

LICKING HEIGHTS TRANSPORTATION

All students who utilize Licking Heights Transportation must follow rules established by the State of Ohio and the Licking Heights Transportation Department. Any misbehavior that distracts the driver is a **very serious hazard** that jeopardizes the safety of all passengers.

RULES

1. Be at your assigned stop at least 5 minutes before your pick-up time and wait in your designated place of safety until the bus arrives.
2. Go directly to your assigned seat and remain seated for the entire bus ride, keeping your body and belongings out of the aisle.
3. Keep your backpack closed and on your lap. Do not throw or pass items.
4. Speak quietly and do not use profane language or obscene gestures.
5. Do not eat or drink on the bus.
6. Do not bring alcohol, tobacco, drugs or drug paraphernalia, animals, live insects, glass objects, weapons, or instruments of violence onto the bus.
7. Be absolutely quiet at railroad tracks, or whenever your driver or aide asks you to be quiet.
8. Do not hang body parts or items out the window. Do not throw anything out the window. Do not spit out the window.
9. Keep your body to yourself. Do not horseplay or fight.
10. Electronic devices may be used on the bus if in compliance to the conditions listed:

*Electronic devices may be used by students while riding the school bus providing they do not compromise bus safety, become a distraction to others, or violate the bus/school student code of conduct. **Possession and use of an electronic device is a privilege that may be forfeited by any student who violates bus or school rules relative to the unauthorized use of electronic devices.** Devices confiscated for inappropriate use will be forwarded to the Principal or Dean of Students of the appropriate building.*

The use of electronic devices while on the bus must not:

1. Cause a distracting behavior that creates an unsafe environment;
2. Create a disruption or otherwise interfere with the bus environment;
3. Endanger the health or safety of the student or anyone else;
4. Infringe on the rights of others;
5. Involve illegal or prohibited conduct of any kind;
6. Be used to capture, record, or transmit the words (i.e., audio) and/or images (i.e., pictures/video) of any student, bus driver, or other person on the bus or while attending a school related activity without express prior notice and explicit permission for the capture, recording, or transmission of such words or images. Using an electronic device to take or transmit audio and/or pictures/video of an individual without his/her consent is considered an invasion of privacy and is not permitted unless authorized by the building principal;
7. Be used in any way that might reasonably create in the mind of another person an impression of being threatened, humiliated, harassed, embarrassed, or intimidated;
8. Be used in any way to capture, transmit, and/or receive test information or any other information in a manner constituting fraud, theft, cheating, or academic dishonesty.

Students bringing an electronic device onto the school bus must understand they do so at their own financial risk. In the event the electronic device is lost, damaged, or stolen the Licking Heights Local School District will not assume any financial responsibility.

CONSEQUENCES

First offense: Driver will give student a verbal warning and call student's parents. Driver may also move student's assigned seat or talk with the school principal.

Second offense and beyond: Driver will call the student's parents and file a report which will be forwarded to the school principal. Driver may take other actions such as moving the student's assigned seat. Principal may conference with the student, call the parents, and/or request a conference with the parents. The principal will assign disciplinary action in accordance with the severity of the offense. Discipline may include a bus suspension, a school suspension, or expulsion.