



## BUS RIDER BEHAVIOR

Riding the school bus is a privilege. Please be respectful to your driver and your fellow passengers. Remember the school bus is an extension of your classrooms. This means the same behavior that is expected in your classrooms, also applies to your bus ride. In addition,

- Silence is required when approaching railroad tracks or whenever emergency workers or vehicles approach the bus.
- Please remain seated at all times when the bus is in motion, and keep all body parts inside the bus.
- No eating or drinking while on the bus (only water bottles are allowed).

## KNOW YOUR STUDENT SAFETY & LEGAL GUIDELINES

Understanding and following key legal and school bus safety guidelines ensures both bus drivers and students have an incident-free journey.

1. **Florida Statue 316.6145 requires all students, at all times, to wear a seat belt; failure to do so will result in a referral.**
2. Section 1006.10, Florida Statue mandates students must sit in assigned seats.
3. Florida Statue 790.161 decrees it a felony if students throw items out of a school bus window.
4. Florida Statutes 806.13 includes bus vandalism as a misdemeanor or felony; both the student and parent or guardian will be held responsible.
5. Students may not enter a bus in the absence of a driver. Students must board and exit at their assigned stops only.
6. Children under age 10 years must have a signed note from a parent/guardian authorizing the student to walk home alone.
7. **EMERGENCY EXITS should only be used with driver instruction or real emergencies.**



## PROHIBITED BEHAVIORS

Includes: bullying, fighting, use of profanity or abusive words, throwing objects, displaying signs or inappropriate materials, taking photos or videos of students and/or showing photos or videos of students on a cell phone to others, loud conversations or music without earbuds and/or any disruptive behavior that interrupts bus service.

## DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Violation of any bus rules may result in:

1. Verbal Warning
2. Written Referral
3. Bus rider suspension
4. Permanent loss of bus privilege



## OASIS CHARTER SCHOOLS' BUS RIDER QUICK GUIDE

Welcome to Oasis Charter Schools Transportation!

We hope that you will find our bus rider quick guide helpful. Please read it carefully, and refer to it as necessary.

The quick guide outlines the rules and expectations for Oasis Charter Schools students using our bus transportation system. In it you will find rider safety tips and procedures if your student's daily routine changes.

The Oasis team of certified and skilled bus drivers is always focused on your student's safety and comfort. We encourage you to share our expectations with your student regarding proper behavior while riding on the school bus.

Thank you for your cooperation, patience and trust!

Oasis Charter Schools Transportation

## WHERE IS MY BUS?

If you wait more than 15 minutes for your bus to arrive and there is no messenger update, please call:

Oasis Transportation Bus Dispatcher  
**239-424-6100, Ext. 7417**

Monday-Friday

5:15 - 9:00am and 12:30 - 4:30pm

### OFFICE CONTACT:

☎ **239-424-6100 Ext 7477**

**Transportation Manager**

**Tammy.Daniels@capecharterschools.org**



## BUS RIDER DAILY EXPECTATIONS

Students must ride the bus at least 15 days per month to keep their bus seat.

**Please be at your assigned bus stop 10 minutes early.**

If your child misses the bus at their assigned stop, do not attempt to follow the bus, drive ahead or behind the school bus in an effort to catch up to the bus at another stop. Instead, you will need to transport your child directly to school.

If someone else is picking up your student, you must provide the school bus driver with a signed note and the person must show their ID.

After three (3) failed student pickups and parents are forced to pickup their student at the school, bus rider privileges will be revoked.

Street crossings: Wait for your bus driver to signal to you it is safe before you walk across the street.

### BUS CELL PHONE RULES:

Use earbuds only when using your device.

No talking on phone.

No showing photo or video content that is on your phone to others.