

Code of Conduct

Plymouth-Canton Community Education Ski Program

Every student is expected to support the rules of conduct, which contribute to the safety and well being of the student and of others.

BUS REGULATIONS

Riding the bus is a privilege, therefore the following procedures should be reviewed and understood. Safety is first and foremost. Rules, which apply specifically to buses, are posted on the front of every bus. These are available upon request.

For the safety of every student who rides the bus, the bus driver must be given complete cooperation. Should a student choose not to follow the rules regarding the school bus, the following are consequences for violations of bus policy.

1. Students must comply promptly with the request of the bus driver including seating assignments.
2. Emergency doors shall be used only for emergencies.
3. Shagging, hanging and riding on the outside of the bus is prohibited.
4. Throwing objects at the bus or outside, i.e. snowballs, stones, or rocks is forbidden.
5. Blunt or sharp objects that might harm students are not allowed on the school bus.
6. Horseplay, yelling, throwing things on the bus, or out of the bus windows, and extending body parts out of school bus windows is not permitted.
7. After boarding the school bus, students should remain seated until the bus comes to a stop.

HARASSMENT / BULLYING

It is the policy of the PCCS Board of Education that all individuals should be treated with dignity and respect and a critical characteristic of an effective safe and orderly environment. To these purposes, behaviors such as harassment and/or bullying will not be tolerated. This includes inappropriate conduct by other students.

Harassment is defined as inappropriate conduct that is repeated enough, or serious enough, to negatively impact a student's physical, or emotional well-being. This would include harassment based on any of the legally protected characteristics such as sex, race, color, national origin, religion, height, weight, or disability. This also includes such activities as bullying, name-calling, taunting, hazing or other disruptive behaviors.

Bullying is the intimidation of others by acts, including but not limited to: threatened or actual behavior, unwelcome physical contact: threatening or taunting oral, written or electronic communications; taking or extorting money or property; blocking or impeding student movement.

Any student who believes s/he has been or is the victim of harassment should immediately report the situation to the Chaperones or Ski Program Coordinators.

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This type of behavior not only violates Board of Education policy but also state and federal laws. It can result in suspension or expulsion from the program and/or police involvement.

DRUGS

District substance abuse policy:

Offense: Possession, use, distribution or sale for illicit purposes of:

Alcohol, medication (prescription or over the counter), inhalants, drug paraphernalia, drugs, look-a-like drugs (substances that are not illegal drugs or alcohol, but are believed to be or are represented as such by the user, seller or distributor)

Any substance abuse committed in association with the ski program will result in immediate and permanent expulsion from the program.

SMOKING

Students are not permitted to smoke, or have tobacco products or smoking paraphernalia (which includes matches, lighters, etc.) in their possession at any time while associated with the ski program. This includes school parking lots, busses and ski trip locations.

Students violating this rule will be expelled from the program.

WEAPONS

Every student must respect the physical well-being of others. Weapons of any kind are not allowed on school property or school buses. A new Michigan law requires the school board to expel a student if the student is discovered to have been in the unlawful possession of a firearm, or in possession of another dangerous weapon while on school premises or at a school-related activity. Dangerous weapons include a firearm, dagger, stiletto, dirk, knife with a blade over three inches in length, pocket knife opened by a mechanical device, iron bar or brass knuckles. Additionally, a student must not use a common item as a weapon."

Please be aware that circumstances where the behavior of the student seriously compromises the safety of other students or is destructive or vulgar in nature, the ski program chaperones and/or coordinators may automatically suspend program privileges for a period deemed appropriate for the infraction.

Skier signature _____ Date _____

Skier name (please print) _____

Parent /guardian signature _____