

## AVON LOCAL SCHOOLS – BUS SAFETY RULES

Whether a student rides back and forth to school or rides the school bus on an occasional field trip, it is important to know the bus safety rules. Parents and students should review and understand the Safety Rules together.

1. Students must be at the bus stop 5 minutes before the scheduled Bus arrival time. (5 minutes early.)
2. Students must wait in a location clear of traffic away from the bus stop – The Driver’s Designated Place of Safety.
3. Behavior at the school bus stop must not threaten life, limb, or property of the individual.
4. Students must go directly to an assigned seat so the bus may safely resume motion. They must sit in a position that will provide maximum protection by the barrier. Seat on Seat, back on back, feet on floor.
5. Students must remain seated, keeping aisles and exits clear.
6. Students must observe classroom conduct and obey the driver’s instructions, and the treat the driver and all other students respectfully.
7. Students must not use profane language.
8. Students must refrain from eating, drinking, and chewing gum on the bus. **STATE LAW!**
9. Students must not use tobacco or vape in school facilities, including on the bus.
10. Students must not throw or pass objects on, from, or into the bus.
11. Students may carry on the bus, only objects that can be held in their laps. Do not bring large school projects or pets on the bus.
12. Students must leave or board the bus at the location they have been assigned. Parental and administrative authorization is required to change this procedure.
13. Weapons of any nature are not to be brought to any school building or function: nor are they permitted on the school bus.
14. Students must not put head or arms outside of the bus windows.
15. **Pre-School, Kindergarten, and East (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade) Parents or Guardians** must be at the bus stop both AM & PM for their students.

## SAFETY SIGNALS

When students get on or off the bus, the driver will give the student the signal by slowly dropping their hand straight down when it is safe to cross or (door side) proceed to the bus. Students should always check traffic on their own before crossing. If the driver blows their horn that means DANGER! Check traffic again. If you see no danger, look back at your driver for further instructions.



## IMPORTANT NOTE

Failure to obey the bus rules will result in a referral to the building principal. Disciplinary action may include removal from the bus and/or further suspension of bus riding privileges.