

BICYCLING/WALKING TO SCHOOL

STUDENTS IN GRADES 4, 5, AND 6 ARE PERMITTED TO RIDE A BICYCLE AND/OR WALK TO SCHOOL ONLY AFTER WRITTEN PERMISSION HAS BEEN SIGNED BY THE PARENT. A PARENT NOTE IS REQUIRED FOR EACH DAY UNLESS YOUR CHILD IS A DAILY WALKER.

PERMISSION IS GRANTED BY THE SCHOOL, A BICYCLE STICKER HAS BEEN ATTACHED TO A SAFETY HELMET AND THE STUDENT HAS AGREED TO THE FOLLOWING RULES:

Safety Rules

1. Wear an approved safety helmet when riding to or from school. This must be approved by the office prior to riding your bicycle to school.
2. Obey traffic signs, signals and pavement markings.
3. Drive on the right-hand side of the road and with the traffic or walk on the left-hand side of the road and against the traffic.
4. Stop and check the traffic before entering the street.
5. Give pedestrians the right of way.
6. Watch for cars because they may not be aware of your presence.
7. Walk your bicycle when on the school grounds.
8. Leave your bicycle locked in the rack at the front of the building.
9. Carry books and other belongings in a backpack or basket.
10. Do not ride/walk home after dark.
11. Ride/walk in a single file when riding/walking on the road with friends.
12. Never ride with a passenger on your bicycle.
13. Stay with your teacher until you are dismissed at the top of the bus circle.

Bicycling/walking contracts, available in the Minnesauke Handbook or through the office, must be approved by the office, signed by students and parents and returned to the main office before a child may ride their bicycle to school. The administration has the right to refuse permission. Parents will be notified as to whether permission has been granted/denied based upon the following criteria:

- Student must be able to get home without accessing any major roads. (i.e. Lower Sheep Pasture Rd., Rt. 25A, Gnarled Hollow Rd., Old Town Rd., Bennett's Rd. etc.)
- Student must be able to access neighborhoods by leaving Minnesauke grounds via High Gate Dr. or Saddle Rock Rd. They may not cross the playing field, parking lot or the Bennett's Rd. driveway.
- Student should live close enough to Minnesauke that they can walk/ride in any type of weather.
- Student must adhere to all criteria in the original walking/biking contract.

The school administration reserves the right to review each request individually for both walkers and bicyclists. No student will be permitted to ride their bicycle/walk until approval has been granted from the school. You will be notified in writing as to the school's decision. This could take a couple of days and it should not be assumed that permission will be granted on the day the note is sent to school. As of June 1, 1994, state law requires that children 14 years of age and under must wear helmets while riding a bicycle. Students without helmets will not be given a school bicycle pass. Bicycles must be kept in the racks provided and cannot be removed during the school day. All bicycles must be locked for security reasons. Every effort will be made by the school personnel to ensure the safekeeping of students' bicycles. The school, however, cannot be held responsible for theft or damage. Permission may be revoked at any time.

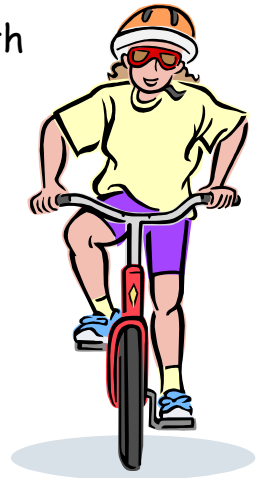
CONTRACT

For 4th, 5th and 6th Graders

BICYCLING TO/FROM SCHOOL

I, _____, agree that in order to maintain the privilege of riding my bicycle to and from Minnesauke School, I will do the following:

1. Wear an approved safety helmet when riding to or from school.
2. Obey traffic signs, signals and pavement markings.
3. Drive on the right-hand side of the road and go with the flow of traffic.
4. Stop and check the traffic before entering the street.
5. Give pedestrians the right of way.
6. Watch for cars as they may not be aware of my presence.
7. Walk my bicycle on school grounds.
8. Leave my bicycle parked in the bicycle rack at the front of the building.
9. Carry my books and other belongings in a backpack or basket.
10. Never ride with a passenger on your bicycle.
11. Never ride home after dark.
12. Ride in a single file line when riding on the road with friends.
13. Stay with your teacher until he or she dismisses you at the top of the bus circle.



Since my safety is extremely important I realize that not living up to this agreement will result in losing the right to ride my bicycle to and from Minnesauke School.

Student

Date

Grade/Teacher

Parent

Street Address

Phone Number

Administrator's signature

Date

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WALKING TO/FROM SCHOOL

I, _____, agree that in order to maintain the privilege of walking to and from Minnesauke School, I will do the following:

1. Obey traffic signs, signals and pavement markings.
2. Walk on the left-hand side of the road facing the traffic.
3. Stop and check the traffic before entering the street or parking lot.
4. Be aware of cars.
5. Never walk home after dark.
6. Walk in a single file line when walking on the road with friends.
7. Stay with your teacher until he or she dismisses you at the top of the bus circle.



Since my safety is extremely important I realize that not living up to this agreement will result in losing the right to walk to and from Minnesauke School.

Student

Date

Grade/Teacher

Parent

Street Address

Phone Number

Administrator's Signature

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