

**SOUTHERN AVENUE CHARTER SCHOOL**  
**TRANSPORTATION Policy & Rules**  
**General and Special Education**

The following student behavior and safety standards have been established as a guideline for all students eligible for transportation.

**BEHAVIOREXPECTATIONS**

1. Students in grades K through 5 shall display their transportation bus pass to the driver upon boarding the bus both morning and afternoon. Parent Initials \_\_\_\_\_
2. Students in grades K through 1<sup>st</sup> are required to be supervised by an adult parent or guardian when delivered to the bus stop. These students will not be allowed to exit a school bus without a parent, guardian, approved adult, or a sibling **11 years or older not** present to receive the student.
3. Special education students must have a parent or guardian at their residence to receive them when dropped off. If there is no one present, they will be returned to their school for supervision until picked up by a parent or guardian.
4. Cooperate with the driver. Students shall be respectful and not use obscene and/or abusive language.
5. Use of aerosol sprays, perfumes, etc. is prohibited.
6. No screaming or yelling on the bus.
7. Students will not throw items in or out of the bus. This behavior can cause serious safety consequences.
8. No fighting, bullying, harassment or horseplay on the bus or at the bus stop.
9. Students will not deliberately stand on private property while waiting for the bus
10. Students will load and unload the bus in a safe and timely manner. Be at your bus stop at least 5 minutes prior to your assigned pick up time.
11. Students must stay seated and not turn around in their seat. Nothing should ever block the aisle.
12. Smoking and using tobacco and/or drugs on the bus or at the bus stop is prohibited.
13. Students will not extend hands, arms, head or any body parts out of the windows.
14. Students will not tamper with equipment or vandalize the bus. Parents/students will be charged for repair to damage of the interior/exterior of the school bus.
15. Students should keep the bus clean. Eating and drinking on the bus is prohibited.
16. Students may not use electronic devices including cell phones, cameras, iPods/MP3 players, etc. on the school bus. Cell phones and electronic devices may not be used for phone calls, texting or taking pictures at any time while on the bus.
17. Students may only ride the bus which serves their home address and may only board or de-board at assigned stop unless approved by the school principal and/or Central Office.

**SAFETY**

1. Students who ride the school bus are required to wear a mask.
2. Students will stay out of the streets while awaiting the arrival of the bus.
3. Students must remain seated until the bus has come to a complete stop and the stop arm has been extended.
4. Students shall cross the street in front of the bus and under the direction of the driver. Look both ways then proceed to cross when the driver signals to them and the bus stop arm has been extended.

***Remember: School Bus Transportation is a Privilege***

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I hereby agree that I, as a parent or guardian of the child/children receiving transportation services, will discuss the above rules with my child/children. Furthermore, my child/children will comply with the rules for transportation established by Southern Avenue Charter School..

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_