

Aledo ISD Student Handbook

Elementary Supplement

2024-2025

Awards and Honors

Students will be recognized for different areas of excellence in various ways throughout the school year.

Change of Transportation Addendum

Parents are encouraged to plan for a consistent way for students to be taken home after school (bus, parent pick up, day care, etc.) If for some reason there is a change in transportation, parents must notify the child's teacher by note or email *by 10 am*. If there is an emergency, parents may call the office after 10:00 am to report a change of transportation. Change of transportation messages will only be taken by the office in emergency situations.

Class Schedules

Please visit individual campus web pages for details about daily class schedules.

Dress and Grooming

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption and to minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

- Skirts, dresses, shorts and skorts must be at least mid-thigh length. (Girls are required to wear shorts under their skirts because of P.E. or similar activities.) Athletic shorts must be worn with bike shorts or sliders. Shorts must be longer than shirts and/or sweaters. Shorts must have a straight edge (no cutoffs). Cheerleader's uniforms must comply with length guidelines.
- Midriff shirts, halter tops, see-through tops and low-cut tops, open-sided shirts for boys and girls and backless blouses, tank tops that are less than 2 inches on the shoulder are not to be worn by themselves. (When arms are raised above the head, the bottom of the shirt should still meet the top of the short, skirt, or

pants/jeans.) All clothing shall be so designed as to cover the chest area and underclothing. Appropriate undergarments must be worn. Sleeveless shirts must be hemmed and properly fitted. No fashion holes, rips, or tears in pants above fingertip length or shirts are allowed. No tight fitting shirts or shorts. Pants/shorts should fit at the waist or a belt should be worn. No sagging pants/shorts will be permitted.

- A neat and clean appearing hairstyle is required. No extreme style or color will be allowed.
 - Clothing shall not display or reflect:
 - Risqué, vulgar, suggestive, offensive, or violent design.
 - Violent language or negative comments.
 - Advertisements dealing with drugs, alcohol, or tobacco on any apparel and/or accessories.
 - Any kind of hat/head covering and/or forehead bands and sunglasses worn by a student shall be removed from their person when he/she enters the building. No bandannas are allowed.
 - Shoes with rubber, steel, or hard plastic cleats, such as those used in little league, football, baseball, etc., are NOT to be worn at school. For safety purposes, NO beach/sandal flip-flops/backless shoes/shoes with removable wheels and no platform shoes over 2 inches are to be worn. Appropriate rubber-soled tennis shoes (athletic type) for P.E. are required.
 - Students' dress, personal grooming, and additional accessories shall not lead school officials to believe that such items, dress, or personal grooming will disrupt, interfere with, disturb, or detract from school activities.
 - No exposed facial or body piercing other than the ear shall be allowed.
- School administration shall have the right to appraise any current fashion or fad and determine its appropriateness for school wear/use. Final decisions on questionable clothing will be made by the administrator in charge. Exceptions to the rules will be made if a student is prohibited from wearing requested attire due to religious doctrine.

If the principal determines that a student's grooming or clothing violates the school's dress code, the student may be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student will be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day, until the problem is corrected, or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school.

Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

Excused/Unexcused make up work policy

Students shall be expected to make up assignments and tests after absences. Assignments or tests not made up within the allotted time will be subject to the Late Work Policy.

Students will have one day for each day they are absent (i.e. absent 2 days, they have 2 days to make up the work). A student shall be responsible for obtaining and completing the make-up work in a satisfactory manner and within the time specified by the teacher.

Grades

Please see [Curriculum & Instruction / Grading Guidelines](#) for updated guidelines, including Reteach, Redos, and Retakes.

Homework

Maximum minutes of assigned homework for all subjects are as follows:

K-2 = 30 minutes daily (all subjects combined)

3-5 = 45 minutes daily (all subjects combined)

Please note that this time does not include late work, absent work or work not completed during class time. Any changes to this procedure will be communicated to parents.

Kindergarten Acceleration

In accordance with State Board rules, the Board shall approve procedures developed by the Superintendent or designee to allow a child who is five years old at the beginning of the school year to be assigned initially to grade 1 rather than kindergarten. Criteria for acceleration may include:

1. Scores on readiness tests or achievement tests that may be administered by appropriate District personnel.
2. Recommendation of the kindergarten or preschool the student has attended.
3. Chronological age and observed social and emotional development of the student.

4. Other criteria deemed appropriate by the principal and Superintendent.
Contact campus administration to make this request.

Library

The library is for student use during school hours. Library hours may be adjusted for special functions or events (book fair, meetings, etc.). Students will have class time in the library for not only checking out books, but also to create in makerspace and design with technology.

Participating in Campus Parent Organizations

Parents are encouraged to participate in district and campus level PTO membership. Please visit the front office for details or visit the PTO website at aledopto.org

Lauren's Law:

Please request the notification form from your classroom teacher. This form must be submitted to the Principal 10 days prior to the event.

Tardiness

Our school day begins at 7:40 a.m. One of the most valuable life skills a student can learn is taking the responsibility of arriving at school every day on time. This skill can easily be accomplished and will transfer as a valuable asset for the future. One of the most important times of the school day is the morning. This is the time when important school news is announced, teachers define the plans for the day and instructional goals are reviewed and set. The whole tone of a child's school day is set in the first part of the day. Please help support your children in learning habits that will help them be successful at school and throughout life.

Water Bottles

Students may bring a re-closable water bottle to class, with *only water* inside.