

Code of Student Conduct

Northwestern High School
Prince George's County Public
Schools

Write this Statement on the Back of the Code of Conduct Form

- * I understand that wearing the white polo shirt, navy blue pants, skirt, or shorts, dark brown or black belt, as well as wearing black, brown or white shoes reflects our required dress code at Northwestern.
- * I understand that only white or blue outer garments without hoods can be worn in the classrooms.
- * I understand that jackets, coats, hoodies are not to be worn to class.

Signature: _____

Purpose of the Code

- It creates a positive, supportive learning environment that minimizes behavioral issues.
- The code describes order and discipline to eliminate distractions and disturbances.
- Learning will not proceed without order and discipline in the classroom.

Student Responsibilities

- Help maintain a safe learning environment.
- Obey all county and school rules/regulations.
- Come to school daily, on time, and ready to learn.
- Work to achieve success in all academic areas.

Student Responsibilities

- Respect authority and follow instructions from all school employees positively.
- Adhere to our mandatory uniform policy.
- Accept responsibility for your actions.

Inappropriate Behaviors



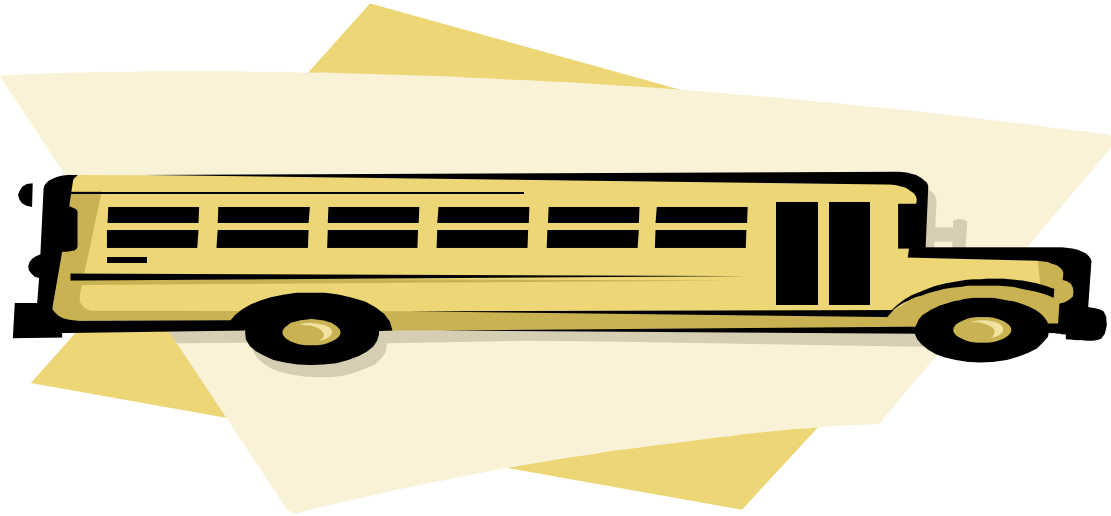
- Insubordination
- Loitering
- Class Cutting
- Unexcused Tardiness
- Disruptive Speech
- Defamation
- Uniform Violation

Inappropriate Behaviors

- Internet/Computer Misuse
- Academic Dishonesty/Cheating/Plagiarism
- Failure to Wear I.D. Badge
- Public Display of Affection



Appropriate Bus Behavior



- Remain in seat
- No touching, loud talking, profanity
- No eating or drinking food
- Respect for driver and other passengers

Conduct that Can Lead to Expulsion

- Acts of Gross Misconduct
- Arson
- Assault
- Biohazard
- Bomb Threat
- False Alarm
- Shakedown/Strong Arm/Extortion
- Group Fight
- Physical Attack on PGCPS System Employee
- Possession, Use, Distribution of Alcohol, Marijuana, Prescription Drugs, Drug Paraphernalia, Inhalants

Conduct that Can Lead to Expulsion

- Possessions or Use of Weapons or Instruments Used as Such
- Possession of Explosives
- Vandalism or Destruction of Property over \$500
- Other Acts-Serious or Repeated Level I, Level II or Level III Offense



Fighting/Possible Consequences

A fight (planned or unplanned) can cause a serious disruption in a school day and can result in significant injury.



Consequences for Fighting

- Loss of rights and privileges
- Serious injuries
- Unsafe environment
- Could be charged and create a criminal record
- School and County laws are broken
- Suspension/Expulsion

Disciplinary Action

- Short-term suspension - 1 to 10 days
- Long-term suspension - More than ten days
- Expulsion – Up to two semesters

Success!

Appropriate behavior promotes success. It requires work and time. Success does not just happen.