

Book Bus Sessions: District Guidelines

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Student Eligibility & Participation

- Participation is open to currently enrolled Robertson County Schools students.
- Participants must have parent/guardian consent on file prior to participation.
- Participation is voluntary and may be limited based on scheduling, space, and staff availability.
- Efforts will be made to include participants from across the district and represent a diverse range of voices, schools, and musical styles.
- Due to limited space on the Book Bus, the number of participants may be limited.

Content Standards

- All performances must be school-appropriate and align with Robertson County Schools' code of conduct.
- All lyrics and musical arrangements are subject to review and approval by district staff prior to scheduling a recording session.
- Lyrics and spoken content must not include:
 - Profanity or explicit language
 - References to the use or misuse of drugs (including prescription, over-the-counter, or illegal substances), alcohol, or illegal activity
 - Hate speech, discrimination, harassment, or content that targets or demeans any student, staff member, or individual
 - Sexual or explicit content
 - Violence or threats
- Songs should reflect positive expression, storytelling, or personal creativity suitable for a school audience.

Original Work & Copyright

- Participants are strongly encouraged to perform original music.
- Participants may perform music that is in the public domain
- At this time, **cover songs are not permitted** due to proper permissions and licensing that must be secured for online distribution.
- By participating, participants grant Robertson County Schools permission to record, edit, and publish their performance on district platforms (website, social media, etc.).
- Robertson County Schools will use recording for educational and promotional purposes only and will not sell or commercially distribute student performances.

Behavior & Expectations

- Participants must follow all school rules and demonstrate respectful behavior at all times, in accordance with the Student Handbook and Board Policies.
- Participants are expected to:
 - Arrive prepared
 - Treat staff, equipment, and peers respectfully
 - Follow directions from supervising staff
- Performances must adhere to previously approved lyrics and musical arrangements. Any significant deviation may result in termination of the performance.
- Any behavior that disrupts the session may result in termination of the performance.

Supervision & Safety

- All sessions will be supervised by Robertson County Schools staff.
- Recording will take place on school campus with prior coordination and approval from building administration and the School Resource Officer (SRO) on duty.
- The Book Bus will remain stationary during recording sessions.
- All audio and video equipment will be operated by district personnel only.
- Participants must follow all school safety protocols and staff directions while participating.
- Due to limited space on the Book Bus, attendance is limited to participating students, school staff, and approved students only.

Production & Final Approval

- All recordings are subject to review and approval by district staff prior to distribution.
- The district reserves the right to edit, withhold, or decline to publish any performance that does not meet guidelines.
- Participants are responsible for providing their own instruments and musical equipment (e.g. instruments, amplifiers, and accessories).

Participants are responsible for the transport, care, setup, and supervision of their personal equipment at all times. Robertson County Schools is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged items brought to recording sessions.

By submitting this form, the parent/guardian agrees that their child will comply with the Book Bus Sessions District Guidelines.