Student Conduct on School Buses & in Vehicles

While law requires NWBOCES to furnish student transportation, it does not relieve parent/guardian of day students of the responsibility of supervision until the student boards the bus/vehicle and once the child is returned to the designated stop.

In view of the fact that the bus/vehicle is an extension of the classroom, the Board shall require conduct consistent with established standards for classroom behavior.

If the child does not conduct himself/herself properly in a bus/vehicle, the incident will be brought to the attention of the Administrative Director by transportation staff.

A child who becomes a serious disciplinary problem in the bus/vehicle may have riding privileges suspended by the Administrative Director. In such a case the placement agency (district or DFS) and parent/guardian will be called for a meeting to determine action to be taken.

Transportation staff shall be responsible for the safety of students in the bus/vehicle. It is the transportation staff's duty to notify the Administrative Director if any student persists in violating the established rules of conduct.

Parents/guardians of day students are responsible for having the student at the designated bus/vehicle stop on time. The NW BOCES bus/vehicle will stop only at the designated site and will not delay the route longer than ten (10) minutes for tardy students. Repeated tardiness will result in a conference between the parent/guardian, placement agency (district or DFS) and NWBOCES staff.