



Bus Conduct Rules **for Fieldston Middle/Upper School**

At the Bus Stop:

- Walk safely to the bus stop and stay well away from moving traffic.
- Arrive at the bus stop 10 minutes before bus time. The driver is not permitted to wait for students.
- When waiting, keep yourself and belongings out of the road and away from traffic.
- Don't run between parked cars and buses.
- Cross at the corner or marked crosswalk.
- Never move toward the bus until it has stopped and the driver opens the door.

Getting on and Off the Bus:

- Have your student bus pass ready.
- Use handrails at the steps.
- Keep the aisle clear; watch clothing or backpacks with dangling drawstrings or straps.
- Never try to retrieve an item dropped near the bus – get out of the danger zone immediately.
- Be sure the bus driver can see you and you can see the driver.
- Walk in front of the bus, never behind the bus.
- Always cross at least 10 feet in front of the bus when necessary to cross.
- Never run to or from the bus.
- Stand back from the curb.

Riding on the Bus:

- Obey the bus driver.
- Be courteous at all times, foul language is prohibited.
- Stay in your seat and face forward; never stand on a moving bus.
- Keep noise level down and do not distract the driver (no yelling or shouting).
- Do not throw anything on the bus or out the window.
- Keep hands and feet to yourselves.
- Don't push, shove or hit.
- Keep hands, heads and other items inside the bus windows.
- Absolutely no food or drinks are allowed on the bus.
- No weapons of any kind are allowed on the bus.
- Harassment or intimidation of others is not permitted. **(NO BULLYING)**
- Student will never use the rear emergency exit except upon the direction of the driver or other competent authority.
- The buses are all equipped with video cameras.
- Willful destruction or defacing of school bus is prohibited and families will be responsible for the cost of repairs.

There will be zero tolerance on the bus. Any infractions will be reported and disciplinary action up to and including suspension and/or removal from the bus will be determined between the school and the school bus company.