

Tamara M. Callahan, Principal

## Bicycle Permission

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Permission will be granted to children in grades 2 through 5 who wish to ride bicycles to and from school, providing the parent/guardian gives permission by signing this form. The student must comply with the basic rules of bicycle safety. It is suggested that the bicycle be registered with your local borough police.

The possession of a bicycle is one of childhood's greatest joys. A few of the basic items of responsibility are:

1. The bicycle should be the right size, and adjusted properly.
2. The child must be taught how to ride, how to get on and off, how to steer, and how to apply the brakes.. He/she should learn that smart riders keep their hands on the handlebars, do not perform stunts, and one person on a bike at a time.
3. Your child must understand traffic signs and signals, learn to use accepted hand signals, understand and obey traffic rules and regulations.
4. He/she should understand the mechanics of a bicycle and how to keep it in good condition.
5. The child should know how to park and store his/her bicycle safely. We have TWO bike racks (about 18 spots).
6. The child should be taught "bicycle courtesy", respect for the law and for the rights of others-cyclists, pedestrians and motorists.
7. It is the law-a bicycle safety helmet must be worn.
8. Your child needs to know the safest route to and from school and is expected not to make any detours along the way.
9. The school is not responsible for any damage to bikes while "parked" on school property during the day.

*Return the bottom portion to the office. This will remain on file in the school office for this school year only.*

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*Bicycle Permission to Ride to and from School:* It is with my knowledge and permission that my child be permitted to ride to and from E.M. Crouthamel Elementary School. I understand that this privilege can be removed if my child does not comply with the approved practices of "Safe Bicycle Riding".

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_