

## **BUS RULES FOR WAIUKU COLLEGE 2013**

The following buses will be parked in the bus bay in the afternoon of each school day:

- Awhitu
- Te Toro/Taurangaruru
- Otaua/Aka Aka
- Glenbrook/Pukeoware

As with all forms of transport, SAFETY is paramount. The following list of rules is to be followed so that there is no misunderstanding or ignorance of them.

The rules are as follows:

- Whilst waiting for your bus, students must stay within the school gate and remain there until the bus has arrived and has stopped.
- Under no circumstances are you allowed to run or walk alongside a bus coming to the bus bay.
- Students must keep to the footpath and not cross the bus loading bay when other buses are arriving at school.
- When pupils leave a bus taking them home, they must wait on the side of the road until the vehicle has moved away so that they have a clear view of the road before crossing.
- If in the event of a breakdown where pupils must leave the bus (e.g. a puncture tyre requiring a change of spare wheel), you must wait standing clear of the bus and off the road. If visibility is restricted then senior pupils on the bus must be positioned to warn other road users.
- If a bus breaks down no pupils are to leave the bus between their normal pick-up point and drop-off point at the College.
- No students other than those eligible to bus transport are eligible to travel on the bus.
- No pupil is to get off a bus once he/she has boarded it on his or her way to school at any point other than the College gate. Do not ask the driver to let you off in town.
- Whilst travelling on a school bus, all school rules apply.
- Rules made by the bus contractors serving Waiuku College must also be obeyed by all pupils e.g. no eating or drinking on the bus. The bus contractors have the right to refuse to transport any pupil who does not obey the operating rules and misbehaviour on the bus.
- Vandalism to a school bus or the safe operating of the vehicle will not be tolerated under any circumstances. Again, the bus contractors can and will refuse to transport any pupil who breaks these rules.
- Failure to obey any instructions issued by either the driver or bus prefects will result in a warning being made to a bus pupil that their behaviour is unacceptable. If after that a pupil continues to ignore that warning then parents will be contacted and informed of the consequences.
- Drivers of the buses should not be distracted while driving. Bus contractors have been issued with instructions from the Ministry of Education covering their duties and responsibilities of their drivers. Again the failure of any bus pupil to obey a driver's instructions for the safe operation of the bus will result in that pupil being refused conveyance.
- Any pupil or parent who has a complaint about the service of the bus contractor should contact either me or Mr Vanderlaan first preferably in writing.

## **Other common sense rules**

- Remain in seats for whole journey
- Do not throw objects around in the bus
- Use appropriate and acceptable language when talking to other students and the driver.
- No physical or verbal abuse of other students or the driver
- Respect other students property
- Listen to the driver, the teachers on duty when they give instructions.
- No skateboards or scooters allowed on the bus
- Look after Primary and Intermediate students

Having informed you of the above rules, you have no excuse to plead ignorance of the rules outlined for the safe transport of pupils to and from Waiuku College.

Mr N. Raj  
Bus Controller, Waiuku College

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Form Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Bus Route: Awhitu/Te Toro/Taurangaruru/Otaua/Aka Aka  
Glenbrook/Pukeoware (circle your bus route)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**I have read and understood the above bus rules of Waiuku College and will make every effort to obey the rules in order to ensure the safe conveyance of all pupils to and from the College.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**An electronic copy of the bus routes can be downloaded from here: <http://www.waiuku-college.school.nz/school/bus-information/>**