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Bicycle Riders Contract

Dear 4th through 8th Grade Students and Parents,

Fourth through eighth grade students are permitted to ride bikes to school. Because we want to do everything we can to assure that riders are educated in the safe and responsible operation of their bicycles, there are certain conditions that will have to be met to qualify before the school's permission to ride will be granted. These conditions are:

- Parent or guardian's permission must be given.
- Student will sign this contract agreeing to observe all conditions.
- Student will walk their bicycle on school property.
- Student will wear a bicycle helmet at all times when operating the bicycle.
- Student will make sure bicycle is locked securely to the bike rack during school hours.
- If any of the conditions of this contract are not observed, student riding privilege may be withdrawn.

Although we try to provide a safe and secure area for bicycle storage, All Saints Catholic Academy cannot take responsibility for lost, stolen or vandalized bicycles on school property or while enroute to or from school.

Student Statement: In order to ride my bicycle to school, I agree to the conditions in this contract. I also agree that I need to be concerned about the safety of pedestrians, cyclists, and other vehicles as well as my own safety when operating my bicycle. I will walk my bike on the sidewalks and follow all adults' directions. I will wear my helmet and lock my bike. I will walk their bicycle on school property. I realize that the school is not responsible for the care and protection of my bike.

_____ _____ _____
Student's Signature Teacher Grade

Parent/Guardian Statement: I give my permission for the above-named student to ride his/her bicycle to school and agree with the conditions of the contract.

_____ _____
Parent/Guardian's Signature Date

Principal's Approval:

_____ has met the conditions of the contract and has permission to use a bicycle for transportation to and from school.

_____ _____
Principal's Signature Date

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BIKE RULES

Bike riders are responsible for following these rules. Students who violate these rules risk the suspension or loss of their bike riding privileges.

1. All bikes must be parked in the bike rack.

2. All bikes must be walked on and off the school grounds. Bike riding is not permitted on the school grounds during school hours.

3. Bike riders must always walk their bikes only on the sidewalks surrounding the school.

4. Every bike must have a lock. This is the best means of preventing someone from riding your bike. You must have your own lock and not share with a friend.

5. Every rider must wear an approved safety helmet when riding to and from school.

6. Bike riders shall use all hand signals employed by the driver of a car. (Applicant should learn these if he/she does not know them.)

7. Keep to the right and ride in a single file. Keep a safe distance behind all vehicles.

8. Look out for cars pulling out into traffic. Keep a sharp lookout for sudden opening of car doors.

9. Never hitch on other vehicles, “stunt” or race in traffic. Never ride two on a bike.

10. Ride in a straight line. Do not weave in our out of traffic or swerve from side to side.

11. Slow down at all street intersections and look to the right and to the left before crossing. Stop at Stop signs! At all intersections where school patrol is present, you must dismount and cross in the crosswalk, pushing your bike as a pedestrian.

12. Both hands should be used in steering the bike except when using one hand for signaling.

13. Be sure your brakes are operating efficiently and keep your bike in perfect running condition.

14. Give pedestrians the right of way. Since pedestrians and bikes share the trail and some other paths, some special care must be taken as the walkers have the right of way.

15. Private property must always be respected.