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Dear Families:

It appears that our snow was short lived and the grass may be starting to turn green sooner than expected, with the coming baseball and softball season among other activities such as fishing, biking and hiking!

I am writing to make you aware of the challenges we have been facing on our buses. As you know, finding bus drivers is a nationwide challenge and we are fortunate to have the drivers that we do. With that being said, we would like to make you aware that many students have been breaking rules on the buses. I have made phone calls to various parents and we have spoken on the bus to remind students as well.

Starting Monday, Shawn is going to ride on the Eustis bus as an extra set of eyes and ears. We will be checking the cameras periodically to make sure that things are working more smoothly. Teachers will be taking students on the bus to review PBIS expectations.

If you could please reinforce these actions, it would be greatly appreciated. This is not one isolated incident but many different students on both buses not following the rules that should be followed.

Please reiterate to your child that they should remain in their seat the entire time, PHONES should be off and in their bags. (There have been violations of people attempting to take photos or record students). The bus drivers are there to pay attention to the road and keep all students safe.

After these avenues have been carried out, it may be necessary to assign additional consequences if students are not following the expected behaviors.

Thank you for partnering to make a safe environment for all children.

Sincerely,

Tabitha I. Emery

Principal



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