

## Student Conduct on School Vehicles

The privilege of riding a school vehicle is contingent upon a student's good behavior and observance of the student code of conduct and established regulations for student conduct both at school vehicle stops and on-board school vehicles.

The operator of a school vehicle shall be responsible for safety of the students on the vehicle, both during the ride and while students are entering or leaving the vehicle. Students shall be required to conform to all regulations concerning discipline, safety and behavior while riding in the school vehicle. It is the vehicle operator's duty to notify the Director of Transportation and the principal of the school involved if any student persists in violating the established rules of conduct.

Parents/guardians are requested to explain the importance of proper behavior on the school vehicle. They are also expected to support disciplinary actions that are necessary to help their child change behavior.

The primary responsibility of the school vehicle operator is to transport students safely. While transporting students, the vehicle operator also has the responsibility of maintaining discipline on the bus. Therefore, the driver shall follow approved procedures for dealing with inappropriate behavior by students riding the bus.

Inappropriate behavior has been divided into two categories:

1. Behavior which involves the safety and welfare of vehicle riders and/or others.
2. Behavior which violates Board policy.

Examples of inappropriate behavior together with consequences are listed in the accompanying regulations.

After due warning has been given to the student and to the student's parents/guardians, the Director of Transportation or designee and/or principal may withhold from the student the privilege of riding in the school vehicle. Violation of District policies or regulations while in a school vehicle may also result in the student's suspension or expulsion from school, in accordance with District policy.

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LEGAL REF.: C.R.S. 22-32-109.1(2)(a)(II-) (discipline code to address conduct in school vehicles)  
C.R.S. 42-1-102 (88.5) (definition of school vehicle which include a school bus)

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