

# **Student riders are expected to follow these rules at all times.**

1. Only authorized students may ride the bus.
2. Students are to obey the driver in all matters pertaining to the operation of the school bus. The bus driver is the representative of parents and the school department and is directly responsible for the safety for each student on his/her route.
3. Students are to be courteous to other while waiting for the bus, loading, riding, and leaving the bus.
4. Students are to arrive at the bus stop on time and wait on the sidewalk or off the road surface and respect the property rights of others and avoid trespassing on private property.
5. Students are to avoid actions that might distract the driver and result in an accident such as shouting, whistling, throwing objects, fighting, etc.
6. Students are to cross the street in front of the bus.
7. Students are to keep books/bundles or other obstruction out of the aisles. If students have large packages to bring to school, parents should provide student transportation on that day. Animals are not to be transported on public school buses.
8. Students are to be seated. Where bus drivers assign seats, students are to sit where they are told.
9. If students are instructed by the bus driver to change seats because of misbehavior or other reasons, they must do so.
10. Violations of the Haverhill Public Schools conduct and discipline code which occur during the time a student is being transported, is waiting to board a school bus, or has just debarked from a school bus are subjects to punishment including temporary or long term denial of bus transportation.