

 ***DAILY SCHOOL BUS RIDER SAFETY RULES***

***The safety of our school bus riders is the primary concern for the Center Joint Unified School District’s Transportation Department. The following rules exist for the safety of all our students and apply at all times when students are riding a school bus.***

***\*\*All School Buses are equipped with Cameras\*\****

1. **Riders shall follow the instructions and directions of the bus driver at all times. (5ccR14103)**
2. **Riders shall arrive at their designated bus stop on time (no more than 5 minutes before the scheduled bus stop time) and stand in a safe place at the stop to wait quietly for the bus.**
3. **Riders shall enter the bus in an orderly manner and sit down and fasten any passenger restraint systems.**
4. **Riders shall remain seated facing forward while the bus is in motion.**
5. **Riders shall keep all body parts inside the bus and shall not block the isles or emergency exits.**
6. **Riders 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, loud music, or changing seats, is prohibited and may lead to suspension of riding privileges.**
8. **Use of tobacco products, eating, or drinking (except water) is prohibited on the bus.**
9. **Service animals are permitted on school transportation services: all other animals are prohibited. (ED. CODE 399839: 13 CCR 1216)**
10. **Riders shall help keep the bus and the area around the bus stop clean. Riders shall not damage or deface the bus or tamper with bus equipment.**
11. **Upon reaching their destination, riders shall remain seated until the bus comes to a complete stop and wait for the direction from the driver to exit the bus.**
12. **Riders 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.**
13. **Riders shall turn in a Bus Ridership Application by the second week of school.**