally owned telecommunication and electronic devices shall be prohibited.

Inappropriate use of personally owned telecommunication and electronic devices includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Using mobile phones or other personally-owned telecommunications devices for texting, email, I.M, or conversation during class time unless an emergency situation exists that involves imminent physical danger to person or property;
- Using personally owned electronic devices other than before and after the regular school day, or at non- instructional times determined at the building level. Exceptions may be granted if a school administrator or staff member expressly authorizes using such devices;
- Using the device in classrooms, locker rooms, restrooms, or other non-public areas of the building unless expressly authorized by a school administrator or staff member;
- Taking or producing photographs or recordings without the knowledge of the person or persons being photographed or recorded and without express authorization of a staff member; Using the device in a manner which interferes with the educational environment or to annoy or offend others;
- Using the device to commit (or conspire to commit) or aid or abet an act of harassment, intimidation or bullying regardless of where initiated (i.e. at a residence, a public place, or on school property) and when initiated (i.e. during school hours or outside school hours) provided such use causes substantial disruption to the educational process;
- Using the device during any type of assessment unless expressly authorized by a certificated staff member;
- Using the device in a way that violates other Board Policy, including but not limited to Policy 2022.

The term "telecommunication and electronic devices" shall refer to but not be limited to devices which transmit a signal, receive a signal, create a sound or display visual media, capture photography digitally or conventionally, or capture sound digitally or conventionally and which include, but are not limited to

computers, telephones (wired, cellular, wifi), fax machines, pagers, text messaging devices, digital cameras, video cameras, film cameras, PDAs, portable gaming systems, or portable music players. Students who engage in inappropriate use of personally owned telecommunication and electronic devices may be referred to law enforcement and shall be subject to disciplinary action including, but not limited to losing the privilege to bring the device onto school property, confiscation of the device (which shall only be returned to the student's parent or guardian), and/or discipline/suspension/expulsion. The principal, his/her designee, and the classroom instructor will prohibit or limit the use of or confiscate electronic devices if used contrary to this Policy.

Students are responsible for the safety and security of their personally owned telecommunication and electronic devices. The District assumes no responsibility in any circumstance for the loss/destruction/damage or theft of portable communication and other electronic devices.

Additional References:

Policy 3205 Sexual Harassment Policy 3207 Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation, & Bullying Policy 3210 Nondiscrimination Policy 3240 Student Conduct

<https://www.woodlandschools.org/node/78>

Ridgefield School District

Policy 3245 / Students & Telecommunication Devices

Students in possession of telecommunications devices, including, but not limited to, pagers, beepers, and cellular phones, while on school property or while attending school-sponsored or school-related activities shall observe the following conditions:

- Telecommunication devices shall be turned on and operated only before and after the regular school day and during the student's lunch break unless an emergency situation exists that involves imminent physical danger or a school administrator authorizes the student to use the device.
- Students shall not use telecommunication devices in a manner that poses a threat to academic integrity, disrupts the learning environment or violates the privacy rights of others.
- Students shall not send, share, view or possess pictures, text messages, emails or other material depicting sexually explicit conduct, as defined in RCW 9.68A.011, in electronic or any other form on a cell phone or other electronic device, while the student is on school grounds, at school-sponsored events or on school buses or vehicles provided by the district.
- When a school official has reasonable suspicion, based on objective and articulable facts, that a student is using a telecommunications device in a manner that violates the law or school rules, the official may confiscate the device, which shall only be returned to the student's parent or legal guardian.
- By bringing a cell phone or other electronic devices to school or school-sponsored events, the student and their parent/guardian consent to the search of the device when school officials have a reasonable suspicion, based on objective and articulable facts, that such a search will reveal a violation of the law or school rules. The scope of the search will be limited to the violation of which the student is accused. Content or images that violate state or federal laws will be referred to law enforcement.

- Students are responsible for the devices they bring to school. The district shall not be responsible for loss, theft or destruction of devices brought onto school property or to school-sponsored events.
- Students shall comply with any additional rules developed by the school concerning the appropriate use of telecommunication or other electronic devices.
- Students who violate this policy will be subject to disciplinary action, including suspension or expulsion.

Additional References:

Policy 3205 Sexual Harassment Policy 3207 Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation, & Bullying Policy 3210 Nondiscrimination Policy 3240 Student Conduct

<http://www.ridgefieldsd.org/o/district/browse/4811>

La Center School District

Policy 3245 / Students and Telecommunication Devices

While on school property or while attending school-sponsored or school-related activities students may possess and use personal telecommunication devices including but not limited to pagers, beepers and cellular phones provided that such devices do not pose a threat to academic integrity, disrupt the learning environment or violate the privacy rights of others.

Students in possession of telecommunications devices and other related electronic devices shall observe the following conditions:

- Devices shall not be used in a manner that disrupts the educational process, including, but not limited to, posing a threat to academic integrity or violating confidentiality or privacy rights of another individual.
- Telecommunication devices shall be turned on and operated only before and after the regular school day and during the student's lunch break unless an emergency situation exists that involves imminent physical danger or a school administrator authorizes the student to do otherwise.
- Students who violate this policy will be subject to disciplinary action, including losing the privilege of bringing the device onto school property. In addition, an administrator may confiscate the device, which shall only be returned to the student's parent/guardian.
- Students are responsible for the devices they bring to school. The District shall not be responsible for loss, theft or destruction of devices brought onto school property.
- Students shall comply with any additional rules developed by the school concerning the appropriate use of telecommunication or other electronic devices.
- Administrators may access the phone to gain ownership information.
- Administrators may also access phone information in the event there is probable cause that an infraction of school rules or laws occurred.

Additional References:

Policy 3205 / Sexual Harassment of Students Policy 3207 / Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Policy 3210 / Nondiscrimination Policy 3240 / Student Conduct

<http://www.lacenterschools.org/district-policies-and-procedures/>