

VIRGINIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND

TITLE: *Bicycles, Skateboards and Roller Skates*

POLICY NUMBER: S036

Policy Statement:

Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind (VSDB) students who live in the area of the school are permitted, with parent permission and safety equipment, to ride bicycles to school as a means of transportation. Because of safety issues, neither students who are residents nor those who are day students are permitted to have bicycles on campus for recreational purposes.

Skateboards and roller skates/blades with associated safety accessories are permitted in certain areas of campus during after school hours as designated by the administration as per Virginia Code.

Bicycles

1. Students will notify the appropriate VSDB staff if they are using a bicycle for transportation purposes.
2. Bicycles are to be parked and locked up in the designated spot on arrival and student will go directly from there to Yates Shingpaugh Educational Building.
3. Student will leave the campus directly after school.
4. Bicycles may not be ridden around campus.
5. Any student staying after school for activities with prior permission will need to leave their bicycles locked up and walk to the location of the event.
6. After the activity, the student will notify the Student Life Office and get his/her bicycle and leave campus.
7. Any student visiting campus after supper will need to lock up the bicycle on arrival and sign in in the Student Life Office and sign out again when leaving.
8. Any student not following this policy will lose the privilege of riding a bicycle to school.

Roller Skates and Skateboards

1. Student must notify the Director of Student Life and residence hall supervisor that they have roller skates or a skateboard on campus.
2. Skates and skateboards are permitted on the playground court and on the sidewalk in front of Price, Kiser and the Stuart Building.
3. Students will be responsible to keep these items in their rooms.
4. Students are required to wear protective gear: helmet, kneepads, elbow pads and gloves. This is for safety reasons and aims to reduce injuries.

Hoverboards and other devises

1. Hoverboards are prohibited from campus due to the extreme fire hazard they present, as well as the level of potential injury to users.
2. Other powered ride-able equipment and devices must be approved by the Director of Public Safety and the Director of Student Life prior to being used on campus.

Recission:

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