

The posted discipline guidelines summaries are those of the Minneapolis Public Schools. Whereas we use these as general guides, we reserve the right to modify the consequences indicated in light of particular situations and the learning needs of our students (for instance, younger vs. older students).

School Bus Discipline Policy (MPS)

The following behaviors are considered unacceptable bus behavior.

Class One Offenses:

- Spitting
- Excessive noise
- Excessive horseplay
- Eating, drinking, or littering on the bus
- Leaving the seat or standing without permission from driver
- Use of liquid containers in any form
- Profanity, verbal abuse, harassment, obscene gestures, or possession of unacceptable material
- Being disobedient to driver or aide
- Riding unassigned bus or using unassigned bus stop
- Opening window past safety line
- Other offenses as reported by the driver or principal

Class Two Offenses:

- Hanging out of window
- Throwing or shooting of any object
- Physical aggression or bullying against any person
- Profanity or threats directed toward bus driver or aide
- Possession or use of tobacco or any controlled substance
- Vandalism to bus (restitution will be made)
- Holding onto or attempting to hold onto any portion of the exterior of the bus
- Lighting matches, lighters, or any flammable object or substance
- Unauthorized entering or leaving bus through emergency door / tampering with bus equipment
- Possession or threat of weapons, explosives, or flammables
- Possession or use of laser pens or pointers
- Other offenses as reported by driver or principal

Consequences that May Be Imposed

For Class One Offense

- **1st Offense:** Warning or 1-5 Days Suspension
- **2nd Offense:** 1-5 Days Suspension
- **3rd Offense:** 5-10 Days Suspension

- **4th Offense:** 1) 10 day min. suspension; 2) Possible loss of all bus privileges; 3) Parent/Principal meeting

For Class Two Offense

- **1st Offense:** 5 Days Suspension
- **2nd Offense:** 5-10 Days Suspension
- **3rd Offense:** 1) 10 day min. suspension; 2) Possible loss of all bus privileges; 3) Parent/Principal meeting
- **4th Offense:** Loss of Bus privileges