BUS INFRACTIONS

CLASS 1 – MINOR BUS OFFENSES

- 1.01 Class I Code of Conduct Infraction (See SCCS Code of Conduct)
- 1.02 Minor Disruption on a School Bus
- 1.03 Failing to follow proper procedures at bus stops, including but not limited to the failure to do any of the following:
 - a) Walk on the left facing traffic to the bus stop and stay off the roadway at all times while waiting on the bus.
 - b) Be at the bus stop at least five minutes ahead of the scheduled bus arrival time.
 - c) Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before attempting to get on or off.
 - d) Cross the roadway, if necessary, only upon receiving signal from the driver and look both left and right before crossing
 - e) Only cross the roadway in front of the bus and never behind the bus

1.04 Prohibited Items

Bringing prohibited items aboard the bus including, but not limited to, gum, candy, drinks, laser pointers, and most toys.

- 1.05 Changing seats or standing while the bus is in motion
- 1.06 Moving from an assigned seat
- 1.07 Yelling or speaking in a loud or disruptive manner
- 1.08 Speaking when approaching or crossing railroad tracks
- 1.09 Blocking, restricting, or otherwise placing objects on or in the aisles, steps, or emergency exits
- 1.10 Failing to secure all items such as book bags, backpacks, or cases
- 1.11 Any Other Minor Violation

Of which the school administration may deem reasonable to fall within this category after investigation and consideration of extenuating circumstances.

Class I - Minor Offenses Disciplinary Actions for Bus Infractions

Parent/guardian notification is required. The principal's discretion for the following sanctions will include but not be limited to the following:

1st **Bus Infraction:** Conference with student, warning, parent contact.

2nd Bus Infraction: Conference with student, 1-day bus suspension, parent contact.
3rd Bus Infraction: Conference with student, up to 3-day bus suspension, parent contact.
4th Bus Infraction: Conference with student, up to 5-day bus suspension, parent contact.

MORE THAN FOUR CLASS I BUS INFRACTIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED A CLASS II INFRACTION

Class I Bus Infractions may not be appealed beyond the local school.

Students with disabilities (Special Education) and Section 504 students will be disciplined according to applicable Federal and State laws for students with disabilities.

School administration, transportation director, assistant superintendent, or superintendent may remove a student from the bus for a period of time due to behaviors on the bus or at a bus stop which pose an immediate threat or danger to the driver or other students on the bus. This includes behaviors or actions of parents/guardians at a bus stop.

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| CLASS 2 – INTERMEDIATE BUS OFFENSES | |
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| 2.01 | Class II Code of Conduct Infraction (See SCCS Code of Conduct) |
| 2.02 | Entering or exiting before the bus has come to a stop; or entering or exiting a bus through an emergency exit, window, or by any means other than the front door except in the case of bona fide emergency. |
| 2.03 | Hitting, shoving, tripping, or striking another student or any other aggressive physical contact with another student. |
| 2.04 | Bringing prohibited objects onto the bus. |
| 2.05 | Throwing or expelling anything in or out of the bus at any time. |
| 2.06 | Failing to keep all parts of body inside the bus at all times. |
| 2.07 | Entering or leaving the bus without consent of the driver. |
| 2.08 | Tampering with door handles and other safety equipment at any time unless directed to do so by the driver or aide. |
| 2.09 | Cutting, scratching, writing on, or otherwise defacing any part of the bus. Restitution will be required. |
| 2.10 | More than four Class I infractions |
| 2.11 | Any other violation, which the principal may reasonably deem, falls in this class. |

Class II - Minor Offenses Disciplinary Actions for Bus Infractions

Parent/guardian notification is required. The principal's discretion for the following sanctions will include but not be limited to the following:

- 1st Bus Infraction: Conference with student, up to 3-day bus suspension, parent contact.
- **2nd Bus Infraction:** Conference with student, up to 5-day bus suspension, parent contact.
- 3rd Bus Infraction: Conference with student, up to 10-day bus suspension, parent contact.
- **4**th **Bus Infraction:** Conference with student, removal from bus for remainder of year, parent contact.

Class II Bus Infractions <u>may not</u> be appealed beyond the local school.

Students with disabilities (Special Education) and Section 504 students will be disciplined according to applicable Federal and State laws for students with disabilities.

School administration, transportation director, assistant superintendent, or superintendent may remove a student from the bus for a period of time due to behaviors on the bus or at a bus stop which pose an immediate threat or danger to the driver or other students on the bus. This includes behaviors or actions of parents/guardians at a bus stop.

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CLASS 3 and 4 - MAJOR and SEVERE BUS OFFENSES

A major or severe bus infraction includes any Class III or IV offense occurring on a bus or at a bus stop.

Students referred to the school administration for offenses listed under Class III or Class IV will be disciplined according to the Code of Conduct and may be removed permanently from the school bus in addition to other consequences as determined by school administration or at the disciplinary hearing.

Students with disabilities (Special Education) and Section 504 students will be disciplined according to applicable Federal and State laws for students with disabilities.

The principal or his/her designee has the authority to suspend a student from riding a bus if the behavior of the student represents a danger to the health and safety of those riding the bus.