



LARGE ITEMS ON SCHOOL BUSESSES

Please be aware that large items cannot be transported on school busses.

According to the School Bus Operation Regulation (16) of the Motor Transport Act, large items cannot be carried on school busses unless they can be secured and do not block the aisles.

The School Bus Operation Regulation of the Motor Transport Act (437/86) states the following:

Luggage equipment and tools

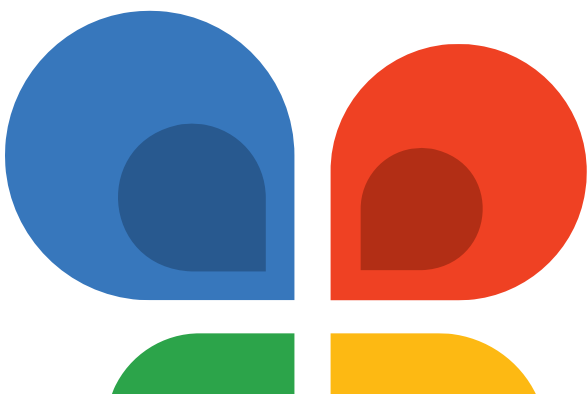
16(1) When luggage, equipment or tools are carried on a school bus they shall not be carried in the interior of the school bus.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), where it is not practical to carry luggage, equipment or tools other than in the interior of the bus they may be carried in the interior of the school bus if they

- a) Are stored under the seats where possible
- b) Do not block the aisles or emergency exits, and
- c) Are stored, lodged or secured in such a manner so that they cannot be dislodged or move about when the brakes of the school bus are applied, during acceleration of the school bus or in the event of an accident involving the school bus.

(3) The person operating the school bus shall ensure that any luggage, equipment or tools carried on the school bus are transported in accordance with this section (AR 437/86 s16).

This means that Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools and their contractors are required to adhere to the regulations and policies regarding the safety and well-being of their students while riding on school buses. Tubas, French horns, guitars, saxophones, trombones, hockey sticks,





hockey bags, skateboards, curling brooms, etc., would not be allowed on the busses. Articles must be held on a student's lap, not go into the aisle, above the seat or into another student's space. As seats are 39" wide and there are often three students to a seat, the article should not be more than 13" x 13" x 23".

This would apply to busses that regularly transport students to and from school on fixed runs.