

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION OF PEEL REGION

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Statement	<p>Every student is expected to behave in accordance with the expectations of the Ontario Code of Conduct, other Board Policies pertaining to Codes of Conduct, and STOPR Code of Conduct for Bus Students (STOPR017) while travelling on the school bus.</p> <p>A consequence of NOT abiding by the Code of Conduct for Bus Students is outlined in the Section on Progressive Discipline (STOPR017).</p>
Expectations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Every student is expected to behave in accordance with the expectations of the principal at the pickup and drop off points, and while travelling on the school bus. While on the premises of any school, a student is required to behave in accordance with the expectations of the principal of that school; 2. Every student will follow the driver's directions and co-operate with and assist the patrols in carrying out their duties; and 3. A student is responsible to provide compensation for any damage or destruction to school buses.
Loading Procedures	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. arrive at the bus stop five to ten (5-10) minutes before pick up time; 2. stand well away from the road until the bus has come to a complete stop; 3. line up in single file. Once the bus has come to a complete stop, board the bus in an orderly fashion using the handrail; and 4. if it is necessary to cross the road to board the bus, wait for the driver's direction before crossing and stay at least five (5) to eight (8) paces in front of the bus when crossing.
Unloading Procedure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Stay seated until the bus comes to a complete stop; 2. Leave the bus in an orderly fashion, single file, using the handrail; and 3. If it is necessary to cross the road, line up in single file, and when everyone is off the bus, walk along the shoulder or sidewalk five (5) to eight (8) paces. Once the driver indicates it is safe to proceed, cross the road while continuing to check for oncoming traffic.

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<p>A student shall;</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. follow the driver's directions; 2. listen to the bus patrollers; 3. be courteous and respectful at all times; 4. stand back on the sidewalk or a safe distance away from the road while waiting for the bus; 5. arrive at the pickup point five (5) to ten (10) minutes before your scheduled pickup time; 6. keep books, lunch boxes, knapsacks and bulky items on his/her lap; 7. leave windows closed unless authorized by the driver to open them; 8. keep arms and head inside the bus at all times; 9. not carry potentially dangerous objects and/or materials; 10. not eat on the school bus; 11. remain seated while the bus is in motion; and 12. be held responsible for damage done to the bus due to vandalism or other improper behaviour. <p>A student must be aware that serious or repeated misconduct will be recorded by the driver (TFL001 or TFL018). A student should also be aware that such conduct may result in the loss of provision of transportation as determined by the school or STOPR. Consequences for such offences are listed in (STOPR017).</p>
<p>Bill 157</p>	<p>On February 1st, 2010, new legislation (Bill 157) came into effect in Ontario which requires school staff to report to the principal when they see students engaged in potentially inappropriate behaviour.</p> <p>Inappropriate behaviour is defined as follows:</p> <p>306.(1) A principal shall consider whether to suspend a pupil if he or she believes that the pupil has engaged in any of the following activities while at school, at a school related activity or in other circumstances where engaging in the activity or in</p>

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	<p style="text-align: center;">other circumstances where engaging in the activity will have an impact on the school climate:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Uttering a threat to inflict serious bodily harm on another person 2. Possessing alcohol or illegal drugs 3. Being under the influence of alcohol 4. Swearing at a teacher or at another person in a position of authority 5. Committing an act of vandalism that causes extensive damage to school property at the pupil's school or to property located on the premises of the pupil's school 6. Bullying 7. Any other activity that is an activity for which a principal may suspend a pupil under a policy of the board <p><u>310.(1)</u> A principal shall suspend a pupil if he or she believes that the pupil has engaged in any of the following activities while at school, at a school-related activity or in other circumstances where engaging in the activity will have an impact on the school climate:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Possessing a weapon, including possessing a firearm 2. Using a weapon to cause or to threaten bodily harm to another person 3. Committing physical assault on another person that causes bodily harm requiring treatment by a medical practitioner 4. Committing sexual assault 5. Trafficking in weapons or in illegal drugs 6. Committing robbery 7. Giving alcohol to a minor 8. Any other activity that under a policy of a board, is an activity for which a principal must suspend a pupil and, therefore in accordance with this Part, conduct an investigation to determine whether to recommend to the board that the pupil be expelled
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	<p>The legislation includes the following clause:</p> <p>5.3 The individuals referred to in subsection (5.2) are individuals who are not board employees who come into direct contact with pupils of a board on a regular basis in the normal course of,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) providing goods or services to the board;b) carrying out their employment functions as an employee of a person who provides goods or services to the board; orc) providing services to a person who provides goods or services to the board <p>This then, will apply to bus drivers. This does not appear to represent a substantial change in practice but it certainly makes the duties clear.</p> <p>The full text of Bill 157 is available at: http://www.ontla.on.ca/web/bills/bills</p> <p>For clarification, the above noted new reporting requirement does not replace the existing TFL001 – Bus Driver Report to Principal form; it establishes a second reporting requirement specific to the limited group of transgressions identified above.</p>
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