

WESTMORLAND UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Policy No. 5016: BUS CONDUCT

- A. The Board hereby directs the pupils who ride buses to abide by and adhere to the highest standards of conduct while riding said vehicles. Conduct standards apply to all buses, whether buses are operated by the District directly, by the District under contract, or by other carriers authorized by the District.
- B. Pupils transported in a school bus shall be under the authority of and directly responsible to the driver of the bus, and the driver shall be responsible for the orderly conduct of the pupils while they are on the bus or being escorted across a street, highway or road. A bus driver shall not require any pupil to leave the bus en route between home and school or other destinations. Continued disorderly conduct or persistent refusal to submit to the authority of the driver shall be sufficient reason for a pupil to be deprived of transportation. Parents shall be notified of disorderly conduct or refusal to submit to the authority of the driver and shall be warned that such continued behavior may result in the deprivation of bus driving privileges. Prior to any deprivation of transportation, the parent or guardian of the pupil shall be invited to meet with the Superintendent to object to the deprivation of transportation privileges. Upon issuance of written notice following the meeting that the pupil's transportation privileges will be suspended for a specified period of time, the pupil shall be denied such privileges subject to the right of the parent or guardian to appeal to the Governing Board.

Legal Reference:

Education Code section 48900 *et seq.*

California Code of Regulations, Title 5 section 14103

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