

I travel with the school bus – Code of practice for parents and pupils

To make sure that all pupils travel safely to and from school on the school bus, we would ask you to discuss this code of practice with your child and help them to follow the rules.

Thank you!

1. I leave home in good time.

If I leave home in good time I don't need to rush to the bus stop and can pay more attention to the traffic on the road.

2. I behave in an orderly manner when getting on and off the bus.

- I walk slowly and behave calmly.
- I keep at least 1 meter away from the bus as it arrives.
- I do not push while getting on and off the bus. – There is a danger that pupils could trip and fall.

3. Every pupil has a seat.

- I stay seated while the bus is moving and must fasten the seatbelt if one is available. German law requires that you fasten your seatbelt.
- Even if I would like to sit next to my friends I need to use all vacant seats.
- For security reasons I am not allowed to stand in the aisle while the bus is in motion. The only exception is on public transport buses.
- I do not stand on the stairs while the bus is in motion.
- I am considerate of the other pupils on the bus. I behave in a manner that does not disturb them.
- I am considerate of the bus driver. Shouting and fighting distracts the driver from the traffic on the road.

4. For safety reasons I place my school bag and sport bag on the floor in front of me or on my lap.

5. I keep empty seats free – I do not obstruct them with bags or jackets.

6. I keep the bus clean and tidy.

- I do not eat or drink on the bus and I do not use any mobile phones.
- I do not carry any glass bottles with me.
- I do not put any rubbish in the nets on the back of the seats. I place any rubbish in the provided dustbin.

7. I never cross the street in front of or behind the bus. I always wait until the bus has driven away.

8. With my parents help, I have read and understood the rules of conduct and will keep to these rules. I am aware that in cases of disregard of the rules of conduct, disciplinary measures can be taken.

