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Bus Expectations and Student Responsibilities Behavior Contract

Student Name: _____ Date: _____ Grade: _____

The Clinton Community School District has established student behavior guidelines which apply to all transported students while on the school bus. Students who do not conduct themselves according to the rules shall be subject to a progression of discipline, including temporary or extended loss of bus riding privileges. Depending on the degree of the misconduct, the progression of discipline shall be:

1st Offense	<i>Bus driver will reteach the desired behavior to the student and submit written notification to building administration. Administration will contact parents or guardians.</i>
2nd Offense	<i>Bus driver will submit written notification to building administration, appropriate disciplinary steps will be taken, and a meeting will be held with the student, parents or guardians, and administration. A bus behavior contract will be issued to reestablish expectations.</i>
3rd Offense	<i>Bus driver will submit written notification to building administration, consequences may be issued if appropriate, and parents will be notified. Student may temporarily lose bus riding privileges.</i>
4th Offense	<i>Bus driver will submit written notification to building administration, consequences may be issued if appropriate, and parents will be notified. Student may lose bus riding privileges for an extended period of time.</i>

Your student has violated the CCSD Bus Expectations and Student Responsibilities multiple times or in an extreme manner. This contract acknowledges that your student has again been informed of the expectations of his or her behavior. He or she must commit to no further violations of the expectations. A future violation of the expectations may result in temporary or extended loss of bus riding privileges.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____



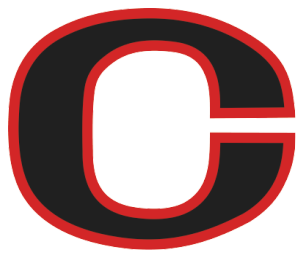
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Administrator Signature: _____

Date: _____



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Transportation: It's a Privilege

Each transported student has the right to a safe and enjoyable ride to and from school which is free from intimidation, threat, or harassment. Good conduct of all transported students while traveling to and from school is primary for a safe and enjoyable ride for all students.

The Clinton Community School District has established student behavior guidelines which apply to all transported students while on the school bus. Each student, as well as his or her parents or guardians, is responsible for his/her behavior while on the bus.

Transportation service is a privilege that is granted to the student contingent upon the exhibition of proper behavior according to District guidelines. A student's eligibility to ride the school bus may be revoked for a violation of school bus safety or conduct policies or for violation of any other law or policy governing student conduct on a school bus. Parents of transported students will be held responsible for their children until such times as the student boards the school bus in the morning and after the child leaves the bus at the end of the school day. Parents also share responsibility with the child for his or her conduct while on the school bus and while in the school bus loading or unloading areas.

Students who are involved in serious or repeated incidents of unacceptable student conduct on the school bus will have their riding privileges revoked. The parents or guardian of a student whose riding privileges have been revoked are responsible for ensuring that the student travels safely to and from school. **The School District will not provide alternative transportation to a student whose transportation privileges have been revoked.** Decisions regarding special education students will take into account related disabilities and individuals education requirements pertaining to transportation.

Student Conduct on School Transportation:

All persons riding in school district vehicles shall adhere to the following expectations. The driver, sponsor or chaperones are to follow the school bus discipline procedure for student violations of this policy. Video cameras may be in operation on the school buses.

1. Bus Riders shall be at the designated loading point 5 to 10 minutes before the bus arrival time.
2. Bus riders will remove book bag from their back and place it on their lap or by their feet on floor.
3. Bus riders shall wait to enter or exit the bus, until it comes to a complete stop and stop arm is activated. Students shall refrain from crowding or pushing. They should exit the bus in an orderly fashion.
4. Aisles must be kept cleared at all times.
5. A bus rider will depart from the bus at the designated point unless written permission or a phone call is made to the transportation or school office.
6. Each rider will be assigned a seat by the driver.
7. Riders who damage seats or other equipment will reimburse the district for the cost of the repair or replacement.
8. Classroom conduct is to be expected by students while riding the bus except for ordinary conversations.
9. Mutual respect will be demonstrated by all riders.
10. A bus rider who must cross the roadway to board or depart from the bus shall pass in front of the bus and proceed to cross the road or highway only on signal from driver.
11. **NO FOOD OR DRINK** allowed on the bus with exception of water.
12. Electronic devices may be used under the following conditions: Volume will be turned off and ear buds will be used. No pictures or recording is allowed while on the school bus.

These expectations shall be reviewed and revised by the Director of Transportation and the building principals. The Director of Transportation shall distribute the expectation to drivers, students, and principals annually. The building principals shall assist in informing students and families of the rules and their enforcement. Rules will also be available on the district website.

Violations of the Student Expectations:

The bus driver is responsible for the safety of the bus passengers and their orderly conduct. The driver has authority to warn, reprimand, and report students who violate the rules. More serious punishment of a student violating the expectations is the responsibility of the building principal. If an emergency results from the extreme misconduct of a student or students which seriously threatens the safety of the remaining passengers, the driver will contact the transportation office for assistance as necessary and appropriate.

Students who do not conduct themselves according to the expectations shall be subject to a progression of discipline. Final discretion will be up to the building principal. Depending on the degree of misconduct, the progression of discipline shall be:

1. First violation: parent contact and reteach expectation to student.
2. Second violation: parent contact and contract with student.
3. Third violation: parent contact and loss of riding privileges.
4. Fourth violation: parent contact with extended loss of riding privileges.

A written violation is issued by the bus driver. The violation will be completed and turned in to the building principal the same day. If violation occurs during p.m. route, violation will be turned into the transportation office, scanned, and sent to the building principal by the end of the day. The building principal is responsible for informing the students parents and/or guardians. The Transportation Director is to be notified by the principal of the building of



the action that was taken. On district trips the bus driver and adult chaperones shall cooperate to assure safety of the trip and of other passengers. If a student persists in behavior, they shall make a full report and will notify the building principal of appropriate discipline.