## SEVEN GENERATIONS CHARTER SCHOOL

SECTION: OPERATIONS

TITLE: 810 – TRANSPORTATION

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Policy

Many school districts ["home districts"] provide transportation of students who live in that district to Seven Generations Charter School. Students must adhere to the specific policies of their home district which generally follow the below guidelines.

Delegation of Responsibility

The Board of Trustees of Seven Generations Charter School authorizes the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or his/her designee incorporate appropriate procedures for transportation in the student handbook.

Guidelines

## **Bus Transportation**

Children riding school buses arrive at different times based on the home district schedules. Typically, students arrive by bus between 8:15 am and 8:40 am.

## **Transportation**

Safety Child safety during school-based transportation is critical to SGCS and requires adult and child responsibility. The following responsibilities are important:

- Children are at the bus stop before the bus arrives.
- Children are dressed properly for the weather.
- Children are the responsibility of the parents/guardians monitored while they wait at the bus stop.
- Children wait until the bus has come to a complete stop before approaching the curb.

On the bus, each child has the responsibility to:

- Be seated immediately and remain seated at all times.
- Help keep the bus clean. No objects are to be thrown in or out of the bus.
- Obey the driver at all times.
- Wear a seat belt (where provided).
- Keep windows closed unless opened by the driver or with his/her permission.
- Keep all body parts from extending out the window.
- Refrain from yelling or making loud noises.
- Refrain from consuming food, gum, or drinks, depending on the rules of the driver.
- Understand that projects, musical instruments, etc. will be transported if the
  object safely fits in the bus. Check with the driver ahead of time to avoid
  difficulties.

Children behaving in unsafe or disrespectful ways on the bus will be reported to the school administration by the bus driver. Administrators will address all concerns regarding bus transportation. Consequences, such as losing bus privileges or assignment of a seat on the bus, will be determined by transportation services and administration.

## **Transportation Changes**

In order for a child to change his/her typical after school routine, written permission from the parent/guardian is required and should be delivered to the office by noon of that day. These changes may include such things as going home with a friend, being picked up by someone different, or going home rather than to after school care. Parents/Guardians should send a note stating the change and the date(s) on which the change will occur. No changes will be permitted without timely written notification. Also, students are not allowed to travel on a bus that is not provided by their home district. Each school district has their own set of rules regarding switching buses within their district so please call the front office or your home district's bus company or transportation department. All permanent changes regarding bussing arrangements must be reported to the child's home district's transportation by first filling out Form 372 in the front office.

References

School Code – 1316, 1361

PA School Code 22 – Sec. 23.31, 23.23, 23.32. 23.4