

School Board Meeting:

May 24, 2010

Subject:

Student Handbooks - BHS

Presenter:

Mark Mischke, Kris Thompson

SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:

Approval

DESCRIPTION:

Additional revisions/corrections have been made since the first presentation of these revisions. BHS Staff will be present to discuss the proposed revisions to the High School Student Handbook.

• **DANCE POLICY**

School sponsored dances are an extension of the normal school day and all school rules apply. Students are permitted to bring one guest to a dance. The guest's name must be signed up with a principal. The administration reserves the right to turn away guests at the door if they are not on the lists. **** NEW** All guests must be high school age students, with the exception of Prom. Prom guests must be high school age students or 20 years of age and younger.**

• **DRUGS AND ALCOHOL**

The possession or use of drugs or alcohol is a serious violation of state laws and punishable by fines and/or imprisonment. Violators will be reported to the proper authorities and/or social agencies. Students who are under the influence of chemicals while at school, or who consume, sell, give away or have possession of drugs, paraphernalia, or alcohol on school property or at school sponsored activities may be suspended or expelled from school. Illegal substances and related items will be confiscated. Before the student can be readmitted to school, a conference consisting of parents, student and the principal will be arranged to determine the best course of action for the student and the school. If exclusion or expulsion is recommended, it will follow state law. In addition, principals may send a student home if the principal suspects (via smell, action, and/or appearance) that a student has used drugs/alcohol. Our goal is to handle the situation in a manner that is in the best interest of the student, the student body and staff.

• **STUDENT TOBACCO USE POLICY**

Buffalo High School is a tobacco free school. Student use and/or possession of tobacco in any form will not be permitted on or adjacent to or within sight of any district property, on district property, on district school buses or loading or unloading areas or at any school event, home or away. Minnesota State Law prohibits anyone under 18 to possess/use tobacco. In addition to receiving school consequences, violators will be referred to the School Resource Officer. ****NEW** Multiple tobacco violations may result in long-term suspension and removal from school for up to a calendar year.**