FHCA: Bus Conduct

The disciplinary authority of the school shall exist over all students while being transported to and from the schools, and the driver of the bus shall be charged with their control and discipline while they are being transported. The responsibility for supervision begins when the student boards the bus and ends when the student is delivered to the regular bus stop at the close of the business day.

The Board requires students to conduct themselves in the bus in the manner consistent with established standards for classroom behavior and student safety. The administration shall establish specific rules in keeping with this policy and shall take steps to ensure that all bus drivers as well as student riders understand the safety issues involved.

When a student behaves improperly on the bus, the bus driver shall document the incidents and report them to the building principal. The principal will inform the parents immediately of the misconduct and request their cooperation in correcting the student's behavior. Students who become a serious disciplinary problem on the school bus may have their riding privileges suspended indefinitely by the administration. This suspension of riding privileges shall not exceed the balance of the school year. In such cases, the parents of the student involved become responsible for seeing that their student gets to and from school safely.

All students being transported by school transportation to and from any school activity during winter months shall be properly dressed to protect them from the extreme weather conditions. This precaution is necessary so that the students will be prepared for mishaps that might occur which expose them to inclement weather. Proper clothing includes protective head covering, winter coat or jacket, mittens or gloves, and foot gear.

This policy shall extend to any trip under school sponsorship, including extracurricular trips. Students shall respect the wishes and directives of staff and chaperones appointed by the school.

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