

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION OF PEEL REGION STOPR

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Statement	<p>Students who are eligible to travel to school on a school bus may continue to do so as long as they abide by the Student Code of Conduct (STOPR020). They must demonstrate and maintain appropriate and safe behaviour aboard the vehicle. Students who do not behave in an appropriate and safe manner will be subject to discipline in accordance with the Board's Safe Schools Policy and the school's code of conduct and may lose their school bus transportation privileges.</p>
Consequences:	<p>As stated in the Ontario Schools Code of Conduct, the time spent travelling by school bus is an extension of the school day. The school principal is therefore authorized and expected to consider discipline which would be appropriate if the infraction had taken place at school up to and including suspension from school. This discipline would be in addition to those specifically related to transportation e.g. Suspension of bus privileges. In determining the appropriate discipline it is important to recognize that infractions on a moving vehicle can have significant impact on student safety and may warrant more severe discipline than if the same infraction took place on school property.</p> <p>Note that students committing these infractions may be required to provide compensation for any property damage which occurs and that police will be contacted in the event of criminal infractions.</p>
Protocol:	<p><u>STOPR has implemented integrated transportation on school runs. Students from various schools will be riding the same bus at the same time and it is important that all incidents be reported to the affected schools. Below are the protocols for communication of student behaviour issues on buses.</u></p>

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Protocol:	<p><u>Single School Involvement:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><u>1. Bus driver is required to report incidents of student misconduct to that student's School Principal using Behaviour Conduct Form TFL001;</u><u>2. Principal reviews the submitted report, investigates and takes appropriate action as required;</u><u>3. If the reported misconduct action is deemed to meet one of the Boards Bill 157 criteria for suspension, the Bus Driver will initiate a Bill 157 form to be submitted to the School Principal; and</u><u>4. Principal communicates with family, if necessary, and informs bus driver and STOPR of action taken including if no action taken.</u> <p><u>Multiple School Involvement:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><u>1. Bus driver is required to report incidents of student misconduct to that student's School Principal using Behaviour Conduct Form TFL001;</u><u>2. Principal reviews submitted report and investigates;</u><u>3. If the reported misconduct action is deemed to meet one of the Boards Bill 157 criteria for suspension, the Bus Driver will initiate a Bill 157 form to be submitted to the School Principal;</u><u>4. In circumstances in which students from more than one school are jointly involved in a misconduct circumstance, the two School Principals may opt to discuss the behaviour issues prior to determining action to be taken; and</u><u>5. Principal determines action to be taken, communicates with family if necessary, and informs bus driver and STOPR of action taken</u>
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