## ON THE BUS

Below are the expectations and conditions students are expected to follow when riding the school bus this year due to COVID-19. Any violation of these rules will result in the student not being able to ride the bus.

<u>Parents</u> – Screen your children at home for fever, cough or other symptoms of illness. If your child has any symptoms, the child should STAY HOME. <u>DO NOT</u> send your child to school if they are sick. Students must be fever free for 72 hours without medication before returning to school unless a physician provides documentation.

<u>Bus Stop</u> – Students should practice social distancing at the bus stop while waiting for the bus to arrive. Students are required to wear face coverings and be ready to board the bus and report to their assigned seat.

On the Bus – Students are required to wear face coverings the entire time they are on the bus and stay in their assigned seat. If they do not wear face coverings, they will not ride the bus.

- 1. The bus is an extension of the classroom. Practice the good manners you display while at school and at home, when on the bus.
- 2. Standing on the bus seats or putting feet on the seats is prohibited.
- 3. Move very quickly to your seat.
- 4. Moving about while the bus is in motion is prohibited. Remain seated at all times.
- 5. Never lower the windows unless the driver gives permission. Never lower the windows beyond the halfway point.
- 6. Never extend your arm or head out of the bus window.
- 7. Never throw objects from the bus.
- 8. Do not smoke, or use tobacco on the bus.
- 9. Animals, insects, reptiles, fowl, firearms, weapons, glass containers, or other dangerous or unsanitary objects will not be permitted on the bus.
- 10. Equipment may not be transported on the bus that would damage the bus, block the view of the driver, or block the aisles, entry, or exit doors.
- 11. Cell phones are allowed on the bus, but shall not be used except for emergency purposes and authorized by the bus driver.
- 12. Laser pointers and other similar electronic devices are not permitted.
- 13. Electronic games and headphones may be permitted as long as they do not create a distraction or disruption for the bus driver, nor create an unsafe condition for other riders.
- 14. There will be no talking to the driver while the bus is in motion, except for emergencies.
- 15. Passengers will not tamper with the emergency door or any other part of the bus without instructions from the driver.
- 16. Do not walk between buses. Leave the unloading area as quickly as possible.

- 17. Band instruments will be allowed on the bus. The transportation system will not transport a Baritone Sax or larger instrument.
- 18. When required to take large projects, musical instruments, etc. to school, attempt to have someone take you to school.
- 19. Only authorized students are permitted on buses. New students must have a note signed by the Principal. Due to limited capacity and assigned seats on the buses, occasional student riders (Clubs, extracurricular activities, friends, etc) wanting to ride a bus, other than their assigned route, will not be allowed.
- 20. Adults will not be allowed to remove students once the student has boarded the bus, unless the driver knows the adult, or the Principal accepts the responsibility.
- 21. Students riding to a babysitter's house, on a regular basis, will be allowed as long as the bus is not overcrowded and must be in the student's assigned district. Transferring buses, at any school, will not be allowed for this purpose.
- 22. The bus shall transport items sold through the schools unless they cause a safety problem during boarding, seating, or exiting the bus.
- 23. Buses are only allowed to make residential stops for students. We will not transport to a business or commercial location.
- 24. Transfer buses are only for students in Excel program at Chandler Elementary, St. John students, and Boonville Middle School students who live within the city limits and walk to a designated bus stop. All other students attending a school out of district must provide their own transportation. Out of district students are not permitted on the transfer bus.

| STUDENT NAME  | RT#       |   |
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| ADDRESS   |           |   |
| CITY/STATE  |           | - |
| PHONE #   | _ EMERG # | - |
| PARENT'S NAME   |           | _ |
| GRADE   |           |   |
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| I, the parent and the student, have read, reviewed, and understand each rule stated |           |   |
| above for the school bus. I will adhere to each rule as stated.                     |           |   |
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| Parent Signature  | Date      |   |
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| Student Signature   | Date      |   |
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