



Student Safety on School Buses

School Year 2023-24

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The primary objective of the Cherry Creek Schools' Transportation Department is to safely transport your children to and from school. It takes cooperation and responsible actions by each bus driver, student, parent, teacher, school administrator and the Transportation Department to achieve this goal. Our drivers are required to meet training standards that exceed State and Federal regulations. We rely on all students (supported by their parents or guardians) to follow procedures that contribute to the safety of everyone on the bus.

Under the direction of the Board of Education to provide safe transportation, the district has adopted the Safe Student Transportation Program for use on all school buses. The purpose of this program is to ensure that all students clearly understand and carry out their responsibilities for their own safety and the safety of everyone else who rides the bus. Students who do not ride a bus from home to school/ school to home must also understand these requirements in the event that they ride a District bus as part of a field trip or extra-curricular event.

As a reminder all riders are required to use their Ride360 RFID card to scan on and off of the bus per Board Policy. (Policy EEA: Student Transportation) "To implement the Colorado Department of Education's requirement for a roster of students transported, electronic ridership cards shall be issued to all students riding on District buses and said cards must be on each student's person when riding District buses."

Please review the Transportation Bus Rules with your child and the list of possible Infractions and Consequences. Your acknowledgement lets us know that you have received this information and that your child is aware of the standards that have been implemented under the Safe Student Transportation Program.

If you have any concerns about any of these items, please discuss them with your bus driver, your school administration or call the Transportation Department at 720-554-4664. Failure to acknowledge the above documents does not excuse your child in the event disciplinary action is taken and may result in bus privileges being denied.

Most students do a great job contributing to the safety on their buses. The daily bus ride is part of our students' education in learning to be good citizens by taking responsibility for their own behavior, safety and the safety of the other students on the bus. As Cherry Creek Schools continue to grow, we need your continuing help to make sure that all students riding our buses are as safe as possible.

Thank you for your help,

Christopher Smith, Superintendent

David Henderson, Director of Operations

Gary Thompson, Director of Transportation