ROSS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

STUDENT/PARENT HANDBOOK 2023-2024



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Dear RIS families,

Welcome to the Ross Intermediate School! As a Ross Alum and a parent of a RIS student, it is very important to me that we provide a strong experience for your child in terms of their academics and their social-emotional well-being. We have a FANTASTIC staff here at RIS, filled with caring individuals that have your child's best interests at heart.

It is vital that we form a strong relationship with you and your child so that we can make this a successful year for everyone. Sometimes changing schools can come with some apprehension for our young learners and we will work hard to make this a positive, warm, caring atmosphere for all of our students.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Go RAMS!

Mr. Jason Rettinger Principal Ross Intermediate School

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RIS PLEDGE:

As part of the Ross Local School District, the Ross Intermediate School will assist our students to become R.A.M.S.

We are RAMS, today and everyday.

We are Respectful and Responsible.

We are Accepting and Amazing.

We are **M**indful and **M**otivated.

We are Successful and Strong.

If we believe it, we will achieve it,

Because we are RAMS!

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ACCIDENT/ILLNESS

Pupils who become ill or are involved in an accident during the school day are to report to the office. The office will decide what action to take, i.e. rest in the office, go home, recommend going to the doctor or hospital, or returning to class. The student will not be allowed to go home unless parental permission can be secured. Only those adults listed on a student's emergency medical authorization form (EMA) are permitted to be contacted to remove the student from school. Only those adults appearing on the EMA will be permitted to remove a student from Ross Intermediate School.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

The State of Ohio requires that all children between the ages of 6 and 18 years of age attend school every day that school is open. All students are, therefore, required to attend school regularly. Students are also expected to be on time for class so that they may receive the maximum benefit from the academic program. Effective July 1, 2017, Ohio law mandated public schools to provide closer supervision and documentation for student attendance (House Bill 410).

Excused Absences Include:

- Personal illness or injury
- · Illness or death in the family
- · Funeral of immediate family member or relative
- Quarantine
- · Religious holiday

- Court appearances
- · Pre-approved absences. (Five (5) days per year approved in advance by school administration)

All other absences are unexcused. Students may not be permitted to make up work for any unexcused absences.

If a child accumulates (excused or unexcused) absences equal or exceeding **38 hours per month or 65 hours per year**, Ross Local Schools will provide written notification of these absences at those thresholds.

Students with excessive <u>unexcused</u> absences will be deemed "habitual truant" under HB 410. This is defined as students with unexcused absences totaling **30 or more consecutive hours**, **42 hours or more per month**, or **72 hours or more per year**. Students meeting this threshold will be assigned to the Absence Intervention Team. **Within 14 days** of an assignment to the Absence Intervention Team, an intervention plan will be developed. The district is expected to make reasonable efforts to communicate this plan to the parent/guardian **within 7 days** of the development. If of age, the district will contact the **Registrar of Motor Vehicles** for the suspension of a student's driver's license. Truancy will be filed **60 days** after the plan is initiated if the student does not participate or does not make progress.

Parents must phone the school before 9:00 a.m. when their child is going to be absent. Upon returning to school after being absent, pupils are to present an excuse note written and signed by a parent or guardian to the office. This written explanation of absence must be submitted to the office within two (2) school days following the student's return to school; otherwise the absence will be unexcused. Absences may also be reported online at rossrams.com. Students must bring this note from home even though their parent or guardian may have spoken with the office the previous day. After five (5) parent/guardian notes, written documentation from a treating physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant stating the day(s) absent and reason for such absences is required.

AFTER SCHOOL DETENTION

Pupils in detention are expected to remain seated and silent throughout the entire detention; pupils are not permitted to sleep; pupils are expected to do meaningful work. After school detentions will be served from 3:10 to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday in the RMS cafeteria. Detention dates cannot be changed or rescheduled by students, only parents may request a change of detention dates, and the school administration must deem the request legitimate. If a student is absent on the day of detention, it must be served the first day they return to school.

Office staff will send an email to the parent/guardian of the student with the date the detention will be served as well as a PDF of the detention with details of the infraction. Students who are absent or who leave school early for any reason on the day of an assigned detention are asked to inform the office as they sign out. Their detention will be automatically rescheduled

for the following day (Monday-Thursday) and no additional notification will be sent. Detentions will be served at RMS.

Pupils who fail to show for detention will result in the following consequences:

First Occurrence: Reassignment of the missed detention

Second Occurrence: Reassignment of the missed detention

<u>Third Occurrence:</u> Reassignment of the missed detention and an additional detention assigned

BOMB, TORNADO, FIRE DRILL AND LOCK DOWN (SAFE SCHOOL) PROCEDURES

All teachers will go over the proper procedures to follow during these drills.

BULLYING/HAZING

Bullying, harassment and intimidation is an intentional written, verbal or physical act that a student has exhibited toward another particular student more than once. The behavior causes both mental and/or physical harm to the other student and is sufficiently severe, persistent or pervasive that it creates an intimidating, threatening or abusive educational environment for the other student. This behavior is prohibited on school property or at a school sponsored activity.

BUS/TRANSPORTATION OFFICE

Devin Huff-Transportation Office - 738-2900

BUS CONDUCT

School transportation is an extension of the school day; therefore, all school rules and policies are to be followed. In addition, the following rules also apply:

- 1. Pupils are to be at the bus stops on time; the drivers cannot wait for pupils to walk from their homes to the buses.
- 2. Pupils will get off buses at their designated stops in an orderly manner.
- 3. Pupils ride only their regularly assigned buses and get off at their regular stops.
- 4. Pupils who wish to leave a bus at a stop other than their normal one must have written permission from their parents or guardians and these notes must be signed by an administrator.
- 5. Pupils must sit only in their assigned seats.
- 6. Pupils must be absolutely quiet at railroad crossings and other places of danger.
- 7. Pupils will cross the street at least ten feet in front of the buses and upon the signal of the drivers.
- 8. Large objects and school projects may need to be transported by parents.
- 9. Pupils are not permitted to eat or litter on a bus.

BUS PASSES

Due to all Ross Local School buses being at or near capacity, students will not be allowed to ride a bus other than the one they are assigned to. Bus Passes will not be issued per the Transportation Department.

CAFETERIA EXPECTATIONS

Each class is assigned an area where they are to sit during lunch. All food is to be eaten in the cafeteria. Students are expected to behave in an appropriate fashion in the cafeteria. This includes eating one's own food, talking quietly, being respectful and staying seated. Birthday treats must be purchased from the cafeteria (no outside food may be brought in and shared in the cafeteria).

CELL PHONES/ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Students are not permitted to have cell phones or other non-school issued electronic devices on them during the school day. Students may have them in their lockers but they must be turned off. RLS is not responsible for any lost, stolen or damaged non-school issued device that a student brought to school.

CHANGE IN RESIDENCY OR CUSTODY

Please notify the office immediately if custody/guardianship, address and/or phone numbers change during the course of the year. Any falsification of such records may result in liability of tuition payment to the Ross Local School District.

COMPUTER USAGE

The Acceptable Use Agreement form must be signed online each year. If you and your child did not sign this agreement, but you would like your child to be able to use the Internet during the current school year, please login to Final Forms to sign. If you signed an agreement, but no longer wish your child to be able to access the Internet, please notify the office.

ONE-TO-ONE COMPUTING PROGRAM

The Ross Local School District is excited to provide students in grades K-12 with anywhere/anytime technology to transform their learning experiences. Each student in grades 6-12 will be given a Chromebook laptop,power adapter and carrying case. Each student in grades K-5 will be issued a Chromebook to use in class. The Ross Local School District is committed to providing students with equitable access to digital opportunities that will prepare them for life after high school. Through the use of technology the district wants to encourage each student to foster problem-solving skills, responsible decision-making skills, communication,

collaboration and student-centered learning.

- 1:1 Device Distribution and End of Year Hand-in Procedure
- Any student who moves into the district mid-year will be issued a 1:1 device from the remaining

building inventory, and will be instructed on how to take care of their device.

• At the end of the school year, all student 1:1 devices will be collected and stored for the summer.

At the time of end of year checkout, students are responsible for reporting any damage that needs repaired. Teachers and tech support staff will only check to ensure that all 1:1 devices and

accessories have been returned and are accounted for. In the event that all items are not turned

in, the student will be issued an obligation for the cost of the missing item(s). Parents will be notified with a listing of any missing items from the end of year 1:1 turn-in for their students.

• For any students who graduate early, or have been withdrawn before the end of the school year,

or have been dismissed early for any reason, it is the students and parents responsibility to return all equipment before permanently leaving the district. If 1:1 devices are not turned in, the district will pursue all legal avenues to get the equipment returned. In the event that a 1:1 device

is not returned, the device will be disabled, rendering the device unusable and a fee added to the

student's account.

Ownership of the Device

Ross Local School District (RLSD) retains sole right of ownership and possession of the 1:1 devices. The devices are loaned to the students for educational purposes only for the academic

year. RLSD's administrative staff and faculty retain the right to collect and/or inspect devices at any time, and to monitor student work or to alter, add, or delete installed software or hardware during school hours.

Student Expectations and

Guidelines

All Ross Local School District (RLSD) students and families must understand that:

- All students using the district network and district devices must comply, at all times, with the student handbook and the district's Acceptable Use Policy. Students should also use their devices and access digital resources in accordance with all local, state, and federal laws and observe and follow fair use policies and copyright laws.
- Students in grades 6-12 need to bring their 1:1 device in their district issued always-on case, fully

charged each day.

- Students may not be issued loaner chargers to charge their device, and may not be issued loaner devices if they forget their device.
- Students will be issued a loaner device in the event that a repair is necessary on their issued device, depending upon availability of district inventory.
- Students are expected to keep the equipment in good condition.

- Students should report any damage to their equipment as soon as possible. Report the damage
- to the respective building library/media staff.
- Students should notify a staff member immediately if they come across inappropriate information.
- images, messages or any dangerous, threatening material that makes them feel uncomfortable.
- Students may not remove or interfere with the serial number and other identification tags, nor should they physically alter the device or carrying case. Under no circumstances should a student take apart their Chromebook or take their Chromebook to a third party for repairs. All repairs should be facilitated through the Ross Technology Department.
- Students must not circumvent installed content filters installed on Chromebooks.
- Students who do not meet these expectations will be subject to disciplinary action as determined by staff.

Responsibilities Regarding Electronic Data and Accounts

- Students should only use their own username and password and not share their account information with another student or access the account of another student.
- All student created files and electronic communication (student email) are subject to monitoring
- for safety precautions. Users of district technology should have no expectations of privacy to any
- data that is, or was, stored on their device, school network or any school-issued applications.
- Students are responsible for the appropriateness of all files, data, and internet history on their
- device. Although these devices will be filtered on campus it is still the responsibility of the student
- to use good judgment when accessing or transmitting data. Do not take photos or videos of other
- students or staff without their permission. The possession, forwarding, or uploading of unauthorized data, photos, audio, or video to any website, network storage area, or person is strictly forbidden.

Technology Fee Information

- The district's technology fee is \$80 for all students in grades 6-12 and \$50 dollars for students in
- grades K-5. Fees are expected to be paid at the beginning of the school year.
- This fee will be collected for each student at the beginning of the school year.
- The technology fee has been implemented to assist the District in acquiring, upgrading, and maintaining technology hardware and software that support the district's 1:1 initiative. This includes

the devices, device cases, management software, Insurance, and any other district identified ongoing costs that are necessary to maintain and support the district's 1:1 initiative.

- Students will NOT be charged for any repair that is related to a manufacturer defect.
- Students WILL be charged for ANY intentional physical damage or if the laptop is lost or stolen.
- Students who lose their Power Adapter will be charged \$35.00.
- Parents/Guardians will be notified upon a damage event, or any intentional damage.

Costs of Repairs/Replacements

Ross Local School District recognizes that with the implementation of a 1:1 initiative there is a need to protect this equipment by both the District and the student/parent. The following pricing chart outlines the costs of the most common repairs so that both the student and parent understand the cost associated with those repairs. These costs will be incurred in the event of intentional damage, or if the item is lost or stolen.

Carrying Case \$30

Chromebook Display \$50

Chromebook Keyboard \$35

Chromebook Power Adapter \$35

Chromebook Trackpad \$15

Chromebook outer casing parts

- Display Bezel \$15
- Bottom Case \$15
- Top Case \$15

Miscellaneous Part costs

- Hinge replacement \$10
- Camera \$10
- Charging port \$10

Chromebook \$320

Vandalism and Theft

In cases of theft, vandalism, and other criminal acts, a police report should be filed by the student or parent as soon as possible, but in most cases no more than 48 hours after the theft or vandalism is discovered. The police report should be presented to the building office. Further,

students/parents should contact their school as soon as possible after the device is determined to be stolen, lost, or vandalized. In cases where the device has been stolen, lost, or vandalized,

the student/parents are responsible for replacement cost of the device and/or carrying case.

Care of Devices

- Due to insurance requirements school-provided cases must be on Chromebooks at all times.
- Use only a soft, lint-free microfiber cloth to clean the screen.
- Avoid getting moisture and liquids on the device/accessories.
- Do not use window cleaner, household cleaner, aerosol sprays, solvents, alcohol, ammonia,

or abrasives to clean the device.

- Devices should be left in a secure location when not in use on and off campus.
- Under no circumstances should devices be left in unsupervised areas including school grounds, athletic fields/areas, cafeterias, computer labs, classrooms, dressing rooms, and hallways.
- Students are not guaranteed the opportunity to charge their devices at school. Devices are to

come to school each day fully charged.

- Too much pressure may crack the screen. Avoid placing anything on top of your device or case.
- Extreme heat or cold can harm the device. Avoid leaving the device in a hot or cold car.
- Do not disassemble or attempt to repair the device, or take the device to a third-party for repair.

All repairs must be made through the RLSD Technology Department.

Policy Changes

The Ross Local School District reserves the right to modify, adapt, or alter any part of this policy

at any time as deemed necessary by district administration.

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

State law requires public schools to release to any party that requests directory information within a reasonable period of time. The following items are designated as Directory Information: student name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, awards and honors received, and the student's photograph as published in the school year book. Any parent or adult student not wanting Directory Information released should contact the Ross Intermediate School office.

DRESS CODE

The Ross Intermediate School Dress Code has been designed to establish an atmosphere that allows all students to be engaged in the formal learning process while maintaining a safe and secure environment. In general, appropriate attire is defined as dress that allows for a positive learning environment to exist throughout the instructional school day and does not create an uncomfortable atmosphere for students or staff, insinuates a potential for an unsafe environment and meets community standards.

Students are permitted to wear shorts. The appropriate length for shorts, skirts, culottes, and split leg skirts is no more than six inches above the middle of the knee. In addition, students are not permitted to wear low cut shirts that are deemed inappropriate by school administration. Students are required to wear shoes at all times on Ross Local School District property.

Some examples of inappropriate attire includes, but is not limited to, bare midriff shirts, halter tops, and clothing adorned with drug, alcohol, weapons, tobacco, sexual, or other disruptive signs, words, or pictures. All articles of clothing and accessories altered from their original design and articles that are disruptive to the educational process are not permitted to be worn at school. Undergarment clothing may not be exposed at any time. Students may not wear extreme or distracting make-up, hairstyles, or accessories. Students may not dress in a manner that the administration determines to be unacceptable in light of community standards.

Students are not permitted to wear jackets or overcoats during school hours. Students must place jackets and overcoats in their lockers prior to beginning the school day. In addition, students are not permitted to carry book bags during the school day. All book bags should be stored in the students' assigned lockers during the school day. For the purposes of Ross Intermediate School any bag that carries a school issued textbook will be considered a book bag, this includes oversized purses, athletic bags, over-the-shoulder bags or anything of the like. Students are not permitted to wear hats from 8:00am until 3:00pm.; failure to abide by these regulations could result in confiscation or disciplinary action.

Hats, head coverings, hoods on hoodies, bandanas, sweatbands, and sunglasses are not to be worn inside the building. The aforementioned, with the exception of hoodies, **should not be visible** during the school day. Items found to be on and/or visible will be confiscated and returned to the student at the end of the school day. Subsequent violations will result in confiscation of the item only to be released to a parent/guardian and may result in additional disciplinary measures.

School administration can make changes to the dress code standards at any time to ensure the health, safety, and wellbeing of all students. Dress code infractions are tracked throughout the entire school year.

EARLY DISMISSAL / DISMISSAL

Parents are encouraged to schedule appointments with doctors and dentists other than during school hours. However, when emergency demands, the appointment should be made as early or as late in the day as possible. To arrange an early dismissal, students should bring a note to the office, signed by the parent or guardian, stating the reason for the early dismissal and the time the parent will arrive for them. Any student dismissed prior to the regular dismissal time must be met in the office where the parent or guardian must "sign out" the student.

E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Faculty and staff e-mail addresses are available on the website at www.rossrams.com.

Fees

Parents are notified early in the school year concerning the fees charged for items such as paper for writing and art, weekly student newspapers, etc. Payment is preferred by check written to Ross Intermediate School but can also be paid cash. You can also visit rossrams.com and use Pay Schools for fee payment. Parents may make weekly or monthly

payments, if desired. Report cards are withheld if fees are not paid. There will be a general fee of \$40 and an additional tech fee of \$50 for a total of \$90 grades 4-5.

Board Policy on Student Fees (JN):

- 1. Beginning August 1, the Principal will advise parents of fees. Payment is due 30 days after the start of each semester.
- 2. Athletic Fees. Payment for each season's sport is due prior to the first athletic contest. In addition, all school fees must be paid prior to the first athletic contest.
- 3. Students with outstanding financial obligations from previous years will not be permitted to participate in extracurricular or co-curricular activities until such financial obligations are paid or a payment plan has been established with the Principal or Athletic Director.
- 4. Families will be notified at the beginning of each quarter of any outstanding financial obligations. This notification will be sent by the building Principal/Secretary.
- 5. Fees may be paid online.
- 6. A payment plan may be established by contacting the Principal or Athletic Director with the full payment to be received by the last day of school.

GRADING SCALE

Letter	Percentage	Description
Grade		
Α	90-100	Excellent
В	80-89.99	Above Average
С	70-79.99	Average
D	60-69.99	Below Average
F	Below 60	Unsatisfactory

HONOR ROLL

Students in grades five through eight are eligible for honor roll recognition. The criteria for high honors is 3.75-4.0 cumulative grade average and honors is a 3.25-3.749 cumulative grade average. All subjects receiving a letter grade will have an equally calculated effect on honor roll status. An "F" or "I" in any subject eliminates honor roll eligibility. Honor rolls will be distributed to local newspapers.

Grade Point Average (G.P.A.) is calculated using the following numerical equivalents:

A = 4.0 B = 3.0 C = 2.0 D = 1.0 F = 0

INTERIM REPORTS

Midway through each nine-week grading period, students receiving an "F" in any class will have a copy of their interim reports sent home to be signed. Grades may be accessed through Progress Book throughout the academic year.

LOST & FOUND

All articles that are found should be returned to the lost and found box located in the main lobby outside the main office. Any lost article, except textbooks, should be claimed there. Lost textbooks, when found, will be returned to the teacher's mailbox whose name appears on the label inside the book.

LUNCHES

Students must prepay for regular school lunches by cash/check (make checks payable to Ross Intermediate School) or credit card (minimum of \$20). Prepaying lunches should be taken care of prior to homeroom. Ross Local Schools uses Payschools. This can be found on rossrams.com. RLS does not allow visitors to have lunch with students.

MEDICATION (Prescription)

If it becomes necessary for a student to take any form of medication at school:

- Each child to whom medication is to be dispensed must have on file a completed authorization form signed by his or her parent or guardian and a completed physician's request form signed before medication will be administered to the student.
- The medication to be administered to the student must be in the container in which it
 was dispensed by the prescribing physician or a licensed pharmacist when it is given to
 the school employee authorized to administer the medication. Students will not
 administer the medication to themselves.
- New request forms must be submitted each school year and as necessary for changes in medication orders.

MEDICATION (Non-Prescription)

Generally the use of medications (or over-the-counter medications) is discouraged in the schools. If it becomes necessary for a student to take any form of medication at school:

- Each child to whom medication is to be dispensed must have on file a completed authorization form signed by his or her parent or guardian before medication will be administered to the student.
- The medication must be brought in the original container. Students will not administer the medication to themselves.
- Student's name must be clearly visible on the medication container.

OTHER MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION HOME

Parents should make prior arrangements with their child regarding other means of transportation home when not riding the bus. It is not necessary to sign your child out of school if you pick them up after 3:00pm. Due to limited office help and disruption of classes, please refrain from calling the school or dropping by the office to pick up children without prior arrangements.

SCHOOL HOURS

School begins at 8:15pm and students are dismissed at 3:00pm. Students are permitted to enter the building at 8:00am. Students should not be on school grounds after 3:15pm, unless under direct supervision of a school employee.

SNOW DAYS

On days that the weather prohibits students from coming to school on a regular time schedule, parents/children should listen to the local radio/TV stations or check the district website at www.rossrams.com for school delays and closings. Please refrain from calling the school.

TARDIES/EARLY DISMISSALS

If for some reason, your child will be late to school, please send a note along with the student stating the reason for his/her tardiness. Students must report to the office upon arriving at school to sign in to receive a pass to class, they do not need to be signed in by their parent/guardian.

When arriving after 8:15am. but prior to 11:20am, students will be considered "tardy". Students arriving after 11:20am but prior to 12:20pm will be marked with a half-day absence. Any student arriving after 12:20pm will be counted as a full-day absence.

If your child needs to leave school early for a doctor's appointment or for some other reason, please send a note stating the reason and time of dismissal. If someone other than the parent/guardian will be picking up your child, please include this information in your note. It is necessary for an adult to sign your child out of school; this is done in the main office.

When leaving school prior to 11:05am, students will be counted with a full-day absence. Students leaving after 11:05am but prior to 12:05pm. will be marked with a half-day absence. Any student leaving after 12:05pm but prior to 3:00pm will receive an "early dismissal".

VACATION DAYS

Students may be taken out of school for trips or vacations a maximum of 5 days. At least two weeks advance notice must be given to the school for the absences to be considered excused. The responsibility for such absences resides with the parent(s), and they must not expect any work missed by their child to be re-taught by the teacher. It is the responsibility of the student/parent to notify teachers and to request work. The two-week time frame must be strictly followed in these cases.

VISITORS

All visitors must enter via the front entrance and register in the main office to receive a visitor's pass in order to be allowed in the building. All visitors are expected to leave promptly when their business is completed.

WITHDRAWAL FROM SCHOOL

If it becomes necessary for a student to withdraw from school, parents are to come to school and fill out necessary forms for withdrawal.

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Any pupil engaging in the types of conduct either specifically or generally like the kinds of conduct listed below is subject to expulsion, suspension, removal or permanent exclusion from curricular or extracurricular activities pursuant to Sections 3313.661 and 3313.662, Ohio Revised Code. Compliance to the Student Code of Conduct is mandatory.

The types of conduct prohibited by this code of regulations are as follows:

- 1. Damage or destruction of school property on or off of school premises.
- 2. Damage or destruction of private property on school premises or in areas controlled by the school.
- 3. Damage or destruction of property belonging to a school employee, or anyone connected with the school district, whether on or off school premises.
- 4. Assault or battery of a school employee, student or other person on school premises, while in the custody or control of the school, or in the course of a school related activity.
- 5. Possession or use of self defense devices.
- 6. Fighting, assault and/or inappropriate contact between students.
- 7. Chronic misbehavior which disrupts or interferes with any school activity.
- 8. Disregard of reasonable directions or commands by school authorities including school administrators, teachers and other school personnel.
- 9. Any disruption or interference of school activities, or misconduct by a pupil on or off of school property.
- 10. Presence in areas during school hours or outside school hours where a student has no legitimate business without permission of a school administrator or teacher.
- 11. Leaving school during school hours without permission of proper school authority.
- 12. Distribution of pamphlets, leaflets, buttons, insignia, etc. without the permission of the proper school authority. 13. Demonstrations by individuals or groups causing disruption to school activities.
- 14. Disrespect to administrators, teachers or other school personnel.
- 15. Skipping detention.
- 16. Refusing to take detention or other administered discipline.
- 17. Falsifying of information given to school authorities.
- 18. Buying, selling, using, having used, possessing or being under the influence of any controlled substance (drugs, narcotics, marijuana, etc.); or buying, selling, distributing, using, possessing, having possessed, or being under the influence of any counterfeit controlled substance (any substance that is made to look like a controlled substance, or is represented to be a controlled substance, or that you think is a controlled substance).
- 19. Buying, selling, transferring, distributing, using, or having used, or unauthorized use or possession of any drug, medication, inhalant or other substance which can be taken internally where the student or students involved cannot show a legitimate health or other reason for the use of such substance.
- 20. Possessing, using, having used, or being under the influence of any alcoholic beverage, inhalant, or intoxicant of any kind, or selling of drugs, drug paraphernalia, or alcohol on school premises or at a school sponsored function.
- 21. No student shall smoke, use or possess any substance containing tobacco, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, a pipe, a clove cigarette, and chewing tobacco, or use of

tobacco in any other form. Students shall not use or possess simulated cigarettes (i.e. e-cigarettes.) As provided in 3313751, Ohio Revised Code, it shall be a violation of this rule to use or possess tobacco in any form at any time anywhere on school premises and/or at any school activity regardless of its location.

- 22. Turning in false fire, tornado, or disaster alarms.
- 23. Making a bomb threat or any kind of threat to any school building, property, or vehicle.
- 24. Placing of signs or slogans on school property without the permission of the school authorities.
- 25. Extortion of a pupil or school personnel.
- 26. Forgery of school related documents.
- 27. Cursing.
- 28. Truancy.
- 29. Cheating or plagiarizing.
- 30. Harassment, intimidation or bullying of students in written form, verbal form or in any other medium of communication.
- 31. Harassment or hazing of school employees on or off of school premises, or misconduct by a pupil regardless of where it occurs, that is directed at a school official or employee.
- 32. Theft or possession of stolen property.
- 33. Gambling.
- 34. Tardiness.
- 35. Improper or suggestive dress.
- 36. Engaging in sexual acts or displaying excessive affections or other inappropriate behavior with a person of the same or opposite sex on school premises or at a school related function.
- 37. Publication, possession or distribution of obscene, pornographic or libelous material.
- 38. Use of indecent, abusive or obscene language in oral, written or in any other medium of communication.
- 39. Indecent exposure.
- 40. Arson, or inappropriate use of fire.
- 41. Failure to abide by reasonable dress and appearance codes set forth in the student handbook or established by the administration or the Board of Education.
- 42. Failure to abide by rules and regulations set forth by the administration for student parking.
- 43. Disobedience of driving regulations while on school premises.
- 44. Presence on school property with a communicable disease.
- 45. Willfully aiding another person to violate school regulations.
- 46. Convey, attempt to convey or knowingly possess a deadly weapon, lookalike weapon, any item intended to be used as a weapon, or dangerous ordinance onto any property owned or controlled by, or to any activity held under the auspices of the Board of Education.
- 47. Selling, offering to sell, distributing, or possession of a controlled substance, or drug paraphernalia on school premises or at a school related function (trafficking drugs).
- 48. Carrying concealed weapons.
- 49. Aggravated murder, murder, voluntary manslaughter, involuntary manslaughter, felonious assault, aggravated assault, rape, gross sexual imposition, or sexual penetration.
- 50. Any type of prohibited activity listed herein engaged in by a student on school premises, on a school bus, or while in the control or custody of the school district regardless of whether on

- or off of school premises, or at a school related activity regardless of location, shall be reason for expulsion, suspension, removal or permanent exclusion from school.
- 51. Commission by a pupil of any crime in violation of the Ohio Criminal Code, Ohio Traffic Code or the Ohio Juvenile Code on school premises or while in the control or custody of the school district regardless of whether on or off of school premises, or at a school related activity regardless of location.
- 52. Any other activity by a pupil which the pupil knows, or should know will disrupt the academic process of a curricular or extracurricular activity while on school premises or while in the control or custody of the school district regardless of whether on or off of school premises, or at a school related activity regardless of location.
- 53. Any action judged by school officials to involve misconduct and not specifically mentioned in other sections may be dealt with as insubordination.
- 54. Threats of physical harm or damage to school property, school personnel, parents, students, or other individuals, in either written, verbal or within any other form of communication.
- 55. Behavior, which causes, results in, or may result in the creation of fear, panic, intimidation, or a threatening atmosphere regardless of whether on or off of school premises or at a school related activity regardless of location.
- 56. Any violation of the district computer network and Internet acceptable use policy.
- 57. Statements, oral, written or over any other medium of communication, which causes, results in or may result in the creation of fear, panic, intimidation, disruption of the learning environment or a threatening atmosphere regardless of whether on or off of school premises or at a school related activity regardless of location.