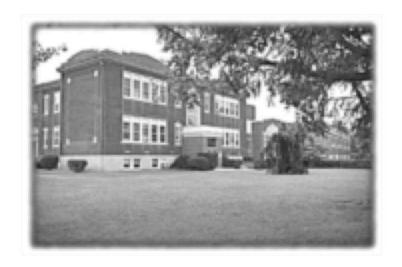
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STUDENT HANDBOOK 2024 - 2025



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GRADUATION/DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS The Guidance Department is available to answer any question regarding Regents Examinations and the New York State Department of Education graduation requirements.

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New York State Diploma Requirements Applicable to All Students Enrolled in Grades 9-12

Credit Requirements

(Apply to all diploma types: local, Regents, Regents with advanced designation)

	Minimum number of credits
English	4
Social Studies Distributed as follows: U.S. History (1) Global History and Geography (2) Participation in Government (½) Economics (½)	4
Science Distributed as follows: Life Science (1) Physical Science (1) Life Science or Physical Science (1)	3
Mathematics	3
World Languages	1(**)
Visual Art, Music, Dance, and/or Theater	1
Physical Education (participation each semester)	2
Health	1/2
Electives	3 ½
Total	22

^(**)Students with a disability may be excused from the requirement for 1 unit of credit in World Languages if so indicated on their IEP, but they must still earn 22 units of credit to graduate.

1.) Pathways

A student must either:

- · earn the Seal of Civic Readiness; or
- pass an additional Regents Exam or Department Approved Alternative in a different course (English, mathematics, science, or social studies): or
- pass a Department Approved Pathway Assessment (Arts, CDOS, World Languages); or
- successfully complete a NYSED-approved CTE program, including the associated 3-part technical assessment; or
- successfully complete all the <u>requirements for earning the CDOS Commencement Credential</u>.

Beginning in fall 2022, a select number of NYS schools will pilot the <u>Individual Arts Assessment Pathway (IAAP)</u>. Reference <u>Multiple Pathways</u> and <u>Department Approved Alternative Examinations</u>.

2.) Traditional Appeals

All appeals are subject to local district approval. Reference: Appeals, Safety Nets, and Superintendent Determination

3.) Special Endorsements

Honors: A student earns a computed average of at least 90 on the Regents Exams applicable to either a Regents diploma or a Regents diploma with advanced designation. No more than 2 Department approved alternatives can be substituted for Regents Exams. The locally developed Checkpoint B examination in World Languages is <u>not</u> included in the calculation.

Mastery in Math and/or Science: A student meets all the requirements for a Regents diploma with advanced designation AND earns a score of 85 or better on 3 math Regents Exams and/or 3 science Regents Exams.

Technical Endorsement: A student meets the requirements for either a local diploma, a Regents diploma or a Regents diploma with advanced designation AND successfully completes a Department approved CTE program including the 3-part technical assessment.

Seal of Biliteracy: A student meets the criteria for earning the NYS Seal of Biliteracy.

Seal of Civic Readiness: A student meets the criteria for earning the NYS Seal of Civic Readiness.

Reference the <u>Endorsements and Seals webpage</u> or <u>NYS Diploma/Credential Requirements</u> for additional information related to awarding special endorsements to students with exam exemptions due to COVID-19.

4.) World Languages Exemption

Students with a disability may be excused from the required units of credit in World Languages if so indicated on their IEP, but they must still earn 22 units of credit to graduate. Such student who seeks a Regents diploma with advanced designation does NOT have to complete the 5-unit sequence in the Arts or CTE in lieu of the sequence in World Languages in order to meet the assessment requirements for the advanced diploma.

5.) Superintendent Determination of a Local Diploma

Students with a disability who are unable to attain a local diploma through the various safety net provisions may be eligible for a Superintendent Determination of a local diploma under certain conditions. Reference: Appeals, Safety Nets, and Superintendent Determination

6.) Flexibilities due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

Exemptions: Students granted an exemption from any exam due to COVID-19 are not required to pass such specific exam to meet the assessment requirements for any diploma type. Reference the following FAQs: June/August 2020, January 2021, June/August 2021, and January 2022

Special Appeals: Eligible students may use lower scores (50-64) on Regents Exams taken during the 2021-22 or 2022-23 school year to meet the assessment requirements for any diploma type. Reference: Special Appeals Memo and FAQ. Special Determination: Students who are scheduled to graduate in June 2022 and either do not qualify for a Special Appeal or who are unable to participate in one or more required Regents Exam(s) because of illness, including isolation restrictions due to COVID, may request a Special Determination to Graduate with a Local Diploma in June 2022.

7.) Exemptions from the Regents Exam in US History and Government (Framework)

Eligible students shall be granted an exemption from the June 2022, August 2022, or January 2023 Regents Exam in US History and Government (Framework). Reference: FAQ on Cancellation of Regents Exam in US History and Government (Framework)

Assessment Requirements

		s Diploma for Students	Regents Diploma via Appeal for All Students		Local Diploma via Appeal for All Students		Local Diploma for Students with a Disability		Local Diploma via Appeal for English Language Learners	
REGENTS EXAM or passing score on a Department approved alternative	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score
English Language Arts (ELA)	1	65 ¹	1		1		1	55*^	1	Either the ELA Regents exam
Math	1	65	1	been granted by the district and all remaining Or Regents exams	1	2 Regents exams	1	55*^	1	with a score of 55-59 for which an appeal has been granted by
Science	1	65 ¹	1		1	with a score of 60-64 for which	1	55*^	1	the district, and all remaining
Social Studies	1	65	1		1	appeals have	1	55*^	1	Regents exams with a score of 65 or above, OR 1 Regents
Pathway (See note 1 on reverse side)	1 or CDOS	65 ¹ if Regents Exam	1 or CDOS		1 or CDOS	been granted by the district and all remaining Regents exams with a score of 65 ¹ or above	1 or CDOS	55*^ if Regents Exam	1 or CDOS	exam with a score of 60-64 and the ELA Regents with a score of 55-59 for which appeals have been granted for both by the district, and the remaining Regents exams with a score of 65' or above [†]
Compensatory Safety Net	Non-	Applicable	Non-Applicable		Non-Applicable		Scores of 45-54 on any required Regents exam (except ELA and Mathematics) can be compensated by a score of 65 ¹ or above on another required Regents exam including ELA and Mathematics.		Non-Applicable	

Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation

Students seeking the Regents diploma with advanced designation must:

- Meet the credit and assessment requirements for a Regents diploma; and
- Pass two additional Regents exams or Department approved alternatives in mathematics: and
- Pass one additional Regents exam or Department approved alternative in science
 - students seeking advanced designation must pass at least one Regents exam or Department approved alternative in both sciences (one life and one physical); and
- Complete a sequence:
 - o earn an additional 2 units of credit in World Languages and pass a locally developed Checkpoint B World Languages examination, or
 - o complete a 5 unit sequence in the Arts, or
 - o complete a 5 unit sequence in CTE.

Assessment Combinations for Advanced Designation

Traditional Combination	ELA, Global History and Geography, US History and Government, 3 mathematics, 2 science (1 life science, 1 physical science) = 8 assessments
Pathway Combination (other than STEM)	ELA, 1 social studies, 3 math, 2 science (1 life science, 1 physical science), 1 Pathway (other than science or math) = 7 (+Pathway) or 8 assessments.
STEM (Mathematics) Pathway Combination	ELA, 1 social studies, 4 math [‡] , 2 science (1 life science, 1 physical science) = 8 assessments.
STEM (Science) Pathway Combination	ELA, 1 social studies, 3 math, 3 science (at least 1 life science, at least 1 physical science) = 8 assessments.

^{*} A student with a disability may appeal scores between 52 and 54 on up to two Regents examinations in any discipline and graduate with the local diploma. Reference New York State Diploma/Credential Requirements: Local diploma for Students with Disabilities.

[^] In the event a student with a disability is unable to attain a passing score on any Regents examination, the student may be eligible for a Superintendent Determination of a local diploma. Reference Appeals, Safety Nets,

and Superintendent Determination.

† English Language Learners seeking an appeal for a score of 55-59 on the ELA Regents Exam are only eligible if they entered the United States in grade 9 or after and were classified as an English Language Learner when

they took the test the second time. Reference New York State Diploma/Credential Requirements: Local diploma for English Language Learners.

† The 4th mathematics examination can be selected from the list of Department Approved Alternative Examinations.

† For the purposes of determining a student's diploma type, exemptions and Special Appeals should be considered passing scores. Both exemptions and Special Appeals may be applied to all diploma types.

GRADES 6 - 12 BELL SCHEDULE

<u>PERIOD</u>	BEGIN	<u>END</u>
ADVISORY	8:00	8:05
Period 1	8:05	8:46
Period 2	8:48	9:29
Period 3	9:31	10:12
Period 4	10:14	10:55
Period 5	10:57	11:38
Period 6	11:40	12:21
Period 7	12:23	1:04
Period 8	1:06	1:47
Period 9	1:49	2:30

EMERGENCY CLOSINGS AND DELAYED OPENINGS

If a decision is made to close school early or implement a delayed opening of school, the Connect Ed system will contact parent(s)/guardian(s) by using the home and emergency contact telephone numbers. It is the responsibility of the parent(s)/guardian(s) to maintain and update the emergency contact telephone number(s) and email addresses.

Emergency school closings will also be announced on News Channel 12 between 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.

On many occasions after a winter storm, the highway department is able to clear the roads sufficiently for school to open if given some additional time. In these instances, the school opening will be delayed by one (1) or two (2) hours. This decision will be made and the Connect Ed system will contact parent(s)/guardian(s) by using the home and emergency contact telephone numbers and also will be announced on News Channel 12.

LOCKERS

Lockers and combinations will be assigned to students in grades 6-12. **Students have no expectation of privacy in the school lockers.** Locker inspections (announced/unannounced) will be held at various times during the school year and lockers may be searched at any time the administration deems necessary. If a locker is damaged, the student will be charged the replacement/repair cost.

EARLY DISMISSALS

If a student must leave early for medical appointments or urgent family business, a parental request must be presented to the nurse. All students are to be signed out at the front desk. Students *will not* be permitted to sign themselves out of school regardless of their age. In special instances, the administration may give approval for a student to leave the building.

VISITORS

The Board encourages parents and other district citizens to visit the district's schools and classrooms to observe the work of students, teachers and other staff. Since schools are a place of work and learning, however, certain limits must be set for such visits. The Superintendent/Principal or his or her designee is responsible for all persons in the building and on the grounds. For these reasons, the following rules apply to visitors to the schools:

- Anyone who is not a regular staff member or student of the school will be considered a visitor.
- 2. All visitors to the school must report to the lobby of the school. There they will be required to check in with the front desk monitor and will be issued a visitor's identification badge, which must be worn at all times while in the school or on school grounds. The visitor must return the identification badge to the lobby before leaving the building.
- 3. Visitors attending school functions that are open to the public, such as parent/teacher organization meetings or public gatherings are not required to register.
- 4. Parents or citizens who wish to observe a classroom while school is in session are required to arrange such visits in advance with the classroom teacher(s), so that class disruption is kept to a minimum. The administration must be made aware of the visit and the purpose of the visit by the classroom teacher or support staff.
- 5. Teachers are expected not to take class time to discuss individual matters with visitors.
- 6. Any unauthorized person on school property will be reported to the Superintendent/Principal or his or her designee. Unauthorized persons will be asked to leave. The police may be called if the situation warrants.
- 7. All visitors are expected to abide by the rules for public conduct on school property contained in this Code of Conduct.

BUS CONDUCT

The daily transportation of Shelter Island pupils is a privilege accorded by the school system in compliance with the law and Board of Education policy.

To provide maximum safety, each eligible pupil riding the school bus shall conform to the regulations as established:

- 1. Occupy only positions that will not interfere with the vision of the driver.
- 2. Remain seated at all times when the bus is in motion.
- 3. Do not place bundles, parcels, books, lunch boxes, or other items in the aisle or step-well of the bus.
- 4. Follow the standards of conduct and courtesy that are expected in the school building.

In the event that students fail to comply with established bus rules for good behavior, a three-step policy will be enforced:

- 1. Upon receipt of a written report from the bus driver, the Principal/Designee will discuss the incident with both the driver and the student involved. The Principal/Designee will warn the student and notify his/ her parent(s) in writing that a second report will mean bus removal.
- 2. Upon issuance of the second report, the student will be removed from riding the bus for a period of time to be designated.
- 3. Should a third report be issued, the Principal/Designee will remove bus privileges for the remainder of the year.

PROM

Grades 9 through 12

The Shelter Island High School Prom is for Shelter Island students in grades 9 - 12 only. A student's guest must be at least in 9th grade. Students and their guests are required to indicate their compliance with specified school regulations by signing an agreement.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

High School Credit Courses

Tardiness and Early Departure Equate to Absence

If a student misses twenty (20) or more minutes of a class period they are considered absent.

Absences

All absences require a written note within 24 hours of the return to school.

Other Regulations

- If a student is eligible to take a Regents examination, pursuant to the Commissioner's Regulations, the score will be noted on the student's permanent record.
- Summer School Eligibility Requirement: any student who fails to continue to attend classes on a regular basis will not be eligible to attend summer school.
- The attendance records of a student making a schedule change in the same subject area will be forwarded to the new teacher.

Excused Absences

- College Interviews/ College Visitations
- Court Appearances
- School-sponsored activities
- Military obligations
- School to Work Program
- School authorized situations (i.e. field trips, testing, music lessons, counseling, athletic events, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech session)
- Death in the family
- Illness (doctor's note required)
- Impassible weather
- Religious observance
- Medical/Dental appointments with written note from provider
- Road Test
- Special Education Evaluations authorized by the school district
- In School Suspension/ Out of School Suspension

Unexcused Absences

- Family vacation/traveling
- Haircut
- Hunting/fishing
- Oversleeping/tired

- Went on a fieldtrip the day before
- Working
- Babysitting
- Needed at home
- Missing the bus
- Play rehearsal ran late
- Working on a school project
- Needed to do homework
- Or any reason that is not on the ATED excused list.

DASA (DIGNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS ACT)

The New York State Dignity for All Students Act (Dignity Act or DASA) took effect July 1, 2012 and was established to provide a school environment free of discrimination and harassment. Amended on July 1, 2013, the act now includes the term bullying and prohibits acts of cyber-bullying. **DASA states that no students shall be subjected to harassment by employees or students, nor shall any student be subjected to discrimination based on their actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or sex.** The law applies to school property and any school-sponsored function or activity. Under this law, school districts are responsible for preventing, monitoring and addressing bullying through staff training to raise awareness and sensitivity of school employees to issues of harassment and discrimination, sensitivity and tolerance curricula for students, as well as reporting acts of bullying to the New York State Education Department through the defined reporting system.

Reporting Incidents of Discrimination, Harassment and Bullying

Students who have been bullied, harassed or discriminated against, parents whose children have been bullied, harassed or discriminated against, or other students or staff who observe bullying, harassing or discriminating behavior are encouraged and expected to make a verbal and/or written complaint to any school personnel in accordance with the training and guidelines provided, as well as any applicable district policies. (Refer to BOE Policy 7550, Dignity for All Students Act Policy; BOE Policy 8130, Equal Opportunity; and BOE Policy 7551, Sexual Harassment).

Names and contact information of the District Dignity Act Coordinators follow:

Brian Doelger, Ed.D. K-12 Building 631-749-0302, ext. 101 Todd Gulluscio K-12 Building 631-749-0302, ext. 107

This information shall also be posted on the District's web site and included in the plain language summaries of the Code of Conduct provided to parents and students and shall be further disseminated in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

PROHIBITED STUDENT CONDUCT

Code of Conduct Excerpt

The Board of Education expects all students to conduct themselves in an appropriate and civil manner, with proper regard for the rights and welfare of other students, district personnel and other members of the school community, and for the care of school facilities and equipment.

It is expected that all students conduct themselves in a manner that supports the intent of the Dignity for All Students Act; creating a safe and supportive school environment free of discrimination, bullying/cyberbullying and harassment.

Students must learn to assume and accept responsibility for their own behavior, as well as the consequences of their misbehavior. District personnel who interact with students are expected to use disciplinary action only when necessary and to place emphasis on the student's ability to grow in self-discipline.

The Board recognizes the need to make the expectations for student conduct while on school property or engaged in a school function specific and clear. The rules of conduct listed below are intended to do that and focus on safety and respect for the rights and property of others. Students who will not accept responsibility for their own behavior and who violate these school rules will be required to accept the penalties for their conduct. All violations apply to student behavior in school, on school property, on school buses, and at school-sponsored functions, and student behavior off school property where such acts create or would foreseeably create a risk of substantial disruption within the school environment.

The entire Code of Conduct can be accessed on the Shelter Island School website:

www.shelterisland.k12.ny.us

Students may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension from school, when they:

A. Engage in Bullying

Bullying as defined in the "Definitions" section of this Code of Conduct, Bullying can be physical, verbal or psychological. Examples of bullying include but are not limited to:

- 1. Hitting, kicking, spitting, pushing, taking personal belongings
- 2. Taunting, malicious teasing, name calling, making threats
- 3. Spreading rumors, manipulating social relationships, engaging in social exclusion
- 4. Cyber-bullying

B. Engage in conduct that is disorderly

Examples of disorderly conduct include but are not limited to:

- 1. Running in hallways
- 2. Making unreasonable noise
- 3. Using language or gestures that are profane, lewd, vulgar or abusive
- 4. Cursing or swearing, use of profanity, orally, in writing or on the Internet including hand held devices
- 5. Obstructing vehicular or pedestrian traffic
- 6. Engaging in any act, which disrupts the normal operation of the school community
- 7. Computer/electronic communications misuse, including any unauthorized use of computers, software, or internet/intranet account; accessing inappropriate websites; or any other violation of the district's acceptable use policy
- 8. Loss or destruction of district property or resources
- 9. Littering
- 10. Loitering
- 11. Misuse of hall pass
- 12. Pushing, shoving, name calling
- 13. Fighting
- 14. Inappropriate display of affection
- 15. Trespassing

16. Leaving school grounds without permission

C. Engage in conduct that is insubordinate or disruptive

Examples of insubordinate or disruptive conduct include but are not limited to:

- 1. Failing to comply with the reasonable directions of a teacher, school administrator, or other school employee in charge of students or otherwise demonstrating disrespect
- 2. Missing or leaving school without permission
- 3. Skipping detention
- 4. Lateness to class or school
- 5. Cutting class
- 6. Unauthorized use of all electronic devices during class or on school premises
- 7. Using any type of recording device in any manner that interferes with or is disruptive of the education process or invades the privacy of students, staff volunteers or visitors
- 8. Forging the signature of a teacher, parent, guardian, custodian or any other person
- 9. Attending school or school sponsored event under the influence of alcohol or drugs
- 10. Failure to follow directions during an emergency
- 11. Truancy
- 12. Violation of Dress Code
- 13. Expression of drugs, alcohol use, violence, sex, bias remarks in writing, on paper, shirts, hats, etc.
- 14. Disruptive behavior on school bus, cafeteria, recess, and hallways
- 15. Pranks on staff members
- 16. Engaging in conduct that may endanger the health or safety of students/staff within the educational system or which disrupts the educational process

D. Engage in conduct that is violent

The School District is committed to the prevention of violence against any individual on school property at school activities whether such acts and/or threats of violence are made by students, staff or others. Threats of violence against students, school personnel and/or school property will not be tolerated whether or not such threats occur on school grounds or during the school day.

Any person who commits an act or threatens an act of violence, including bomb threats, whether made orally, in writing, by email or by text message or any other electronic means shall be subject to appropriate discipline in accordance with applicable law, District policies and regulations, as well as the Code of Conduct for the Maintenance of Order on School Property and collective bargaining agreements, as may be necessary.

While acknowledging an individual's constitutional rights, including applicable due process rights, the District refuses to condone acts and/or threats of violence which threaten the safety and well-being of staff, students, visitors and/or the school environment. Employees, students, agents and invitees shall refrain from engaging in threats of physical actions which create a safety hazard for others. All staff who are made aware of physical acts/or threats of violence directed to students or staff are to report such incidents to the administration. Additionally, the Building Principal/designee will also report occurrences of violence, whether involving an actual confrontation or threat of potential violence, to the school psychologist and or Academic Administrator. Local law enforcement agencies may be called as necessary upon the determination of the Superintendent/designee. Students are to report all acts of violence, including threats of suicide, of which they are aware by reporting such incidents to a faculty member or the Superintendent/Principal or their designee.

The District reserves the right to seek restitution, in accordance with law, from the parent/guardian and/or student for any costs or damages which had been incurred by the District as a result of the threats or acts of violence in the schools. Examples of violent conduct include but are not limited to:

- Committing an act of violence (such as, but not limited to, hitting, kicking, punching, and/or scratching) upon a teacher, administrator or other school employee or attempting to do so
- Committing an act of violence (such as but not limited to hitting, kicking, punching, and/or scratching) upon another student or any other person lawfully on school property or attempting to do so
- 3. Possessing a weapon. Authorized law enforcement officials are the only persons permitted to have a weapon in their possession while on school property or at a school function
- 4. Displaying what appears to be a weapon
- 5. Threatening to use any weapon
- 6. Intentionally damaging or destroying the personal property of a student, teacher, administrator, other district employee or any person lawfully on school property
- 7. Intentionally damaging or destroying school district property
- 8. Acts of damage may include graffiti, arson and vandalism
- 9. Possession of firearms/laser light pens/weapons/fireworks
- 10. Use of fireworks/explosive devices
- 11. Causing injury to a student or staff member
- 12. Assault and/or threatening a staff member, student or other individual lawfully on school district property

E. Engage in any conduct that endangers the safety, morals, health, or welfare of others

Examples of such conduct include but are not limited to:

- 1. Lying to school personnel
- 2. Stealing the property of other students, school personnel or any other person lawfully on school property or attending a school function
- 3. Defamation, which includes making false statements or representations about an individual or identifiable group of individuals that harm the reputation of the person or the identifiable group by demeaning them
- 4. Discrimination, which includes the use of actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, sex, gender, sexual orientation or disability as a basis for treating another in a negative manner
- 5. Harassment/bullying as defined in the "Definitions" section of this Code of Conduct
- 6. Cyberbullying as defined in the Definitions section of this Code of Conduct
- 7. Intimidation and/or threatening behavior, which includes engaging in actions or making statements that put an individual in fear
- 8. Hazing, which includes an induction, initiation or membership process involving harassment which produces public humiliation, physical or emotional discomfort, bodily injury or public ridicule or creates a situation where public humiliation, physical or emotional discomfort, bodily injury or public ridicule is likely to occur
- 9. Selling, using, distributing or possessing obscene material
- 10. Using vulgar or abusive language, cursing or swearing
- 11. Smoking a cigarette, e-cigarette, cigar, pipe or using chewing or smokeless tobacco
- 12. Possession of tobacco/cigarettes/e-cigarettes
- 13. Possessing, consuming, selling, distributing, or exchanging alcoholic beverages, illegal or controlled substances, or being under the influence of either {Illegal substances include, but are not limited to, inhalants, marijuana, synthetic

- cannabinoids (marijuana), cocaine, LSD, PCP, amphetamines, heroin, steroids, look-alike drugs, and any substances commonly referred to as designer drugs}
- 14. Possession of drug paraphernalia
- 15. Inappropriately using or sharing prescription and over-the-counter drugs
- 16. Gambling
- Indecent exposure, that is, exposure of the private parts of the body in a lewd or indecent manner
- 18. Initiating a report warning of fire or other catastrophe without valid cause, misuse of 911, or discharging a fire extinguisher or tampering with a fire alarm, smoke detector or AED.
- 19. Participating in or association with gangs or gang related activities
- 20. Bomb threats
- 21. Endangering the safety of others through spitting, or other health violations
- 22. Infringement on an individual's civil rights
- 23. Engage in unlawful conduct on or off school grounds

F. Engage in misconduct while on a school bus

It is crucial for students to behave appropriately while riding on district buses, to ensure their safety and that of other passengers and to avoid distracting the bus driver. Students are required to conduct themselves on the bus in a manner consistent with established standards for classroom behavior.

G. Engage in any form of academic misconduct

Examples of academic misconduct include but are not limited to:

- 1. Plagiarism
- 2. Cheating
- 3. Copying
- 4. Altering records
- 5. Using an unauthorized help sheet or electronic device
- 6. Illegally obtaining tests in advance
- 7. Substituting for a test taker and other forms of collusion
- 8. Assisting another student in any of the above actions
- H. Engage in off-campus misconduct that endangers the health and safety of students or staff within the school or interferes with or can reasonably be expected to substantially disrupt the educational process in school or at a school function.

Examples of such misconduct include, but are not limited to:

- A. Cyberbullying as defined in the "Definitions" section of the Code of Conduct;
- 2. B. Threatening or harassing students or school personnel over the phone, internet or other electronic medium.

STUDENT DRESS CODE

All students are expected to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and to dress appropriately for school and school functions. Students and their parents have the primary responsibility for acceptable student dress and appearance.

A student's dress, grooming and appearance, including jewelry, make-up, body art, and nails, shall:

1. Be safe, appropriate, and not disrupt or interfere with the educational process

- 2. Recognize that extremely brief and/or sheer garments are not appropriate
- 3. Ensure that underwear is completely covered with outer clothing.
- 4. Include footwear at all time
- 5. Not include the wearing of hats/visors/head-coverings anywhere in the school building except for medical or religious purposes
- 6. Not include items that are vulgar, obscene or libelous, or that denigrate or discriminate against others on account of actual or perceived race, color, weight, religion, religious practice, national origin, ethnic group, gender, sex, sexual orientation, or disability.
- 7. Not promote and/or endorse the use of alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs and/or encourage other illegal or violent activities
- 8. Not wear dark glasses unless prescribed by a physician
- 9. Certain instructional areas, due to safety concerns, may have independent codes (i.e. shop, art, PE) and students are to be guided accordingly
- 10. The Superintendent/Principal will make the final decision about the violations of the dress code

The Superintendent/Principal or his/her designee will be responsible for informing all students and their parents of the student dress code at the beginning of the school year and any revisions made during the school year.

Students who violate the student dress code shall be required to modify their appearance by covering or removing the offensive item, and if necessary or practical, replacing it with an acceptable item. Any student who refuses to do so shall be subject to discipline. Any student who repeatedly fails to comply with the dress code shall be subject to further discipline.

SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT*

- 1. Spectators are an important part of the game and shall at all times conform to accepted standards of good sportsmanship and behavior.
- Spectators shall at all times respect officials, coaches, and players and extend all courtesies to them.
- 3. Wholesome cheering is encouraged.
- 4. Stamping of feet, taunting, foul and abusive language, inflammatory remarks, and disrespectful signs and behaviors are not acceptable. **
- 5. Faculty-supervised pep bands are permitted during "dead ball time".
- 6. Spectators shall observe and obey the rules and regulations of the school concerning food and soft drink consumption, use of school lavatory facilities, and parking of cars.
- 7. New York State Law prohibits smoking and alcoholic beverages of any kind onschool property; the law further prohibits any person under the influence of alcohol to be on school property.
- 8. Spectators shall respect and obey all school officials, supervisors, and police at all athletic contests.
- * Violators of this Code are subject to eviction from the school grounds
- ** Violations of #4 during a free throw attempt will be penalized by repeating the free throw, if missed. The official will make this decision.

DISCIPLINE PLAN APPLICATION OF RULES

The Discipline Plan is designed to assist students in making good decisions. While our goal is for every student to engage, explore and be empowered, it is also important for our students to display good citizenship and character. However, there may be a time when poor decisions are made. For those times, the following Infraction Policy will be administered to help the student recognize the poor decision and to

accept the responsibility of the consequences for that poor decision. See Code of Conduct for further details.

LEVEL 1 INFRACTION

- Classroom disruption, study hall, hallway or bus disturbance
- Unauthorized classroom lateness
- Inappropriate display of affection
- Other offenses of minor nature

Level 1 Infraction Consequences (including, but not limited to):

- Warning to student
- Parent notification
- Copy kept on file

LEVEL 2 INFRACTION

- Repeat of Level 1 Infraction
- Cutting Class
- Disrespect to teacher, staff, other student or other adult
- Profanity/vulgarity
- Minor vandalism
- Unauthorized possession/use of electronic device during school day
- Inappropriate dress according to Code of Conduct
- Destruction of school materials
- Other offenses of a more major nature

Level 2 Infraction Consequences (including, but not limited to):

- 1-hour detention for one day
- In School Suspension for a half (3.5 hours) or full day (6.5 hours)
- Loss of all activities including sports on the day of detention or In School
- Suspension (clubs, sports, practice, spectator)
- Student must leave school grounds immediately following detention
- Electronic device will be confiscated. First offense, student will retrieve device from an Administrator after school. Second offense, parent will need to retrieve from an Administrator
- Parent notification/Parent Conference
- Other offenses will be handled by the Administration in a manner that is consistent with the basic discipline philosophy of the Shelter Island School District
- Administration reserves the right to amend or adjust minimum consequences based on frequency or severity of behaviors
- Copy kept on file

LEVEL 3 INFRACTION

- Repeat of Level 2 Infraction
- Fighting
- Bullying (Cyber-bullying)
- Harassment
- Discrimination

- Possession, use or sale of alcohol/drugs/tobacco products/illegal or controlled substances
- Possession of drug paraphernalia
- Possession of firearms, laser light pens/weapons/fireworks
- Stealing (petty larceny) or accessory to theft
- Unauthorized leaving of campus
- Major vandalism
- Arson
- Assault/Threat of assault: placing yourself or anyone else in any kind of physical danger
- Violation of other criminal laws at school or school activities
- Profanity/vulgarity directed at a teacher, staff, administration, other student or other adult
- Other serious problems

Level 3 Infraction Consequences (including, but not limited to):

- Two 1 hour detentions, which may include a written assignment
- One skipped detention detention is doubled and rescheduled
- Two skipped detentions mandatory parent conference
- Parents and students will be notified of the detention time and date by the detention coordinator.
- Student must leave school grounds immediately following detention
- In School Suspension for a half (3.5 hours) or full day (6.5 hours)
- Out of School Suspension
- Out of School Suspension Disciplinary Hearing
- Loss of all activities including sports on the day of detention, In School Suspension, or Out of School Suspension (clubs, sports, practice, spectator)
- Electronic device will be confiscated. First offense, student will retrieve device from Superintendent after school. Second offense, parent will need to retrieve from Superintendent
- Parent notification/Parent Conference
- The Superintendent/Principal will at his/her discretion apply disciplinary consequences to these infractions
- Discipline is progressive and discipline documents will become part of student records
- Students making poor decisions that lead to a third Level 3 infraction during the year or more than two infractions at any level during one quarter, may be ineligible for non-curricular based class trips or activities
- Copy kept on file

ALL SUBSEQUENT INFRACTIONS

- After the second Level 3 Infraction four (4) hours of detention will be assigned for each Level 3 Infraction
- Loss of all activities including sports on the day of detention or In School Suspension (clubs, sports, practice, spectator)
- Student must leave school grounds immediately following detention
- Possible loss of participation in special events, field trips, and class trips after the third Level 3 Infraction
- Parent notification/Parent conference
- Copy kept on file

HEALTH SERVICES

Students becoming ill during the school day should report to the nurse. If the student needs to be sent home, the nurse will inform the parent, and the student will be released from school. Parents are to pick up students and sign them out in the school lobby. If these procedures are not followed, when the student leaves he/she will be given an unexcused absence for classes missed. In the case of a junior or senior who drives to school, phone contact will be made with a parent/guardian for permission for the individual to drive home. Students who need to bring medication to school must take it to the school nurse. No medication will be dispensed by any other school official.

CARE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

Students are responsible for the proper care of all books, supplies, and furniture supplied by the school. Students who damage school property, equipment, or break windows will be required to pay for the damage done or replace the item. Replacement books will not be issued until payment has been made for the lost book. A fee equal to the replacement cost will be charged for hard or soft cover books.

PROCEDURES FOR PARENTS TO ADDRESS ACADEMIC OR BEHAVIOR CONCERNS

The following steps should be followed in addressing either academic or behavioral concerns:

- 1. Student and/or parent(s) should schedule a meeting with teacher or member of the staff. If this student and/or parent(s) meeting does not remedy the issue, the student and/or parent(s) should arrange a meeting with the guidance counselor.
- 2. If the problem has not been satisfactorily resolved, any of the persons involved may request that the group meet with the administration.

DROPPING A COURSE

Students will be permitted to drop a full year class until the end of the 1st quarter. Students will be permitted to drop a semester course until the end of the third week of the 1st quarter the class runs.. The guidance counselor will contact the parent to review the situation and obtain consent.

After the drop period ends, students may withdraw from a class with the following stipulations:

The student will receive a 50 for the quarter in which they drop the class. This will average with all the previous grades in that class and count towards the final average. If the student withdraws in the final quarter of the course, the student will receive a 50 or the actual quarterly average, whichever is lower. The final average will be calculated without a final exam.

HOMEWORK

Homework is a necessary part of each pupil's education program. Each student is expected to spend appropriate time in addition to scheduled class instruction to achieve satisfactory progress. Some assignments are long range in nature and extended time is needed for their completion. Planned study eliminates the necessity of "cramming" the day before a test or when an assignment is due.

HONOR ROLL - Grade 6 through 12

High Honor Roll - average for quarter: 95-100 Honor Roll - average for quarter: 90-94.99

MAKE-UP WORK AND TESTS

A student who is absent for one day is expected to make up any and all tests missed on the day he/she returns to school. If a student is absent two or more days, he/she will be given the number of days which he/she has been absent to make up the work missed. In no case is this period to extend beyond five days unless the absence has been medically excused by a physician.

A student may be given a maximum of five school days after the end of a marking period to make up work he/she missed. In extraordinary situations (usually of a medical nature), the student may request an extension of that time.

Each staff member is also available for assistance and enrichment, Monday through Thursday, from 2:30 to 3:00 p.m. Students may request assistance from a specific member of the high school faculty during this period.

PUPIL EVALUATION

In grading, a teacher will consider the students' test grades, class work, homework and any special assignment. The teacher will assign grades in accordance with the policy which he/she has distributed to the class in the beginning of the year and filed with the office. A minimum grade of 50 will be assigned for the first three quarters of the school year. For the fourth quarter the actual grade will be entered. Final computation for the course work for grades 9-12 will be an average of the four quarters.

In Regents courses longer than one year, a local final will be given at the end of the first year.

WEIGHTED GRADES

Course averages for AP/College level classes will be weighted by 1.1. Honors courses will be weighted by 1.05. Weighted grades will be calculated quarterly.

CREDIT FOR REGENTS COURSES

A Regents course of study involves class attendance, homework assignments, quizzes, tests, and other activities, as well as the Regents examination that is administered at the end of the course. When deciding whether or not a student has satisfactorily completed a

Regents course of study and is entitled to a unit of credit, the teacher will evaluate the pupil's performance on all of these activities. Regents credit will not be given if only the regents examination is passed and not the course.

In science courses with labs, a student must have successfully completed 1200 minutes of hands-on laboratory experience with satisfactory reports on file.

GUIDELINES FOR ATTENDING THE ACADEMY OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY (BOCES) PROGRAMS

Parents and students should know that BOCES is a part of a student's 4-year academic plan.

These are the guidelines for BOCES participation:

- 1. Students must be in good academic standing and have obtained junior (11th grade) status (please see student promotion criteria outlined in the student handbook).
- 2. Students must be in compliance with the school's attendance policy. School attendance policy also applies to BOCES classes (refer to Attendance Policy #7110).
- 3. Students must attend school sponsored field trip to BOCES or arrange for a BOCES site visit with their parent/guardian prior to application submission.
- 4. Completed BOCES applications must be submitted by March 1st of the prior year.
- 5. Continued enrollment in BOCES is contingent upon success in program.
- 6. Students must sign and abide by our school's BOCES Commitment Form.

CLASS RANK

The Board of Education has adopted a "no-ranking" policy. Due to the small size of our school, the Board believes that the practice of determining class rank does not give an accurate picture of a student's performance. A profile of the school will be included to address this issue. However, individual requests for scholarship ranking will be calculated as follows:

- a) Computation of cumulative grade point averages will be based on the course credit assigned;
- b) Cumulative grade point averages for college transcripts will be computed at the end of the junior year and updated at the end of the first semester of the senior year;
- c) Credit from other schools will be interpreted and assigned credit by the Principal in conjunction with the Guidance Counselor;
- d) Student Assistant Courses will receive grades of Pass (P) or Fail (F); and
- e) All pass/fail are excluded from GPA. A failed grade is excluded from the GPA if the student retakes the same course for a higher grade. However, the lower grade remains on the transcript.

STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS

When Shelter Island students take courses in a foreign country, their grades will be evaluated after an official transcript is received. Such courses may be evaluated for credit after review by the Guidance Counselor and the high school Superintendent. Grades for such courses will not be considered part of the overall average. Shelter Island students will be expected to complete all credit requirements for graduation.

VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN

Determination of the Valedictorian and Salutatorian will be based on strict numerical computation accurate to the thousandths decimal place from courses taken in the District, using weighted GPA for all courses receiving high school credit.

a) At the end of the third quarter of each school year, the Valedictorian and Salutatorian will be determined for the graduating class. Selection will be made from those students who are candidates for a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation. In order to qualify for these honors, a student must have completed at least four (4) semesters in their freshman, sophomore, and junior years, and the first three guarters of their final year in the Shelter Island High School.

- b) Valedictorian and Salutatorian will have the required Regents courses and exams of a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation by the beginning of the second semester of the senior year.
- c) Valedictorian and Salutatorian should be enrolled in at least one-half (½) of the AP/College level classes offered in the high school.
- d) Valedictorian and Salutatorian must be compliant with the District Attendance Policy.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY (NHS)

Grades 10 to 12

The National Honor Society chapter of Shelter Island High School is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of this prestigious national organization. Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in four areas of evaluation: scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Standards for selection are established by the national office of NHS and have been revised to meet our local chapter needs.

ARTICLE I: NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1—The name of this chapter shall be the Shelter Island Chapter of the National Honor Society of Shelter Island High School.

Section 2—The purpose of this chapter shall be to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote worthy leadership, and to encourage the development of character in students of Shelter Island High School.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1—Membership in this chapter shall be known as active and honorary. Honorary members become graduate members at graduation. Graduate and honorary members have no voice or vote in chapter affairs.

Section 2—Membership in this chapter is an honor bestowed upon deserving students by the Faculty Council, and shall be based on the criteria of scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

Section 3—Eligibility

- a. Candidates eligible for election to this chapter must be following the first quarter of 10th ,11th or 12th grade.
- b. To be eligible for selection to membership in this chapter, the candidate must have been in attendance for a period of one semester at Shelter Island High School.
- c. Candidates eligible for selection to the chapter shall have:
 - A cumulative average of 90% or better
 - A coursework of academic rigor indicated by working to achieve the highest level of Regents Diploma offered by New York State
 - A total absence rate of less than 10% (The Faculty Council will consider special circumstances)
 - Any Disciplinary referrals given within the past two quarters will be reviewed by the Faculty Council to determine their severity
 - Service as demonstrated by involvement in a multitude of school and/or community organizations
 - Leadership as evaluated by offices held in school and/or community organizations
 - Character as demonstrated by conduct in and outside of school, an essay written by the

student speaking to personal character, and a letter of reference supporting such character

ARTICLE III: SELECTION OF MEMBERS

This NHS is under the sponsorship of the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), as well as the guidance of the Faculty Council of five SIHS teachers and the leadership of the SIHS NHS Adviser.

Section 1—The selection of members to this chapter shall be by a majority vote of the Faculty Council consisting of five faculty members appointed by the principal. The Chapter adviser shall be the sixth, non-voting, ex officio member of the Faculty Council.

Section 2—Prior to selection, the following shall occur:

- 1. Students' academic, disciplinary, and attendance records shall be reviewed to determine eligibility (see Article II section 3).
- 2. Students who are eligible ("candidates") shall be notified and asked to complete and submit the Student Activity Information Packet for further consideration for selection.
- 3. The Faculty Council shall review the Student Activity Information Packet and faculty evaluations in order to determine membership.

Section 3—The selection of new active members shall be held following the first quarter of the Junior year. An opportunity for membership shall also be given following the first quarter of the Senior year.

Section 4—Sophomore, Junior and Senior Candidates become members when inducted at a special ceremony. Attendance at said ceremony is mandatory. Exceptions may be made by the faculty council.

Section 5—Once selected and inducted, all members are expected to maintain the standards, in and outside of school, by which they were selected, and maintain all obligations of membership.

Section 6—An active member of the National Honor Society who transfers from this school will be given a letter indicating the status of his or her membership and signed by the principal or chapter adviser.

Section 7—An active member of the National Honor Society who transfers to this school will be automatically accepted for membership in this chapter. The Faculty Council shall grant to the transferring member one semester to attain the membership requirements and, thereafter, this member must maintain those requirements for this chapter in order to retain his or her membership.

ARTICLE IV: DISCIPLINE AND DISMISSAL

Section 1—Any member who falls below the standards of scholarship, leadership, service, or character may be considered for dismissal from the Shelter Island chapter of the National Honor Society. A member of the National Honor Society is expected to maintain his or her academic standing and take an active role in service and leadership to his or her school and community. He or she is expected to exhibit positive behavior and possess integrity. The chapter adviser will monitor students for compliance.

Section 2—If a member's cumulative GPA falls below the standard in effect when he or she was selected (90%), he or she will be given a written warning and a time period for improvement. If the cumulative GPA remains below standard at the end of the warning period, the student will be subject to further disciplinary action by the Faculty Council, which may include consideration of dismissal from the chapter.

Section 3—If a member fails to perform any of the published obligations of membership, he or she will be given a written warning and a time period for improvement. If the obligation remains unmet at the end of the warning period, the student will be subject to further disciplinary action by the Faculty Council (i.e. loss of privileges, additional community service), which may include dismissal from the chapter.

Section 4—Offenders of the school conduct code (such as use of profanity, failure to comply, unexcused

absence, excessive tardiness, etc.) will receive written notification. A conference may be requested by either party. If the member is involved in another violation of the school conduct code, the member may be considered for dismissal. Flagrant violations may result in an immediate move to dismiss.

Section 5— Cheating of any kind is expressly forbidden. Members must neither give nor receive academic information inappropriately. Students found guilty of cheating can be brought up for immediate consideration of dismissal from the chapter.

Section 6— When National Honor Society members post photographs, pictures, comments, or statements on any web-based social network, including but not limited to Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Snapchat and Tinder, they are held to the same standards and qualities of character and leadership under which they were selected.

Section 7—Violation of the law or school regulations can result in dismissal of a member. These violations include, but are not limited to, stealing; destruction of property; cheating; truancy; or possession, selling, or being under the influence of drugs or alcohol. The Faculty Council can review patterns of behavior as the basis for dismissal.

Section 8—In all cases of pending dismissal:

- a. The member will receive written notification indicating the reason for possible dismissal from the adviser or Faculty Council. The member and adviser can discuss the written notification in a conference. Situations that involve flagrant violations of school rules or the law can warrant disciplinary action without a written warning, although a hearing must still be held.
- b. The member will be given "Due Process", the opportunity to respond to the charge against him or her at a hearing before the Faculty Council prior to the vote on dismissal. If the student chooses to respond in writing instead of appearing before the Faculty Council, this will be considered "Due Process". The Faculty Council will then vote on whether to dismiss. A majority vote of the Faculty Council is needed to dismiss any member.
- c. The results of the Faculty Council vote will be reviewed by the principal, and then expressed in a letter sent to the student, parents, and principal. Dismissed members must surrender any membership emblems to the adviser.
- d. The Faculty Council's decision may be appealed to the building principal and afterwards through the school district discipline policy.
- e. When a student is dismissed or resigns, he or she is no longer a member and may not be reconsidered for membership in the National Honor Society.

Section 9—In lieu of dismissal, the Faculty Council may impose disciplinary sanctions upon a member as deemed appropriate.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS

Section 1—The officers of the chapter shall be president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer.

Section 2—Student officers shall be elected at the last meeting of each school year. All returning active members are eligible to run for a position as an officer. A member cannot put his or her name forward for more than two offices. All active members of the chapter are eligible to vote.

Section 3—A majority vote, by secret ballot, shall be necessary to elect any officer of this chapter. The voting quorum is 50% attendance of members in good standing. If the first vote does not yield a majority, a second vote shall be taken of the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes. If this results in a tie, the Faculty Council will decide the outcome.

Section 4—It shall be the duty of the president to set the agenda and preside at the meetings for this chapter.

Section 5—The vice president shall preside in the absence of the president and remind members of upcoming meetings.

Section 6—The secretary shall distribute a calendar of meetings, keep the minutes of meetings and be responsible for all official chapter correspondence.

Section 7—The treasurer shall keep the record of chapter expenses, dues, and complete all other financial transactions of the chapter.

Section 8— Officers can be relieved of their position if they fail to fulfill their duties (including suspensions, failure to adhere to the attendance policies, or other decisions made by the Faculty Council). Vacancies, should they occur during the year, will be voted upon by the majority vote of members in good standing.

ARTICLE VI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1—The executive committee shall consist of the faculty adviser and the chapter officers.

Section 2—The executive committee shall have general charge of the meetings and the business of the chapter, but any action by the executive committee is subject to the review of the chapter members.

ARTICLE VII: MEETINGS

Section 1—Meetings of the executive committee shall be decided upon at the start of the school year.

Section 2— Meetings of this chapter shall be biweekly. The date and time shall be arrived at by consensus of all members in good standing at the first meeting of the school year.

Section 3—All chapter members are expected to attend all regularly scheduled chapter meetings. Three unexcused absences from meetings will result in a disciplinary referral by the Faculty Council. Three meeting latenesses of more than five minutes shall constitute a missed meeting.

ARTICLE VIII: ACTIVITIES

Section 1—The chapter shall determine one or more-chapter service projects for each quarter.

Section 2—Each member shall have the responsibility for choosing and participating in an individual service project (either for the duration of the school year or per quarter) that reflects his or her particular talents and interests and as approved by the chapter adviser. This is in addition to the chapter service projects, to which all members contribute.

Section 3—All members shall regularly participate in projects. Absence from a designated chapter project will require an additional individual or chapter service project for the quarter.

Section 4— These projects shall have the following characteristics: fulfill a need within the school or community; have the support of the administration and the faculty; and be well planned, organized, and executed.

Section 5—The chapter shall publicize its projects in a positive manner.

ARTICLE IX: EMBLEM

Section 1—Each member of this chapter who is in good standing, with regard to the membership standards and member obligations, shall have the privilege of wearing the

emblem adopted by the National Honor Society.

Section 2—Any member who withdraws, resigns, or is dismissed from the chapter shall return the emblem to the chapter. If the members purchased such emblems, the chapter is obligated to reimburse the student for said expense.

Section 3—Chapter members who are Seniors in good standing shall be granted the privilege of wearing the honor sash at graduation.

ARTICLE X: DUES

Section 1—Annual dues for this chapter shall be \$0.

ARTICLE XI: POWERS

Section 1—The chapter adviser is given the authority to supervise the administration of chapter activities, as delegated by the school principal.

Section 2—The principal shall reserve the right to approve all activities and decisions of the chapter.

Section 3—These bylaws are designed to amplify provisions of the national constitution and cannot contradict any components thereof. The chapter is obligated to adhere to the provisions of the national constitution in all activities it undertakes.

ARTICLE XII: AMENDMENTS

Section 1—These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the chapter, provided notice of the proposed amendment has been given to members at least one month prior to the vote. The exceptions are Articles III and IV (selection and discipline), which are developed by the Faculty Council with the approval of the principal.

Section 2—Bylaws and amendments must be consistent with the constitution of the National Honor Society.

Students or parents who would like a copy of the bylaws, or have questions regarding the selection process and membership obligations, can contact the chapter adviser Janine Mahoney at 749-0302 extension 133.

RELEASE OF INFORMATION TO MILITARY RECRUITERS

Congress has passed the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, an amendment called the "No Child Left Behind Act of 2001." Pursuant to this act, be advised that "directory information," including names, addresses and telephone numbers are released by the Shelter Island School District to military recruiters upon request. A parent has the right to NOT disclose "directory information" on their child but MUST NOTIFY the Shelter Island School District. A "No Child Left Behind/Military Recruitment Opt Out Form" is located in Final Forms for all Juniors and Seniors to complete in the beginning of each school year. If an Opt Out Request Form is not on file, the school district cannot refuse the military recruiters' requests and they may contact students.

DISCRIMINATION

The Board of Education, its officers and employees, shall not discriminate against any student, employee, or applicant on the basis of race, color, national origin, creed, religion, marital status, sex, age or disability. Any questions, concerns or complaints should be directed to Todd Gulluscio, Director of Athletics, Physical Education, Health, Wellness and Personnel, Compliance Coordinator. Mr. Gulluscio may be contacted at P.O. Box 2015, Shelter Island, New York 11964. Telephone 631-749-0302, ext. 107.

SCHOOL SPIRIT

School spirit may be divided into three categories:

- 1. Courtesy towards teachers, fellow students, and the officials of school athletic activities.
- 2. Pride in everything our school endeavors to accomplish and has accomplished.
- Sportsmanship the ability to win and lose gracefully. A loyal student supports one's school
 and does one's utmost to keep one's scholastic activity standards at the highest possible
 level.

SCHOOL COLORS

Blue and Gray

SCHOOL SONG

When our team goes forth to battle,

For the victory we will cheer.

For it's the fight that we must conquer,

And the victory is so near!

For we are ever loyal

To our colors blue and gray.

And we will fight, with all our might,

till our colors float on high.

Blue and gray, Blue and gray,

Blue and gray, we're out to win today.

For we are ever loyal

To our colors blue and gray,

And we will fight, with all our might, Till our colors float on high