

## Mosier Middle School Community Contract

Mosier Schools are known for their safe, responsible, honest, kind, and respectful students. In order to reinforce positive behaviors, maintain a safe and respectful community, and set clear limits and expectations, Mosier Middle School (MMS) utilizes a school-wide discipline plan. The Community Contract must be reviewed, discussed, and signed by students and their parents by **Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>**.

Students receive a green ticket, yellow ticket, or referral as a logical consequence for certain behaviors, either positive or negative. Green tickets are issued for positive behaviors. A yellow ticket or referral means that a contract rule has been violated. The severity of the consequence increases as the student receives more warnings and referrals. All students are eligible to receive green tickets regardless of yellow tickets or referrals received.

MMS students behavior is monitored closely at school and on field trips. MMS students attend field trips every month and behavior on those field trips (whether a full field day in Mosier or at a site beyond Mosier) will be closely monitored. Green tickets, yellow tickets, and referrals can be given to any student at any time. In order to maintain positive behaviors through middle school and beyond, all MMS students are required to follow three rules:

- 1. Students shall be respectful and honest to all Mosier staff and their peers;**
- 2. Students shall conduct themselves in a safe and principled manner, not only in classrooms, but on Explore, during field studies, and on buses;**
- 3. Students shall use respectful language at all times; use of swear words, “put downs,” or insults will not be tolerated.**

Violation of a rule results in an immediate issuance of a referral to the principal. Principal’s discretion is used to determine an appropriate consequence.

**Yellow Tickets** are issued when student behaviors are borderline disrespectful, unsafe, or irresponsible. Yellow tickets are issued if one or more of the following occur:

- 1. Tardy to class**
- 2. Unprepared for class**
- 3. Displaying inappropriate affection toward students (PDA)**
- 4. Being somewhere without permission**
- 5. Minor disrespect (toward students and/or staff)**
- 6. Use of electronics in class without permission**
- 7. Gum chewing**

All staff, teachers, and administration reserve the right to issue a yellow ticket for any behavior they classify under disrespectful, unsafe, or irresponsible. Students are responsible for returning yellow tickets to their Pod teacher by the end of the day. If a student receives three (3) yellow tickets in one week, he/she serves a lunch detention the following day. For each yellow ticket after the third in a week, the student will serve a lunch detention.

**Green tickets** are issued for positive behaviors and can be given out by all Mosier staff. Green tickets can be earned by demonstrating any of the following behaviors:

1. Student is observed being especially kind, helpful, polite, and responsible to Mosier staff and/or peers;
2. Student is seen as a positive role model to younger Mosier students and/or peers.

Every week, we hold a raffle with the green tickets where students have a chance to win prizes and freedoms. A few examples of these rewards are homework passes, mechanical pencils, lunch freedom passes, and mints.

### **Tardy Policy**

Morning Meeting begins promptly at 7:30am

If you are tardy 3 times, you are asked not to come to school until 10:15 on the fourth day.

### **Oaks Amusement Park:**

Every year, MMS students travel to Oaks Amusement Park for one day during the last week of school. Each student must earn this field trip by having **zero out of school suspensions** (½ day or full day) throughout the entire school year and **NO Fs** in any classes for their quarter grade. Students must also have reached their 15 service learning hours.

MMS named the contract “Community Contract” because it involves the entire community, including students, teachers, administrators, and parents. Please discuss green tickets, yellow tickets, and referrals with your child to help him/her make smart, responsible choices.

Thank you for your support of Mosier Middle School. Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

The MMS Team

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