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### Factors Affecting Discipline on the School Bus

- Attitudes
- Drivers
- Temperament
- Students
- Time of Day
- Time of Year
- Rules
- Discipline Method
- School bus “climate”
- Student expectation



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### Keys To Success

- **Exhibit Professionalism**
- **Be Friendly**
- **Have a Positive Attitude**
- **Show Concern**
- **Be Firm But Fair**





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### Good Management

- Explain the rules and regulations
- Apply rules fairly and consistently
- Develop a friendly and helpful attitude
- Follow the rules yourself
- Be patient and practice good timing
- Good conduct is necessary for a safe bus
- Follow all school policies



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### Rules for Student Conduct

#### Students Should:

- Load and unload in a reasonable manner.
- Proceed quickly and quietly
- Not crowd or push
- Show regard for safety
- Not distract drivers
- Not shout
- Not talk with drivers while bus is in motion
- Be considerate of others



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### Rules for Student Conduct

- Sit in assigned seats
- Stay seated while bus is in motion
- Not damage the school bus
- Keep body inside bus
- Not litter
- Not block emergency exits



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### React to Problems Before They Get out of Hand

- Act according to age group
- Deal with troublemakers first
- If you must take action, stop the bus in a safe place
- Remain calm but be firm
- **Never discharge a student except at home or school or their assigned stop**



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### **Pupil Behavior Related to Safety!**

**Students should:**

- **Follow instructions promptly**
- **Be on time in the morning**
- **Not play in roadway**
- **Be careful walking to and from the bus stop**
- **Be on time when school is recessed**





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### Practice Professional Judgment

- Do not take the misbehavior personally
- Be courteous
- Be calm & responsible
- Be firm, but reasonable
- Show interest and concern
- Be self-disciplined
- Correct problems early
- Discipline individually
- Never promise corrective action without meaning it
- Never use bad language



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### Practice Professional Judgment(Continued)

- Never argue or use physical force (know your local policy).
- Never put a student off at an unassigned stop or location.
- You should use other resources such a supervisor or management when having difficulty resolving problems.





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### Types of Discipline Problems

- Loud and abusive language
- Fighting
- Pushing, shoving, running
- Throwing objects
- Possession-weapons, alcohol, tobacco, drugs
- Lewd behavior
- Sexual harassment
- Vandalism
- Not staying seated
- Bullying



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If Problems Occur

# Take Action Immediately

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### Passenger Seating: (8VAC20-70-40)

The number of pupils who may ride a school bus shall be determined by the total number who can be seated on the seat cushion facing forward, safely seated within the seating compartment and shall not exceed the manufacturer's capacity. Pupils may not be permitted to stand, except under unforeseen temporary emergency conditions and for short distances as identifies in policy by the local school board.



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**“Compartmentalization”**

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