

## How to Handle Serious Behavioral Problems on a School Bus



Student behavioral issues are on the rise since the pandemic. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration provides helpful instructor guides for School Bus Safety, including student management training.

Here's a summary of their top advice on how to handle serious behavioral problems on a school bus.

- 1. Stop the bus.**
  - Park in a safe location off the road.
- 2. Secure the bus.**
  - Take the ignition key with you if you leave your seat.
- 3. Stand up and speak to the offender or offenders.**
  - Speak in a courteous manner with a firm voice.
  - Remind the offenders of the behavior expected of them.
  - Don't show anger, but do show that you mean business.
- 4. If a change of seating is needed, move the student(s) to a seat near you.**
- 5. NEVER put a student off the bus, except at school or at his or her residence/school bus stop**
  - If you feel that the offense is serious enough that you cannot safely drive the bus, call for a school administrator or a parent to come remove the student.
- 6. Follow your district's procedures for further discipline or refusal to ride the bus.**

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