



WASHINGTON LATIN CHARTERED BUS SERVICE BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

The buses provided by WLPCS are considered an extension of the school. While riding the bus, students are expected to behave in the same manner as in the classroom, building and grounds.

The ability to ride the school bus is a privilege, not a right, and may be rescinded at any time. The bus driver and bus monitor are responsible for the safety and welfare of students on the bus, and students should adhere to their instructions at all times. The driver and/or bus monitor will report any infractions of the rules below to school administrators who will follow up on the issue and take appropriate action. A meeting with a parent and one of the Deans of Students may be required before the student will be allowed to ride the bus again. A second offense will mean that the student may no longer ride the bus. There will no longer be a warning given for misbehavior, nor will there be an appeal process if the bus staff recommends suspension.

Please note that not meeting the School's expectations may lead to the student being removed from the bus for the remainder of that season with forfeit of payment.

The driver, the monitor, and the School expect that students will adhere to the following bus rules:

- Students must remain masked with a COVID-appropriate face covering over the mouth and nose at all times
- Students must maintain appropriate social distance on the bus at all times
- Students must use hand sanitizer when boarding and exiting the bus
- Students will remain seated at all times and may not move from their seats until the bus comes to a complete stop.
- Students' actions should not cause the driver to be distracted while the bus is moving.
- Students may talk quietly with a neighbor but not talk in an overly loud voice, scream, or yell.
- There is to be no profanity, vulgar language or gestures.
- Students should confine their activity inside the bus. All body parts (head, arms, long hair, etc.) must be kept inside the bus. Students should refrain from gesturing, talking, or in any way interacting with pedestrians or other drivers.
- Students should maintain the cleanliness and condition of the bus by not writing on any part of the bus, ripping or tearing seat covers, throwing anything, or leaving litter on the bus.
- There is to be no threatening or sexual harassment of others.
- There is to be no throwing of anything within the bus or out of the window of the bus.
- There is to be no wrestling, spitting, fighting, pushing, and/or shoving.
- There is no holding of seats for other students; students should take the window seats if available to allow efficient loading of the bus from the center aisle.

We, parents/guardians and child(ren), have read, understand, and accept that riding the bus provided by WLPCS is a privilege. We further understand and accept that child(ren) may be removed from the bus if, in the view of the School authorities their actions, behavior, attitude, tardiness, and/or lack of compliance with expectations endanger or create problems for the driver or other students. We further understand and accept that removal from the bus will extend for the remainder of the season (Fall, Winter, or Spring) with no refund.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Questions? Contact Martita Fleming, Director of Operations 202.223.1111 x114 m Fleming@latinpcs.org

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