

Metro Bus Operator Took These Vandals for a Ride



(May 30) Sunday School was over, May 28, but Metro Bus operator Edgardo Dimson helped teach a memorable lesson to four juveniles who allegedly were tagging his bus.

While the kids were busily etching windows, the Division 9 operator detoured off his Line 76 route in downtown Los Angeles and stopped in front of the LAPD's Transit Bus Division office near the Regional Rebuild Center.

Locking the kids in the bus, Dimson went inside and asked for help.

Jumped out and ran

The suspects, finally realizing they were in trouble, jumped out of the bus through the emergency window exit and ran. But, it was too late. MTA security and LAPD officers quickly collared the four.

Two boys, ages 16 and 15, were arrested and booked for vandalism. Two others were released for lack of evidence.

Transit Bus Division commanding officer Capt. Vance Proctor praised Dimson "for his quick thinking that resulted in the arrest of two graffiti vandals."

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