## THE SCHOOL BUS

In order to ensure your child a safe and secure ride on the bus, the following rules have been adopted by the Board of Education:

## The Bus Rider Shall:

1. Be on time at the designated pick-up point and wait before approaching the bus or crossing a highway until the bus driver has signaled the road is safe to cross.
2. Move to the assigned seat without disturbing others and remain seated at all times.
3. Refrain from extending any part of the body, books, or other objects from a bus window or door.
4. Respect the bus, the driver, other riders and their property.
5. Remain quiet at all railroad crossings.
6. Emergency exit door is only to be used during emergency situations.
7. Keep the bus clean and orderly at all times. Consumption of food and/or beverages on the bus, without driver permission, is prohibited.
8. Keep the bus aisles clear and unblocked.

The driver has the authority to:

1. Forbid students from bringing items onto the bus that pose a safety threat. Items that, if or when the bus is forced to stop suddenly, may endanger others by becoming a projectile present a liability issue. Examples of such items would include a baseball bat, skateboard, and some kind of class projects. A guideline for this would be if the item can be safely secured within a fully closed/zipped backpack then, in most cases, it can be brought onto the bus.
2. Assign students to seats on the bus.
3. Expect the students to obey the rules and regulations as stated above and in the student handbook.

The privilege of riding the school bus may be suspended or withdrawn if a student chooses to disregard the above stated rules. The parent will then be responsible for providing transportation. In the event the bus garage needs to be contacted, please call 897-9054.

## CONSEQUENCES FOR BUS MISBEHAVIOR

Incident 1: Driver concern sheet will be completed and parent/guardian will be notified.
Incident 2: Driver Concern sheet will be completed and parent/guardian will be notified. PRINCIPAL WILL:

1. meet with the student
2. implement discipline rubric
3. send copy of report to the parents

Incident 3: Driver Concern sheet will be completed and parent/guardian will be notified. PRINCIPAL WILL:

1. meet with the student
2. implement discipline rubric
3. assess a 1 day to 3 week suspension from riding the bus
4. contact parents

Incident 4: Driver Concern sheet will be completed and parent/guardian will be notified PRINCIPAL WILL:

1. meet with the student
2. implement discipline rubric
3. assess a 3-week to entire-semester suspension from riding the bus
4. contact the parents
***DEPENDING ON THE SEVERITY OF THE BEHAVIOR, THESE STEPS MAY NOT ALWAYS BE FOLLOWED IN ORDER.
