

Behavioral Contract (EXAMPLE)

I. **School, Grades and Attendance**

- A Must maintain grades of C's or better in all classes.
 - Failure to maintain a "C" average will result in
 - a) Earlier curfew on weekends
 - b) Unable to go out during the week
 - c) No car privileges
 - d) No cell phone usage
- B Must provide weekly evidence of adequate performance using the teacher signature sheet and reviewed on Friday's
 - No car privileges will be allowed if signature pages are forgotten until grade report is turned in.
- C All school authority figures (teachers, counselors, aids, etc.) must be treated with respect.
 - Failure to treat with respect shall result in loss of:
 - a)
- D No absences will be excused without physical and objective evidence of illness (fever, vomiting, congestion, hoarse voice, etc.).
- E It is your responsibility to plan how you will get to school. Under no circumstances should you assume you would be driven; A request to be driven to school should be made 1 day in advance.
 - If you miss school without a parental excuse you will:
 - a) Be grounded for 1 week for each day you miss.
- F Under no circumstances should you assume you will be given the car; A request to take a car to school should be made 1 day in advance.

II. **Behavior, Respect for Family Members and Household Property**

- A Family members are to be treated respectfully including the following specific expectations:
 - No use of abusively foul or profane language
 - No screaming at a family members
 - No highly aggressive or intimidating actions (i.e. throwing objects, angrily pounding on things, kicking things, etc.)
 - a) It is okay to be angry but how you handle your anger is important.
 - b) Any behavior mentioned above will result in: _____
- B Household property is expected to be used in a manner consistent with normal and customary usage and cannot be altered or disassembled without permission (including possessions in your bedroom such as computers, remote controllers, window screens, electronic devices, etc.).
 - Failure to abide by this requirement will result in deduction from your bank account to repair or replace damaged items.
- C You may not take, move or confiscate possessions that do not belong to you
 - Your room is only to contain those possessions that are customary in a bedroom which presently include clothes, furniture, bedding, books, computer, stereo, TV, cable box and related objects.
 - You are specifically forbidden from taking mail, household documents (i.e. titles, birth certificates, product manuals, bills, tax documents or any other document

stored in file folders or drawers), Dad's laptop, computer disks*, computer applications (including games not already stored in your hard drive)**.

- We reserve the right to search your room.
 - a) {Does the kid have the right to be there or not?}
 - b) If any illegal substance is found, the police will be contacted.

III. Entering and Leaving the House

A Permission must be requested to leave the house

- This includes decisions to take a walk
- You will be expected to provide a clear indication of where you are going, who you will be with, when you will return, and what you are doing.
- If no one is home, leave a note on the kitchen table indicating your whereabouts and a phone number where you can be reached.
 - a) Failure to provide this information will result in grounding for 3 days per question you did not answer.
 - b) If you are not where you state you will be or do not answer the phone, you will be grounded for 2 weeks.

B No guests are allowed in the house without our knowledge.

- The following guests are not allowed on the premises:

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- If unauthorized guests come to the door or your window, you will be expected to indicate that they are not allowed to come in without parental approval. Upon making us aware of a situation, we will address how to handle an unexpected situation involving a former friend.

- a) If you allow an unapproved guest, this will result not being able to leave the home for 1 week. But you can have approved guests over.

C It is polite and customary to announce you are home when you come in from school, work or an evening out. Although it is not always reasonable to announce yourself (since it is sometimes obvious) but it is expected that you let another family member know you are home if no one saw you come in.

D You must be home by 10 p.m. every night and it is a requirement that you notify one of us when you come in from an evening out. You will need to awaken one of us if we have both fallen asleep.

- You will be allowed 5 minutes to be late. After 5 minutes you will grounded 1 day for every minute you are late.

E Intentional door slamming is not allowed

IV. Reimbursements

A Probation Fee of \$50/month

- 60% of the fee will be waived if you do not test positive for drugs during the month (see example in section V. item E below)
- If you test positive for drug use at any time during the month, the full \$50 will be payable

B Liability Due for Unauthorized Uses of Funds and Damages to Electronics, Cars and Other Household Property during 2003

- Although it is mutually agreed that you do not have the capacity to repay all the damage you caused in 2003, we believe that \$1000 represents fraudulent actions which could have been separately prosecuted or highly inappropriate actions well beyond costly errors or indiscretions of other teenagers. You will be responsible to pay \$50 per month until the debt is satisfied.

V. Smoking, Alcohol and Drugs

A No smoking is allowed in the house or in the cars by anyone

B No under age alcohol use is allowed

C We have zero tolerance for possession or use of illegal drugs in our household

- We will notify the authorities of any situation involving illegal drugs

Note: Prescriptions not prescribed to you are considered illegal, legal prescription medication must be taken only as directed by your physician

D You will be required to submit to additional drug testing beyond what is required by court order if we feel your behavior or circumstances warrant additional testing frequency.

Refusal to test will result in: (The same consequences for a dirty UA)

E If you test positive for drug use, in addition to any court related consequence, the following actions will be taken:

- 1st incidence following TASC testing (which has been reported as occurring on 1/13/04 and therefore is immediately in effect):

- 30 days suspension of driving privileges accept specific driving performed on our request and for our convenience which will be closely monitored by time and mileage (e.g. driving to take drug test)
- 7 days of grounding followed by 30 days of restricted dates/activities in which we will not allow you to go anyplace that we cannot reasonably control or ensure your actions or activities.
- Continuous and intensive monitoring of communications and actions until at least 90 days of drug testing indicates no drug usage is occurring.
This time frame may be cut in half if you pay for additional UA tests with your own money.
- Requirement to turn over your paycheck for deposit for a period of six months and deduction of 30% for savings*** with additional pro rata deductions of probation fee and reimbursement fee as well as any other amounts owed due to circumstances specific to the period. The remainder will be given to you in cash with a summary of the transaction (see example below).

Example: Bi-Monthly paycheck = \$100 and no future drug use is indicated by TASC testing

Deposit	\$100
Savings of 30%***	(30)

Less: Probation fee	(10)
Less: Reimb. of unauthor. use of funds	<u>(25)</u>
Net Cash Due	\$ 35

- 2nd incidence following TASC testing:
 - 90 days suspension of driving privileges except specific driving performed on our request and for our convenience which will be closely monitored by time and mileage (e.g. driving to take drug test)
 - 14 days of grounding followed by 90 days of restricted dates/activities in which we will not allow you to go anyplace that we cannot reasonably control or ensure your actions or activities
 - Continuous and intensive monitoring of communications and actions until at least 180 days of drug testing indicates no drug usage is occurring
 - You are required to turn over your paycheck for deposit until you reach 18 years of age. This will occur using the process of deductions described above.

- Repeat incidences will be addressed in consultation with the probation officer. Handling and responses to these incidence will not be defined in this document

VI. Other

- A You are expected to perform your standard household chores and nominal requests for assistance, as needed, to earn your allowance. Failure to perform these chores timely or without difficulties will result in the loss of some (EX. \$5 for each chore you refuse to do) or all of your allowance.
- B You may not trade, sell or give away any property, household or personal possessions without our knowledge.
- C You are not to be alone with a female in a bedroom with the door closed
- D Interior doors are not to be locked. Two three-knock attempts will be given and if no response is received, we will come into your room
- E Privacy is not a right; it is a privilege. If circumstances warrant it, you can lose privacy privileges including such actions as removal of your door, searches of your room, etc.

PARENTS

****You want to build in parts where the kid can earn additional privileges, Examples may be:

1. A "B" average will extend your curfew by 1 hour.
2. Excellent or Superior reports from your teachers can earn you additional money from your savings account.
3. Completion of all chores "WITH OUT REMINDERS" will provide you an extra \$10 per week.
4. 3 Consecutive clean UA results will reward you dinner at the restaurant of your choice.
5. Trust is built with compliance of this contract and privileges may be increased or decreased as deemed appropriate by the parents.

By signing this contract, I agree to the above terms without argument: _____ (kid)_____

By signing this contact, I agree not to deviate from the consequences stated above: _____(Parents)___