**BUS RULES**

 For the safety of all, **do not do anything that might distract the driver**. Accordingly, students are required to observe the following rules while riding the bus:

1. No open pop or other liquids allowed on the bus. Keep the bus clean by putting waste
 papers in the trash box at the front of the bus.

2. No (live) animals allowed on the bus.

3. No teasing, fighting,

 or bullying allowed on the bus*.*

4. No spitting or littering allowed.

5. Profanity or verbal abuse on the bus is not allowed.

 6. Do not throw or propel objects on the bus, from the bus, or onto the bus.

 7. Rude, discourteous, and annoying behavior is not allowed.

 8. Loud talking is not permitted.

 9. Use courtesy and respect for passengers, as well as the driver.

 10. Do not damage (puncture, tear, or mark) the bus seats. You may be held financially
 responsible for replacement costs. If you notice any damage, report it to the driver
 immediately. Do not damage or tamper with any bus equipment.

 11. Help look after the safety and comfort of smaller children.

 12. Stay in your seat at all times. Do not move from seat to seat. Sit in assigned seat, if
 given by the driver; otherwise, get a seat and remain seated until the bus reaches your
 destination. Keep feet out of the aisles. Keep books, packages, musical instruments,
 etc., out of the aisles.

 13. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before attempting to board it. Use caution
 in approaching the place where the bus stops. Absolutely no fighting, threats, or
 horseplay at the bus stop or on the way to or from the bus stop. At a discharge point,
 where it is necessary to cross the highway, proceed to a point at least 10 feet in front of
 the bus on the right shoulder of the highway and remain there until a signal is given by
 the bus driver to cross. Do not bend down or crawl around the bus wheels.

 14. Do not ask the driver to stop at places other than the regular bus stop, unless written
 permission is provided. Be very quiet when approaching a railroad track. Know how to
 get off the bus in an emergency. If you are unsure, ask for help.

 15. At no time should a student argue with a bus driver. If you feel you are being treated
 unfairly, report it to the Superintendent/Principal.

 16. Only WL-B students allowed on the bus due to insurance concerns.

 17. No violence or weapons of any kind permitted. Those who are guilty of these violations
 will be punished with suspension from or total loss of bus privileges.

 18. No alcohol, tobacco products, electronic or smokeless cigarettes, illegal or illicit drugs, over the

 counter drugs, or prescription drugs, or lighting of flammable materials allowed on the bus.

 19. Refer to page 22 for unauthorized personal property not allowed on bus.

 20. No cell phone usage permitted on bus.

Every effort must be made to be sure all students follow the rules. The bus driver has the authority to enforce rules and maintain discipline on the bus. Disciplinary action for bus misbehavior may include suspension of bus riding privileges or, where appropriate, other discipline including exclusion from school. All at the discretion of the administration.