

PUPIL MANAGEMENT  
GUIDELINES FOR STUDENT DISCIPLINE

In order to provide the safe transportation of students, we are using the following assertive discipline policy.

OUR PHILOSOPHY:

We believe all students can behave appropriately and safely while riding on a school bus. We will **NOT** tolerate students deterring drivers from doing their job or preventing other students from having safe transportation. Failure to follow the bus rules will result in a bus ticket.

Agency personnel will carry out the following consequences:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Ticket: Will result in a written warning notice to parents and school administrators.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Ticket: Will result in loss of bus riding privilege for 1 to 3 school days. The parent will be responsible for transporting the student.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Ticket: Will result in loss of bus riding privileges for 5 school days. The parent will be responsible for transporting the student.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Ticket: Will result in loss of bus riding privileges for 10 school days. The parent will be responsible for transporting the student.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Ticket: Will result in loss of bus riding privileges per Title V, Section 14103 #B for the remainder of the school year.

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THE MINOR CLAUSE

The Minor clause may be used at the discretion of the Agency. The Agency has the right to adjust the number of days the bus riding privileges can be denied. This could be anywhere from a Written Warning to 1 – 3 days loss of bus riding privileges.

THE SEVERE CLAUSE

The severe clause may be invoked **WITHOUT A WRITTEN WARNING** having been previously issued whenever the offense is of such serious nature to warrant it. **SOME** examples of these offenses are:

1. Physical contact of **ANY** kind with Driver or Student.
2. Harassment of **ANY** kind, sexual or disability.
3. Threatening a Driver or Student. Arguing with the Driver.
4. Use of foul or obscene language. **ANY** gang signs or racial remarks.
5. Any violation causing or likely to cause injury to Driver or Student.
6. Throwing object in or out of bus.
7. Jumping out of bus window or emergency door.
8. Destroying or defacing bus or bus equipment.
9. Any action that interferes with the safe transportation of Student. Continued disorderly conduct.
10. Weapon of **ANY** kind.
11. Any violation of the Ed. Code.

BUS PASS CLAUSE

The Bus Pass Clause will be enforced when a student does not present a valid SMARTAG pass for three (3) consecutive days. Failure to produce a valid pass will result in the student being issued a referral. The student will then have three days to replace the lost pass. If the pass is not replaced within three days, another referral will be issued and the student will be denied transportation.

Consequences: Students will be denied bus transportation anywhere from 1 -10 days depending on the severity. If a student is denied transportation Indefinitely and IF DEEMED NECESSARY, a parent conference will be arranged with parent, student, driver and agency representative. Depending on the severity a student can also be denied transportation Permanently. Any illegal activity can result in notification of law enforcement.

We believe that the use of surveillance systems on school buses will help to deter misconduct and improve discipline, ensure the safety of students and bus drivers, and prevent vandalism. Therefore, surveillance systems may be installed and used on school buses to monitor student behavior while traveling to and from school and school activities.