



BULLYFREE BUS

Consider this information to keep your Bus Bully Free!

Fairness

FAIRNESS means to be just, play by the rules, share, take turns, and listen to others.

Fairness or the concept of not favoring one individual or group more than others, has the distinction of being both a moral and a legal issue for school districts. Equal opportunity laws regarding age, race, and gender, as well as claims prohibiting discrimination against target populations, guide us toward a code of conduct as we perform our professional obligations in a school system. According to the National School Safety and Security Services® bullying, predictably, tends to occur in less-monitored locations within schools. Less predictably, accordingly to a study by the Menninger Clinic in Houston, TX, nearly half of elementary teachers admitted to bullying students. Review your district's code of conduct and, specifically, anti-bullying policies to determine which behaviors, whether of personnel or students, are incompatible with moral codes of conduct, district guidelines, and the law. As a driver, strive to ensure that your interaction with, and treatment of, your student passengers is firm, fair, and consistent with district policy and that your command of your vehicle promotes a safe and secure mode of transportation. Support district policy to identify and work with student bullies to anticipate and prevent bullying or violence on your bus. Have a great week and enjoy your **Bully Free Bus!**