

HOME CONNECTS



Social-Emotional Learning Objectives:

- Gaining a healthy perspective on feelings of entitlement.
- Learning the value of gratitude by making a point to say, “Thank you.”
- Practicing courtesy and safety on the bus.

Let’s Chat Conversation Questions:

- The Golden Rule is to treat others the way you want to be treated. How do you want others to treat you?
- Give an example of being courteous and respectful at school.
- Give an example of being courteous and respectful at home.

Respectful Ways Q&A:

Q: What is entitlement and what does it have to do with gratitude?

A: Entitlement is the attitude that you deserve treatment beyond what you are owed. It’s hard to be thankful when you expect others to cater to your needs.

Q: What are some basics of bus safety?

A: Obey the driver, stay seated and quiet, no eating and drinking, etc.

Home Connects Activity Ideas:

- Gratitude starts in the home! Have people in your family draw names – of each other, a neighbor, a coach, etc. Write a hand-written note or tell them just how much you appreciate them.
- Your child is creating a public service campaign for bus courtesy and safety. What are some things around the house that could use this same attention?
- Help your child resist entitlement! Nothing kills entitlement like being thankful, of course. Look for and discuss feelings of entitlement in life and in the media. Talk about how expressing gratitude replaces entitlement with something healthier. And get in the practice of saying “thank you” regularly in your house.



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