

Bus Discipline Policy

All students are expected to obey the rules of the bus in order to have a safe ride to and from school. Basic safety rules that must be followed when riding on the bus are:

- Students must wear their seatbelt at all times while riding the bus.
- Students must stay in their assigned seats throughout the duration of the ride, no standing or turning around.
- Students must not put their fingers, hands, heads, or other limbs outside the bus windows. They must also not throw anything out of the bus windows.
- Students will be respectful to each other, the bus monitor, and the bus driver. Any fighting, hitting, pinching, arguing, etc. will result in disciplinary action.
- Students may speak in a low volume. If students are too noisy or disruptive, the bus monitor may initiate a silent bus ride.
- Students may NOT use their phones on the bus. Students who do not follow this rule are subject to having their phone confiscated by the bus monitor or the bus driver. If a student's phone is confiscated, their parent or guardian will have to pick it up from the school. If there is an emergency situation, students must explain the situation and ask permission to use their phone from the bus assistant.
- Students are not allowed to play with any toys, including rubik's cubes, fidget spinners, dolls, etc. on the bus. If students have toys, they may keep them in their bags, but if they take them out, they will be confiscated by the bus assistant or bus driver.
- Students may not use pens, pencils, or other writing instruments to do their homework on the bus as in the event of an accident, these items could cause injury. Students may however read books, notebooks, or other school related materials.
- Students may not eat any food or candy, but drinking water is permitted.

Students who break the rules will receive a referral for their actions on Jupiter. After two warnings are recorded on Jupiter, and if behavior on the bus still does not improve, students will be suspended from bus service for up to a week.

Based on the severity of students' actions and the frequency of any incidents on the bus, the following actions may also be taken:

- Verbal or written warning from head teachers
- Detention (in-school/out of school)
- School suspension
- Expulsion from bus service

The following actions may result in students being immediately suspended or expelled from using the bus service:

- Violence or bullying
- Damaging/Stealing school property
- Damaging/Stealing classmates' property
- Collusion