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## Transportation of Students Information and Guidelines

Parents/Guardians can assist in our effort to maintain safety and good student behavior on school buses by adhering to the following guidelines and rules:

- The school can only provide one space per child. The school cannot provide spaces on two different bus routes for the same child.
- School bus drivers can only pick up and drop off students at an authorized regular daily at home, caregiver or school address. Drivers cannot make changes to stops without authorization from the Transportation Coordinator with prior written notice from the parents.
- Please ensure that your child is at the bus stop **5 minutes prior** to the arrival of the bus. Drivers will not wait for the children.
- Parents are responsible for the child's safety and conduct prior to boarding the bus and following drop off at a designated stop. This includes walking or driving your child to and from the pick up/drop off. **If no one meets the child at the bus stop, drivers are directed to take the child back to school or to the proper authorities.** It is then the parents' responsibility to ensure that children arrive home safely.
- Ensure that your child's belongings are packed in his/her school bag.
- With the exception of water, students are not allowed to eat or drink on the bus. Objects that may interfere with student or vehicle safety cannot be permitted on the school bus.
- Parents must be aware of the bus operator, route, stop location and pick up/drop off time of the child.
- Ensure that you meet your child on the same side of the street where he/she leaves the school bus.
- **Do not stop, delay or board** the bus when the bus driver is transporting students to and from school.
- **Inform the school an hour in advance if you need to pick up your child from the school.**
- Notify the school as soon as possible of any changes to your address, babysitter, telephone, etc.
- Parents must regularly advise and explain the safety rules for riding on the school bus to the child.
- Transportation for non-school related functions is your responsibility. Only those students eligible for transportation are entitled to ride a bus that has been assigned to them. **The school cannot provide transportation for special events such as birthday parties, sleepovers, homework projects, to complete community service hours or for a job.**

*In case of a dispute, the final decision as to what may or may not be transported rests with the bus operator.*

The terms and conditions of use of transport service may change without prior notice in order to meet the RTA rules and regulations and the Transport Company's policies.

### Disciplinary Actions

School buses under contract with Al Salam are considered to be an extension of the school system. Consequently, the disciplinary standards set by Al Salam will apply to all vehicle passengers.

Students are required to obey instructions given by the driver or bus helper while they are on the bus.



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Students whose behavior endangers the safety or interferes with the comfort of others may be prohibited to use the school transportation.

Monetary compensation for damage or destruction applies to the property of the bus company as well as the property of the school.

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