



BUS RULE #16 ADDENDUM (BAND INSTRUMENTS)

To assure adequate space for the safety of passengers, all large musical instruments and other bulky, awkward, or dangerous items shall be prohibited from school buses.

The following instruments **WILL BE allowed** on school bus daily runs:

∞ **Woodwind Instruments allowed**: *Piccolo, Flute, Oboe, English Horn, Bassoon, Clarinet, Alto Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone*

∞ **Brass Instruments allowed**: *Trumpet, Cornet, *French Horn, Trombone, **Small Baritones or Euphoniums*

∞ **Percussions Instruments allowed**: ****Small Bells – light weight – 2 ½ octave range or less, any accessory instrument that can be placed in a case equivalent to the size of a trumpet case or smaller.*

∞ **String Instruments allowed**: *Violin, Viola*

∞ **Miscellaneous allowed**: *small piano keyboards – approximately 49 keys or less*

Note:

***French Horn cases must be turned at the vertical position and placed directly in front of the student and should never be placed in the aisle of the bus.**

****Small Baritone or Euphonium cases are approximately the same size as the Alto Saxophone case.**

*****Bells must be in a cloth-type case and held in the vertical position.**

The following instruments **WILL NOT BE** transported on school bus daily runs:

§ **Woodwind Instruments not allowed**: *Baritone Saxophone*

§ **Brass Instruments not allowed**: *Tuba, Large Baritone or Euphonium – Baritone and Euphonium cases wider than the Tenor Saxophone case are not allowed.*

§ **Percussion Instruments not allowed**: *Snare Drum, All Marching Band Drums*

§ **String Instruments not allowed**: *Cello, String Bass, Guitars (Acoustic, Electric, and Bass)*

§ **Miscellaneous not allowed**: *Full Range Piano keyboards – 50 or more keys, any electronic instrument deemed larger than any approved instrument*

Suggested guidelines for loading and unloading from bus:

1. Band students should load buses last and exit at stops after other students exit.

2. Band students should make seating arrangements with bus drivers so that their instruments do not create a safety problem.

All instruments carried by students should be under their control at all times and placed (1) on the lap or (2) between the knees. The aisle should not be blocked at any time. No instruments shall be placed in the driver's compartment or take another child's seat.