

The Welsh Assembly Government has recently introduced an All Wales Travel Behaviour Code. The Code is compulsory for all learners up to the age of 19 who must comply whilst travelling to and from their place of learning.

If a learner does not follow the code, the local authority or the school can withdraw entitlement to free transport and it then becomes the responsibility of the learner's parent to arrange suitable transport.

Travel Behaviour Code

Your safety is very important. You must behave responsibly and safely when travelling to and from school or college, whether you go there by bus, train, taxi, bicycle, walking or any other way. If you get a bus to school or college, you must also follow the rules in the School Bus Travel Behaviour Code.

If you do not follow this Code, for your own safety, and other people's, local authorities, schools and colleges can take action against you. This might involve taking away your right to school transport and even excluding you from school.

<i>Your Responsibility</i>		<i>Your Safety</i>		<i>Your Rights</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Always respect others, including other pupils, drivers and the public.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Always behave well when travelling.	<input type="checkbox"/>	To be safe when travelling.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Always respect vehicles and property.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Always follow the driver's instructions when travelling.	<input type="checkbox"/>	To be treated fairly and with respect.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Always be polite.	<input type="checkbox"/>	You must not distract drivers.	<input type="checkbox"/>	To tell someone if somebody or something is causing you problems.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Never drop litter.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Always cross the road safely and sensibly.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not to be bullied or picked on.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Always obey the law.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Always travel by a safe route.		
<i>Please tell a teacher, parent or driver about any bad behaviour or bullying you see.</i>					

School Bus Travel Behaviour Code

1. When at the bus stop, always wait sensibly, off the road
2. Make an agreement with your parents what to do if the bus does not arrive or you miss it.
3. When the bus arrives, wait for it to stop. Never push or rush for the door.
4. Show your bus pass (if you have been given one) when you get on the bus.
5. On a school bus, stay in your seat for the whole journey.
6. On a public bus, find a seat if one is available.
7. Never block the aisle with your bag or other belongings.
8. Always wear a seatbelt if one is provided.
9. You must not distract the driver when he or she is driving.
10. Never eat or drink on the bus.
11. Never throw anything in or from the bus.
12. Never damage or vandalise any part of the bus.
13. Never operate the bus doors or exits, except in an emergency.
14. Always follow the instructions of the driver or passenger assistant at all times.
15. If there is an accident, stay on the bus until you are told to leave. If it is unsafe to stay on the bus then leave by the safest exit.
16. Never try and get on or off the bus until it has stopped.
17. Always get off the bus sensibly, taking all your belongings with you.
18. Never cross the road in front of or close behind the bus.

Please tell a teacher, parent or driver about any bad behaviour or bullying that you see or hear.