

LAKESIDE JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT BUS RIDER COMPACT

Home-to-School transportation is available to Lakeside Joint School District students attending the Black Road campus and Rolling Hills Middle School. Please check the attached “Bus Service Reservation Form,” and “Bus Schedule,” for additional information.

Transportation to and from school is a privilege and not required by law. For the safety of all passengers rules of conduct must be strictly enforced. Consequences for violating any bus rules may result in the permanent suspension of your child’s bus riding privileges.

A “Report of Bus Rider Misconduct” will be used to report inappropriate behavior to the Principal of Lakeside School (for students in grades K – 5) and to the Assistant Principal of Rolling Hills Middle School (for students in grades 6 – 8) for appropriate action.

General Rules of Conduct: on the bus, at the bus stop, during boarding and disembarking.

1. **Please arrive at the assigned pick-up location at least five (5) minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.** School buses may leave stops up to three (3) minutes early and if on time or running late may not stop if no students are seen standing at the assigned pick-up location.
2. Orderly behavior is required at the bus stops and school loading zones. When the bus arrives, you must stay in a line, stand at least twelve feet back from the bus, and do not move toward the bus until it has come to a complete stop, the driver has opened the door, and any passengers on board have disembarked.
3. Find a seat quickly after boarding the bus and remain seated, facing forward at all times while the bus is in motion. The bus driver is authorized to assign seats.
4. Please be aware that the bus driver must be able to devote full attention to the road to ensure the safety of everyone aboard the bus. Therefore, any distraction or disturbance, such as shouting, yelling, boisterous behavior, or any unnecessary loud noise or conversation with the driver cannot be permitted.
5. Keep head and arms inside of the bus at all times, never yell or shout out of the window.
6. Orderly behavior is required while you are aboard the bus. Abusive body contact (fighting, slapping, hitting, poking, shoving, etc.) is not permitted.
7. Eating, drinking, and gum chewing are not allowed on the bus.
8. Any item you are not allowed to have in your possession at school you are not allowed to have on the bus. Cell phones are to remain in your backpack on the bus. When disembarking make sure you have all your things.
9. Littering the bus, vandalism, or throwing anything in or out of the bus is not permitted.
10. Always wear shoes on the bus (bare feet are not allowed).

11. Never open, close, or tamper with any part of the bus or its equipment unless specifically instructed to do so by the driver. This includes opening or closing windows.
12. After disembarking, immediately move away from the bus and out of the bus “danger zones.” Should you drop something near or under the bus, STAND AWAY and get the drivers attention. Do not under any circumstances retrieve it yourself.
13. Students may not use profane language, obscene gestures, or be in possession of inappropriate material or literature.
14. Help look after the safety and comfort of smaller children.
15. You are expected to be courteous to other students on the bus and do as the driver instructs.
16. In case of an emergency on the road, students are to remain in the bus and/or do as the driver instructs.

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*Our signatures indicate we have read the bus rider compact and agree to abide by it.
Please bring this form to the Lakeside School Office on the first day of school.*

Parent Signature

Student(s) Signature

Date
