MILTON HERSHEY SCHOOL Hershey, Pennsylvania

A Message to the Parents/Sponsors of Our Students about the Charter Buses:

The charter buses operate as a convenience and a service for you and our students. We need your continued assistance and cooperation to insure the comfort and safety of all of our students while they are traveling on the charter buses.

We ask that you and your student(s) continue to cooperate with the bus drivers and adult bus monitors, and bus terminal staff so that we can continue the use of these facilities.

Students should board the buses as soon as possible and stay on the buses. It is necessary to load each bus completely and depart the terminals to permit us to maintain our established schedules.

Only students returning to campus are permitted in the loading areas and/or on the charter buses. Parents/Sponsors must remain in the terminal waiting areas. Please say your "good byes" in the terminals. If your student needs assistance you should ask another student to help or wait until the driver or the MHS adult bus monitor can assist them.

It is not possible to save seats on any of the charter buses. Students traveling together should make sure they are prepared to board the buses at the same time. Seats are available to all on a first come basis.

Students are responsible for everything they bring or load on the charter buses.

- All suitcases, back packs, or other luggage brought on each bus must be tagged with the student's name, campus address, and destination address.
- Glass bottles or glass containers are not permitted on the bus.
- Students are expected to place all trash, empty cans, etc. in the proper containers either on the bus or as they depart the bus.
- Students should check their seating area and the overhead compartment for any personal items before they leave the bus.
- *Bicycles and scooters* are not permitted on the buses. Large boxes or trash bags full of possessions are not permitted on the buses.

Headphones must be used with any type of personal entertainment or communication device while the students are on the charter buses. If a student doesn't have headphones, then he/she cannot use their personal entertainment or communication device on the charter bus.

Students must remain in their seats while the bus is in motion. Students are permitted to use the restroom on the bus. However they must remain in their seats during the rest of the trip and follow all instructions given to them by the adult bus monitors and/or bus drivers.

Loud talking, fighting, excessive displays of affection, or any other type of inappropriate behavior is not permitted on the charter buses. Each student must respect the rights of all of the other students for everyone to be able to enjoy their trips.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and consideration.

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Additional Charter Bus Information: 2014-2015

- 1. Make your money order payable to <u>Carl R. Bieber, Inc.</u> for the amount of the exact bus fare. Advance credit card charter bus ticket purchases are available (see information below) until two days prior to the on-campus ticket sales day. Return charter bus fares can be paid to the adult bus monitor on each bus on the return day, as needed. TICKET HOLDERS WILL BE SEATED FIRST.
- 2. TICKETS ARE NON-TRANSFERABLE: Charter bus tickets purchased during previous school years are not valid for travel or refund. Bus tickets purchased during this school year will be valid for travel only on the charter buses and only for the specific travel opportunity listed on the bus ticket. Lost bus tickets cannot be replaced. You and your students must be careful with the bus tickets.
- 3. Middle and Senior Division students must have their MHS identification cards with them when they use the charter buses.
- 4. <u>Traffic or weather conditions may cause delays or shorten travel times.</u> Travel times shown are approximate times. Adults and students should be at departure destinations at least ½ hour prior to established departure times.

Charter Bus Credit Card Ticket Purchases:

For advance credit card purchases of charter bus tickets or information on other bus schedules you should call Bieber Transportation Group of Harrisburg (*Deadline for credit card payments is two weeks prior to departure day*): or 1.800.333.8444, ext. 1233 or 1235 (toll-free, out of local area).

Student Travel Day Charter Bus Information:

You should call the MHS Campus Service Center @ 717.520.2647 if you have any questions or concerns about the charter buses on the student travel days. Most MHS offices are not open on the student travel days. (Do not call the terminals at the departure site).

If you require additional information or have questions on the charter buses, you can check the MHS Internet site or contact the MHS Campus Service Center # 717-520-2647.

Withdraws from Student Beneficiary Accounts:

For a few students, the School is receiving Social Security, Railroad Pension, or other funds which are deposited in special accounts for the student's use after graduation.

If requested from the student's Home Life Office, these funds may be used for transportation and living expenses incurred during the Summer Recess. The School is authorized to release no more than two (2) months' checks for the Summer Recess. Any questions you may have about use of these funds must be directed to your student's Home Life Administrator or Home Life Office.

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