



Manitou Springs School District 14 Department Of Transportation

BUS BEHAVIOR GUIDELINES AND CONSEQUENCES

CLASS 1 OFFENSE:

1. Eating/drinking on the bus
2. Horseplay
3. Excessive Noise
4. Spitting
5. Not sitting bottom to bottom, back to back
6. Moving seats while bus is in motion
7. Standing while bus is in motion
8. Throwing material inside and/or outside the bus
9. Turned to where your body is in the aisle
10. Other offense as reported by the driver or principal

CLASS 1 CONSEQUENCE:

Students will be corrected directly by the driver when rules are broken. When students respond in a positive way, no consequences will be assigned. This is the warning level of our plan. When poor behavior continues, drivers will notify the student's principal and the following consequences will take effect:

First Offense – Warning from principal and a misconduct report sent to the parents

Second Offense – Misconduct report sent to parents and 3 school days suspension from bus

Third Offense – Results in the student being suspended from the bus for the remainder of the semester

Fourth Offense – Loss of Bus Service for the remainder of the year

CLASS 2 OFFENSE:

1. Defying and/or disobeying the bus driver
2. Hanging out of the windows
3. Holding onto/or attempting to hold onto the exterior of the bus
4. Vandalism to bus – Student/Parent responsible to pay for damage
5. Physical aggression towards any person
6. Riding ANY bus after receiving a suspension (including field trips)
7. Profanity, verbal abuse, harassment, obscene gestures or possession of unacceptable material

8. Creating any disturbance deemed dangerous/distracting by the bus driver
9. Tampering with emergency exits/equipment
10. Unauthorized entering/leaving through emergency exits
11. Possession of tobacco or any controlled substance
12. Lighting of matches/lighter, firecrackers or any flammable object or substance
13. Other offense as reported by driver or principal

CLASS 2 CONSEQUENCES:

First Offense – Misconduct report send to parents and a 3 school day suspension

Second Offense – Results in the student being suspended form the bus for the remainder of the semester as well as a misconduct report send to parents

Third Offense – Loss of bus service for the remainder of the year
Depending on the severity of offense, student may lose bus service with the first offense.

All students deserve a safe ride to and from school and school activities. Please understand transportation is a service we provide students, but is not a right. IT IS A PRIVILEGE. For everyone’s safety, it is important that students behave appropriately and follow the expectations while riding the school bus. We’re addressing bus behavior and safety and we respectfully ask for your support. Signing this paper shows you have read the rules, understand them, and will support their enforcement.

Please check which school your child attends:

Ute Pass Elem ____ Manitou Elem ____ Manitou Middle ____ Manitou High ____

Students Name(s): _____

Students Signature(s): _____

Parents/Guardian’s Name(s): _____

Parents/Guardian’s Signature(s): _____

Date: _____