

BUS SEAT BELT POLICY

Appropriate behavior on the school bus encourages safety for oneself, classmates, and faculty. The safety of the students on the school bus is of great concern to the School Board and the following guidelines will provide assurance to parents that their child(s) safety will be protected.

1. Each student will be required to immediately select a seat and buckle the seat belt. Without express permission from the bus driver, students shall not move out of their original seat, or unbuckle for any reason until the bus has reached its destination, or the student's bus stop.
2. Each student is responsible for adjusting their own seat belt. Students are not to "play" with unused seat belts.
3. Violation of these bus safety rules will result in the following consequences:
 - i. First Offense - Verbal warning; notice to principal and parents.
 - ii. Second Offense - Referred to principal who may suspend school bus privileges for 3 days. Parents are notified 24 hours before suspension becomes effective.
 - iii. Third Offense - Referred to principal who may suspend school bus privileges for 10 days. Parents are notified 24 hours before suspension becomes effective.
 - iv. Fourth Offense - Referred to superintendent with recommendation for suspension of school bus privileges for 20 days and possible recommendation to School Board for long term suspension of privileges.