

# LANSINGBURGH CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## RULES FOR SCHOOL BUS RIDERS

A school bus with undisciplined passengers is a hazardous bus. The misbehavior of the students can lead to accidents. The driver must concentrate on the driving task at hand and cannot be expected to constantly discipline the students while the bus is in motion. Therefore, for a safe operation of the school bus, students should be aware of and obey the following safety rules:

1. Be on time at the designated bus stop – at least 5 minutes before the bus is due; the bus will not wait.
2. Students must ride their assigned bus only.
3. Stay out of the road. Wait for your bus in a safe place. Watch for traffic.
4. While waiting for the bus, RESPECT private property and stay off lawns.
5. When the bus is in sight, form a straight line. Do not approach the bus until it has stopped moving.
6. Cooperate with the driver; your safety depends on it.
7. Keep a safe distance between you and the bus. Never walk behind the bus or close to the wheels. Make sure the bus driver can see you and you can see the bus driver.
8. Cross the road cautiously under the direction of the driver when boarding and leaving the bus. Double-check for traffic both ways before crossing.
9. Follow the driver's instructions when loading and unloading. Use handrail to get on and off the bus.
10. Board the bus one student at a time without pushing. The stairs can get slippery, so use the handrail.
11. Do not be rude, discourteous or annoying. Unacceptable language and shouting is prohibited.
12. No standing on the bus – remain seated at all times when the bus is in motion.
13. Keep the aisle clear – place your book bag or backpack on your lap or under your seat; keep legs and arms out of the aisle.
14. Voice level should be kept at a soft tone to not distract the driver.
15. Keep arms, legs, head and other objects inside the bus at all times.
16. No fighting, pushing, tripping, wrestling, horseplay or mischief on the bus.
17. No throwing objects in the bus or out the windows and doors.
18. Use emergency exits only for emergencies and when instructed to do so.
19. No eating or drinking on the bus. Do not litter on the bus. No damaging of the bus in any way.
20. No use of tobacco, matches, cigarette lighters, obscene materials, weapons, drugs or other prohibited items on the bus.
21. No glass objects or other objects on the bus if prohibited by state law, federal law or school board policies.
22. Band instruments, Ski equipment, Projects and other objects too large or too hazardous to be held by the passenger will not be permitted on the bus. Parent/Guardian's should transport these items.

**Please advise your child that buses have video surveillance.  
Anyone violating the above rules may lose their riding privilege.**