

LOCS Middle Schools' Student Handbook Changes for 2020-21

Section and Page Number	Former	Amended	Reasoning
P.8	Report cards are issued at the end of each marking period. They are usually distributed to students, in school, one week after the end of the marking period. In certain <u>situations</u> they may be distributed directly to parents or as in the case at the end of the year, mailed home.	Report cards are issued at the end of each semester. Report cards will be available in PowerSchool one week after the end of the semester. In certain situations they may be distributed directly to parents.]	In line with current practice
p.8	1. For general information, activities, and assignment information, check the school website ( <a href="http://www.lakeorion.k12.mi.us">www.lakeorion.k12.mi.us</a> ) or PowerSchool.	1. For general information, activities, and assignment information, check the school website ( <a href="http://www.lakeorionschools.org">www.lakeorionschools.org</a> ) or PowerSchool.	Updated website address
p.11	<p><b>Students:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Use the student planner provided by school.</li> <li>2. Complete assignments on time.</li> <li>3. Ask for clarification and assistance.</li> <li>4. Secure all resources and materials necessary for the assignment.</li> <li>5. Make arrangements to make up missing assignments.</li> <li>6. Do your best at all times!</li> </ol> <p><b>Parents/Guardians:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Encourage use of the student planner and periodically review its contents.</li> <li>2. Provide a well-lighted study environment free from distraction.</li> <li>3. Work with your student to set a regular time for doing homework assignments.</li> <li>4. Assist your student as needed with materials.</li> <li>5. Reinforce that homework is the responsibility of your child.</li> <li>6. Communicate questions or concerns to the teachers.</li> <li>7. Take an active interest in your child's endeavors and provide encouragement and praise.</li> </ol>	<p><b>Students:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Use of a planner.]</li> <li>2. Complete assignments on time.</li> <li>3. Ask for clarification and assistance.</li> <li>4. Secure all resources and materials necessary for the assignment.</li> <li>5. Make arrangements to make up missing assignments.</li> <li>6. Do your best at all times!</li> </ol> <p><b>Parents/Guardians:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Encourage use of a planner and periodically review its contents.</li> <li>2. Provide a well-lighted study environment free from distraction.</li> <li>3. Work with your student to set a regular time for doing homework assignments.</li> <li>4. Assist your student as needed with materials.</li> <li>5. Reinforce that homework is the responsibility of your child.</li> <li>6. Communicate questions or concerns to the teachers.</li> <li>7. Take an active interest in your child's endeavors and provide encouragement and praise.</li> </ol>	Planners are no longer given out to all students. Remove provided by the school
p.22	In an effort to promote accurate recordkeeping, an athlete may not participate in a scrimmage or contest until a "pay to participate contract" is completed and the fee has been paid. Contracts will not be accepted unless the signatures of both the parent and athlete are affixed to the document. <u>Checks and money orders</u> made payable to Lake Orion Community Schools <u>are the only acceptable methods of payment</u> . Regrettably, credit cards and cash will not be accepted.	In an effort to promote accurate recordkeeping, an athlete may not participate in a scrimmage or contest until a "pay to participate contract" is completed and the fee has been paid. Contracts will not be accepted unless the signatures of both the parent and athlete are affixed to the document. Credit card payment can be made through <u>FinalForms</u> or <u>Payschools</u> . Checks and money orders made payable to Lake Orion Community Schools will be accepted in the main office.	Credit Card payments are accepted now.
p. 25	7. <b>EXCELLENCE IN ATTENDANCE:</b> Excellence In Attendance Awards will be given at the end of the year for students who meet the following criteria: a. The student has been present each scheduled day from the beginning of school through May 15. b. The student is allowed the total of two (2) excused <u>tardies</u> to school and/or leave early from school. If a student misses more than three (3) hours, he/she will be issued a full day absence.]	<b>REMOVED</b>	Based on current events & SMS was the only school to give this award.
P. 37	<b>4.58 NON-SCHOOL MATERIALS</b> Any materials that are not normally considered as school needs should not be brought to school. Radios, mp3 players, CD players, and walkie-talkies are not to be brought to school. School personnel reserves the right to confiscate any item(s) that are inappropriate, illegal, or in violation of school rules. The item(s) may be returned to the student's parent(s)/guardian(s). Violation will result in disciplinary actions that may include suspension.	<b>4.58 NON-SCHOOL MATERIALS</b> Any materials that are not normally considered as school needs should not be brought to school. School personnel reserves the right to confiscate any item(s) that are inappropriate, illegal, or in violation of school rules. The item(s) may be returned to the student's parent(s)/guardian(s). Violation will result in disciplinary actions that may include suspension.	Removed dated electronic devices