

Parent Volunteer Training

CEL Volunteer Training

- Thank you for supporting our Lawrence students and faculty
- > Volunteers are an essential part of our school community
- ≻ Opportunities:
 - Academic areas
 - Clerical areas
 - Main office needs
 - Committees



Objectives

Volunteers have the right to know the district expectations and their rights and responsibilities.

We will cover:
➤ Guidelines
➤ Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying
➤ Safety and Security
➤ Confidentiality

Guidelines

- Always sign in and sign out at the main office
 Obtain a pass with your name
- Communicate with the teacher about the <u>time</u> you are coming and the reason
- ≻ <u>No photography or video</u> can be taken
- ➤ <u>No outside food or drink</u> (other than water)
- ≻ <u>Siblings</u> are not permitted

Guidelines

- Refrain from using your <u>cell phones</u> other than emergencies
- All <u>discipline</u> issues should be referred to a faculty member
- ➤ Maintain a professional, <u>positive attitude</u>

Confidentiality

- <u>Respect the teachers' and students' right to privacy</u>
 Many things you may see or hear are strictly confidential and <u>cannot be shared</u> with anyone

 Student behaviors, academics, or personal information
- Refrain from discussing your own child with the teacher
 When your volunteer time is done, allow your own child to stay in school for the remainder of the day

Safety and Security

During a safety drill or true emergency
 Follow the directions from the faculty member
 Refrain from using <u>cell phone</u>

> Enter through <u>main office</u> only and sign in.

> DO NOT OPEN the door for others to enter.

Safety and Security

For your safety as well as our students:
➤ A faculty member must <u>always be present</u> when a volunteer is working with a student
➤ Always be <u>within sight</u> of a faculty member
➤ If you need to leave the area, <u>communicate</u> with the faculty member

Safety and Security

For your safety as well as our students:

- Keep your personal belongings out of the reach of students
- > Alcohol and tobacco products are prohibited in the building or on school grounds
- \succ Be aware of blood-borne pathogens

Understanding HIB

Harassment, intimidation & bullying (HIB) means any gesture, any written, verbal or physical act, or any electronic communication, whether it be a single incident or a series of incidents, that:

- is <u>reasonably perceived</u> as being motivated either by an actual or perceived characteristic, such as race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or a mental, physical or sensory disability, or by any other distinguishing characteristic
- that takes place on school property, at any school-sponsored function, or on a school bus; or off school grounds, as provided for in N.J.S.A. 18A:37-15.

Understanding HIB

- that <u>substantially disrupts or interferes</u> with the orderly operation of the school or the rights of other students
- that a <u>reasonable person</u> should know, under the circumstances, will have the effect of physically or emotionally harming a student or damaging the student's property, or placing a student in reasonable fear of physical or emotional harm to his person or damage to his property

Understanding HIB

- has the effect of insulting or demeaning any student or group of students
- creates a <u>hostile educational environment</u> for the student by interfering with a student's education or by severely or pervasively causing physical or emotional harm to the student.

HIB vs Conflict

Conflict

•Equal Power

Accidental

•Mutually Competitive or opposing action (argument, disagreement, fight)

Example: Student A and Student B begin to argue over a game on the playground. Student A calls Student B a liar and they begin to push one another.

Possible HIB

Imbalance of PowerPurposefulOne-Sided: intent is to physically or emotionally harm

Example: Student A tries to play a game with their peers and Student B says, "You can't play because you're fat." Student A is overweight and Student B convinces the other students to not play with him/her.

Reporting an Incident

Report any incident to a faculty member as soon as possible.

Thank You

Thank you for taking the time to volunteer for our students.

