

Section 500 – Students
Student Rights and Responsibilities
Student Conduct on Buses

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The privilege of riding a school bus is contingent upon a student's good behavior and observance of established regulations for student conduct both at bus stops and onboard buses. Since bus transportation is provided to assist the education program, the board shall require students to conduct themselves on the bus in a manner consistent with established standards for classroom behavior.

The driver of a school bus shall be responsible for safety of the students on the bus, both during the ride and while students are entering or leaving the vehicle. Therefore, it is the bus driver's duty to notify the supervisor of transportation or the principal of the school involved if any student persists in violating the established rules of conduct.

After due warning has been given to the student and to parents/guardians, the principal may withhold from the student the privilege of riding the school bus. In such cases, the parents of the children involved will be responsible for seeing that their children get to and from school safely.

The student may also face detention, suspension or expulsion, in accordance with established policies, for flagrant violation of school bus rider conduct regulations or conduct detrimental to the safe operation of the bus.

For the safety of all personnel riding on the bus, student conduct and the observance of the bus safety regulations are essential. The bus driver or the assigned adult sponsor is responsible for seeing that the regulations are observed. The privilege of riding a bus may be withdrawn if a student does not observe the safety regulations prescribed by school officials or the bus company.

Students shall not be permitted to leave school owned or leased vehicles or vehicles under contract to the school district until they have arrived at their final destination except on written request from the student's parents or a guardian and approval by the school administration or student sponsor.

Cross Reference: 505.00 Student Discipline