

BUS RIDER RULES – BENTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS 2017-18

- I. **Previous to loading (on the road and at school):**
- A. Be on time at the designated school bus stops-keep the bus on schedule.
 - B. Stay off the road at all times while waiting for the bus.
 - C. Wait until the bus comes to complete stop before attempting to enter.
 - D. Be careful approaching bus stop.
 - E. Bus riders are not permitted to move toward the bus at the school loading zone until the bus comes to a complete stop.
- II. **While On The Bus:**
- A. Keep hands and head inside the bus at all times after entering and until leaving the bus.
 - B. Assist in keeping the bus safe and sanitary at all times.
 - C. Remember that loud talking and laughing or unnecessary confusion diverts the driver's attention and may result in a serious accident.
 - D. Treat bus equipment as you would valuable furniture at home. Damaged seats, etc., must be paid for by the offender.
 - E. Bus riders should never tamper with the bus or any of its equipment.
 - F. Leave no books, lunches, or other articles on the bus.
 - G. Keep books, packages, coats, and all other objects out of the aisles.
 - H. Help look after the safety and comfort of small children.
 - I. Do not throw anything out of the bus windows or in the bus.
 - J. Horseplay is not permitted around or on the bus.
 - K. Absolute quiet when approaching a railroad crossing stop.
 - L. Bus riders are expected to be courteous to fellow pupils, the bus driver, and the patrol officers or driver's assistants.
 - M. In case of a road emergency, children are to remain on the bus.
 - N. There will be no eating, drinking, or chewing gum on regular route buses.
- III. **After Leaving The Bus:**
- A. Cross the road, when necessary, after getting off the bus (at least ten feet in front of the bus), but only after looking to be sure that no traffic is approaching from either direction.
 - B. Pupils shall respect the wishes of a competent chaperone appointed by the district.
 - C. Boisterous talk and actions, fighting and scuffling, throwing objects, profane language, damaging public property, and molesting other passengers are violations of proper conduct on the bus and may result in the loss of privilege to be transported. Normal procedure is to warn, then exclude from transportation for the rest of the year.
 - D. Students will be allowed to ride home with parents if the parents contact the COACH or TEACHER in charge.