

Ganado Unified School District No. 20



Transportation
Davis Begay, Supervisor



"Our vision is to be a professional learning community that focuses on all students exceeding educational expectations"

"Our mission is to ensure all students a Quality Education and Strengthen Diné Cultural Values for Life-long Learning"

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Please find enclosed the Ganado Unified School District Transportation Rules and Expectations. Please be reminded that these rules and expectations are to ensure the safety of the students, staff, bus drivers and schools buses.

- **No Food or Drinks on the school bus:** Eating on the school bus is not allowed to ensure the safety of students and to prevent life-threatening choking hazards during sudden stops, protect students with severe food allergies from dangerous contact with allergen residues, eliminate pest infestations and major cleanup duties for school bus drivers. Snacks must be kept packed away until you arrive at school or home. *Water is allowed in a clear water bottle with plain water only.*
- **Transportation of Baseball bats** are generally not classified strictly as weapons if they are intended for sports, but many school districts ban them on school buses or treat them as dangerous objects or potential weapons.
- **Transport Rules of Baseball bats:** Loose bats will not be allowed on the school bus. Carrying a loose bat in your hand or out of a bag on the bus is prohibited. Sports equipment must always be safely contained inside zipped up bag(s).
- **Strict Prohibition of Baseball bats:** Some School districts completely ban bats and large sports sticks on school buses because they can become dangerous projectiles during an accident or sudden stops which is a safety concern.
- **Items prohibited on the school bus:**
 - Skateboards
 - Scooters
 - Inline skates
 - Baseball bats and other sports equipment such as lacrosse sticks
 - Sports balls
 - Allergen items such as highly scented perfume, cologne or deodorant
 - Kites
 - Balloons/Helium Balloons
 - Glass or breakable containers
 - Extra-large items
 - Pumpkins
 - Flammable items/material
 - Weapons or firearms
- **No Loud Music on the school bus:** Playing loud music is prohibited to prevent bus driver distractions, ensure the ability to hear emergency vehicles or railroad crossings, maintain order and prevent behavioral issues that happen in high-noise environments.
- **Dutch Bros or other beverage chain stops is prohibited:** Dutch bros or other beverage

chain stops will not be tolerated during sports trips, field trips or other trips due to limited parking areas for school buses. Please revert back to the No Food or Drinks on the school bus above.

Ganado Unified School District Transportation Department is focused on providing the safest transportation for our students, prompting us to provide this list. Please refer to the student handbook and employee handbook for additional information.

If you have any questions, please contact the Transportation Office at (928)755-1131. Thank you.

Respectfully,

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Davis Begay
Transportation Supervisor

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Leandra Thomas
Superintendent