**Bus Regulations**

While on the bus, a student is under the jurisdiction of the school and the bus driver. Obey your bus driver. All students are expected to exhibit proper conduct in order to insure safety for all. Students may forfeit the privilege of riding the bus to school for improper behavior. Any absences, which result from bus suspension, will be considered an unexcused absence.

**School Bus Discipline Code**

**OFFENSE** **CONSEQUENCES**

1. Violation of safety rules 1st- Probation or up to a 5 day suspension from the bus

2. Eating, drinking, littering 2nd- Automatic 5 day suspension from bus

3. Rude, discourteous to others 3rd- Automatic 10 day suspension from bus

4. Excessive mischief, pushing, tripping 4th Permanent loss of bus privileges

5. Threats, harassment, or abusive language to other students

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6. Destruction of school property\* 1st- Automatic 5 day suspension from bus

7. Disrespect and argumentative 2nd- Automatic 10 day suspension from bus

 behavior toward bus driver

 3rd- Permanent loss of bus privileges

8. Profanity and/or obscene gestures

**\*Students and parents/guardians are also financially responsible.**

9. Smoking or the possession of tobacco products or other prohibited drugs and/or weapons will be processed according to Lauderdale County School Discipline Policy.

10. Students who fight on a school bus will be dealt with according to the school discipline code. The number of days of the bus suspension and/or out of school suspension will be determined by a school administrator, after a review of the incident and a review of the student’s record.

11. If the student has been involved in other fights on the school bus and on school property, a student may lose the privilege of riding the school bus for an extended period of time and/or for the remainder of the school year if the school administration determines that a student’s presence on a school bus is contributing to the creation of a hazardous and/or unsafe environment for the other students and the driver of the bus. If a student is suspended from riding the bus, it is the responsibility of the parent and/or guardian to provide transportation to and from school for the student during the bus suspension period.

12. A student found to be riding any bus, after being suspended, will have bus suspension time doubled.