## WOODHAVEN - BROWNSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BUS PASSENGER RULES AND REGULATIONS

The following rules and regulations for passenger conduct are considered very important for the safe operation of a school bus. Any violations of these rules and regulations may result in the suspension of the bus riding privilege for a period of time as determined by the Building Principal, or their designee.

- 1. Passengers are forbidden to do anything hazardous to the health and safety of all bus passengers.
- 2. Spitting on the bus or out the bus windows is not permitted.
- 3. Passengers shall not throw any objects inside or outside the bus, or at the driver.
- 4. The use or possession of tobacco, alcohol, or narcotics in any form is not allowed.
- 5. Damage to the bus will result in payment for repair / replacement and suspension of transportation.
- 6. Passengers are not permitted to write on seats, side walls, ceilings, or the exterior of the bus.
- 7. Fighting, pushing, shoving, and horseplay are not permitted.
- 8. The EMERGENCY DOORS and WINDOWS are for emergencies ONLY and are not to be used for exits from regular runs or field trips and sporting events.
- 9. Passengers are forbidden to use loud or undesirable language or gestures.
- 10. Passengers should not extend anything out the bus window. Windows will be opened ONLY by permission of the driver.
- 11. Passengers are not permitted in the driver area at any time.
- 12. Passengers are required to stay seated at all times and shall not move to load or unload until the bus has come to a COMPLETE stop.
- 13. Dangerous objects such as knives, guns, glass objects, etc. are not permitted.
- 14. Do not make any contact whatsoever with the outside of the bus.
- 15. If a passenger must cross the road, the following procedure shall be used:
  - After exiting from the bus, move to the front of the bus in view of the driver.
  - Look both ways for traffic.
  - Check with the driver for proper clearance to cross the road.
  - Walk, do not run, in front of the bus when crossing the road.

## NEVER ASSUME THAT VEHICLES WILL STOP FOR THE FLASHERS.

- 16. Eating or drinking, or chewing gum is not allowed on a school bus. An exception may be made by the driver for special trips.
- 17. Passengers must not litter. Bus is to be kept clean.
- 18. Passengers must be at their designated stop FIVE MINUTES before the bus is scheduled to arrive. DRIVER WILL NOT WAIT FOR LATE PASSENGERS.
- 19. Passengers may not bring anything on the bus that cannot be safely and comfortably held on the lap. NOTHING SHOULD BE PLACED IN THE AISLE, NEAR THE DRIVER, OR AT ANY EMERGENCY EXIT.
- 20. Passengers will be assigned seats at the discretion of the driver, THREE students may be assigned to a seat if necessary. Do not attempt to reserve or "save" a seat for a friend

- 21. Each passenger will board the bus, find their assigned seat, sit down and remain in that seat for the entire trip unless directed otherwise by the driver.
- 22. Animals, reptiles, or other pets are not permitted on the bus. (Mom or dad should drive you that day.)
- 23. Passengers must board and leave the bus at their assigned location. In an emergency situation, written permission from the parent and principal may allow a student to ride a different bus and get off at another existing stop. PERMISSION DEPENDS ON AVAILABLE SPACE.
- 24. Passengers should expect to walk some distance to a Bus stop. DRIVERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO CHANGE STOP LOCATIONS.
- 25. Passengers will line up off the roadway and out of intersections when waiting at their bus stop.
- 26. If no one boards for three days, at a single passenger stop, the stop will be discontinued until notified by parent.
- 27. Passengers must FOLLOW the direction of the driver at all times. Lack of respect for the driver will not be tolerated.
- 28. In the city, passengers will not be let off except at designated stops.
- 29. Radios and other electronic devices are not permitted on the bus and may be confiscated.
- 30. Avoid LOUD noises. Shouting, yelling and screaming are inappropriate.
- 31. SILENCE IS MANDATORY AT ALL RAILROAD CROSSINGS.

REMEMBER: the bus driver is not ONLY responsible for the bus but also has complete authority to control the conduct of all passengers. All passengers must follow the above rules and regulations and any other instructions given by the driver to ensure the safety of all. If at any time, in the judgment of the driver, a student fails to follow instructions or violates bus rules and regulations, the driver will file a written Bus Conduct Report. This report will result in a warning notice to the parents of the violation and/or the suspension of transportation service. DO NOT LOOSE YOUR BUS RIDE. Suspended students are not permitted to ride ANY Woodhaven School District bus while on suspension. Bus suspension is not a suspension from school, parents are required to provide transportation for their child to attend school in case of suspension.

## Other Information Regarding Transportation.

Dangerous Weather Conditions: When it is necessary to modify bus transportation service or close schools due to inclement weather, tune to one of the following radio or television stations for information.

• Radio: WXYT (am1270), WWJ (am 950), WJR (am 760)

Television: WJBK (2), WDIV (4), WXYZ (7)

Cable: School access channel

## PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Any questions or concerns about Bus Stops, including changes, MUST be directed IN WRITING to:

Robin Webster Location Manager TRINITY TRANSPORTATION 24793 Van Horn Brownstown, Michigan 48134

> Or call: Colleen Miller Dispatcher 734-789-2865