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WFSI OHIO PARKS TRIP 2022 SAFETY OUTLINE

Instructions:

In order for everyone to have a successful Ohio Parks Trip, we need to assure a **safe** trip. Listen carefully to the presentation about safety rules and guidelines for the Ohio Parks Trip, and *take notes to fill in the details about each point below*. Then transfer this page into your trip Journal.

RULES:

SEATBELTS: When we are traveling in the vans, *when* should you wear seatbelts? _____

BUDDY SYSTEM: Whenever you are not with the whole group all together (such as when you go to the bathroom at a campground, or walk to the campground beach during free time, or when we are at a visitor center at a park, etc), *who* needs to be with you at ALL times? _____

SHOES: *When* should you be wearing shoes (which might be tennis shoes, hiking boots, water shoes, or flip flops, depending on setting) other than when you are in your tent? _____

SCENTS: *When* should you have anything that has a scent (food...flavored drinks...scented shampoos or lotions...sunscreen...chapstick...toiletries...) IN your **tent** or IN your **duffle**? _____

Where are you supposed to keep any scented items like those listed above? _____

_____ **Where** should your string bag and day pack go when you aren't using them? _____

BIKING: We will discuss biking safety and protocols at our May meeting, but a few points to note include: Will we ride together as a group, or each by ourselves when biking? _____

When should you wear your helmet when biking? _____ When should you be sure to ride carefully and in control, observing all traffic rules? _____

GUIDELINES:

ROLL CALL: Whenever we need to gather as a group to make sure everyone is accounted for (like, before we leave camp each day, before we set out for a hike or other adventure, before we get in the vans to head for a new location, etc), how will we know that no one is missing? _____

_____ When we do roll call, when should you call out YOUR number? _____

_____. What is your number? _____



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FOOD: What should be in your Nalgene/water bottles? _____ When should you bring food into a tent? _____ (just checking) When should you bring sticky, melty, or staining food or snacks into the van? _____ When can you have open drinks in the van? _____

THE HORRIBLE CONSEQUENCES:

Because **wearing seatbelts** during van travel and **being with a buddy** during free time in public areas are of critical importance to everyone's safety, those two rules carry consequences if anyone fails to follow those rules:

Seatbelts:

Since our van rides will be (statistically) the most dangerous thing we'll do on the entire trip, if anyone is found to be NOT wearing their seatbelt when we are traveling in vans:

1st time: You will receive a _____

2nd time: We will pull the whole caravan of vehicles over and make an _____ to the whole group announcing that we have to stop because you are not wearing your seatbelt.

3rd time: We will call _____ and they will come pick you up and take you _____.

Buddy System:

Because WFSI is not a residential camp on private property, but rather involves explorations and adventures all across Ohio, in public places of all sorts (and because you are representing WFSI wherever we go), it is imperative that you are **always with a buddy** when we aren't doing an all-group activity. If you are found to be without a buddy anywhere or any time where you *should* have a buddy:

1st time: You will have used up the *whole group's* one _____, and you will have to stay with staff for the rest of that day, and then _____ to the rest of the group at our evening meeting that you have used up the one warning for the whole group.

2nd time: All "free" time will be taken away from _____ students for the rest of the trip.

3rd time: We will call _____ and they will come pick you up and take you _____.