

**ST PATRICK INTERPARISH SCHOOL
SCHOOL BUS PERMISSION AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM**

I/We request that the following child(ren) enrolled at St. Patrick Interparish School use the school bus transportation service, and I/we agree to release and discharge the Diocese of St. Augustine, Bishop Victor B. Galeone as Bishop of the Diocese of St. Augustine, a sole corporation, Bishop Victor B. Galeone, individually, St. Patrick Interparish School, and its agents and employees exercising reasonable care, from all liability growing out of any personal injuries and/or property damage resulting from or occurring during transit to and from school.

Please print each student's name and grade:

Notice of medical condition and/or medication:

Please print student's name and medical condition and/or special medications, of which the driver should be aware.

Phone Numbers where a parent or guardian may be reached before and after school hours:

I/We understand and agree that fees for bus service are annual fees, and that by reserving a bus seat for my child(ren), I agree to pay the full annual fee for bus service. The annual fee may be paid in a single payment by Aug 1st, or in 2 equal payments on August 1st and December 1st, or through FACTS. I/We have received a copy of the School Bus Safety and Conduct Rules. My children and I have read them, understand them, and have discussed them. Our child(ren) agree to abide by these rules. I/We further understand that the failure of my child(ren) to follow these rules may result in their not being permitted to ride the school bus, and in that event, no adjustment or refund of fees will be made.

Bus stop we will using (please choose from bus route/schedule):

AM: _____

PM: _____

For Middle School Students Only (Grades 5-8):

I hereby give my permission for my child _____ to wait at the bus stop in the morning unattended and/or to be left at the bus stop in the afternoon without a parent, guardian or other adult present.

School Bus Safety and Conduct Rule

1. Arrive at the bus stop at least five (5) minutes before the published pick-up time. The bus cannot wait for tardy students.
2. Line up in single file to enter the bus at the stop. Wait for the bus driver's instructions to board the bus—the bus and all surrounding traffic must come to a full stop before the bus is loaded.
3. Enter the bus quickly but carefully. Sit down immediately in your assigned seat, or first available seat if assignments have not been made. **FASTEN YOUR SEAT BELT.**
4. Place all books and belongings where they will not slide or fall. Please do not bring any very large or heavy items, or any glass aboard the bus.
5. Once seated, do not move from your seat until the bus comes to a complete stop at your bus stop, or at school.
6. Behave on the bus as if you were in a classroom – no loud talking or horseplay.
7. No eating or drinking on the bus.
8. Keep arms, legs, and any carry-on items out of the aisle. It is important that the aisle be kept clear at all times.
9. Open bus windows only with the permission of the bus driver. Never throw anything out of the bus windows, or put your hands, arms or head out of the bus windows.
10. Do not communicate in any way with occupants of other vehicles on the road, or pedestrians. Do not hold up signs, make hand gestures, or yell at anyone outside the bus.
11. Do not move from your seat when the bus arrives at school or at your bus stop until the bus stops completely. When the bus has come to a complete stop, stand and leave quickly, but in an orderly fashion, beginning with the students in the seats nearest the door. Be careful going down the bus steps. Do not jump off the bus steps.
12. Maintain silence during all stops at railroad crossings.
13. Listen to the bus driver and follow all instructions promptly, and without comment.

REMEMBER:

DO NOT Raise your voice above a conversational level.

DO NOT Put your hand, head, or any other body part outside a window.

DO NOT Communicate with others outside the bus in any way (ie; signs, gestures, faces, etc.).

DO NOT Throw anything out a bus window.

DO NOT Eat or drink anything, or have food or drink containers open.

DO NOT Use inappropriate language (if it is not acceptable while on school grounds, it is not acceptable on the bus).

DO NOT Touch any other student (this includes hugs, hits, pats, kicks and bumps).

DO NOT Tease any other student or call him or her names.

DO NOT Change your seat at any time during the bus trip, unless instructed to do so by the bus driver or bus monitor.

YOU MUST WEAR YOUR SEAT BELT AT ALL TIMES.

DO NOT Sit in any other manner than with your buttocks fully on the seat, facing forward, feet on the floor, if they reach.

DO NOT Use pens, pencils or any other sharp object. Reading is permitted and strongly encouraged.

FAILURE TO FOLLOW ANY OF THESE RULES WILL SUBJECT STUDENTS TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION. FIRST OFFENSE – Written Notice to Parent; SECOND OFFENSE – 1 week suspension from bus; THIRD OFFENSE – Suspension from bus for remainder of the year, with no refund.

PLEASE NOTE: BUS MAY BE 3 TO 5 MINUTES EARLY OR LATE, DEPENDING ON TRAFFIC.

POSTED TIMES ARE THE TIMES THE BUS MUST LEAVE THE BUS STOP, IN ORDER TO ARRIVE AT THE NEXT STOP ON TIME. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE AT YOUR BUS STOP 5 MINUTES BEFORE THE POSTED TIME. ELEMENTARY STUDENTS MAY NOT BE LEFT ALONE AT BUS STOPS. MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS MAY BE PICKED UP OR DROPPED OFF AT BUS STOPS ALONE ONLY IF PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE AND A SIGNED CONSENT IS FILED WITH THE OFFICE.