

Dear Parents,

Thank you for taking the time to reinforce the importance of bus safety. The safety of all children is our number one priority. Children see our partnership and the importance of these rules by listening to this story at school and home.

You'll see we framed this story around our Willow Grove pillar behaviors: kindness, responsibility, and respect.

Please read through The Willow Grove Bus Book and discuss it with your child. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Jenny Smith, Principal

Willow Grove Early Learning Center

The Willow Grove Bus Book



Inside this book are reminders about expected behaviors on the bus.



It is a privilege to ride the Willow Grove Bus. Any Willow Grove student can ride the bus by following the bus safety rules.

It is important to always remember the Willow Grove Bears That Care Pledge. Everyone will have a safe and happy ride if we follow our pledge.



Kindness



We show kindness on the bus! Kind and caring words and actions are always expected. We always keep our hands and feet to ourselves.

Responsibility



When you get on the bus, find your seat, and sit down.
The Willow Grove Bus will move as soon as everyone is
ready for a safe ride.

Responsibility



When you find your seat, you must stay seated. Never stand or change seats, unless the bus has stopped and it is time for you to leave. Our whole body and belongings should be in the seat area and not in the aisle of the bus. This keeps us safe!

Responsibility



**Emergency doors and windows are for emergencies only!
Never touch these unless the bus driver gives you special
directions.**

Responsibility



Keep your hands and head inside the bus. Never throw anything out of the bus window.

Respect













Listen to your bus driver and always follow directions. The driver may need your attention before, during, or after your trip.



Respect



Voice Levels

4	 Outside Voice 
3	 Presenter Voice 
2	 Table Talk  
1	 Whisper Voice 
0	 No Talking 

The bus driver must hear important outdoor sounds to be safe. Use a Level 2 voice (table talk) or lower inside the bus and a Level 0 (no talking) when the bus stops at railroad crossings.

Respect



The Willow Grove Bus must be kept clean and safe. No candy, food, or drinks are to be eaten on the bus.





Tell the driver if you ever have a problem on the bus. Your parent, teacher, or any Willow Grove adult are other people who can help you.

Let's Learn Buddy's Bus Chant!

Buddy has a special way of remembering some of our bus rules!

Stay in my seat,
Hands to self,
Listen to my driver,
That's how I'll help!



Don't forget to ask yourself, am I showing kindness,
responsibility, and respect? If the answer is yes, GREAT job!



Safe and happy travels!
Thank you for being a Bear That Cares!

Willow Grove Bus Riding Agreement

A parent/guardian may be asked to reread the bus book with their child and sign this agreement if a child has difficulty following the safety rules on the bus. This is meant as a teaching tool to reinforce the expectations. Please have your child provide this page to his/her teacher to take to the office when he/she has completed the activity.

We appreciate your continued support!

We have read and discussed this booklet together. We understand it is important to follow these rules as riding the bus is a privilege. When riding the bus, following the rules keeps everyone as safe as possible.

_____ Student signature (write name as best as they can)

_____ Parent/guardian signature

_____ Date

Thank You For Being a Willow Grove Bear That Cares!