## Changes to the 24-25 Student Handbook

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## \*\*\*Absorbed these pieces into Handbook instead of having them separate

P. 11 Added clarification: School Office telephones are not for students' personal use. If a student needs to make a phone call home for an immediate concern during the instructional day, they must have staff permission to do so, and must use the phone in the main office during passing or lunch times. Students will not be called out of class to receive phone messages or take phone calls from parents or guardians, except in the event of an emergency. Personal cell phone use during the instructional day is prohibited, with the exception of use between classes and during lunch time.

P. 12 Reworded: SOPHOMORE CLASS: Traditionally, the #1 and #2 academically ranked students will usher. furnish two (one boy and one girl as voted by the senior class) to distribute programs and to serve as ushers at graduation.

# P.12 Added to: Parent Volunteers

Volunteers are welcome in the schools and are encouraged to volunteer in classrooms. To volunteer in the school district, individuals should speak to the Principal or Superintendent. A background check is required to be completed through the district office. Please contact the classroom teacher, and receive prior permission before coming to school. When visiting the school, volunteers must sign in at the school office and get a visitors badge before entering a classroom. For more information, please contact the School Secretary.

## P. 19 Added:

1. If a change is needed for a student's transportation procedure, parents are responsible to communicate these changes with the office prior to 1pm.

# P. 21 Added:

## **Use of Building After Hours:**

All individuals or organizations using the building after normal school hours must complete a Building Use Form from the office and get administrative approval.

P. 23 Added/ Reworded College in the High School Students who participate in College in the High School classes must have a cumulative Grade Point Average of 8.0 in classes beginning with the 9th grade. Students must meet eligibility requirements set by the Online College in the High School (OCHS) program? GPArequirements vary based on the students grade level as well as other requirements for different subjects.

## P. 28 Removed:

#### **Student of the Month**

Students are eligible to receive each of the awards below once per year. Grades 7-9 will be considered members of the Junior High, while grades 10-12 will be Senior High.

- <u>Exemplary Student of the Month:</u> For the honor of Exemplary Student of the Month, all of the staff are able to vote, including cooks, janitors, para-professionals, office staff, and administration. This nomination is based on courtesy, cooperation, dependability, and work habits, while at school or at school-related events. Students who demonstrate positive student behaviors and attitudes are nominated. It is similar to "Responsibility" except all of the staff have a vote in the decision. Students who receive a detention/suspension in that month will automatically be removed from consideration for that month.
- 2. <u>Academic Student of the Month:</u> For the honor of Academic Student of the Month, only staff who teach the students may nominate and vote. This nomination is strictly based upon the academic performance of the students.

#### P. 31 Reworded

Inappropriate clothing includes, but is not limited to, the following:

• "Short shorts," Shorts and skirts must be below fingertip length. Shorts and/ or pants with rips, holes, or tears that do not fully cover the lower extremities (hips, legs, and thigh) will not be allowed. Revealing tank tops, tops that expose the midriff, and other clothing that is not in keeping with community standards.

## P. 32 Reworded to Match Updated Forms

A copy of the school district's "Internet Acceptable Use" policy "Internet and Wireless Device Implementation and Acceptable Use" Procedure is available on the school website.

Students will receive a copy of the school district's "Internet Acceptable Use" policy "Internet and Wireless Device Implementation and Acceptable Use" Procedure and are expected to understand and agree to abide by the policy as a condition of use of the school district's computer system. All students who wish to use the school district's computer system must sign the Internet Use Agreement "Internet and Wireless Device Implementation and Acceptable Use; Student and Parent Agreement" form annually.

#### P. 35 Reworded since we do not have a licensed "Nurse"

The Nurse' Office Health Office at Northome School is equipped to handle minor injuries requiring first aid. If the Health Office nurse's office is not open, assistance can be sought from the building's administrative office. If a student experiences a more serious medical emergency at school, 911 will be called and/or a parent/guardian will be contacted depending on the situation.

#### P.35 Reworded

If a parent suspects that his/her child has a communicable or contagious disease, the parent should contact Health Office staff or principal so that other students who might have been exposed to the disease can be alerted.

## P. 35 added

The student health office is staffed by a trained nurse

P.36 Reworded/ Added

Student Medication: Non-Prescription

- 1. School personnel shall not provide Tylenol or other non-prescription medicine to students without written or verbal authorization of parent/guardian to the Health Office.
- 2. Students of legal age (18) may be given non-prescription medication at the request of the student and the discretion of the Health Office staff.
- 3. Office staff administering the medication must record it in the JMC Health Records tab.
- 4. If a parent wishes for Health Office staff to provide their student(s) with specific non-prescription medication, the parent/guardian must provide the non-prescription medication along with the written or verbal authorization to administer to the student. (Northome School will not administer extra strength Tylenol).

## Student Medication: Prescription

- 1. All medications must be provided in the original container with the name of the medication and dosage information on the label.
- 2. Only FDA approved medications may be given.
- 3. The student must come to the office to receive the medication.
- 5. This medication will be kept in a locked drawer or cupboard.
- 6. Office staff administering the medication must record it in the JMC Health Records tab.

## P. 41 Changed dates accordingly

1st Qtr: Regain quarter eligibility on Thursday, Sept 12 and mid-quarter grade check on Friday, Oct. 4 2nd Qtr: Regain quarter eligibility on Wednesday, Nov 27 and mid-quarter grade check on Friday, Dec. 13 3 rd Qtr: Regain quarter eligibility on Friday, Feb 14 and mid-quarter grade check on Friday, Feb. 28 4 th Qtr: Regain quarter eligibility on Wednesday, April 16 and mid-quarter grade check on Friday, April 25