



## Parent & Student Transportation Agreement

Students will have a safer trip if drivers can concentrate on driving, not discipline. Therefore, it is important to note that riding the school bus is a **privilege not a right**, for that reason, students are expected to abide by the following school bus rules and regulations:

1. Students must follow all instructions and requests provided by the bus driver.
2. Students must follow all bus safety procedures.
3. Students must board and exit the bus properly and safely. Students must not go under the bus for any reason.
4. Students must take their assigned seats, if applicable, and remain in their seats. The bus driver reserves the right to move a student's seat if that student is acting in a disruptive manner. Students will keep the aisles clear and keep entire body inside the bus.
5. There will be absolutely no tampering with bus equipment, doors, windows, gears, etc. at any time—especially when waiting for departure.
6. Students will keep their hands off others.
7. Students must be polite and courteous to one another. Bullying will not be tolerated (verbal, physical, cyber, etc.). Students shall talk quietly, and not use vulgar or abusive language.
8. The following behavior will not be tolerated:
  - Throwing objects outside/inside the bus.
  - Eating any food or gum chewing.
  - Fighting, tripping, shoving, cursing, yelling or shouting.
9. Students are allowed to bring bottled water, which must be kept in their bag. No other types of drinks are allowed.
10. Students must depart the bus at their designated bus stop unless a note is signed by parent/guardian, has been turned into the Student Transportation Department.
11. Students are prohibited from carrying weapons, tobacco, alcohol, drugs or anything else prohibited by school on the bus. Students, who violate this rule, may be reported to the Police department.
12. Students must follow all student code of conduct as described in the applicable Student Handbook and the Article 4 – Student Policy, the Article 7 – Student Transportation Policy, where all policies are located online at [www.saltriverschools.org](http://www.saltriverschools.org).
13. **Student Liability:** Students who violate policies and rules of conduct may be denied bus-riding privileges. Students who harm persons or damage any school property may be suspended or expelled from school. Students may also be reported to the Police Department.
14. **Parent Liability:** Students and bus riders who damage community property will be held liable for those damages, according to state/tribal law. In the case of minor children, their parents/guardians are liable. Parents/guardians may be billed for the cost of damage. SRO 5.5-101.
15. **Consequences** - When a student chooses to deviate from appropriate behavior, the steps for consequences will be as follows:

- a. **First Infraction:** The student will receive a warning, which will include a telephone call home to parent/guardian by the school personnel or bus driver.
- b. **Second Infraction:** The student will be suspended from bus privileges for one (1) school day.
- c. **Third Infraction:** The student will be suspended from bus privileges for (5) five school days.
- d. **Fourth Infraction:** The student will be suspended at least twenty (20) school days (approximately one month) or the remainder of the semester, whichever is longer.

**Note:** The student is required to attend school on the days of bus suspension. Absences during bus suspension are not excused absences. The parent must make all necessary arrangements to make sure that the student attends school.

We, Student and Parent/Guardian, have read and understand the Parent & Student Transportation Agreement and understand that riding the bus is a privilege and bus driving privileges may be revoked if Student does not follow the Article 4 – Students Policy, Article 7 - Student Transportation Policy, the Student/Parent Handbook and its bus rules. We understand that the policies and handbooks are available online at [www.saltriversschools.org](http://www.saltriversschools.org).

By signing below we agree to abide by all of the above policies, rules and regulations. We clearly understand that infractions may result in suspension and/or termination of student transportation services.

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**Print Student Name**

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**Student Signature**

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**Date**

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**Print Parent/Guardian Name**

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**Parent/Guardian Signature**

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**Date**