

**Thomasville City Schools
Transportation Department
Student Information & Bus Application Sheet
FY 2016-2017**



Please complete this page (front & back) and return ONLY this page to your child's teacher.

NOTE: Please have your child at the stop by 7:00 a.m. for pick-up. Buses leave the depot to begin their routes at 6:50 a.m. and pick up from the stops between 6:55 and 7:30 a.m. Your cooperation in waiting patiently for the bus arrival is appreciated. If you live within an approximate 4 block distance from the school you attend, you are not eligible for bus transportation to that school. **Please note, any student failing to ride for over a week may be dropped and replaced with a student on the waiting list.**

School attending: Harper Scott MPMS

Please choose the location you want your child/children to be transported to and from school. **(Choose only one location)**

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| Villa North Apts. | Wood Valley Apts. | Douglass School | Hunters Chase Apts. | Faircloth Homes |
| Short Street | Flipper Homes | Old Publix Parking Lot | | Wildwood Apts. |
| Cherokee Homes | Eastside Church | College Terrace | Norman Park Homes | St. Luke Church |
| Lotto Corner Store | Varnedoe Area (National Guard armory) | | | |

Student's Name _____ Grade _____ Teacher _____

Parent or Guardian's Name _____ Relationship _____

Street Address _____ City _____

Cell phone # _____ Home phone # _____

Parent or guardian's workplace _____ Work phone # _____

If a parent cannot be reached, I authorize Thomasville City Schools to call the person(s) listed below:

In case of serious illness/injury, the driver will render first aid as prescribed by School Board Regulations while contacting the parent. If the situation is serious and a guardian cannot be found, the school will call 911 for the Emergency Medical unit to transport to Archbold Memorial Emergency Room. Fees for transportation and medical services will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian. By signing below, you are giving the Thomasville City School System permission to transport your child and contact the doctor in case of an emergency.

Emergency contact person (1) _____ Phone# _____

Street Address _____

Emergency contact person (2) _____ Phone# _____

Street Address _____

Name of child's physician: _____ Does your child take medication at school? Yes No

Please list any medical problems that the student has: _____

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

Please list brothers or sisters that are enrolled in the Thomasville City School System:

Name	School	Name	School
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THOMASVILLE CITY SCHOOLS

Regular Education/Special Education Bus Rules 2016-2017



Dear Parent(s): Please read the following rules and regulations for students riding the bus. Please go over the rules with your child/children. These rules are to ensure your child's safety. Failure to follow these rules could result in suspension from the bus.

1. No eating or drinking on the bus.
2. NO loud talking. The bus driver needs to be able to hear his radio, emergency vehicles, trains, etc.
3. NO standing or getting out of one's seat at any time. No standing while the bus is in motion. The bus will not move until everyone is seated.
4. Students should keep personal items in their school bag at all times.
5. A parent or responsible person must be home during drop-off times to receive their child/children 30 minutes before drop-off time. ***If no one is home to receive your child, he or she will be taken back to their school and it will be your responsibility to pick them up.***
6. All students must keep their hands and head inside the bus at all times. No throwing items out the windows. Windows should be open only with the driver's permission.
7. NO throwing objects, fighting or abusive language! This could lead to permanent removal from the bus.
8. ***Children must be fully dressed before entering the bus.***
9. Parents need to let the teacher know in advance if they plan to pick a child up early.
10. It is the parents' responsibility to make sure their child is brought safely to and from the bus.
11. It is the parent's responsibility to notify the Board Office of any change of an address. We must also have written permission from the parent for your child to be dropped off at another location other than your home address.
12. ***Students must be on time for pickup. Failure to be ready will result in your child being left. It will then be your responsibility to transport your child to school.***
13. The bus driver has the right to assign students to certain seats if necessary to promote order on the bus. Failure to comply with this order may result in suspension from riding the bus.

I have read and understand the bus rules and will also explain them to my child/children. I agree to abide by the established bus rules. I understand that failure to comply by the rules could result in permanent suspension from the bus.

Parent Signature

Date

Bus Policy for Inappropriate Conduct

School bus transportation for students is a privilege that may be forfeited for inappropriate behavior. A student is to ride the bus to which he or she is assigned. Students will be allowed off the bus only at school or designated locations. The bus monitor is in charge of the bus and its occupants en route to and from school. Students riding the bus must comply with the requests of the bus monitor and all bus regulations of the Thomasville City School System.

Inappropriate bus behavior will result in a bus referral. Bus consequences are as follows:

1st Referral	Warning; Parent Contact	4th Referral	7-day Bus Suspension
2nd Referral	3-day Bus Suspension	5th Referral	10-day Bus Suspension
3rd Referral	5-day Bus Suspension	6th Referral	Indefinite Bus Suspension

Rules and Regulations for Students Transported by Thomasville City Schools

All students riding a public school bus for any reason must comply with the following conduct for students during school hours and at school related functions, in a manner that is appropriate to the age of the student: Students should avoid:

1. Verbal assault of teachers, administrators, and other school personnel;
2. Physical assault or battery of teachers, administrators, and other school personnel;
3. Disrespectful conduct toward teachers, administrators, and other school personnel;
4. Verbal assault of other students;
5. Physical assault or battery of other students;
6. Disrespectful conduct toward other students; and
7. Verbal assault of, physical assault or battery of, and disrespectful conduct toward persons attending school related functions.



The specific provisions shall include but not be limited to:

- (A) Students shall be prohibited from acts of physical violence as defined by Code Section 20-3-751.6, bullying as defined by subsection (a) of Code Section 20-3-751.4, physical assault or battery of other persons on the school bus, verbal assault of other persons on the school bus, disrespectful conduct toward the school bus driver or other persons on the school bus, and other unruly behavior;
- (B) Students shall be prohibited from using any electronic devices during the operation of a school bus, including but not limited to cell phones; pagers, audible radios, tape or compact disc players without headphones; or any other electronic device in a manner that might interfere with the school bus communications equipment or the school bus driver's operation of the school bus; and
- (C) Students shall be prohibited from using mirrors, lasers, flash cameras, or any other reflective devices in a manner that might interfere with the school bus driver's operation of the school bus.
- (D) If a student is found to have engaged in physical acts of violence as defined by Code Section 20-3-751.6, the student shall be subject to the penalties set forth in such Code section. If a student is found to have engaged in bullying as defined by subsection (a) of Code Section 20-3-751.4 or in physical assault or battery of another person on the school bus, the local school board policy shall require a meeting of the parent or guardian of the student and appropriate school district officials to form a school bus behavior contract for the student. Such contract shall provide for progressive age-appropriate discipline, penalties, and restrictions for student misconduct on the bus. Contract provisions may include but shall not be limited to assigned seating, ongoing parental involvement, and suspension from riding the bus. This subsection is not to be construed to limit the instances when a school code of conduct or local board of education may require use of a student bus behavior contract.