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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

The safe transportation of students becomes more complicated each year. In order to provide safe transportation, we must have the cooperation of parents, students, and drivers. The following are guidelines to which all students must adhere while riding a school bus.

No items will be allowed to block an aisle or door including the exit door in the back of the bus. Items such as musical instruments, art projects, gym bags, and backpacks must be small enough to stow under a seat or be held in the student's lap. Larger items must be hauled another way. This includes sporting equipment to and from an athletic contest.

It is the philosophy of Clinton Prairie School Corporation that riding a school bus is a privilege, not a right. Safety demands that students behave as ladies and gentlemen on the bus. Each student will be assigned a seat by the driver and will be held responsible if any defacing occurs on that seat. Students will be responsible for keeping their area clear of paper and trash. In addition, students are to remain quiet enough not to distract the driver and stay in their seats until the bus arrives at its destination. Students may not extend any part of their body out of the window or throw objects on the bus or out of the window. There should be no eating or drinking on the bus. The driver is in charge of the bus and all students must follow his or her instructions.

Students are to meet the bus; the driver is not to wait on them. If a driver waits two or three minutes at four stops, his or her route is already 10 to 12 minutes behind. Please remember the driver is under no obligation to wait on students. Students should never chase the bus if they miss it. Parents should take the students to another stop or call the school to make other arrangements.

No student will be permitted to get off the bus anywhere other than his or her regular pickup or drop off point without a note from his or her parent or guardian. This rule shall be waived only if the principal's office has been informed by a parent or guardian ahead of time.

If students cross in front of the bus to load, they should walk at least ten feet in front of the bus in order for the driver to see them. Students should never cross or go anywhere behind the bus.

A student's actions before boarding or after leaving the bus are the responsibility of the parents or guardians.

Thank you for your support.

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"BE GOPHER GREAT" is the pursuit of excellence in all we do. It represents a commitment to continuous improvement of oneself and the uplifting of those around us. It carries a responsibility to make a difference in the Prairie community and beyond. As we pursue excellence, we embrace the journey as being as important if not more important than the destination. We support and encourage all students and staff to "BE GOPHER GREAT!!"

THINK POSITIVE - WORK HARD - DO WHAT'S RIGHT