**Bus Rules**

Students riding the District buses are expected to behave in a safe manner. Students are subject to discipline if this does not occur. The bus department will distribute the expectations of the students each year. Students not behaving in a proper manner are subject to suspension or removal of bus riding privileges. The bus supervisor will contact parents when a child is abusing their riding privileges. The District strives to make the bus riding experience a safe one for all passengers. Expectations include:

1. No walking around or changing seats while the bus is in motion. Students should be sitting down, facing forward with their legs in front of them, not under them.
2. No harassment (verbal or physical), bullying, fighting, pushing, or tripping. Keep your hands to yourself.
3. Keep your hands, head, feet, etc. inside the bus. Nothing out of the bus windows (including trash).
4. No eating, drinking, gum or sunflower seeds on the bus. If you get candy from a school party, keep it in your bag until your get home.
5. No littering on the bus.
6. Keep your voices down. No yelling or screaming. The bus driver needs to be able to hear the outside traffic and sounds.
7. The bus must be completely silent at all railroad crossings.
8. No rude behavior will be tolerated. This includes: profanity, coarse language or obnoxious behavior.
9. No weapons of any kind.
10. No sparking devices.
11. No smoking, chewing, tobacco, drugs, or alcohol.
12. The bus drive is in charge. You must obey any reasonable request from the driver. Also no directing obscenities toward the driver.
13. No vandalizing the bus.
14. Please be ready and watch for the bus. The driver will not be waiting more than two minutes for the students to appear.
15. If student is going home with someone else or needs dropped off a t a different location than normal, the bus driver needs a written note or text/call from the parent.

**Consequences**

* 3rd report of misconduct: 3 school days suspension of bus riding privileges
* 4th report of misconduct: 5 school days suspension of bus riding privileges
* 5th report of misconduct: 10 school days suspension of bus riding privileges

**Exceptions**

1. Obscenities directed toward the driver or possession of tobacco, alcohol or drugs will result in automatic loss of riding privileges for 3 days.
2. Fighting, bullying and racial or sexual harassment will result in loss of riding privileges for a minimum of 3 days.

Misbehavior of students riding on Space Availability will result in loss of riding privileges for the remainder of the school year.