



2016-2017

FOURTH AVENUE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

450 South Fourth Avenue
Yuma, Arizona 85364
(928) 502-7000

Office hours 7:45 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

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YETC Parent Resources (About Us/Our School)

Mr. Jose Cazares, Principal
Mrs. Sharon Jones, Assistant Principal
School Resource Officer Cassandra Reed
Provided by Yuma Police Department

In the event there is a disparity between the Parent/Student Handbook and Board Policy,
Board Policy will take precedence.

This notebook belongs to _____

Mission Statement:

Fourth Avenue Junior High is dedicated to rigorous instruction that provides each student with the academic, physical, and social skills necessary to be successful, productive, and confident in a global community.

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Student Schedule

1 st Quarter:			2 nd Quarter:		
Per	Rm#	Teacher	Per	Rm#	Teacher
1 st :	_____	_____	1 st	_____	_____
2 nd	_____	_____	2 nd	_____	_____
3 rd	_____	_____	3 rd	_____	_____
4 th	_____	_____	4 th	_____	_____
5 th	_____	_____	5 th	_____	_____
6 th	_____	_____	6 th	_____	_____
7 th	_____	_____	7 th	_____	_____
8 th	_____	_____	8 th	_____	_____
3 rd Quarter:			4 th Quarter:		
Per	Rm#	Teacher	Per	Rm#	Teacher
1 st :	_____	_____	1 st	_____	_____
2 nd	_____	_____	2 nd	_____	_____
3 rd	_____	_____	3 rd	_____	_____
4 th	_____	_____	4 th	_____	_____
5 th	_____	_____	5 th	_____	_____
6 th	_____	_____	6 th	_____	_____
7 th	_____	_____	7 th	_____	_____
8 th	_____	_____	8 th	_____	_____

Homework

If a student is absent two or more days and wishes to pick up homework, please call the office prior to 9:00 a.m. The homework will be ready for pick up that same afternoon. If the student is absent only one day, student should ask teachers for the work missed when he/she returns to school the following day.

Notebook Notice:

Every student is issued a notebook at the beginning of the school year. We require that **ALL** students bring their notebooks daily to school to organize assignments or any information given by the teacher. **Students, who lose their notebook, will be required to purchase another notebook for \$5.00 at the office.**

FAJH Bell Schedule
2016-2017

REGULAR SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays

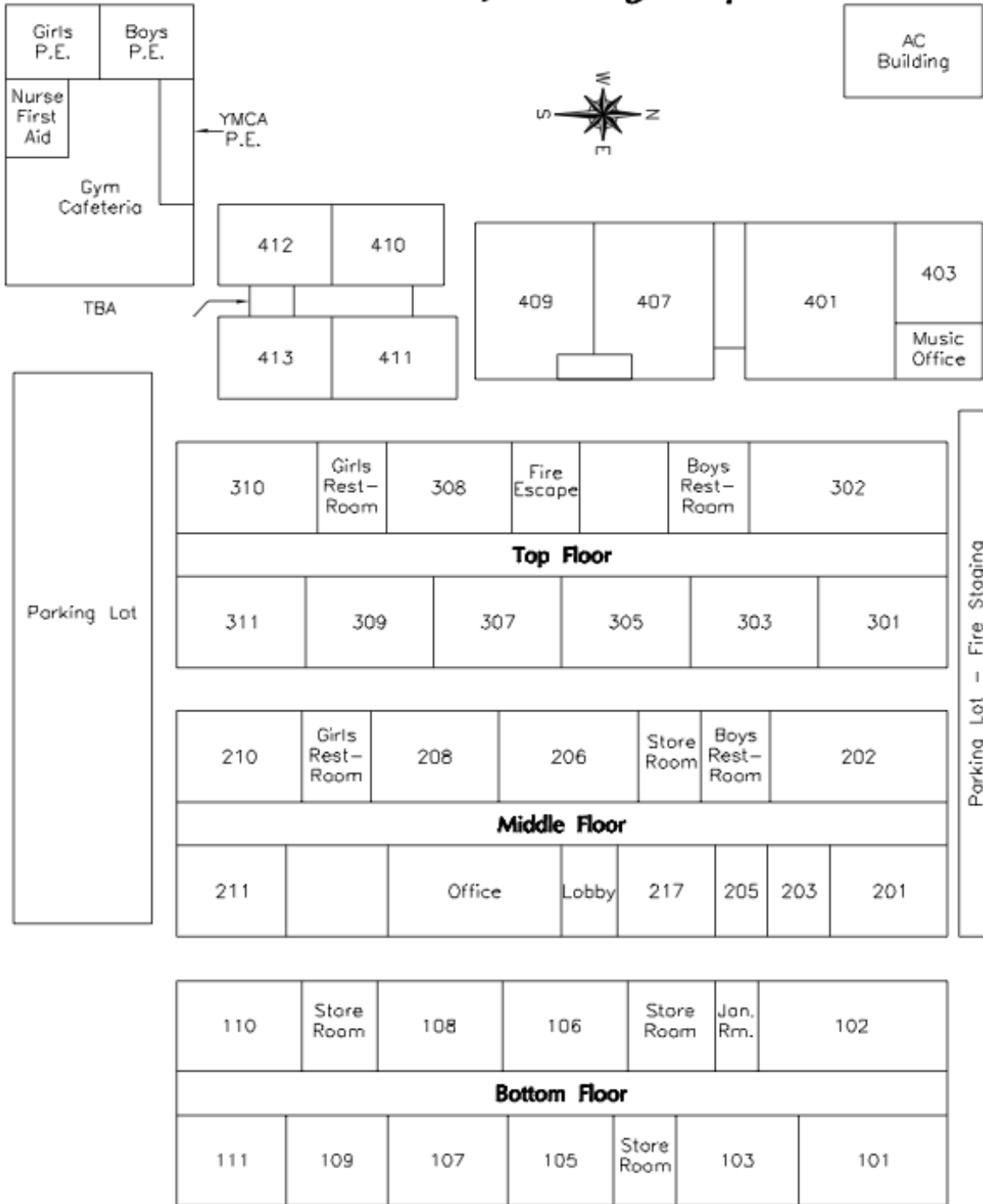
Entry Bell	8:32
1 st Period	8:35 - 9:21
2 nd Period	9:24 - 10:10
3 rd Period	10:13 - 10:59
4 th Period	11:02 - 11:48
5 th Period	11:51 - 12:37
Lunch	12:37 - 1:07
6 th Period	1:10 - 1:56
7 th Period	1:59 - 2:45
8 th Period	2:48 - 3:39
Dismissal	3:39

Early Release

Monday 2:10 PM Release

Entry Bell	8:32
1 st Period	8:35 - 9:09
2 nd Period	9:12 - 9:47
3 rd Period	9:50 - 10:25
4 th Period	10:28 - 11:03
5 th Period	11:06 - 11:41
6 th Period	11:44 - 12:19
Lunch	12:19 - 12:49
7 th Period	12:52 - 1:27
8 th Period	1:30 - 2:10
Dismissal	2:10

Fourth Avenue Junior High Map



Girls P.E.	Boys P.E.
Nurse First Aid	Gym Cafeteria
TBA	

AC Building



412	410
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409	407	401	403
			Music Office

413	411
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Parking Lot

310	Girls Rest-Room	308	Fire Escape	Boys Rest-Room	302
Top Floor					
311	309	307	305	303	301

210	Girls Rest-Room	208	206	Store Room	Boys Rest-Room	202	
Middle Floor							
211		Office	Lobby	217	205	203	201

110	Store Room	108	106	Store Room	Jan. Rm.	102
Bottom Floor						
111	109	107	105	Store Room	103	101

Parking Lot - Fire Staging

Teacher Information

Teacher	Subject	Room#	email
Champagne, Marseille	Resource	111	mchampagne1@yuma.org
Cullison, David	Art	110	dcullison@yuma.org
Eide, Stacy	EL	302	eeide@yuma.org
Guthrie, Maria	8th Math & AVID	307	mguthrie@yuma.org
Herrera, Daniel	8th Language Arts/AVID	301	cstacy@yuma.org
Jones, Shiloh	8th Math	303	sjones3@yuma.org
McGlasson, Michael	7th Soc. St./ 8th AVID	305	mmcglasson@yuma.org
Navarrete, Vicki	7th Math	201	vnavarrete@yuma.org
Phillips, Stephanie	6th Language Arts	102	sphillips@yuma.org
Pickett, Sean	7th Language Arts/EL	210	spickett@yuma.org
Rahkola, Amanda	7th Language Arts	211	arahkola@yuma.org
Rice, Sallie	8 th Language Arts	311	srice1@yuma.org
Robles, Debra	6th Math	208	drobles@yuma.org
Rodriguez, Rudy	Migrant/AVID	105	rrodriguez@yuma.org
Santana, Joel	Band/Choir/ MA	401/411	jsantana@yuma.org
Schmidt, Benjamin	6 th /8 th Science	101	bschmidt@yuma.org
Sissel, Tonya	6 th /8 th Science	109	tsissel1@yuma.org
Toensing, Judy	6/8th Social Studies	309	jtoensing@yuma.org
Valdivia, Jason	ESS	407	mvaldivia@yuma.org
Waddill, Emily	7 th Math	202	ewaddill@yuma.org
Wzientek, Aja	PE	GYM	awzientek@yuma.org



Yuma School District One

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Student Calendar 2016 – 2017

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Alice Byrne
Carver
Desert Mesa
McGraw
Castle Dome Middle School
Fourth Avenue Junior High

Otondo
Palmcroft
Pecan Grove
O.C. Johnson
Gila Vista Junior High
Ron Watson Middle School

Price
Rolle
Roosevelt
Sunrise
Woodard Junior High

July 18, 2016	Middle School Offices Open
July 25, 2016	Elementary School Offices Open
August 8, 2016	First Day of School
September 5, 2016	Labor Day
October 10, 2016	Columbus Day
November 11, 2016	Veteran's Day Holiday
November 23-25, 2016	Thanksgiving Holiday Break
December 19, 2016-January 6, 2017	Winter Break
January 16, 2017	Martin Luther King Day
February 17, 2017	Non-School Day for Students
February 20, 2017	President's Day
April 3, 2017-April 7, 2017	Spring Break
April 14, 2017	Good Friday
May 26, 2017	Last Day of School
May 29, 2017	Memorial Day
June 2, 2017	Elementary School Offices Close
June 9, 2017	Middle School Offices Close

Fourth Avenue Junior High School Parent Policy

Fourth Avenue Junior High School is committed to working together with parents to provide the best educational experience for students. Academic success is directly related to parent involvement and communication with the school. Therefore, we expect our parents to be responsible and send their child to school prepared and ready to learn. As a school, Fourth Avenue is committed to providing the following opportunities.

- A Parent Orientation night in which you will be able to meet your child's teacher.
- An opportunity to participate in school decision-making processes through site improvement plan meetings, program evaluations and annual review of this policy and parent compact.
- Opportunity to participate in parent counseling, parent workshops and community services.
- An opportunity to meet with your child's teachers at least twice a year to discuss your child's progress and academic needs.
- Communication will be provided that will meet the needs of all family members regarding school curriculum, meetings and student achievement through the use of e-mails, conferences, handouts, mailings, and Connect-Ed calls.
- A survey will be provided to the parents to gather data about the current curricular program, school concerns, academic progress, future meeting topics and suggestions for improvement.
- A parent liaison will be provided to promote positive school to home communication, schedule additional parent/teacher conferences, and promote additional programs that may be beneficial to the families of Fourth Avenue.
- Parents will be provided the District & School iPad Policy.

To All Students:

Welcome to another exciting school year at **Fourth Avenue Junior High School!** We are committed to helping you prepare for the challenges that are ahead. The State of Arizona continues to set very high academic standards in every subject area, and we at FAJH, continue to work diligently to help all of our students meet and exceed those expectations. We look forward to a great school year!

And remember, **“WITH THE WINGS OF FALCON PRIDE, WE FLY”**

Grading System:

90-100%
80-99%
70-79%
60-69%
Under 60%

AZ State Standards:

A (4.0) 4 **Highly Proficient**
B (3.0) 3 **Proficient**
C (2.0) 2 **Partially Proficient**
D (1.0) 1 **Minimally Proficient**
F (0.0)

A middle school student must earn a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 1.0 or better. A student must maintain a passing GPA in the core subjects of language arts, mathematics, social studies, and science to be promoted to the next grade.

Closed Campus:

Students are required to remain on campus from the time they arrive in the morning until they have been dismissed. Students are not to leave campus during school hours without parental and school consent. Students who are requested to leave campus early must be signed out at the office by a parent/guardian or an authorized adult.

Visitors:

It is the obligation of the Principal's office to maintain a safe campus and to protect the health and welfare of students and staff. **All visitors on campus are required to check in at the front office for authorization to visit campus.** Students are not permitted to bring guests to school.

*****Parents MUST show a valid and current ID when picking up students from school.**

NO EXCEPTIONS.

Prohibited Articles:

All food and drink items including gum, sunflower seeds, candy, sodas, etc, are prohibited except when approved by the principal's office for an approved school function.

Tobacco, electronic cigarettes, alcohol, drugs, over the counter medication, inhalants, and prescription drugs. weapons, skateboards, Inline skates, blades, water pistols, markers, chains, laser pens, electronic devices, aerosol containers, and other items considered dangerous or unsafe are not permitted on campus.

Cell Phone/Electronic Devices:

School administration is not responsible to investigate the loss or theft of any electronic device.

To avoid theft, loss, or damage, students should not bring valuable items to school unless such items are part of a class project or assignment.

Student Cell Phone Limitations:

Student cell phones must be off and put away during school hours. If a student has a cell phone out in class, the cell phone will be confiscated and turned into the office. Any student found to be using a cell phone inappropriately or in a disruptive manner during school hours will have their cell phone confiscated and disciplined accordingly. Cell phones **MAY NOT** be out in the PE locker rooms. It is against the law to threaten, harass, or bully others with text messages/phone calls or by posting comments on Internet sites such as Facebook, Twitter, Snap Chat, etc. Our school Site Resource Officer (SRO- police officer) may be involved in these kinds of complaints. **Students bringing cell phones on campus do so at their own risk!**

Confiscated Items:

Any confiscated items can be retrieved from the school office after 3:30 PM. Items can **ONLY** be released to a parent of record. **There will be no exceptions to this policy!**

Drug Free School Zone:

Fourth Avenue Junior High School has been officially designated as a **DRUG FREE ZONE**. Anyone, including students, found to be in possession of any illegal drug for use or distribution, is in violation of ARS 13-34-11.A-1 and is subject of enhanced legal penalties including a fine of not less than \$2000.00.

Safety Drills:

Drills are unannounced but are held regularly during the school year to provide awareness of the warning system. The procedures are outlined and addressed with staff and students at the beginning of the year.

Attendance:

Parents are to notify the school office when a student is absent by 9:00 a.m. on the day that child will not be in school. Any student returning to school without parental notification of an absence, such absence will be considered un-excused and will be subject to disciplinary action. Also, please notify the office and teachers when you have prior knowledge of a student being absent. **It will be the responsibility of the student to arrange for make-up work.**

Example of excused absences:

Personal illness Doctor's appointments Emergencies Funeral services

Examples of unexcused absences:

Babysitting Missing the bus Oversleeping
Car trouble Out of town trips

A student who CONSISTENTLY has unexcused absences will be subject to disciplinary actions. If an absence is reported as an illness repeatedly, a doctor's note will be required to keep this from being considered for disciplinary action...such as truancy.

School Attendance Policy: *Signed attendance policies will be kept on file*

By law, students are required to attend school every day, unless they are absent for an approved reason. Students who show a pattern of poor school attendance, or who have many unclear absences or trancies, will be referred to the **Yuma County Juvenile Justice Center** for intervention and/or for disciplinary action.

Excessive absences: A student must attend class regularly to receive a passing grade. A student who is absent from a class more than ten percent (10%) of the number of required attendance days, and whose absences have materially affected their academic progress, may fail that grade, receive a lower grade, or be retained.

School-Wide Discipline:

A copy of the District Discipline Policies and Procedures is provided for each student for review by students and parents. Students who violate school and/or classroom rules will receive disciplinary action, which is appropriate for the particular offense. All efforts will be made to communicate with the parents to help prevent further misconduct by the students. It is the responsibility of the student to respect the right of others. Fourth Avenue Junior High has developed policies and procedures that govern student behavior.

Disciplinary actions may include the following:

1. Verbal warning by teacher or administrator
2. Classroom consequences assigned by teacher
3. After school detention assigned by teacher or administrator
4. In-School Suspension, removal from the regular classroom assigned by administrator
5. Out-of-School Suspension assigned by administrator

Other consequences may be assigned at the discretion of the administration. Students may be prohibited from attending or participating in extracurricular activities as a result of misconduct.

Gangs/Secret Societies:

It is the District's position that gangs/secret societies that initiate, advocate, or promote activities that threaten the safety or well being of persons or property on school grounds or that disrupt the school environment are harmful to the educational process. Further, it is the District's position that the use of hand signals, graffiti, or the presence of any apparel, jewelry, accessory, or manner of dress or grooming that, by virtue of its color, arrangement, trademark, symbol or any other attribute indicates or implies membership of affiliation with such a group is prohibited because of the disruption to educational activities. Any activity involving an initiation, hazing, intimidation, assault, or other activity related to group affiliation that is likely to cause or does cause bodily danger, physical harm, or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to others is prohibited and disciplinary action will be imposed accordingly.

FAJH School Uniform Policy

The District encourages students to take pride in their attire as it relates to the school setting. In 2006, the Yuma School District #1 School Board approved a school uniform policy for Fourth Avenue Junior High School. The school uniform policy takes into consideration the educational environment, safety, health, and welfare of our students. Our FAJH school uniform policy is as follows:

1. **Shirts** – must be a **solid**, red polo style with a collar with 2-3 buttons. Shirts may be short or long sleeved. Sleeveless are not allowed. Pictures, words or logos are also not allowed on shirts unless it is a FAJH logo. Shirts may be tucked or untucked with the length limit at the wrist.
2. **Pants, shorts or skorts** – must be **solid** black. Length of skirts, shorts, and skorts must be below mid-thigh. If it is shorter, it will be considered a dress code violation. Pants, shorts or skorts must be worn at the **WAIST** at all times. Pants, shorts or skorts must be no larger or smaller than **ONE SIZE** more than the student's normal size. If a student's pants are excessively baggy and falling below the waist, this will also be in violation. Hems should not be frayed or drag on the floor. Shorts must be of the appropriate length- not shorter than the fingertips when arms descended down along the side of the body. Decorative stitching and/or designs on bottoms are not allowed. Pants cannot be ripped or torn. Again, all bottoms must be a solid black color. Athletic clothing such as **gym shorts, sweat pants, leggings, or other articles of clothing deemed inappropriate by administration are not allowed.**
3. **All Belts** – Belt buckles must be appropriate.
4. **Sweatshirts, outerwear, and jackets** – must be **the school colors of** red, black, white or gray.
5. **Gang related personalization** – is not permitted on items of clothing, backpacks, belt buckles or on one's person.
6. **Caps and hats** – are not allowed at school. Hoods on sweatshirts should not be worn inside any buildings, classrooms or cafeteria/gymnasium.
7. **Jewelry/Accessories** – that represents a safety hazard to self and others is prohibited. Watch and wallet chains are not allowed. Non-prescription, colored contact lens is not allowed.
8. **Shoes** – students must wear shoes at all times. No slippers or flip-flops allowed! No backless shoes.
9. **Socks**-must be worn properly, under the pants.

Any apparel that the administration determines to be unacceptable in light of school and/or community standards is prohibited. This includes but is not limited to clothing, which offends or disrupts the educational process.

In addition to the above guidelines, students who are involved in extra-curricular activities such as athletics, band, choir, etc. are subject to the standards of dress as defined by the sponsors of such activities.

We reserve the right to allow no uniforms on special occasions. Students and parents will be notified on these dates.

DRESS CODE POLICY

(The following will not be allowed)

- Hats, baseball caps, gloves, hair net, beanies, doo-rags, and bandannas will not be allowed on school campus.
- Excessively baggy, loose fitting clothing is not allowed.
- Spaghetti straps, tank tops, or excessively low cut shirts are not allowed.
- Gang-related personalization is not permitted, on items of clothing, belt buckles or on one's person. Bandannas and any belts hanging from the pant loops are prohibited as well as any simulation of anything representing "colors." Any clothing, which would identify a student as a gang member, **will not be tolerated.**
- Sunglasses cannot be worn inside the buildings
- Profane, obscene, or defamatory language or symbols, ethnic slurs, or symbols of drugs, sex, gang or alcohol on clothing or jewelry will not be allowed. Also, wallets with chains are prohibited on school campus.
- If body piercing becomes a distraction, a parent conference will be required.
- Bare feet, flip-flops or slippers are never acceptable.
- Students who volunteer for extracurricular activities, such as athletics, band, choir, etc. are subject to the standards of dress as defined by the sponsors of such activities.

Consequences:

When a student is in violation of the dress code and uniform policies, the teacher will send the student to the office with a General Pass filled out with the dress code or uniform policy violation information.

-Student will be required to change clothes and/or place a call home to parents.

Field Trips:

Field trips are a privilege, and are related to your class work. However, if your behavior, grades and/or attendance are a concern, you may not be allowed to attend a field trip.

Extra-Curricular Participation When Absent From School:

Students absent from school may not participate or attend extra-curricular activities such as athletic practice, contests and events, meetings, rehearsals, practices of any kind, dances, try-outs, and performances. Students with an excused half-day absence may participate/attend.

Counseling Services:

The counselor is a source of a wide variety of information, a helper, a friend, an advocate and someone in whom students can confide. It is best to sign up in the office to see the counselor, but in emergencies, students may ask their teacher for a pass to the counselor's appointment will not interfere with work in class.

School Dances:

All rules governing the campus apply to the student dances. Additional rules and procedures will be issued and distributed to students and parents prior to the dance. Dances are from 6:00-8:00 P.M. Attendance at school dances is conditional upon student behavior and attendance. Misconduct or absences may result in a student not being allowed to attend a dance. **Students not picked up promptly at 8:00 PM will not be permitted to attend the next dance.**

Cafeteria:

A breakfast and lunch program is provided to all students. Menus are displayed in the cafeteria and around the school. Students are required to conduct themselves in a safe and orderly manner, maintain cleanliness, and show proper courtesies to their fellow students and school employees.

Library:

Students are expected to respect the rights of others by behaving according to school/library rules, promptly returning books borrowed, and paying for damaged or lost books.

Health Office:

The school health office is open during school hours to provide health information, dispense physician/parent-approved medications and provide first aid to students. The health aide should always be consulted in cases of injury during the school day. The health aide is the only person authorized to permit a student to go home during the school day due to illness.

Prescription medications may be administered by the health aide only under the following conditions:

- (1) The medication has been prescribed by a physician for that student.
- (2) The medication must be in its original container and kept in the nurse's office during the school day.
- (3) No medication from Mexico shall be dispensed at school unless it is accompanied by the original prescription from a licensed physician, nurse practitioner, physician's assistant, or dentist licensed in Arizona or California. Medications prescribed by a physician, etc. licensed outside of the United States cannot be brought to school.

In order for the health aide to administer over-the-counter, non-prescription medications, the medication must be in the original container and a parent permission note must be on file in the nurse's office. Students are not allowed to carry non-prescription medications on campus.

Transportation:

Public school transportation services are a privilege, not an entitlement. Continued transportation service is contingent upon student compliance with school bus rules. These rules are in place to promote the safety of all students granted the privilege of riding a Yuma Schools Transportation Department Bus. Failure on the part of the students to comply with the school bus rules could result in permanent loss of riding privileges for the school year and disciplinary action from the school up through expulsion. If you have any questions/comments, please call the Yuma Schools Transportation Department at 341-9076.

Fourth Avenue Junior High School

STUDENT-SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

Student Agreement:

It is important that I work to the best of my ability. Therefore, I shall strive to do the following:

- *Attend school regularly
- *Come to school each day with student notebook, pens, pencils, paper, iPads charged and other necessary tools for learning.
- *Complete and return all homework assignments
- *Observe regular study hours
- *Conform to rules of student conduct
- *Follow the “Responsible Use Guidelines” for technology.

SCHOOL AGREEMENT:

As a school, in order to give students every opportunity to be successful, we agree to the following:

- *Make every effort to provide you with a safe environment for learning
- *Offer to you, a challenging instruction in a respectful environment
- *Communicate and work with families to support the learning
- *Notify your parents whenever there is an unusual situation involving you
- *Respect the cultural differences of students and their families

PARENT/GUARDIAN AGREEMENT:

(Any person who is interested in helping this student may sign in lieu of the parent)

I want my child to achieve. Therefore, I will encourage him/her by doing the following:

- *See that my child is punctual and attends school daily
- *Support the school in its effort to maintain proper discipline
- *Establish a time for homework and review it regularly
- *Encourage my child’s efforts and be available for questions
- *Stay aware of what my child is learning
- *Participate in school activities
- *Read and abide by the District & School iPad policy.

We have read and discussed the material in this handbook with our son/daughter.

Parent Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date

iPad Oath



1. I will follow the “Responsible Use Guidelines” for technology for Yuma Elementary School District #1.
2. I will follow classroom rules for the iPad set up by my classroom teacher.
3. I will be on task in class and am aware of the off task consequences as set up by my classroom teacher.
 - a. *I will exclusively use apps and programs during class that are appropriate to the in-class assignment.*
4. I will bring a fully-charged iPad to school every day.
 - a. *If I am unable to participate in class due to an expired iPad battery or lack of an iPad, my grade may be affected.*
5. I will handle my iPad carefully and respectfully.
 - a. *I will never leave the iPad unsecured.*
 - b. *I will never loan it out to another individual without teacher permission.*
 - c. *I will keep food and beverages away from my iPad.*
6. I will ask permission prior to recording audio and taking photos/videos of my classmates and staff members.
7. I understand that my iPad is the property of YESD#1 and will be routinely inspected at any time without notice.
8. I will use my iPad as a Learning Device.
 - a. *I will not text or play unapproved games during instructional time.*
 - b. *I will delete media (e.g. apps, photos, music, etc...) that impedes the device being used for educational use.*
9. I will not delete or tamper with profiles and configurations on my iPad (including but not limited to):
 - a. *I will not jailbreak my iPad.*
 - b. *I will not change the name of my iPad.*
10. I will report loss or damage immediately to the school office.

Student Signature

Date