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CODE OF CONDUCT RELATING TO FRAGRANCE USAGE ON SCHOOL BUS

It was brought to our attention that some students are **willfully endangering** the lives of students as well as the driver by spraying fragrances in the school bus after being warned that this could **result in the hospitalization** of bus riders. Students have been informed of severe allergies affecting the driver and some students. If this problem persists, we will **involve the police**.

This letter constitutes a **final warning**. Students who contravene this directive can expect **permanent school bus suspension**.

We therefore ask the students to refrain from the use of fragrances and immediately stop spraying this fragrance in the school bus. Safety depends heavily on student behavior while traveling on school vehicles and as such it is essential that students act responsibly.

All related school policies, i.e. safe schools, code of conduct, procedures and expectations are in effect the moment a student enters the vehicle. All transported students are accountable to the school principal who has the authority to ensure that an appropriate level of conduct and discipline is maintained for all riders. The Education Act does not mandate school boards to provide transportation. The Board may provide or rescind transportation privileges where appropriate and, as such, this benefit is to be respected by all parties. The creation and maintenance of a safe transportation environment is a goal the Sudbury Student Services Consortium is committed to.

To encourage and support a safe environment for all transported students, the bus drivers are to report all incidents to the principal. The principal or the Consortium may also find it necessary to monitor behavior on vehicles through the use of video surveillance.

The use of video cameras and the collection and maintenance of personal student information will be in accordance with the Education Act and the Municipal Freedom of Information Act.

Good citizenship must be taught and demonstrated, including the rights of others. Students are expected to understand that rules and regulations are adopted for the benefit of all. A fair and consistent application of the policy is expected and students should be made aware of the consequences of misbehavior.

The Boards encourage parents, students and the community to assist in any way possible that supports the safe transportation of students.

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This portion is to be signed by the parents or guardian AND the student and returned to the school.

Parents must share responsibility for student safety and student conduct. This includes familiarizing where possible, your child with the Code of Conduct and the proper procedures to be followed.

I acknowledge that I have read the Code of Conduct and am aware of the associated consequences.

Signed: _____
Parents/Guardian Student Name School of Attendance

Date: _____