

PBS information for Bus Drivers:

Several schools in Polk County are using School Wide Positive Behavior Supports (PBS) to improve student behavior. The schools have teams that set and teach expectations for student behavior based on the needs of their students. When students meet the expectations, they receive recognition and rewards from the adults.

The schools would like to expand the PBS process to include the bus drivers. The new expectations for the bus are ***Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe***. With each expectation come rules for the students to follow in order to help them meet the expectations. The PBS school buses will receive stickers with the expectations and rules to remind the students.

To support the bus drivers in the PBS process, the schools will conduct lessons and train the students on the expectations and rules for the buses. Since students learn more when recognized for doing right, each school will develop a plan to reinforce the students for appropriate behavior on the buses. This plan should not interfere with your duties as a bus driver.

The schools need your help in reminding the students to ***Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe***. Using the same words as the school will help the students to understand that you are on the same team with the school. Our goal is to create a safer environment for students and bus drivers through the expansion of Positive Behavior Supports to Transportation.