



Acceptance

Acceptance means respecting the differences among people. It entails recognizing different opinions and ideas.

Points to Ponder

Acceptance, or allowing people to become part of a group, respecting the differences among them, yet making them feel welcome, is a key character trait that serves us well in our business and personal lives. Specific cultural, religious, and ethnic beliefs and practices are protected by school district code, or state or federal laws. Due to a perceived decrease in adult supervision in school areas outside of the classroom, some students aboard your bus may be less accepting of the differences they believe exist between themselves and other riders. These bullies may violate the personal space of those they see as different from themselves, use abusive language, or engage in physical altercations. Your safety, and that of your passengers, is of primary importance. With other drivers and your supervisor, anticipate the kinds of issues that may arise, based on your prior experiences and expectations. Then, create and put a plan in place to deal with such incidents. Meet regularly through the year and discuss experiences and ways to deal with them! Have a great week and enjoy your Bully Free Bus!

Morning Greeting:

Greet each student with a warm and accepting smile. It will speak louder than words!