

Dear Parents,

In order to guarantee your child and other children riding the bus the safe transportation they deserve, we are using the following assertive discipline plan. Our Philosophy: We believe all students can behave appropriately and safely while riding on a school bus. We will tolerate no student stopping drivers from doing their jobs or preventing other students from having safe transportation.

The following rules must be observed on the bus

- 1. Follow the driver's direction the first time they are given
- 2. Stay in your seat
- 3. Keep your hands and feet to yourself
- 4. Keep all parts of your body and all objects in the bus
- 5. Do not swear or use rude gestures on the bus

If a student chooses to break a rule, the following consequences will be applied

- 1<sup>st</sup> Write Up: Parents called, warned (if not severe)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Write Up: 1 Day suspension off the bus
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Write Up: 3 days suspension off the bus
- 4<sup>th</sup> Write Up: 5 days suspension off the bus
- 5<sup>th</sup> Write Up: Rest of semester suspension off the bus
- A seating chart for bus problem cases can and will be implemented after the 2<sup>nd</sup> write up by the bus driver. Please discuss this policy with your student and make sure it is understood. I want to thank you in advance for your support in this program.
- If your child is not going to need picked up or dropped off please be sure to notify us. This will allow us to avoid unnecessary wait times in the extreme temperatures. Please feel free to call or text whichever is easier for you

Sincerely,

**Durham School Services**