

**Middle School Handbook Revisions**

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Pg. 41	<p>5.0 Student Dress</p> <p><b>Students cannot wear:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Violent, sexual, or racist language, images, or associations</li> <li>· Images or language depicting drugs or alcohol (or any illegal for minors item or activity), or use of the same</li> <li>· Hate speech, profanity, sexualization, pornography, or gang related affiliations/logos/images</li> <li>· Images or language that creates a hostile or intimidating environment based on any protected class</li> <li>· Visible underwear (visible waistbands or straps on undergarments worn under other opaque clothing are not a violation)</li> <li>· Bathing suits (except as required in class or athletic practices)</li> <li>· Tops that intentionally expose the abdomen (minimal exposure of an abdomen during movement is not an exposed abdomen)</li> <li>· Low cut shirts that intentionally expose the chest and/or breasts</li> <li>· Hats and/or hoods</li> <li>· Accessories that could be dangerous or considered as a weapon</li> <li>· Any item that obscures the face or ears including sunglasses (except as a religious observance or as medically necessary or as appropriate on a school trip)</li> </ul>	<p>5.0 Student Dress</p> <p><b>Students cannot wear:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Violent, sexual, or racist language, images, or associations</li> <li>· Images or language depicting drugs or alcohol (or any illegal for minors item or activity), or use of the same</li> <li>· Hate speech, profanity, sexualization, pornography, or gang related affiliations/logos/images</li> <li>· Images or language that creates a hostile or intimidating environment based on any protected class</li> <li>· Visible underwear (visible waistbands or straps on undergarments worn under other opaque clothing are not a violation)</li> <li>· Bathing suits (except as required in class or athletic practices)</li> <li>· Tops that intentionally expose the abdomen (minimal exposure of an abdomen during movement is not an exposed abdomen)</li> <li>· Low cut shirts that intentionally expose the chest and/or breasts</li> <li>· Hats and/or hoods</li> <li>· Accessories that could be dangerous or considered as a weapon</li> <li>· Any item that obscures the face or ears including sunglasses (except as a religious observance or as medically necessary or as appropriate on a school trip)</li> </ul> <p>Students may not bring any type of bag into classrooms, including backpacks, purses, lunch boxes, laptop bags, athletic bags, or cross-body bags. All bags must be kept in lockers during the day. One pencil pouch may be brought to class for essential school supplies and personal hygiene items. Failure to comply may result in a warning, confiscation, and/or consequences deemed appropriate by administration. Exceptions will be made for students with IEPs or 504 plans per their IEP/504.</p>	<p>Reflective of updated Bag/Purse policy</p>

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	<p>Coats and book bags must be stored in lockers at all times. Any student dress is subject to the review of an administrator.</p>		
<p>Pg 2</p>	<p><b>CENTRAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATION</b> Heidi Mercer, Superintendent Drew Towleron, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning Andrea Curtis, Assistant Superintendent of Business &amp; Finance Adam Weldon, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Kerri Anderson, Director of Curriculum, Elementary</p>	<p><b>CENTRAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATION</b> Heidi Mercer, Superintendent Drew Towleron, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning Andrea Curtis, Assistant Superintendent of Business &amp; Finance Adam Weldon, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Sara Leggett, Director of Special Education</p>	<p>Reflects cabinet changes</p>

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<p>Pg. 34</p>	<p><b>4.4 Wireless Devices Student use</b>          To foster a focused and productive learning environment, cell phones and other personal electronic devices, including earbuds, etc. may not be used during the school day. Students are expected to keep their devices silenced and out of sight at all times. Smartwatches may be worn but are not permitted for communication purposes during instructional hours.</p> <p>If a cell phone is seen or heard during the school day, it will be confiscated by the teacher or administration. Repeated violations will result in escalating consequences, including parent contact, required parent pickup of the device, detention, or further disciplinary action as outlined in the school's code of conduct.</p> <p>IEPs, 504 Plans, and medical plans that include Personal Technology Device (PTD)s as accommodations take priority over this policy.</p>	<p><b>4.4 Wireless Devices Student use</b>          To foster a focused and productive learning environment, cell phones and other personal electronic devices, including earbuds, AI and/or photographic glasses, glasses that record etc. may not be used during the school day. Students are expected to keep their devices silenced and out of sight at all times. Smartwatches may be worn but are not permitted for communication purposes during instructional hours.</p> <p>If a cell phone, or personal device is seen or heard during the school day, it will be confiscated by the teacher or administration. Repeated violations will result in escalating consequences, including parent contact, required parent pickup of the device, detention, or further disciplinary action as outlined in the school's code of conduct.</p> <p>IEPs, 504 Plans, and medical plans that include Personal Technology Device (PTD)s as accommodations take priority over this policy.</p>	<p>To reflect clarification of AI glasses</p>
<p>Pg. 42</p>	<p><b>4.71 OFF-LIMITS AREAS</b>          Students are expected to get off the bus or out of other vehicles that transport him/her to school at the main or parking lot entrance and proceed directly into the building. A student is not permitted to leave the building during the school day unless he/she has been given permission and a "pass" from the office (see Early Dismissal). No students are allowed in the classroom hallways during the lunch period.</p>	<p><b>4.72 FOOD DELIVERIES</b>          Students may not order food deliveries (including DoorDash, Uber Eats, GrubHub, etc.) during the school day. If a food delivery is received, the item will be held in the office and students may pick it up at the end of the school day. Repeated violations including parent contact, required parent pickup of the delivery, detention, or further disciplinary action as outlined in the school's code of conduct.</p> <p>If parents/guardians would like to bring their students a food order to be shared, this must be approved by administration at least 24 hours in advance.</p>	<p>To reflect continuous issues with food deliveries</p>

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	<p>Violation will result in a parent(s)/guardian(s) contact and notification given that further violations may result in suspension.</p> <p><b>4.82 OTHER</b> Behavior which is either disruptive to the school environment or illegal, such as, but not limited to gambling, trespassing in unauthorized areas, and intimidation or interference with school authorities.</p>		
Pg. 42	<p><b>4.83 ELECTRONIC DEVICES</b> Students are expected to follow the guidelines for district owned materials as set forth in the “Technology Resources and Personal Technology Devices Acceptable Use Agreement for Students Under Age 18” and the “Procedures for the Acceptable Use of Technology Resources and Personal Technology Devices.” The use of electronic devices in school restrooms, locker rooms, during passing periods, and during lunch is prohibited.</p>	<p><b>4.83 ELECTRONIC DEVICES</b> Students are expected to follow the guidelines for district owned materials as set forth in the “Technology Resources and Wireless communication devices (WCDs) Acceptable Use Agreement for Students Under Age 18” and the “Procedures for the Acceptable Use of Technology Resources and Personal Technology Devices.” The use of electronic devices/wireless communication devices in school restrooms, locker rooms, during passing periods, and during lunch is prohibited.</p> <p><b>4.84 WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE (WCD)</b> For the purposed of Policy/Administrative Guideline 5136- Wireless Communication Devices (WCDs), a WCD is an electronic device capable of, but not limited to, text messaging, voice communication, entertainment, navigation, accessing the internet, sending and receiving photos and videos, or producing email. A WCD does not include a basic telephone, which is a device primarily used for voice calling that cannot support third-party applications, except those preinstalled, and does not support access to internet platforms via applications or web browsers</p>	Reflect changes from Neola

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<p>Pg. 50</p>	<p><b>8.9.8 HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION</b></p> <p>The District shall arrange for individual instruction to students of legal school age who are not able to attend classes because of a physical or emotional disability.</p> <p>Parents should contact the school administration regarding procedures for such instruction. The District will provide homebound instruction only for those confinements expected to last at least five (5) days.</p> <p>Applications for individual instruction shall be made by a physician licensed to practice in this State, parent, student, or other caregiver. A physician must: certify the nature and existence of a medical condition; state the probable duration of the confinement; request such instruction; and/or present evidence of the student's ability to participate in an educational program.</p>	<p><b>8.9.8 HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION</b></p> <p>The District shall arrange for individual instruction to students of legal school age who are not able to attend classes because of a physical or emotional disability.</p> <p>Parents should contact the school administration regarding procedures for such instruction. The District will provide homebound instruction only for those confinements expected to last at least five (5) days.</p> <p>Applications for individual instruction shall be made by a physician licensed to practice in this State, parent, student, or other caregiver. A physician must: certify the nature and existence of a medical condition; state the probable duration of the confinement; request such instruction; and/or present evidence of the student's ability to participate in an educational program.</p> <p><b>8.9.9 STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS</b></p> <p>Lake Orion Community Schools recognizes students' right to free speech and self-expression. Should students choose to attempt to organize a demonstration, they must schedule a meeting to discuss this with building administration. This is to ensure for the safety of all students, staff, and stakeholders in the school community.</p>	<p>To reflect changes per administration</p>