

Highland Council Travel Behaviour Code

Your safety is very important. You must behave responsibly and safely when travelling to and from school or college, whether you go there by bus, train, taxi, bicycle, walking or any other way. If you get a bus to school or college, you must also follow the rules in the School Bus Travel Behaviour Code.

If you do not follow this Code, which is for your own and other people's safety, schools and colleges can take action against you. This might involve taking away your right to school transport and even excluding you from school.

Your Responsibility	Your Safety	Your Rights
<p><i>Please tell a teacher, parent or driver about any bad behaviour or bullying you see.</i></p>		

- Always respect others, including other pupils, drivers and the public.
- Always respect vehicles and property.
- Always be polite.
- Never drop litter.
- Always obey the law.

- Always behave well when travelling.
- Always follow the driver's instructions when travelling.
- You must not distract drivers.
- Always cross the road safely and sensibly.
- Always travel by a safe route.

- To be safe when travelling.
- To be treated fairly and with respect.
- To tell someone if somebody or something is causing you problems.
- Not to be bullied or picked on.

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School Bus Travel Behaviour Code

- When at the bus stop, always wait sensibly, off the road.
- Make an agreement with your parents what to do if the bus does not arrive or if you miss it.
- When the bus arrives, wait for it to stop. Never push or rush for the door.
- Show your bus pass (if you have been given one) when you get on the bus.
- On a school bus stay in your seat for the whole journey.
- On a public bus find a seat if one is available.
- Never block the aisle with your bag or other belongings.
- Always wear a seatbelt.
- You must not distract the driver when he or she is driving.
- On the bus any food or drink should be eaten responsibly and mess avoided, any wrappers or containers must be suitably disposed of.
- Never throw anything in or from the bus.
- Never damage or vandalise any part of the bus.
- Never operate the bus doors or exits, except in an emergency.
- Always follow the instructions of the driver or passenger assistant at all times.
- If there is an accident, stay on the bus until you are told to leave. If it is unsafe to stay on the bus then leave by the safest exit.
- Never try and get on or off the bus until it has stopped.
- Always get off the bus sensibly, taking all your belongings with you.
- Never cross the road in front of or close behind the bus.