

# Linn County R-I Public School

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Senior Parents,

This letter is addressed to the parents of the senior class. As you know, the senior year is a very busy year and the senior trip looms in anticipation by all. In fact, I suppose many are counting the days already.

However, the issue of the senior trip also looms as a concern by the Linn County R-I School Board. During the school board meeting in February of 1995 the issue of the senior trip was discussed in great detail. Concerns over liability and student behavior were addressed.

The school board understands that usually Linn R-I students are well behaved and respectful. However, at times individual class members or a small group of class members become involved in situations that are an embarrassment to the school. The school board has concerned itself about the liability over possible incidents that could occur from senior class members on a four day trip. It was felt that if students could not conduct themselves in a respectable manner at school, how can we expect them to represent the school in a positive light away from school.

The board has established guidelines of conduct for the remainder of this school year. The board wants it made clear that the senior trip is not a right, but a privilege. Its intention is to make it clear to all students in the senior class that we expect them to act like responsible citizens, or risk being restricted from the senior trip. The board has directed us to inform the parents of all seniors that the conduct of each senior for the remainder of this year will determine eligibility for the senior trip. **Students will be restricted from attending the senior trip for the following reasons:**

1. Disrespect towards a teacher, administrator or staff member that would be of a confrontational nature and would result in an out-of-school suspension.
2. Use of alcohol, drugs, cigarettes, tobacco products that result in out-of-school suspension.
3. Failure to turn in money from fund raising activities or failure to pay class dues.
4. Academic ineligibility or failure to receive enough credits to receive a diploma at Linn R-I this spring.
5. Continued misconduct in any class that would warrant out-of-school suspension.
6. Failure to attend the ACT Testing date provided by the school district.

The contents of this letter will be shared with all seniors at a special meeting during the **Fall** semester of the school year.

It is our hope that this letter is taken in a positive light and that parents understand that it is our intention to stress upon our students that their behavior is a reflection on our school. The seniors need to know that their conduct can and will be a determinant as to whether we will allow them to represent our school on the senior trip.

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