

STUDENT CONDUCT ON SCHOOL BUSES

The Board of Education believes it is crucial for students to behave appropriately while riding on district buses, to ensure their safety, that of other passengers, and the fewest possible distractions for bus drivers.

Some students are eligible for district transportation. While the law requires the district to furnish transportation for such students, it does not relieve parent(s) or guardian(s) of the responsibility for supervision until such time as the child boards the bus in the morning and after the child leaves the bus at the end of the school day. Only after a child boards the bus does he/she become the responsibility of the district. Such responsibility shall end when the child is delivered to the regular bus stop at the close of the school day.

In order to insure the safety of the passengers and the driver, no student will cause a disruption while being transported on school buses. In view of the fact that a bus is an extension of the classroom, the Board requires students to conduct themselves in the bus in a manner consistent with established standards for classroom behavior. Uniform disciplinary procedures will be developed by the Superintendent of Schools with the advice of the Building Principals and transportation personnel and will be ordered into effect by the Superintendent and enforced by the Building Principal in a uniform manner.

Children who become a serious disciplinary problem may have their riding privileges suspended by the Superintendent. In such cases, the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the children involved become responsible for seeing that their children get to and from school safely. Any such suspension shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Education Law.

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