# (Child's Name) Driving Contract

# The term "car" applies to any vehicle whether it is owned by the family or not, including the golf cart.

#### No Alcohol Use

While I hold the keys to the car, I will NEVER drink ANY alcohol, not even one drink.

### No Smoking/Vaping or Illegal Drug Use

While I hold the keys to the car, I will NEVER smoke cigarettes, vape or use illegal drugs of any description.

#### Headphones/Radio Volume

I will not wear headphones while driving. I will listen to music at a volume that allows me to hear emergency sirens and other cars who may be honking.

#### Car Radio/iPhone/electronic devices

When driving the car, I will NEVER text, talk on the phone, adjust my music playlist, or adjust any other electronic device while the car is in motion. I will pull over for all adjustments to my smartphone or other devices, including placing phone calls. I will have the "Do Not Disturb While Driving" on my iPhone and only turn it off when reaching my destination. Turning it off while driving and using the Bluetooth connection is to be used in emergency situations only.

#### Modifications to cars

The cars do not belong to you, therefore, there are no modifications to be made to the sound system, no air fresheners used, no stickers/magnets placed without parent permission.

#### **Cleanliness of car**

Car is to be kept clean of trash, debris, dirty coffee mugs, clothing, etc. Your mother will need to swap cars on a regular basis and the cars need to be easily transferred. Cleanliness of car does not apply to mother.

### Uber

If for any reason, including but not limited to alcohol or drug use, I am impaired mentally or physically, I will NEVER drive the car and will utilize Uber/Lyft or a parent to ride back home.

### No Thrill-Seeking/Stunts

I will not engage in any thrill-seeking behavior while driving. I will not drive when I am upset or angry as I know this affects my ability to drive a car. I will NEVER exceed the speed limit beyond 5 mph on the highway/interstate. I will drive the speed limit or slower on surface streets and divided highways. I will not participate in racing or any kind of "stunt" that involves my car. Driving is for transportation ONLY.

## Seatbelt Use

I will wear my seatbelt at all times while operating a vehicle and insist all passengers do the same.

## **No Aggressive Interaction**

I will not engage another driver unless involved in an accident. I will not use hand gestures, roll down window to yell, or engage another driver for any reason other than to use my horn for SAFETY purposes ONLY.

# **Keeping Car Fueled**

I understand traffic in Atlanta is unpredictable and I may need to turn the car over to others without notice, therefore, I will not let the fuel level go below <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> tank.

# Eating and Drinking While Driving

During the first six months of driving, I will not eat meals or snack while driving because it is a distraction to what I am doing. If I go through a drive through for food, I will either pull over to eat or wait until I reach my destination. Drinks must have a straw or be open top, drinks requiring the opening of bottles is a distraction and not allowed.

## Permission to Drive

Other than normal trips back and forth to school, I MUST inform my mother, father or other adult in the house where I am going and I MUST be granted Permission to make that trip. If spending the night out, I MUST give keys to the Parents of the friend on or before Midnight. I understand that the car I drive is the legal property of my mother or father or responsible adult and is "on loan" to me. As such, I will drive the car ONLY with my parents' permission.

# Federal, State and Local Laws

I will obey all Federal, State and Local Laws that apply to driving a car as detailed in the attached Exhibit A (home state) DMV document/handbook. This includes, but is not limited to the 11 a.m.-5 a.m. curfew for drivers for the first 12 months.

# **Tickets and Moving Violations**

Any tickets or moving violations will result in suspension of my driving privileges for a period to be determined by my parents, based on the violation. I will be required to pay my fines for driving-related tickets. If driving privileges are suspended, I am responsible for coordinating and paying for all of my transportation to and from school, to work and to any other school activities. If any violations result in points being added to my license and increasing my insurance, I will be responsible for paying the differential.

# Parents Rights/(child's name) Rights

(insert family member names here) have EQUAL rights to take the keys for the car at any time or place, with or without notice. (insert child's name here) has the right to explain any situation in a calm, **respectful** manner and has the right to his parents' full and uninterrupted attention.

Consequences for breaking any of the above rules will be decided by the parents with whom you are staying at the time of the violation, however, the consequences will continue at the other parents' house.

We understand bad things happen, mistakes are made and things spoken are sometimes misunderstood, but by signing this contract and agreeing to the rules, we agree that we will obey the rules and will stand by the consequences should any rules be broken.

In addition, this is an evolving contract and can be reviewed and renegotiated at any time.

(Insert Parents Signatures Here)

(Insert Child's Signature Here)