POLICY TITLE: Transportation Discipline - Procedure Minidoka County Joint School District # 331

Violation of School Bus Discipline Policy

When a student's behavior impacts the safety of others students or the bus driver, they may be suspended from riding the bus. When suspended he/she will not be allowed to ride Minidoka County School District buses which includes field trips or activity trips. Subsequent infractions may result in the student being expelled for the remainder of the school year.

School Bus Citations

Bus citations that identify misconduct are issued to students at the discretion of the bus driver. Within twenty-four (24) hours from the time the citation is issued, the bus driver shall make a reasonable attempt to telephone the parents to discuss safety aspects of the bus citation.

The parent copy of the citation must be signed by the parent or guardian and returned to the bus driver before the student will be allowed to ride again.

When a bus citation is issued, a copy of the citation will be given to the student, bus garage, bus driver and principal. With second or third offenses, the principal will be involved in determining discipline beyond the bus discipline if needed.

On subsequent citations, before a student will be allowed to ride the bus, the parent or guardian and student must meet with and obtain the signature of the Driver Trainer/Evaluator or the Transportation Supervisor in a citation conference with the bus driver. The Special Ed Director will be contacted if applicable.

Minor Infractions

Minor infractions include, but are not limited to discourteous or disruptive behavior, failure to follow bus driver directions. Three minor infractions may constitute a major infraction.

The following is meant to be a guideline for general infractions. If the severity of the first infraction warrants it, then second or third offense consequences may be applied.

INFRACTION	FIRST OFFENSE	SECOND OFFENSE	THIRD OFFENSE
Disrespect Vulgar Language Bullying/Harassment	Verbal Warning and/or bus citation (depending upon severity of offense suspension may occur) Cannot ride bus until citation is signed by parent and returned to bus driver.	Bus Citation, parents called, principal notified, bus suspension for up to 3 days or more Conference is held with student and parent and bus supervisor. Cannot ride bus until citation is signed by parent and returned to bus driver.	Bus Citation, parents called, principal notified, bus suspension for up to 5 days or more days. Conference is held with student and parent and bus supervisor. Cannot ride bus until citation is signed by parent and returned to bus driver.

Major Infractions

INFRACTION	FIRST OFFENSE	SECOND OFFENSE	THIRD OFFENSE
Destruction of Property	Bus citation, bus suspension for up to 3 days or more. Meeting with principal, parents and bus supervisor to determine restitution costs. Cannot ride bus until citation is signed by parent and returned to bus driver.	Automatic Suspension from bus for up to 5 days or more. Principal and police called (by principal) Meeting with principal, parents, bus supervisor to determine days of suspension from bus and restitution. Cannot ride bus until citation is signed by parent and returned to bus driver.	Suspended for the remainder of the year from bus.
Fighting/Assault	Bus Citation, parents called, principal notified, possible bus suspension for one day. Cannot ride bus until citation is signed by parent and returned to bus driver.	Bus Citation, parents called, principal notified, bus suspension 3 days or more. Conference is held with student and parent and bus supervisor. Cannot ride bus until citation is signed by parent and returned to bus driver.	Bus Citation, parents called, principal notified, bus suspension for up to 5 days or more to be determined after meeting with bus supervisor, principal and parents. Cannot ride bus until citation is signed by parent and returned to bus driver.
Drug Use Alcohol Vaping	Automatic Suspension from bus for up to 3 days or more. Principal and police called (by principal) Meeting with principal, parents, bus supervisor to determine days of suspension from bus. Cannot ride bus until citation is signed by parent and returned to bus driver.	Automatic Suspension from bus for up to 5 days or more. Principal and police called (by principal) Meeting with principal, parents, bus supervisor to determine days of suspension from bus. Cannot ride bus until citation is signed by parent and returned to bus driver.	Suspended for the remainder of the year from bus.

INFRACTION	FIRST OFFENSE	SECOND OFFENSE	THIRD OFFENSE
Threats Against Others	Automatic for up to 3 days or more suspension from bus, principal and police called (by principal) Meeting with principal, parents, bus supervisor to determine days of suspension from bus. Cannot ride bus until citation is signed by parent and returned to bus driver.	Automatic Suspension from bus for up to 5 days or more. Principal and police called (by principal) Meeting with principal, parents, bus supervisor to determine days of suspension from bus. Cannot ride bus until citation is signed by parent and returned to bus driver.	Suspended for the remainder of the year from bus.
Weapon	Automatic Suspension from bus, principal and police called (by principal) Meeting with principal, parents, bus supervisor to determine days of suspension from bus.	Automatic Suspension from bus, principal and police called (by principal). Suspended from bus for the remainder of the year.	