



Breckenridge ISD
2020-2021
School Bus
&
Transportation Handbook

Committed to Safety and Service

Our goal in the Transportation Department is to provide safe and efficient transportation to and from school to all eligible students attending the Breckenridge Independent School District.

As we enter a new school year, we ask all parents and bus riders to take the time to read the Breckenridge Independent School District Transportation Guidelines. You may request a copy at your school office or directly from the transportation office. The guidelines explain regulations, procedures, and provide useful information designed to render the best and safest transportation service possible to our students.

Community members, Parents, School Personnel, Security Officers and Bus Drivers must work together to protect our students. Expect the unexpected is our motto. Children can dart into the street from between the cars or in front of the stopped School Bus. Be extremely cautious when driving anywhere where children are likely to be. Obey school bus traffic rules at all times.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to contact the Transportation Office at the BISD Transportation and Maintenance Building. Our Office hours are Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM- 4:30 PM. You may contact us at (254)212-3011.

Mark Wilcox
Director of Transportation and Maintenance

Bus Rider Safety

Breckenridge Independent School District provides transportation services to eligible students to attend their assigned campuses. Transportation is a privilege. Transportation is not a right. Students are required to obey appropriate safety and follow all rules to remain eligible for transportation services.

1. Students are responsible for contributing to the safe operation of the bus.

Before Boarding the Bus

- Arrive at your designation stop at least five minutes prior to your scheduled time. Breckenridge Independent School District does not have another bus to pick up students if they were late for their pick up time.
- Be careful in the loading area. Wait in an orderly, single line for the bus, avoid horseplay. Stay out of the street or bus drive while waiting for the bus.
- Approach the bus entrance only after the bus has come to a complete stop.

After Boarding the Bus

- Obey the Bus Driver's direction.
- Go to the closest available seat or to your designated seat; stay seated until you arrive at your bus stop. The bus driver may assign a student a designated seat.
- Speak in a classroom voice. Loud speech or loud laughter causes distraction to the driver. Loud speech or loud laughter causes distraction to the driver. Rough- housing or horse play on the bus will not be tolerated, any of this may result in the temporary suspension or definitive suspension of transportation services.
- Buses are property of the Breckenridge Independent School District. If a student(bus rider) causes any damage to or vandalizes the bus, the perpetrator and/or the parent or legal guardian will be financially responsible for the cost involved to repair the damages.
- Never throw an object inside or out of the bus. Keep all parts of your body(head, arms and legs) inside the bus at all times and out of the walkway.
- Observe the rules of good conduct and show courtesy to everyone. The use of vulgar language, rude gestures, or malicious behavior toward the bus operator or any other passenger, or another motorist will not be tolerated.

2. Parent Responsibilities

- Teach your child their full name, home address, and telephone number where an adult family member can be contacted in case of an emergency.
- Review with your child the above listed School Safety Rules and the Breckenridge Independent School District Bus Rider's Handbook.
- Any emergency change to a bus stop must be requested in writing by the parent, signed, and approved by the School Principal before being made. This is a protection for your child.

3. Other general rules and guidelines

- Bus Riders may ride only their assigned bus and will be discharged/dropped-off only at their designated stop.
- All bus riders must fill out the appropriate Breckenridge Independent School District Bus Enrollment form in the school office, or at the District Services office located at 907 HWY 183 N. Student Bus route assignments will be designated by the transportation office.
- Student's may only be dropped off at the legal parent or guardian's home, a grandparent's home, a certified day care center, or an official bus stop closest to their home.
- If there is a student that lives in town that has a safety issue with being dropped off at one of the designated in town stops, a request must be made in writing to the Transportation and Maintenance Director for review and potential board approval for additional stops for the in town routes.
- A child that is enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten that rides the bus, must have a parent or guardian at the bus stop for arrival and pick up.

All provisions of the Breckenridge Independent School District Student Code of Conduct apply to students (and to all other Bus Riders) when being transported by the Breckenridge Independent School Districts Transportation Department. Violations to said code will be referred to the appropriate administrator or authority for disciplinary action as approved by the School Board. Code of Conduct Violations and/or Safety Rules Violations may result in a temporary or possible permanent loss, or the student's transportation services.

If there are any questions, please contact the Transportation and Maintenance Director, Mark Wilcox, at (254)212-3012.

