



IUSD SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION RULES & REGULATIONS

To ensure the **safety** of the students riding the school bus, whether the bus is operated by Irvine Unified School District or a Contractor hired by Irvine Unified School District, all riders must abide by the following rules.

1. REMAIN SEATED

Passengers must always remain seated with the seat belt properly fastened. A child who persistently refuses or is otherwise unable to comply with this safety rule may be required to use safety equipment such as a buckle guard, buckle guard w/web clip, Safety Vest, or Max II Safety Vest. If necessary, parents/guardians and the school site staff will be advised of any student behavior concerns.

2. KEEP HANDS, FEET, AND OBJECTS TO YOURSELF

Passengers must keep their hands and feet to themselves, never place any part of their body outside the bus window, never throw any object inside the bus, and never throw any object out the bus window while aboard the bus. Inability to comply with this rule may result in the requirement of equipment as listed above.

3. NO EATING, DRINKING OR GUM CHEWING

No eating, drinking, or gum chewing is permitted aboard the bus. *Exceptions: a medical need or Individualized Education Plan (IED) accommodation.*

4. ITEMS NOT ALLOWED ON THE BUS

Oversized or hazardous articles are not permitted aboard the bus.

Objects too large to fit in the student's backpack or lunch box may not be brought aboard the bus unless prior arrangements have been made. These objects, including but not limited to: bikes, skateboards, scooters, special projects, and musical instruments, must be secured prior to departure.

Hazardous articles, including but not limited to: glass containers, knives, sharp or pointed objects, or anything which might cause injury to other students on the bus.

No animals (mammals, birds, reptiles, insects, fish) are allowed on the bus at any time. *Exception: Service dogs trained to aid individuals with a disability may be transported in a school bus when accompanied by disabled pupils enrolled in a public or private school.*

5. CAMERAS

Video Cameras are installed and used on all buses operated under contract with the Irvine Unified School District. Due to student privacy laws under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), video footage is considered confidential and, as a matter of privacy, will not be released outside the District without appropriate legal documents.