



"Do it heartily as to the Lord." Col. 3:23

Busing Servicing Agreement

Parents will indemnify, defend and hold VCS harmless from any claims, damages, or expenses, including attorney's fees, arising out of or in any way connected with or relating to the student's use of a motor vehicle.

Acknowledgement of Risks

I agree that Valley Christian Schools is not the guarantor of my child's safety, cannot guarantee my child's safety, and has made no representation or warranty to me regarding the safety of my child. I agree on my behalf and on behalf of my child to assume the risk of any damage injury or death which I or my child may sustain in any way from my child's participation in this program or activity, and its related activities.

Release and Waiver of Liability

I hereby agree, both on my behalf individually as a parent and on behalf of my child, to hereby release and to indemnify and hold harmless Valley Christian Schools, its agents, officers, directors, and employees, and any other organization co-sponsoring the program, trip, or activities, from and against any and all injuries or damages which I or my child may suffer for any claims of negligence or alleged negligent act(s) or omission(s) arising out of or in any way connected with my or my child's travel or participation in the program, trip, event(s) or any activities related thereto. I have read this paragraph and understand and agree that this is a Release and Waiver of claims both on behalf of myself and my child and that I am relinquishing rights by signing this agreement and have done so voluntarily.

Any dispute between the parties arising out of this agreement shall be submitted to binding arbitration before a retired judge in Santa Clara County under the arbitration provisions of the California Code of Civil Procedure. This arbitrator shall be selected by mutual agreement, or if that is not possible shall select this arbitrator, by the Presiding Judge of the Superior court. Each party shall bear their own costs and expenses of the arbitration and an equal share of the arbitrator's fees. Any arbitration shall be subject to the same statutes of limitations as would apply in the absence of an arbitration provision. **THE PARTIES IRREVOCABLY WAIVE THE RIGHT TO A COURT OR JURY TRIAL.**

In case of emergency, arising during or in connection with any activity, I authorize any person in charge of the activity to consent to emergency care, at my expense. I understand the Valley Christian Schools is not obligated to carry any insurance to cover medical and/or dental treatment for me or my child. I agree to pay for any damages or expenses incurred relating to my child.

I agree to stay at the bus stop with my child until the school bus arrives.

Rules and Regulations

All school rules in the Valley Christian Schools Handbooks apply to the bus; the bus is an extension of the classroom.

All students transported on the bus shall submit to the authority of the driver and shall address the driver with respect.

Students will be considered late for the bus if they are not on the bus and seated by the departure time. The bus driver **will not** stop to load a student on to the bus after it has departed the established bus stop location.

The following is a direct quote from Vehicle code 22112: “The school bus driver shall stop to load or unload pupils **ONLY** at a school bus stop designated for pupils by the school district superintendent or the head or principal of private school, or authorized by any of those individuals for a school activity trip”.

Upon arrival of the bus, students are to do the following:

- If waiting to load – line up in an orderly manner 12 feet away from the bus.
- If waiting to exit – remain seated until the bus comes to a complete stop and the door is opened.
- No objects or any part of the body shall be allowed outside the windows.
- Eating, drinking and chewing gum are not allowed on the bus unless the driver gives permission.
- No littering on the bus.
- Excessive yelling and movement are not permitted.
- No defacing the bus.
- Remain seated and face the front while the bus is moving.

- To ensure the safety of our students, parents must stay with their children at the bus stop in the morning until the school bus arrives. Also, parents must arrive on time in the afternoon to meet their children's bus upon arrival. Please note that no supervision is provided at bus stops.
- Valley Christian Schools asks its students to use seat belts when provided.

Discipline will be handled by each student's campus. Repeated infractions will result in a loss of bus riding privileges.

Students are responsible to keep track of their possessions when exiting the bus. Any items found on the bus, will be turned into VCS Security. Parents or students can call, VCS Transportation Coordinator at transportation@vcs.net, to inquire about lost items. *