



**Snow Horse Elementary
Parent/Student Handbook 2021-2022**

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Social Media Links:

Davis School District Website: <http://www.davis.k12.ut.us/davis/site/default.asp>

To contact school teachers and administrators by email, go to the school website and access "Faculty and Staff."

School Schedule:

Monday through Thursday 8:50 – 3:25pm

A.M. Kindergarten 8:50 – 11:30am

P.M. Kindergarten 12:45 – 3:25pm

Friday and Early-out Days 8:50 – 1:25pm

A.M. Kindergarten 8:50 – 10:50am

P.M. Kindergarten 11:25 – 1:25pm

Snow Horse Elementary school hours are consistent with all other elementary schools on a traditional calendar throughout the District. The office is open on school attendance days from 8:15 a.m. until 3:45 p.m. School administration and office staff will be happy to help you with any questions or concerns you may have. Please call to schedule an appointment, if necessary.

ARRIVING AT SCHOOL

The building opens for students to enter at 8:40 a.m, with the exception of those students eating breakfast at school, which begins at 8:20 a.m. School begins at 8:50 a.m. **To ensure safety, students are not allowed in the building before**

school hours as this is considered unsupervised time. On good weather days, children wait at the playground region doors and enter when the first bell rings. On stormy or very cold days children will be invited indoors.

ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance is important to academic success. Children who are well should be in school. Those who are sick keep at home. When students are at school, it is assumed that they are well enough to participate in outdoor recess and physical activity unless you provide a written note. Please do not schedule outings, medical appointments, vacations, or lessons during school time. **By district definition, 4 or more days missed per term is considered chronic absenteeism.**

TARDINESS

Disrupts the learning of the student who is late as well as the rest of the class. Morning hours are prime learning time. Students arriving late must check in at the office prior to going to class.

LEAVING SCHOOL

Leaving early is likewise disruptive. Teachers teach bell-to bell. Missing this critical time often leads to confusion and frustration for the student. When students do leave during the school day, they must check out through the office. Children must be signed out at the office by a parent or other designated adult if they are checking out of school early. You must come into the building to sign your child out and show picture I.D. **We cannot check a student out with a telephone call.**

MAKE-UP WORK

Make-up Work for when your child is absent will be available on Canvas or SeeSaw digital platforms. Please do not ask teachers to prepare assignments in advance of a planned absence. Make-up work will be available upon the student's return or posted as digital curriculum. Parents are responsible for assisting students in completing work missed due to vacations or outings. Keep in mind that there is a wealth of learning at school, such as class activities and discussions that cannot be reproduced or re-staged.

VOLUNTEERS AND/OR CLASSROOM VISITS

Children love having a parent at school and parent volunteers are welcome and appreciated. Anytime you volunteer or visit your child's classroom, please check in at the office where you will receive a name badge to wear while you are in the building. In order to more safely and attentively serve our teachers and students, we kindly request younger siblings be left at home. Many volunteering opportunities will not require a Background check, however, student safety is our top priority. Volunteers can obtain a background check by scheduling an appointment with Human Resources. A volunteer agreement must also be signed which outlines expectations for Snow Horse Elementary.

PTA

The Snow Horse **Parent Teacher Association (PTA)** is a vital part of our school and serves students in a variety of ways. Please support this worthwhile and much appreciated organization by becoming a member, as well as volunteering time in one or more of the projects sponsored by the P.T.A. For more information, contact President, Lori Ann Berg at 801-554-0010, or at bergfamily1999@gmail.com. In order to more safely and attentively serve our teachers and students, we kindly request younger siblings be left at home.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Our **Community Council** is composed of elected parent and school representatives. Meetings are held four times per year on Wednesdays at in the Conference Room for the purpose of school improvement. Anyone is welcome to attend these meetings, and agendas are posted on the website. Matters for discussion may be added to the agenda by calling or e-mailing the council chair. The 2021-2022 School Community Council Chair is _____

DAVIS DISTRICTS SMART REPORT

(Standards, Mastery, Assessment Reporting Tool)

Davis District's SMART Report is used to report on your student's progress each quarter. This report is based on the child's mastery of standards using a 3,2,1 rubric.

3= Meets or exceeds grade-level standards

2= Below grade level standards

1= Far below grade level standards

The SMART Report is available on-line through the District website. Teachers will update your child's progress at different intervals, depending on a number of factors, including grade level. Please do not expect student progress to look like high-school grades. Teachers are constantly assessing, but putting a summative score in the computer happens less frequently.

ILP (formerly SEP) CONFERENCES

Individualized Learning Plan Conferences are a time for students to reflect on their work and set goals for as well as to partner with parents to ensure that your child is receiving the best education possible. Students should attend ILP conferences with their parent/guardians. Conferences can be held virtually or in-person as needed.

FIRST AID

It is our policy to try to reach parents when children are ill or injured. If we cannot reach you, we then follow the instructions you have written on your child's information card. The school is limited to giving first aid only. **We cannot dispense medication to children without the completed "Permission to Dispense Medication" form filled out and signed by a doctor.**

RECESS

When weather is too severe for children to go out, an indoor recess will be held. Otherwise, children will be outdoors. Please dress your student appropriately for the weather with jackets or coats, hats, gloves, boots, etc. In addition to recesses, many learning activities are completed outdoors, while other grade levels take a walking recess to utilize the track.

HOMEWORK

Homework is an important part of the educational program. It reinforces classroom learning and increases mastery of skills taught. In addition, it helps students develop responsibility and study habits. We understand that many children participate in out-of-school and family-centered activities. One of the best predictors of success is reading to your child. At Snow Horse, we are focusing on the "Top 3 to Succeed" by narrowing down homework to the three most essential for success. Check with your child's grade level teacher for more specifics on the expected TOP THREE TO ACHIEVE guidelines. For more information, district homework policy can be found on the district website.

TELEPHONE USE

In order to minimize interruptions in learning for all students, we ask that phone calls and messages for students be limited to emergencies only. After school play arrangements should be made at home prior to coming to school.

POSSESSION AND USE OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Students may possess cell phones at school subject to the following:

- * Cell phones and Apple watches may only be used before the first morning bell and after the last bell. And not while on school grounds.
- * All cell phones and Apple watches must be turned off and stored in student backpacks or their teacher's desk during the school day.
- * Students shall be solely responsible for the security of their cell phones and Apple watches. The school shall not assume responsibility for theft, loss, damage, or unauthorized calls made with cell phones.
- * Students who violate cell phone and/or Apple watches use policy, will have their cell phones and/or Apple watch taken by the teacher. They may retrieve their cell phone at the end of the school day. Second time offenders will have their cell phone taken and not returned until a parent comes to the school office to claim the phone.
- * With the exception of cell phones and Apple watches, all other personal electronic devices are not permitted at school.

In Addition: toys, games, trading cards, or motorized scooters, hover boards, etc. may not be brought to school. These items disrupt learning, create conflict between students and can be lost or stolen. On the first incident, the item will be returned to the student at the end of the school day. Teachers or staff members will take these items. On the second incident, the items will be returned when a parent comes to retrieve them.

COMMUNICATING WITH THE SCHOOL

If you would like to speak personally with a teacher, administrator or school counselor, please e-mail or phone for an appointment. This will ensure she/he can give you undivided attention and not disrupt the teaching or learning of students.

Communication Folders will be used to send flyers, homework, completed work, memos and other information home. Please take the time to read these papers, and, when appropriate, discuss the information with your student. Watch for them each Tuesday. The Snow Horse Stampede is also sent home electronically each Tuesday. Follow our social media platforms as well to stay up-to-date and take a sneak peek at the amazing things happening in our school.

DRESS CODE

Student dress influences the way students act. Please see that your child comes to school in clothing that meets dress code standards (no short shorts or mid-drifts) As per District Policy, "Shorts and skirts shall extend to at least three inches above the knee. No short shorts or miniskirts shall be allowed." Students may not wear clothing to school that displays disrespectful slogans or messages about things that are illegal for children. Closed toe shoes are preferred for your child's safety. **All students are required to participate in P.E. and recess regardless of clothing choices. Clothing should be appropriate for daily activity and weather.**

SCHOOL-WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORT PLAN

Snow Horse Elementary has implemented a school-wide positive behavioral support plan that utilized common language to ensure consistency throughout the school. The purpose of the plan is to increase responsibility, respect, and safety at our school. The Snow Horse Behavior Plan is based on three simple expectations:

- o Be Respectful

- o Be Responsible

- o Be Safe

- o Be Kind

Students are positively reinforced in variety of ways, by teachers and administration. Cool Colt Tickets are handed out and collected. Each week administration, pulls these tickets and students are called down to the office for a prize.

Discipline Procedures when Expectations are not followed:

Our goal is to redirect inappropriate behavior. When dealing with a discipline situation, we do our best to address it in such a way that the needs of the individual student are considered. We believe in involving parents in the discipline process and feel that we cannot be effective in teaching your children appropriate school and social behaviors without your support. Most discipline will be handled by the classroom teacher.

Consequences for inappropriate behavior may include:

1. Oops Tickets followed up by a phone call from the teacher and to be signed by the parent and sent back to the teacher.
2. Conferences with the student and/or parent.
3. Loss of privileges such as recess or assigned recess area
4. Phone calls home.
5. Exclusion from school
6. In-school or out-of-school suspension

SAFE SCHOOL VIOLATIONS

As per District mandate, we are required to implement the Safe School Policy. The following behaviors will not be tolerated:

1. Fighting
2. Obscene language/gestures
3. Bullying (physical and verbal)
4. Hazing
5. Controlled or illegal substances or paraphernalia
6. Terroristic threat or threat to harm oneself or others
7. Sexual misconduct, lewdness, or sexual harassment
8. Destruction of school property
9. Weapons – pretend or real
10. Continued disruption of learning or teaching

We instruct students to go and tell an adult when they see or are involved in conflicts with other children. Students who are involved in a fight, whether they started it or not, will receive disciplinary consequences as per Safe School requirements.

SCHOOL LUNCH

School lunch is free for the 2021-2022 School Year for students.

School lunch balances and fees can be paid through the following methods:

1. Send a check, cash, or money order to the school in an envelope marked with your child's name, grade and teacher.
2. Go to the District web page, then Departments, Nutrition Services. From there, you can set up payment by credit card or automatic check debits.
3. Send a check or money order to the District at:

Bldg. G-4 Freeport
P.O. Box 160485
Clearfield, UT 84015
Phone: 402-7640

CROSSWALKS / PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Our students' safety is of primary concern. Students should follow established walking routes. It is important for parents to review safe pedestrian practices with their children. Please refer to our Safe Routes to School Plan located on our school website. Additionally, safety during pick-up and drop-off is critical. A video is also available outlining expectations.

RIDING TO SCHOOL

Bicycle areas are provided on the Southeast side of the school. We cannot assume responsibility for stolen or damaged bicycles. Students riding bicycles to school must follow the procedures stated below:

- *Students may not ride their bikes on school grounds. They are expected to walk them to and from the bike racks.
- *Bicycles should be locked in the bicycle racks.
- *Please remind your student to not ride their bikes in the middle of the road.
- * Helmets are encouraged.

DROP OFF/PICK UP & PARKING

Drivers should exercise caution near and at the school. Please inform anyone who might be driving students to school (grandparents, siblings, babysitters) of the following safety precautions:

- o Red zones are for emergency vehicle access and must be kept clear at all times.
- o Follow signs and parking attendants' instructions regarding drop-off, bus-zones, and parking areas.
- o In the roundabout on Smith Lane and Angel Street, traffic entering the roundabout is required to yield to cars already in the roundabout.

FIELD TRIPS

Parent donations to the PTA at the beginning of the year are largely responsible in funding class field trips. Field trips provide the opportunity for students to learn, grow and develop outside of the classroom. Permission slips will be sent home by classroom teachers. In order to participate in a fieldtrip, it is mandatory that we have a signed permission slip for each student. Parents may drive their own student to and from the field trip. Background Checks for volunteers are also mandatory, as many students are out of the direct-line of sight and parents outside of the direct supervision of the certified teacher. No younger siblings are permitted to attend, please arrange for a sitter on field trips to attend.

PETS

Pets are not allowed at school under any circumstances. If Students wish to "show and tell" their pet, they may do so with a picture.

HOW PARENTS CAN HELP CHILDREN SUCCEED

Parents can help make the educational experience productive and meaningful for students through mutual support with the school.

- ❖ Help children come to school feeling good about themselves.
- ❖ **Make sure your children are on time.**
- ❖ **Expect your child to be in attendance if they are not ill.**
- ❖ Help develop study skills by reserving a time and place for homework.
- ❖ Show interest in what your children are doing and celebrate their success.
- ❖ Be a volunteer, visit the school, attend school programs.
- ❖ Support your child's teacher by contacting them when your child is having a problem.
- ❖ Speak positively to your child about their teacher, administration, school, and schoolwork.

It is required that the following information be published and made available to our students and patrons.

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

Davis School District and Snow Horse Elementary do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, or veteran status in its programs and activities, and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

Inquires or complaints regarding the non-discrimination policies may be directed to an individual's principal or supervisor and/or the District Compliance Officer

Steve Baker, Associate Director Human Resources

ADA (Employment Issues) Coordinator

Davis School District

45 East State Street

P.O. Box 588

Farmington, Utah 84025

tel: (801) 402-5315

Health Lifestyles Coordinator

Jay Welk

Title IX Compliance Coordinator

Gender Based Discrimination in Athletic Programing

Davis School District

P.O. Box 588

70 East 100 North

Farmington, Utah 84025

tel: (801) 402-5113

Scott Zigich, Director of Risk Management

Physical Facilities Compliance Coordinator

P.O. Box 588

20 North Main Street

Farmington, Utah 84025

tel: (801) 402-5307

TDD (hearing impaired): (801) 402-5358

Dr. Bernado Villar, Director of Equity

Title IX Compliance Coordinator

Race, Color, National Origin, Religion, or Gender in other than Athletic Programs

Davis School District

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ACCOMMODATIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

In compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act (504) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Davis School District and Snow Horse Elementary will provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities. Students, parents, or employees needing accommodations should contact their school ADA/504 Coordinator, Sarah Johnson (402-7350), their principal or supervisor or you may contact the District ADA Coordinator, Steve Baker (402-5315), for parent or employee accommodations; or 504 Coordinator, Midori Clough (402-5180) for student accommodations. (TDD hearing impaired ((801) 402-5358)

SAFE & ORDERLY SCHOOLS

It is the policy of the Davis School District and Snow Horse Elementary to promote a safe and orderly school environment for all students and employees. Criminal acts or disruptive behavior of any kind will not be tolerated and any individual who engages in such activity will be subject to school disciplinary action as determined by school administrators, District disciplinary action as determined by the Department of Student Services Case Management Team, police referral, and/or prosecution. In determining appropriate discipline, school officials will consider the totality of the circumstances, including the severity of the offense, as well as the individual's age, disability status, intent, academic status, and prior disciplinary record.

WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES-AUTOMATIC ONE YEAR EXPULSION

Any student who in a school building, in a school vehicle, on District property, or in conjunction with any school activity, possesses, controls, uses or threatens use of a real weapon, explosive, noxious or flammable material, or actually uses or threatens to use a look-alike or pretend weapon with the intent to intimidate another person or to disrupt normal school activities, shall be expelled from all District schools, programs, and activities for a period of not less than one calendar year; unless the Case Management Team determines on a case-by-case basis, that a lesser penalty would be more appropriate. The terms “weapon,” “explosive,” and “noxious or flammable material” include but are not limited to: guns, starter pistols, cap guns, knives, martial arts accessories, bombs, bullets and ammunition, fireworks, gasoline or other flammable liquids, matches, and lighters.

DRUGS/CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

Any student, who possesses, controls, uses, distributes, sells, or arranges the sale of an illegal drug or controlled substance, (which includes, alcohol, tobacco in any form, and electronic cigarettes), An imitation controlled substance, or drug paraphernalia in a school building, in a school vehicle, on District property, or in conjunction with any school activity, may be suspended, transferred to an alternative placement, tested for drugs, expelled, referred for police investigation, and/or prosecuted.

SERIOUS VIOLATIONS

Students may be suspended, transferred to an alternative placement, expelled, referred for police investigation, and/or prosecuted for committing any of the following school-related serious violations: 1) threatening or causing harm to the school, school property, or persons associated with the school, or property associated with that person, regardless of where the conduct occurs; 2) committing any criminal act, including but not limited to: assault, harassment, hazing, rape, trespass, arson, theft, vandalism, possession or use of pornographic materials on school property; 3) engaging in any gang activity, including but not limited to: flashing gang signs, displaying or spraying gang graffiti, wearing or displaying gang related clothing or apparel, or soliciting others for membership in a gang.

DISRUPTION OF SCHOOL OPERATIONS

Students may be suspended, transferred to an alternative placement, expelled, referred for police investigation, and/or prosecuted for any conduct that creates an unreasonable and substantial disruption or risk of disruption of a class, activity, program, or other function of the school, including but not limited to: frequent, flagrant, or willful disobedience; defiance of school authority; criminal activity; fighting; noncompliance with school dress code; possession of contraband (i.e., drug paraphernalia, pornography, mace, pepper spray, laser pen, chains, needles, razor blades, bats and clubs); or the use of foul, profane vulgar, harassing or abusive language.

DUE PROCESS

When a student is suspected of violating Snow Horse Elementary or District policy the school administrator must meet with and inform him/her of the allegations and provide the student the opportunity to give his/her version of the incident. If the school administrator determines sufficient evidence exists to impose discipline the school administrator shall notify the parent or guardian that: 1) the student has been suspended; 2) the grounds for the suspension; 3) the period of time for which the designated school official to review the suspension.

AUTHORITY TO SUSPEND OR EXPEL

The school administrator has the authority to suspend a student for up to ten school days per incident. If the school administrator desires or contemplates suspending for longer than ten school days or expelling a student the school administrator shall make a referral to the District’s Case Management Team.

BULLYING/CYBER-BULLYING/HARRASSMENT/ HASSING

Students may be suspended, transferred to an alternative placement, expelled, referred for police investigation, and/or prosecuted for engaging in any physical or verbal aggression, intimidation, or discrimination of any school employee or student at school or school-related activity regardless of location or circumstance, including but not limited to bullying, cyber-bullying, hazing, or sexual, racial, ethnic, religious, or disability-related harassment. Snow Horse El. policy may be found at www.davis.k12.ut.us/elem/snowhorse or a copy may be obtained in the school office.

SEARCH AND SEIZURE

School officials have the authority to search a student's person, personal property, or vehicle while located on school property or at a school sponsored activity, when they have reason to believe that the search will turn up evidence that the student has violated or is violating a particular law or school rule.

Students have no right or expectation of privacy in school lockers, desks, or other storage areas provided for student use. School lockers, desk or other storage areas are the sole property of the Davis School District and Snow Horse Elementary. Periodic general inspections of school lockers, including the use of drug detecting canines, may be conducted by school authorities for any reason at any time, without notice, without student consent, and without a search warrant.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Participation in interscholastic athletics, cheerleading, student government, student clubs, graduation ceremonies, and other extracurricular activities is not a constitutionally protected civil right. Therefore, students who are suspended, transferred to an alternative placement, or expelled, may lose the privilege of participation in all extracurricular activities during the period of discipline and will not be afforded due process procedures to challenge the denial of participation.

COMPULSORY EDUCATION REQUIREMENT

A parent or legal guardian having custody over a school-age minor is required under State law to enroll and send a school-age minor to a public or established private school during the school year in the district in which the minor resides. The process of education requires continuity of instruction, class participation and study. Frequent absences from classes disrupt the instructional process. Parents/guardians are encouraged to work with the school in promoting regular attendance of all students.

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT

Student Education Records

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a Federal law designed to protect the privacy of a student's education records. FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. These rights are:

- *Inspect and review* all of their student's education records maintained by the school within 45 days of a request for access.

- *Request* that a school correct records believed to be inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA.

Parents who wish to ask the school to amend a record should write the principal or appropriate school official, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it should be changed. If the school decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent, the school will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment.

- *Provide consent* before the school discloses personally identifiable information (PPI) from a student's record, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. Such exceptions include, but are not limited to:

[a] school officials with legitimate educational interests;

[b] other schools to which a student is transferring;

[c] individuals who have obtained court orders or subpoenas;

[d] persons who need to know in cases of health and safety emergencies;

[e] juvenile justice system;

[f] a State agency or organization that is legally responsible for the care and protection of the student;

[g] specified officials for audit or evaluation purposes; or

[h] organizations conducting studies or on behalf of the District.

A school official is a person employed by the District as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving as a volunteer; a person serving on the District School Board; a person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special

task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist), or to whom the District has outsourced institutional services or functions. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.

Student Directory Information

Directory information, which is information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, may be released at the discretion of school officials, without consent, for appropriate reasons such as, school publications, newspaper articles, and to outside education related organizations. In addition, two federal laws require secondary schools to provide military recruiters, upon request, the names, addresses and telephone listings of their students.

The Davis School District has designated the following information as directory information: 1) student's name, 2) student's address, 3) student's telephone number, 4) date of birth, 5) parent email address, 6) participation in officially recognized activities and sports, 7) weight and height of members of athletic teams, 8) degrees and awards received, 9) photograph, 10) most recent educational institution attended by the student.

If you, as a parent, do not want Snow Horse Elementary to disclose directory information from your child's education records without your prior written consent, you must notify the school in writing annually.

Parents who believe their rights have been violated may contact the school's administration or file a complaint with:

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20202-5920
1-800-872-5327

Informal inquires may be sent to FPCO via the following email address: FERPA @ ED.Gov

Complaints should be reported as soon as possible, but not later than 180 days from the date you learned of the circumstances of the alleged violation

RIGHTS UNDER THE PROTECTION OF PUPIL RIGHTS AMENDMENT

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) affords parents certain rights regarding the use of surveys or other school activities which may involve the collection or use of protected information. These include the right to:

Consent before students are required to participate in any survey, analysis, or evaluation that reveals information, whether personally identifiable or not, concerning the student's or any family member's.

- [a] Political affiliations or beliefs;
- [b] Mental or psychological problems;
- [c] Sexual behavior, orientation or attitudes;
- [d] Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
- [e] Critical appraisals of others with whom the student or family have close family relationships;
- [f] Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as with lawyers, doctors, or ministers;
- [g] Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs; or
- [h] Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.

Receive notice and an opportunity to opt a student out of activities involving collection, disclosure, or use of personal information obtained from students regarding any of the protected information areas.

Inspect, upon request and before administration or use of:

[a] Protected information surveys designed to be administered to students; and

[b] Instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.

Davis School District has policies in place to protect student privacy as required by both State and Federal law. Snow Horse Elementary will directly notify you of the specific or approximate dates of activities which involve the collection or use of protected information, and provide an opportunity to opt your student out of participating in such activities.

Parents who believe their rights have been violated may contact the school's administration or file a complaint with:

Family Policy Compliance Office

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag shall be recited by students at the beginning of each school day in each public school classroom in the State, led by a student in the classroom, as assigned by the classroom teacher on a rotating basis. Participation in the Pledge is voluntary and not compulsory.

RELIGIOUS EXPRESSION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

In compliance with existing federal and State law regarding religion and religious expression in public schools, the District or school may neither advance nor inhibit religion. It is the District's policy to: 1) allow students and employees to engage in expression of personal religious views or beliefs within the parameters of current law, and 2) maintain the schools' official neutrality regarding sectarian religious issues according to the constitutional principle of separation between church and state.

PARENTAL RIGHTS IN PUBLIC EDUCATION

The Davis School District and Snow Horse Elementary shall reasonably accommodate a parent's or guardian's:

☑ Written request to retain a student on grade level based on the student's academic ability or the student's social, emotional, or physical maturity.

☑ Written request to excuse the student from attendance for a family event or visit to a health care provider, without obtaining a note from the provider. *(An excuse does not diminish expectations for the student's academic performance).*

☑ Request to place a student in a specialized class or an advanced course. *(In determining whether placement is reasonable, the District shall consider multiple academic data points).*

☑ Request to excuse the student from taking a test that is administered statewide or the National Assessment of Educational Progress.

☑ Initial selection of a teacher or request for a change of teacher.

☑ Request to visit and observe any class the student attends.

☑ Request to meet with a teacher at a mutually agreeable time if unable to attend a regularly scheduled parent teacher conference.

Each accommodation shall be considered on an individual basis and no student shall be considered to a greater or lesser degree than any other student.

**Reasonably accommodate for purposes of this section means the District or school shall make its best effort to enable a parent or guardian to exercise a parental right specified here without substantial impact to staff and resources, including employee working conditions, safety and supervision on school premises and for school activities, and the efficient allocation of expenditures; while balancing: the parental rights of parents or guardians; the educational needs of other students; the academic and behavioral impact to a classroom; a teacher's workload; and the assurance of the safe and efficient operations of a school.

The parental rights specified here do not include all the rights or accommodations available to parents or guardians from the public education system.