

STUDENT CONDUCT ON SCHOOL BUSES

When a student is riding, boarding, or leaving the bus, the bus driver has supervisory control over the student. Because the bus is an extension of the classroom, the Board requires students to conduct themselves while on the bus in accordance with Student Conduct policy JFC.

Students who become a serious disciplinary problem on the school bus may have their riding privileges suspended by the principal. In such cases, the parents of the student involved will be responsible for their child's transportation to and from school.

Principals have the right to suspend students for up to ten (10) days from riding the school bus for inappropriate conduct. The suspension must be reported to the Superintendent, who may revoke the suspension at any time. The Superintendent may suspend a student from riding the bus for no more than ninety (90) days. In the case of a suspension by the Superintendent for more than ten (10) school days, the student or his/her parents or others having his/her custodial care may appeal the decision of the Superintendent to the School Board. The Superintendent may also recommend to the School Board that the student be prohibited from riding the school bus for the balance of the school year, and upon receiving such a recommendation the School Board shall conduct a hearing on the Superintendent's recommendation.

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