

Disciplinary Action

Bus riders are under the authority of the school administrator and the bus driver, and shall observe established and appropriate standards of classroom behavior and dress.

Bus-riding privileges may be denied to a student who violates the rules of conduct.

Students who damage district property may be suspended or expelled from school. Under Arizona law, parents or guardians may be charged for the cost of damage done to district property by their children.

Denial of school bus service

Riding the bus is a privilege – not a right. Inappropriate conduct at bus stops, on buses or in the process of boarding or disembarking from a bus may result in the denial of bus-riding privileges. When school bus rules are violated, the following will occur:

Reasonable Requests – Students who refuse to give their names, to accept a temporary or permanent seating assignment, or to respond appropriately to other reasonable requests may be denied bus-riding privileges.

Warning – The bus driver may warn a student to correct his or her behavior before taking disciplinary action.

First Infraction – The first infraction, the driver will contact a parent/guardian to discuss the infraction and what has been done to try and remedy the situation and together will come up with a plan of action.

Second Infraction – The second infraction, documented on a referral to administration, may result in the denial of bus-riding privileges from buses for up to five days.

Third Infraction – The third infraction, documented on a referral to administration, may result in the denial of bus-riding privileges from buses for one month or for the rest of the semester.

Serious Infractions – If an infraction is deemed serious enough, the student may be denied bus-riding privileges from buses for an entire school year.

Combustibles – Any student in possession of substance or object that is readily capable of causing bodily harm or property damage, i.e. matches, lighters, firecrackers, gasoline, and lighter fluid will be subject to the following consequences:

- Student shall be isolated from other students
- Parents will be informed of incident and disciplinary procedures
- Student may be suspended from school premises for a period of time for the Disciplinary Committee to meet and determine appropriate steps.
- Student may be required to make use of counseling/intervention services.
- Student may be recommended for a formal disciplinary hearing
- Administration may involve police. Legal action may be taken.