

OCCS Bus Rules

Oak Creek Charter School offers bus service to our families. Parents must complete and submit a transportation form to the Administration to get routed on school bus transportation. The bus is not a shuttle and students are rostered to a specific route. Students may only ride on their assigned bus; they may not change buses.

Busses will be dismissed at 3:15 pm.

A student who misses their assigned bus at dismissal shall promptly go to the office and report to the secretary. The student's parents will be contacted immediately to arrange transportation. If students are not picked up promptly, they will be placed in After Care, and the parents will be charged for said service.

Students must realize that the same higher standards of conduct are expected on the bus as in all other aspects of school life. Students receiving bus referrals will be disciplined. Repeated referrals will result in suspension from the bus. Transportation is voluntarily provided by the school as a service for families, and not required. Riding the bus is a privilege that can be revoked.

Students will acknowledge and agree to these bus rules:

School Bus Rider Rules

For a Safe and Respectful Ride

To keep everyone safe and ensure the bus runs smoothly, all students must follow these rules every time they ride the bus.

Before Getting on the Bus:

- 1. **Be on time** to your bus stop. Arrive at least 5 minutes early.
- 2. Wait safely away from the road. No playing or running at the bus stop.
- 3. **Respect others** at the stop keep your hands, feet, and belongings to yourself.

While Getting on the Bus:

- 4. Line up quietly and wait your turn to board. No pushing or crowding.
- 5. Use the handrail when getting on the bus.
- 6. Go directly to your seat and sit down promptly.

While Riding the Bus:

- 7. **Stay seated** at all times, facing forward with your back against the seat.
- 8. Wear your seatbelt.
- 9. **Keep the aisle clear** backpacks and belongings should be on your lap.
- 10. Use quiet voices no yelling, screaming, or inappropriate language.
- 11. **Follow the driver's instructions** the first time they are given.
- 12. **Keep hands, feet, and objects** inside the bus and to yourself at all times.
- 13. No eating, drinking, or gum on the bus.
- 14. **Do not damage** seats, windows, or any part of the bus.

While Getting Off the Bus:

- 14. Stay seated until the bus comes to a complete stop.
- 15. Use the handrail and walk, don't run, as you exit the bus.
- 16. Move away from the bus and go directly to your destination.
- 17. **If you need to cross the street**, always cross in front of the bus and wait for the driver's signal.

School Bus Discipline

Consequences for Breaking Rules:

Depending on the behavior, consequences include: 1st offense- Verbal warning and parents will be contacted.

2nd offense-Not permitted to ride the bus for 1-3 days.

3rd offense-Not permitted to ride the bus for 3-5 days.

4th offense-Suspended from riding the school bus for the remainder of the year