

## Blytheville Public Schools Bus Discipline Procedures and Consequences

The code below classifies unacceptable behavior into two classes with consequences dependent upon grade level. The examples are not exhaustive but illustrative. Additionally, all consequences are dependent upon the severity and frequency of the misbehavior.

<b>Class I Offenses</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Eating or drinking on bus</li> <li>2. Out of seat or in aisle while bus is in motion</li> <li>3. Turned around in seat</li> <li>4. Horseplay, yelling out bus window, loud noise</li> <li>5. Possession of unacceptable material, objects, or obscene gestures</li> <li>6. Rudeness, improper language</li> <li>7. Unauthorized transportation, false identification,</li> </ol>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Consequences</u></b> <b>Class I (Grades K-5)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. First Offense - Warning or 3 day suspension from bus</li> <li>2. Second Offense - 3 to 5 day suspension from bus</li> <li>3. Third Offense – 5 to 7 day suspension from bus</li> <li>4. Fourth offense – 7 to 10 day suspension from</li> <li>5. Fifth Offense – Suspension for remainder of the year</li> </ol>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Consequences</u></b> <b>Class I (Grades 6-12)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. First Offense - Warning or 3 day suspension from bus</li> <li>2. Second Offense – 5 to 7 day suspension from bus</li> <li>3. Third Offense – 7-10 day suspension from bus</li> <li>4. Fourth Offense - Loss of bus service for remainder of school year</li> </ol>
<b>Class II Offenses</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Profanity, verbal abuse, and harassment (directed at students or driver)</li> <li>2. Body parts out of window (head, hands, legs, etc.)</li> <li>3. Throwing/shooting of any object (paper, pencils, paper clips etc.)</li> <li>4. Physical aggression</li> <li>5. Destruction of school property (vandalism-suspended until restitution is made)</li> <li>6. Loading or unloading buses improperly or tampering with any portion of bus</li> <li>7. Lighting of matches, fireworks, or any flammable object or substance</li> <li>8. Riding of any bus after being suspended from one (<b>suspension to include all activities and field trips</b>)</li> <li>9. <b>Fighting (of any kind) treated as Class II 3rd offense or 4th offense</b></li> <li>10. Other offenses as reported by driver or principal</li> <li>11. Any offense committed on any bus outside regular transportation to and from school (shuttles, activity, field trip) will carry a minimum disciplinary action of a Class II 1st offense.</li> </ol> <p><b>Use of tobacco, inhalants, any controlled substance, or firearm – ZERO Tolerance – Off bus remainder of year.</b></p>	
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### Procedures for reporting passenger misconduct

1. The bus driver will report misconduct occurring on the school bus to the appropriate personnel.
2. **A School Bus Conduct Report** will be completed and submitted to the appropriate school principal for action.
3. The bus driver will receive a copy of the **School Bus Disciplinary Report** before taking any action against student involved.
4. All disciplinary actions start the following morning unless instructed by the Transportation Director.