

BUS RULES AND REGULATIONS

Bus transportation is provided to students who need transportation to classes housed away from their home campus and/or for students who are enrolled in a community classroom for transportation to training sites. Bus transportation is also provided for field trips part of many of our programs. For these reasons, each student is required to be familiar with the rules regarding safety and behaviors while on a bus provided by the ESGVROP/TC. ROP/TC students not using ROP/TC bus transportation must have written parental permission on their Student Emergency Form to either ride in a car or walk to their ROP/TC class. Without this parental permission, students **must** ride the bus. **Any student who walks, rides in a car, or drives a car without permission may be immediately removed from the ESGVROP/TC.**

All students riding on the bus **must** have appropriate identification issued by the home high school and a bus pass issued by the counselor. Bus drivers will request verification when students enter the bus and at transfer points. Students are not allowed on the bus without proper identification.

“Pupils transported in a school bus shall be under the authority of, and responsible directly to, the driver of the bus, and the driver shall be held responsible for the orderly conduct of the pupils while they are on the bus or being escorted across a street, highway, or road. Continued disorderly conduct, or persistent refusal to submit to the authority of the driver, shall be sufficient reason for a pupil to be denied transportation.” California Administrative Code, Section 14623.

1. Passengers must remain seated at all times while the bus is in motion.
2. Authority on the bus belongs to the bus driver and students will obey all rules.
3. Fighting will be grounds for immediate suspension of bus privileges.
4. Insubordination, defiance of authority, profane or abusive language, or disrespect will result in notification of parents.
5. VANDALISM to the interior or exterior of the bus is grounds for immediate DISMISSAL from the ROP class and a failing grade.

Anytime a student does not follow the rules, the bus driver will file an Unsatisfactory Bus Report describing the incident or damage that occurred. This report will be sent to the ROP/TC main office, ROP/TC counselor at the student's high school, the parent, and to the bus company office. The school counselor will investigate the circumstances surrounding the incident and take appropriate action. Appropriate action may include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. **WARNING:** a warning is appropriate when the misconduct is minor, not repeated, and not a threat to the safety/welfare of other passengers or the safe operation of the bus.
2. **SUSPENSION:** a temporary suspension is appropriate when the misconduct threatens the safety/welfare of other passengers or safe operation of the bus.
3. **CANCELLATION:** depending on the severity of the misconduct, bus transportation may be permanently denied. Cancellation is appropriate when the safety of the other passengers is seriously threatened, the cost of the vandalism is in excess of \$50.00, or the passenger repeatedly challenges the authority of the bus driver.

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Please be advised that parents/guardians can be held financially liable for damage resulting from the action of your minor/student.

High School : _____

ESGVROP/TC Class: _____

Student's Signature: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Today's Date: _____

