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Dear CC-V Families,

Cripple Creek-Victor School District is one of a few districts that still offer free bus transportation for students. Transportation costs our district an average of \$353,000 per school year, which is likely why districts like Woodland Park School District charge their students every year to ride the bus.

CC-V is not considering charging for transportation nor do we want to end offering bus transportation. However, we are seeing an alarming number of students behaving inappropriately on our school buses which poses a serious threat to their safety and the safety of others.

Our drivers need to focus their attention on the road and other motorists, not on students who are misbehaving. When I consider our winding roads, drop offs, wildlife and inclement weather, it scares me how often the drivers are being distracted by our students' behavior.

Next week, I will be emailing families who have riders with habitual behavior infractions. Continued unsafe behavior may lead to a temporary or permanent suspension of bus transportation. Remember, bus transportation is a privilege, not a right nor is it a requirement of a school district.

For those of you whom this upsets, I would ask that you think about how you'd feel if your child's bus was in an accident and that accident was a result of students who were behaving inappropriately. You should also be aware that we have had bus driver openings for over 2 years, to which no one has applied. If our current Durham drivers quit, that will end our bus transportation program.

Cripple Creek Shuttle

The City of Cripple Creek's shuttle service is also a privilege for our students to ride. The shuttle is public transportation, it is not CC-V School District transportation. If your child rides the shuttle, they should respect and follow the shuttle's rules.

AND PLEASE - MOTORISTS SHOULD NEVER PASS A SCHOOL BUS WHEN ITS LIGHTS ARE FLASHING & THE STOP SIGN IS OUT!

Sincerely,

Miriam Mondragon