



## BUS BEHAVIOR AGREEMENT 2025-2026

### **To the parents of bus riders:**

#### **SCHOOL BUS BEHAVIOR**

Misconduct by any student while riding a school bus represents a serious threat to the safety of all occupants of the bus as well as other motorists, pedestrians, and members of the community. All rules that apply to the school grounds and school activities also apply to the school bus. Parents are responsible for their student's behavior on the way to and from school and at the bus stop.

#### **Unacceptable Behaviors on a School Bus Leading to Disciplinary Action**

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| <u>Level One Violation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eating or drinking on the bus</li> <li>Failing to sit in the seat assigned by the bus operator</li> </ul>   | <u>Level One Consequences</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First Offense Verbal or written reprimand from the school principal or designee.</li> <li>Second Offense Parent Conference.</li> <li>Third Offense 3-day suspension from school bus transportation.</li> </ul> |
| <u>Level Two Violations</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disrupting, distracting, or disobeying a bus operator</li> <li>Failing to utilize required safety equipment on the bus</li> <li>Getting out of the seat while the bus is in motion</li> <li>Loud talking, inappropriate remarks, or spitting out of the bus window at other students, pedestrians, or motorists</li> </ul> | <u>Level Two Consequences</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First Offense Verbal or written reprimand from the school principal or designee.</li> <li>Second Offense 1-day to 10-day suspension from school bus transportation.</li> </ul>                                 |
| <u>Level Three Violations</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Placing head, arms, or legs outside the window of the bus</li> </ul>   | <u>Level Three Consequences</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First Offense 1-day to 10-days suspension from school bus transportation and/or school.</li> </ul>   |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening a school bus emergency door and/or exiting the bus when the bus is stopped, unless directed by the school bus operator in an emergency or during an evacuation drill</li> <li>• Threats against the bus operator, bus attendant, or passengers on the bus</li> <li>• Use of profanity</li> <li>• Fighting on the bus</li> <li>• Opening a school bus emergency exit door while the bus is in motion</li> <li>• Throwing objects out of the window of the bus, which may or may not cause injury to persons or physical damage</li> <li>• Throwing objects at a bus after leaving the bus, which may or may not cause injury to persons or physical damage</li> <li>• Vandalism of seats or other bus equipment</li> <li>• Boarding or attempting to board a bus route other than the student's assigned bus route or attempting to leave the school bus at other than the student's assigned bus stop without permission of the school principal or designee</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Second Offense 10-days suspension from school bus transportation and/or school.</li> <li>• Third Offense Repeated Level Three unacceptable behaviors will be considered willful disobedience and/or open defiance of authority, resulting in a suspension from the bus for the remainder of the school year.</li> </ul> |
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Repeated offenses at any level will be considered willful disobedience and/or open defiance of authority and may result in suspension from the bus for the remainder of the school year.

***Thank you for your assistance and support in providing a safe environment for transportation.***

I \_\_\_\_\_ the parent of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name of Parent) (Print Name of Student)

read and understand the expectations of bus riders.

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Parent Signature

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Date