



BUS POLICY

GMIS strives and works in the best interest of our students on this note, it is imperative that parents and students adhere to the bus protocol, so our students can commute on the bus safely, comfortably, and cleanly so that school operations can run smoothly and efficiently.

Parent obligations

1. All parents should bring and pickup their child/children on time according to the updated school bus timetable via Managebac. **The bus will leave on time at each destination and both buses will not wait for late comers.**
2. It is parent's responsibility to arrive **at the allocated bus stop 5 minutes or earlier before the bus scheduled arrival time.**
3. We have installed the live tracking device and none of the international schools have this service. As such, If the parents are not on time, **this causes serious disruptions for the entire bus schedule**, and for other traffic users on the road and furthermore, it affects the arrival time at school for all the students.
4. **No Parent is ALLOWED** to request/demand/instruct the bus driver to wait. As he/she do not have the authority and this is a serious violation of the bus policy and GMIS will impose the fine and barred the parent using the bus service.
5. If you want another parent to collect your child from the respective bus stop, the parent has to email 5 days in advance to the respective homeroom tutor. Based on the approved request from the tutor, then this request is allowed. **WHATSAPP MESSAGES AND TELEPHONE CALL WILL BE NOT ACCEPTED/TOLERATED.**
6. If a child should be fetched at a different destination, parent should inform the homeroom tutor 5 days in advance. **WHATSAPP MESSAGES AND TELEPHONE CALL WILL BE NOT ACCEPTED/TOLERATED.**
7. **Only one Parent of nursery student is allowed** to board the bus and help fasten their child's seatbelt and should leave the bus immediately.
8. Child/ren who suffer from motion sickness or having had breakfast/milk in the morning might vomit once he/she boards the bus. This affects the child and other students due to stench. Parents are strongly encouraged to send email to the respective HRT to request breakfast as GMIS provides breakfast as a gratuitous service at school.
9. All parents need to be aware that GMIS is not allowed to stop at the public bus stops as the public buses have priority over the school bus and we can receive a fine due to parents late tardiness. If this happens, GMIS will impose the fine at the parent and/or the parent will be permanently barred from using our services.
10. Road blocks/road works/traffic congestion/accident is beyond our GMIS control.
11. If the Student refuses to wear seat belt which is a safety violation of the Dutch Law. GMIS will
 - a. Inform the child with a stern warning
 - b. Inform the parent with 1st written warning letter
 - c. If for the 3rd time, this negative behaviour continues, he/she will be barred from using the bus service.
12. Parents are not allowed to use abusive/display aggressive behaviour. For any concerns please contact us via email: enquiry@giftedmindsinternationalschool.com



Student obligations

13. All students will be given a seat allocation and he/she is not allowed to swap seats with their friends must remain properly seated at all times.
14. All students must listen to the driver and follow his/her instructions. The driver has the authority of a classroom teacher.
15. It is the responsibility of the students to keep the bus clean, sanitary, and orderly. Therefore, students are not permitted to consume food/snack/candy on the bus.
16. The students should not raise their voices in the bus so the driver can drive safely, without getting distracted while driving.
17. Bus seats and equipment should not be damaged or abused by students. If so, then the student will held accountable to pay for the damages and replacement of the equipment.
18. Students need to wait for the bus to comes to a complete stop and the doors are opened. Preschool children have priority over the primary grade students. It is the parent's responsibility to ensure a safe entrance.
19. Students are not allowed to throw objects of any kind either inside the bus or around the bus.
20. Students are not to use abusive language or profanity, obscene or rude gestures, or spit while on the bus.
21. Students may NOT bring a large musical instrument, any animals, balloons, glass containers or glass objects, or large school projects onto the bus.
22. Students are not to leave the bus without the driver's permission, except on arrival at their assigned bus stop or at school.
23. Students should refrain from unnecessary conversation with the driver while the bus is in motion.
24. Students are not to touch the emergency equipment's on the bus.
25. The ventilation windows should not be opened without the driver's permission.