

**PARENT / STUDENT
COOPERATION STATEMENT**

I have read District 201-U School Bus Rules, Expectations and Procedures. I agree to help my child meet the transportation behavior expectations and understand my child may be videotaped while in transit.

Please complete one statement for each student. If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact your school office.

PLEASE PRINT

Parent/Guardian First Name:

Parent/Guardian Last Name:

Student First Name:

Student Last Name:

School: _____

Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date: _____

SIGN & DETACH

Bus Route and Bus Information

Every student who rides a bus is assigned a bus route and a bus stop. This assignment is made according to where a child lives, and how many students are being transported for that same stop. While waiting for the bus, students are not to stand on the road and must behave. Please make sure your child gets on and off the bus at his/her assigned stop. In addition, please make sure your child is waiting at the bus stop 10 minutes before the bus arrives. Bus drivers are instructed not to wait for students that are late, as waiting may cause the entire bus to be late arriving to school. Only regular passengers and authorized personnel are permitted to ride. Guest riders are not allowed on buses.

Bus Rules

In order to achieve our goal of safe and prompt transportation, students, parents, teachers and administrators must work together to ensure appropriate student behavior. Presented below are bus rules that will help to ensure safe bus conditions. The relationship between driver/adult, bus monitor and student is the same as that of teacher/student in the classroom. Bus infractions are subject to normal disciplinary actions.

1. The adult is in charge.
2. Students must obey the driver promptly and respectfully. The right to ride the bus depends on good behavior and observance of bus expectations and rules.
3. Students must be seated when they board the bus and remain seated until their stop is reached. Standing or walking on the bus while it is in motion is not permitted.
4. Students must speak quietly (no shouting).
5. Treat the bus seats, walls, and windows care- fully as not to cause any damage. Students must report any damage on the bus to the bus driver immediately. Parents will be responsible for damages caused by their student and students are subject to loss of bus privileges.

6. Students are not permitted to eat/drink on the bus.
7. Bus windows must not be lowered past the designated point on the window frame.
8. Hands, arms, and other body parts must remain inside the bus at all times.
9. Students may not shout at, or make gestures to passing traffic, pedestrians, or anyone on the bus.
10. Trading cards, toys, electronic devices and other inappropriate objects are not permitted.
11. Older students must show a valid school ID to board the school bus.
12. Inappropriate contact including fighting and/or play fighting is unacceptable behavior and may result in loss of bus privileges.
13. Profanity or other inappropriate language will not be tolerated.
14. Tobacco products of any kind, drugs, and alcohol are not permitted.
15. Drivers and chaperones are not permitted to smoke on buses or other school property.
16. The driver will notify the school of bus rule violations and the parent/guardian will be notified by the appropriate administrator.

Any behaviors that are considered disruptive, and jeopardize the safety of those riding the bus will not be tolerated and may result in loss of bus privileges.

Disciplinary Procedures

Any violation of the bus rules may result in the following disciplinary actions:

- Written warning to be signed by parent/guardian
- Detention with parent/guardian notification
- Assigned bus seat
- Bus suspension with mandatory parent/guardian conference
- Loss of bus riding privileges

NOTE: Offenses considered to be severe and gross in nature, will result in an immediate bus suspension and/or loss of bus riding privileges.

SPECIAL NOTICE ABOUT SUSPENSIONS

If a student receives a bus suspension, it does not necessarily mean that the student is suspended from school. If no school suspension is issued, the student will be expected to be present in school each day that school is in session. It will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian to make transportation arrangements to and from school during the duration of the bus suspension.

Bus Routes & Bus Stops

Scheduled bus routes and stops are assigned to accommodate the most centrally located population. Generally, the bus does not stop at more than every other block (corner). **Please Note: Front door stops are only provided if a safety or medical hazard is present.** Bus stop times are a general guide. Students are expected to be at their bus stop 10 minutes before their scheduled pick up time. Heavy traffic and/or inclement weather can prevent drivers from maintaining their scheduled route times. Students are encouraged to wait until the bus arrives. If the bus has not arrived 10 minutes after the scheduled pick up time, you are encouraged to contact:

**First Student Bus Company
(708) 755-5907**

Video Surveillance

Each school bus is equipped with a camera. The purpose of this monitoring is to limit misbehavior on each bus and provide safer bus transportation. Should a student problem occur on a bus, the principal may review the film record to determine the cause of the problem. Parents are not allowed to view the video as outlined in Statue IL105.

A MESSAGE FROM THE
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the new school year! In an effort to provide safe and orderly transportation for your child, the Crete-Monee School District Department of District Affairs is once again implementing guidelines for our Transportation Program.

The purpose of this brochure is to make you aware of important information pertaining to school bus expectations, rules, and procedures.

Please review this information carefully with your child/children. After review, please sign and detach the **Parent/Student Cooperation** statement and return it to your child's school. Thank you for helping us keep our children safe!

Sincerely,

Rochelle Clark

Dr. Rochelle Clark
Asst. Superintendent of District Affairs

**Crete-Monee School District
SCHOOL BUS EXPECTATIONS
Rules & Procedures**

The CM201-U Board of Education will provide bus transportation for qualified elementary school students whose behavior meets the expectations that allow us to provide a safe, efficient ride to and from school. It is expected that students will:

1. Listen to the bus driver.
2. Sit **BACK TO BACK** and stay in your seat at all times.
3. Keep your hands and feet to yourself.
4. **Green Zone** — Use inside voices.
5. If someone is bothering you, ask them to stop.
6. If it's a **SERIOUS** problem, tell the driver or bus monitor **IMMEDIATELY!**
7. No eating/drinking on the bus.



PARENTS PLEASE NOTE: In lieu of speaking directly to the bus driver, parents should direct their concerns to the building administrator.



Over the course of a single school year, buses will travel over 1.5 million miles to transport our students safely to and from school.

Crete-Monee School District services six communities, totaling nearly 80 square miles, and transports approximately 4,800 students during the school year.

This service is contracted out through First Student Bus Company — a local company — which provides the district with over 100 bus routes over the course of any given school day.

CONTACT INFORMATION

BUS COMPANY
First Student Bus Company
(708) 755-5907 (ph)

CM201-U CONTACT
Gloria O'Neill
Transportation Coordinator
(708) 367-8342 (hotline)
(708) 367-2765 (fax)

Crete-Monee School District 201-U
1500 Sangamon Street
Crete, Illinois 60417

(708) 367-8300 (ph)
(708) 672-2698 (fax)

For more information about the District Transportation Program, please visit us online at www.cm201u.org



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1500 Sangamon Street
Crete, Illinois 60417



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