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Welcome to Leona Valley Elementary School

Dear Families,

At Leona Valley School, our student learner outcomes focus on being Responsible, Organized, Accountable, and Respectful. Our BOBCATS ROAR! Our WASC accredited program provides an educational choice for learning the California standards in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies, throughout the school day. We are an AVID certified school and use AVID's college- career prep strategies to help students achieve success. We are a uniform school and you will find the complete uniform dress code included in this handbook.

This handbook is meant to provide you with information regarding our school's expectations, procedures, and policies. Please review the handbook with your students and use it as a reference guide throughout the year. Should you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns, please feel free to call the school office at 661-948-9010 and/or contact your child's teacher, the principal, vice principal or school counselor. We are always happy to speak with you about your child.

Recognizing that parents and guardians remain the most significant factor in a child's success, you are also encouraged to become actively involved and participate in our school community. Parents are welcomed and encouraged to to support classrooms as volunteers, in accordance to our Board Policy and with a valid volunteer badge. Parents are also encouraged to join the Parent Teacher Association (PTA), School Site Council (SSC), West Antelope Valley Foundation (WAVE), and other school and district committees.

As a school staff, we thank you for allowing us to work with your children. Thank you for being part of our Viper Community.

School At-a-Glance

SCHOOL MISSION

Through academic rigor, a growth mindset and creativity, Leona Valley Elementary School strives to develop confident leaders that are prepared for the 21st century.

SCHOOL HOURS

7:40 AM-Warning Bell for K-6
7:45 AM-Classes Begin for K-6
1:55 PM-Dismissal for K-6

SCHOOL COLORS

BLUE & WHITE

SCHOOL MASCOT

BOBCATS



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AFTER SCHOOL & BEFORE SCHOOL SUPERVISION

School arrival supervision begins at 7:15am. For safety, **do not** drop off your student prior to 7:15am. Our office also does not open until 7:15am. Dismissal is at 1:55 pm for all grades. (*12:55 on minimum days*) You must pick up your child promptly as we do not have any after school supervision, unless they are enrolled in Boys and Girls Club.

At 2:10 pm, *(1:10 on minimum days*) students who have not been picked up will walk up to the office with their teacher and wait for you. Parents will need to come into the office and sign them out. Students will **not be released** to anyone **not listed** on their emergency cards.

Please Note*:*

Police or Children's Services may be called for those students who are left at school and not picked up.

ASSEMBLIES

Assemblies are planned periodically as special events on the school calendar. Respect, good etiquette, and citizenship are expected of all students.

ATTENDANCE

Daily attendance at school is a very important part of your child's school success. All students are required to be in attendance at school every day. If it's necessary for your child to miss school, the only legally excused absences by California state law **(with verification)** are for illness, medical/dental appointment, **(doctor notes required for illness or appointments)** or bereavement of an immediate family (mother, father, sibling, or grandparent only) (Presentation of an obituary or service program is sufficient documentation) or student court appearances. (Documentation from court is required). **All absences must be verified by the parent no later than the 4th day following the absence.** Absences may be verified by stating reason and dates of absence by sending a note with the student or by calling our central attendance line at (661) 974-8558 or (661) 948-9010 ext 23900 **each day the student is out.** Please be aware that ***California law requires this verification***. ***All other absences are considered unexcused.***

If students have 10% or more absenteeism for any reason, it can create a serious problem for student achievement. Legal action may be taken if absenteeism is not corrected (referral to School Attendance and Review Board.) Also, district policy requires that students missing 30 days or more per year be considered for retention. As a general rule, two or more absences in any given month are considered excessive.

Students who arrive at school late, in class after 7:45, must report to the office for a pass to class and will be marked tardy. Students who are more than 30 minutes late will show an absence on their attendance record or T31. Please help your child develop good habits by encouraging prompt arrival at school. Attendance Code for leaving early without a proper excuse will show as URT on their attendance record. Continued tardiness to school may result in disciplinary action.

Students will not be called out of class until you arrive at school to pick up if a student needs to leave early for an appointment.

The parent is required to give a minimum of 5 days advance notice to the school in order for the student to be excused for any other type of absence and be placed on the Independent Study Program. Future Independent Study can only be for a minimum of 5 or more days (up to a maximum of 15 days) and not for medical purposes unless deemed necessary by appropriate personnel. When work assigned to the student is complete and the necessary forms are filled out, the absence is excused. Teachers will have assignments ready for the student/parent to pick up **prior to the scheduled days** the parent requests for a student to be on Independent Study. If students miss school, they can also do Short Term Independent Study retroactively (after the absence has occurred), however the combination of future and retroactive days still have a maximum of 15 days total for the school year based on State law. Contact the front office for more details.

AWARDS

Awards will be given each semester for academic achievement and attendance. Invitations will be sent home to families prior to the awards ceremony.

BICYCLES/SKATEBOARDS AND SCOOTERS

When traveling to and from school, students must obey all traffic regulations including wearing helmets. Students who do not wear their helmet will have their bicycle/skateboard/scooter taken and will require their ***parents to pick it up.***

The school assumes no responsibility for these items. However, provisions have been made for safeguarding by having them properly locked in the school bike racks. Bicycles are never to be ridden on school grounds.

BIRTHDAY RECOGNITION/CLASS CELEBRATION

Class parties or celebrations will be held once a month (see attached calendar, **Attachment E**). Parents who wish to recognize their student's birthday at school, **must** first make arrangements with the classroom teacher. *Parents are highly encouraged to use non-food items. If food items are sent in on the designated day, they should avoid the top allergens including milk, eggs, fish, crustacean shellfish, tree nuts, peanuts, wheat, and soybean.* For this reason, baked goods, such as cupcakes, are prohibited. Sodas and red punch will not be permitted. If the classroom teacher permits edible snacks, they must be commercially produced and packaged and **must** support the district's nutrition education program by considering the nutritional quality. Flowers, balloons and gifts will not be permitted at school.

BULLYING

Leona Valley School believes that all students have a right to a safe and healthy school environment and have an obligation to promote mutual respect, tolerance and acceptance.

Leona Valley School will not tolerate behavior that infringes on the safety of any student. Bullying and hazing are serious matters. **Bullying** is any mean or disrespectful behavior that is done on purpose to hurt someone physically or emotionally. **Hazing** is any initiation into a team or group that may cause humiliation, physical or emotional harm. A student shall not intimidate or harass another student through words or actions. Such behavior includes: direct physical contact, such as hitting or shoving; verbal assaults, such as teasing or name-calling; and social isolation or manipulation. Students who bully are in violation of this policy and are subject to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion.

There are different types of bullying and misconduct including, but not limited to:

Physical Bullying: hitting, kicking, pushing or other unwelcome physical contact. *Serious physical bullying may be regarded as a criminal act, such as battery or assault.*

Cyberbullying: using electronic devices to embarrass, spread rumors, threaten or intimidate. This includes posting or sending inappropriate messages or images by text, cell phone or on social networking sites such as Facebook, Instagram or Twitter. *Sending nude or sexual images may be considered distribution or possession of child pornography, which is a crime.*

Social Bullying: leaving people out, rejecting, manipulating relationships, rating or ranking people, or trying to ruin the reputation of another.

Verbal Bullying: name calling, teasing, spreading hurtful rumors or gossip, making threats or rude noises. *All threats are taken seriously and may be reported to law enforcement.*

Non-verbal Bullying: posturing, dirty looks, stalking, damaging property, graffiti, making gang signs or other efforts to intimidate or pressure someone.

Indirect Bullying: getting someone to do something mean or hurtful to someone else on your behalf.

Sexual Harassment: any unwanted or demeaning behavior about someone's sex, sexual orientation, gender or gender identity or gender expression. *Sexual harassment may require additional investigation.* (Even if I like the person I must be respectful at all times.)

Discrimination: targeting someone based on their real or perceived race, color, national origin, religion, disability or medical condition, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or gender expression may be considered an act of hate and may be a crime.

Leona Valley School expects students, parents and/or staff to immediately report incidents of bullying to the principal or designee. Each complaint of bullying shall be promptly investigated. This policy applies to students on school grounds, while traveling to and from school or a school-sponsored activity, during the lunch period, whether on or off campus and during a school-sponsored activity.

To help ensure bullying does not occur on our school campus, Leona Valley School will provide staff development training in bullying prevention. Students will participate in campus-wide bully prevention lessons which will take place during designated class times.

CELL PHONES

Please understand that allowing students to bring a cell phone to school is a privilege and not a right. Per Westside Union School District Board Policy, in compliance with AB3216, students must abide by the following rules if they bring a cell phone on campus. Westside Union School District Board Policy States:

- Cell phones must be off and put away while on school grounds. This includes AirPods, headphones, and smart watches/glasses not used for instructional purposes. These devices may only be used with the permission of and in the presence of an administrator or school staff member.
- All telephone calls during the school day must be made or received on school telephones, located in the classroom or school office and only for necessary needs.
- A student who violates this policy may be prohibited from possessing a cell phone at school or school-related events and may be subject to site disciplinary action including, but not limited to: merit loss and/or detention.
- This policy includes all other electronic devices such as iPods, iPads, smart watches, and cameras.

Cell phones and other electronic devices that are confiscated and given to the office will only be released to a parent and the students will receive a merit loss for every offense. Students using their cell phones or electronic devices (checking the time, texting, taking a picture, etc.) during school hours will lose merits or receive a consequence, and may be asked to check their device in and out during the school day, and be required to have a parent come retrieve the phone.

CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES

Hot lunches, breakfast, and milk are available every day in our school cafeteria for free. Parents can provide a packed lunch from home or get a school lunch from the cafeteria as an alternative to bringing fast-food lunches. We strongly recommend limiting fast food lunches and we do not accept these lunches being dropped off during the school day. Students will not be called to pick up items, such as lunches, left at home so as not to disturb their educational time. Students will be allowed to check the office for forgotten lunches or items during recess and lunch times.

CIVILITY POLICY

It is essential **that staff, students, and parents work together in a civil manner** to achieve the best educational results for our students. Staff and students are to treat each other in a mutually respectful manner. **Students are reminded that they are children and need to listen to the directives of all adult school personnel without argument.**

Parental questions and concerns are welcome. All school community members are asked to remember that questions and concerns must be stated in a mutually respectful manner. It is asked that parents seek information from both their child(ren) and school personnel before forming a judgment about any specific incident. Staff personnel will not continue a conversation with any parent not adhering to the Board Policy addressing Parental Civility. That policy **(AR 1221)** is attached as **ATTACHMENT D**, including California Education Code and Penal Code citations.

CLASSROOM INTERRUPTIONS

Our teachers have an important role to educate your children. We ask that you plan ahead and make sure your child has his/her lunch or lunch money, after school care for your child is arranged before leaving for school and doctor/dentist appointments are scheduled after school hours. ***All items will be held in the office until a break in instruction***. Parents who arrive at school to speak to their children are not only distracting their child but the entire class and teacher. We ask that you communicate with your child all necessary items before they go to school. Students **will not** be called out of class for messages. **In the event you must call the school please be aware that messages after lunch (12:00 noon) may not make it to your child.**

CONFERENCES AND REPORT CARDS

You will have the opportunity at the end of the 1st quarter to attend a formal conference with your child's teacher to discuss his/her educational program, school progress, and concerns. You will be contacted to set up a time for your conference from your child's teacher.

If you have questions at any time during the year, please call and make an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss your concerns. *Progress reports* will be issued at the end of the first and third quarter. *Report cards* will be issued at the end of each semester.

DISCIPLINE

Students are expected to obey all school rules and to behave in the classroom and on the playground in a manner that reflects respect for all persons and for school and personal property. Teachers maintain discipline in the classrooms by making the rules clear to students, encouraging appropriate behavior, and applying consistent consequences when needed. Playground supervisors maintain discipline during lunch and

recesses, along with support from teachers and principal. Some typical consequences assigned in an effort to affect change in behavior are time out of the classroom or on the playground, loss of free time including recess and lunch detentions, contacting parents, and removal from extra-curricular activities such as after-school activities, our fall festival and dances.

Students on our campus are expected to present themselves in a manner that reflects self-discipline, citizenship, courtesy, and eagerness to learn. If we are to have a safe and controlled environment for learning, it is essential that we have the cooperation of all students. We acknowledge that penalties alone will not deter disruptive behavior; however, it is extremely important that students understand their role in creating an educational environment that is positive and conducive to allowing all students to learn. Consequences are left up to the discretion of the site administration or classroom teacher.

These penalties are within the guidelines set by the California Education Code [48900-15], and/or Adopted Board Policies of the Westside Union School District [BP 5131]. See School Website for further information.

DRESS CODE

The Board of Education of Westside Union School District has the obligation to ensure a safe, secure, and orderly campus that provides the opportunity for all students to learn. At each school, students have the right to learn, and teachers have the right to teach. A student's dress is expected to be conducive to a positive school climate and to an orderly educational program. The guidance of students in appropriate dress for school is a shared responsibility of home and school. Students reflect pride in themselves and in their school by wearing clothing that enhances their appearance. To insure the appropriate dress policy, the Board of Education has adopted the following dress code:

1. All students shall wear shoes at all times. (Sandals may be considered shoes provided that they have a strap over the top of the foot and around the heel to insure safety).

2. Shirt/blouses which reveal bare midriff, chest, or back or expose cleavage are unacceptable. Shirts/blouses should meet the waist or top of trousers or skirt when the student's arms are raised. Dresses and skirts must be past the student's fingertips when placed directly down while standing tall. Tank top straps need to be at least one inch wide. Spaghetti straps are not allowed. Both overall straps need to be worn over the shoulder. No big armholes or cleavage.

3. No student may wear articles of clothing, jewelry, paraphernalia, hairstyles, nails longer than ½ inch or accessories, which pose a threat to the physical and/or emotional well-being, and safety of the student or others on campus or at school activities.

4. Clothing, jewelry, paraphernalia or material which is obscene, sexually explicit, evil, intimidating, or which depicts or suggests sexually related or obscene gestures, pictures, or wording, or which promotes violence, the use/abuse of drugs, tobacco or alcohol, or which downgrades a positive educational climate, may not be worn or carried on campus or at school activities.

5. Clothing or articles of clothing (including, but not limited to gloves, torn clothing, bandannas, shoestrings, wristbands, jewelry) which are likely to cause others to be intimidated by fear of violence or are disruptive to the educational process, may not be worn on campus or at any school activity.

6. "Sagging" is not permissible. Baggy pants are limited to two sizes above waist size and must be worn appropriately. Pants must not fall down when running. Principal or designee will determine what is appropriate for school. Oversized shirts must be tucked into trousers.

7. No gang related hats or other gang related headgear may be worn on campus or at school activities. Baseball-type caps may be worn on campus or at school activities as long as the logos on the hats are school appropriate. Hats must be worn outside only and worn correctly with the bill facing forward.

8. No gang-related jewelry, insignia, colors, paraphernalia, materials, apparel, clothing, hairstyles, or attire may be worn or carried on campus or at school activities.

9. Items identified as gang-related clothing, apparel, attire, jewelry, insignias, paraphernalia and materials may vary from school to school, may change from year to year and may be different from grade level to

grade level.

10. Minimum makeup is permitted.
11. No chains on wallets.
12. Earrings are permitted only in the ear. No nose rings, brow rings, lip rings or other body part rings will be allowed.
13. Unless otherwise noted for a spirit day, students should not be wearing any pajama tops or bottoms to school.
14. The principal or principal's designee shall enforce the Student Dress Policy. School employees will assist the principal or his designee in the enforcement of the Westside Union School District Student Dress Policy.

DRESS CODE VIOLATION

If students disregard the school dress code, one of the following may occur:

1. The student will be given a set of loaner clothes from the office or call home for a change of clothes.
2. All improper clothes or other items will be removed from the student and returned by the teacher or principal at the end of the day (1st offense).
3. Should the student continue to abuse the rules, items will be kept until June, or by special arrangement, picked up by the parent.
4. A conference with the student, parent, and principal will be scheduled should the problem continue.

EMERGENCY CARDS/CHANGE OF ADDRESS

It is very important for emergency and administrative reasons, that every student maintains an up-to-date address and emergency record at the school office. Notify the school immediately if you have a change of address or telephone number during the school year.

EMERGENCY DRILLS

Fire drills are conducted once each month. Lock Down Drills and Earthquake drills are conducted once a semester.

FIELD TRIPS

Information concerning field trips will be sent home by the classroom teacher. Please keep in mind that no one is allowed to accompany the children on any of these trips without first being fingerprinted and cleared through the Westside Union School District. Parent volunteers are also required to wear a current District provided ID badge while volunteering.

GUM

Students may not bring or chew gum at school.

HOMEWORK POLICY

We believe homework is an integral part of student reinforcement of what has occurred at school.
Students and parents can expect homework every night. The school expects the homework returned within deadlines specified by the teacher. Teachers will notify parents when homework is not being returned and its negative impact on the student's grade.

Homework is not always paper/pencil in nature. Listening to your child read, telling an oral story, or orally testing spelling words are all forms of homework. Some homework is long term in nature such as a book report, project, or written report. Deadlines for these must be constantly reinforced with students by the school and the parents. The parent/school partnership is especially vital in this regard.

IMMUNIZATIONS

State law requires that every child who is admitted to public school must have evidence of successful vaccination for diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough and polio. Also required is a rubella/rubeola/mumps vaccination, Hepatitis B vaccine and Varicella vaccine if your child has not had the Chickenpox. According to state law, children who are in grade 7th or higher are also required to have a Tdap immunization on or after

their 7th birthday. ***Students who do not have the Tdap on file in the health office upon entering 7th grade will be excluded from enrollment and not assigned to a class until compliance has been met.***

ILLNESS OR INJURY

In case of illness or injury, children will be cared for temporarily by the school nurse or a member of the school staff. School personnel will give first aid treatment only. If emergency medical treatment is necessary the parents will be contacted and the child will be taken to the emergency room or 911 will be called. Remember, an emergency telephone number where parents can be reached and the name and telephone number of the student's family doctor must be on file at the school.

INDEPENDENT STUDY

Westside Union School District offers a program of Independent Study for student(s) that may need to be absent for 1 or more days (up to a maximum of 15 days per school year). In order for a student to be on Independent Study, the parent/guardian must contact Anaverde Office as soon as possible (typically at least a week notice) to fill out and sign the contract. Once the contract is signed, the teacher will be asked to prepare the work the student will need to do while he/she is out. The work will be given to the student for the number of days of Independent Study. The student must complete the work and return the work to the teacher upon return. Once the work is graded the student will be given credit for the days absent. If the work is not completed, the student will receive unexcused absences and incomplete grades for the work assigned. We also have Short Term Independent Study available after a student has been absent, but this still counts toward their maximum of 15 independent study days for the entire year. Any questions, please contact front office.

INSURANCE

School insurance will be offered at the beginning of each school year or at the time of enrollment. *The school and the District do not maintain any medical insurance covering students.* Insurance coverage remains the responsibility of the parents/guardians.

LEA MEDI-CAL BILLING PROGRAM

Westside Union School District, in cooperation with the California Departments of Health Services and Education, has a program to allow the District to be reimbursed with federal Medicaid dollars for selected health services (such as hearing and vision screenings, health assessments) provided to eligible students at school. In accordance with Local Education Agency rules and guidelines, we are notifying you that eligible students' records may be forwarded to the District's billing agency. These records will be forwarded in a confidential manner. Our vendor holds a contract with the District that contains a specific confidentiality clause to ensure information is not disclosed inappropriately; further, our vendor is HIPAA compliant (Federal Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act).

School health services currently provided to all students will not be changed by this program. Students will not be denied services they require to attend school, and parents will never be billed for services by the school district.

LEAVING SCHOOL GROUNDS

Students are not permitted to leave the school grounds prior to being dismissed for the day unless they have been signed out in the office by their parent, guardian or other persons listed on the student's emergency card. *Students will not be released to an individual unless they are listed on their emergency card*. If students return to school after being signed out, they should report to the office prior to returning to class.

LOST AND FOUND

All clothing found on campus, regardless of its value, is placed on the "Lost and Found table" located in the cafeteria. Unclaimed items will be donated. Jewelry, keys, phones and eye glasses will be kept in a separate "Lost and Found" located in the office. Unclaimed items are donated.

LUNCH PROCEDURES

- Students sign up for hot lunch with their teacher in the morning at attendance time. ***Students who arrive late (after 8:15am) will not be able to order hot lunch*** as our lunch count is turned into Child Nutrition Services to ensure the correct amount of lunches are received.
- There is no playing in the cafeteria including standing in line and at the eating tables.
- All students will sit at assigned tables by grade.
- Students may talk quietly using their inside voices while in the lunchroom.

- Hats are not to be worn inside at any time during the day. Students must wait until they are outside.
- Taking other student's lunches will not be tolerated.
- Throwing of any objects will not be permitted.
- To ensure the safety of everyone in the cafeteria at lunch; ***students are to remain seated at all times***. ***Students must wait to be dismissed by the aide*** on duty before getting up.
- All trash must be picked up by students and thrown out before exiting to the playground.
- Only two students may be allowed in the bathroom at any one time.
- Food and drinks are to be finished in the cafeteria and not taken out to the playground.
- Visitors are not permitted to eat lunch in the cafeteria or remain on the playground during recess and lunch recess.

Part of a good learning experience is a healthy lunch. Candy, soda and red dyed drinks are not allowed at lunch or classroom activities. (The red dye stains both the carpet and the cafeteria floor) Please send appropriate drinks and snacks for lunch. No glass bottles at any time.

MASCOT AND SCHOOL COLORS

We are the Leona Valley Bobcats. Our colors are blue and white. School spirit clothes can be purchased from the PTSA. Fridays are special days when students are encouraged to dress in school colors and their Bobcat T-shirts unless the Student Council has designated the day as a unique spirit day.

MEDICATION

If it is necessary for your child to take medication during school hours, the "Request for Medication to be taken during School Hours" form (available upon request) must be completed and signed by the physician and the parent. **NO EXCEPTIONS**. The medication (provided by the parent) must be properly labeled by the pharmacist. Parents must deliver the medication to the school. **No medications may be brought to or from school by STUDENTS**. The same procedure applies for non-prescription (over-the-counter) medication such as vitamins, "cold" preparations, inhalers, and aspirin. If more convenient, parents may come to school and dispense the medication themselves.Students may not use any items deemed as medication, unless prescribed by a physician and proper paperwork is submitted to the health office.

Non Medication creams can be brought to school without a medical form. These crèmes include Eucerin skin crème, Cetaphil, sunscreen, chapstick and Carmex. Cremes are not to be in spray form as they may cause allergies to other students. If you have any questions please check with the school office **before sending your child to school with it.**

Inhalers

We ask that if your student uses an inhaler that you pick up the necessary doctors authorization form from the school office and have an inhaler at school in the event your child needs it. Weather changes and some activities trigger the need for an inhaler for some children. In the event that your child needs their inhaler and does not have it at school you will be called to bring and administer it. If school personnel deems necessary 911 will be called.

PETS

No pets of any kind are allowed at school. **Please leave your pets home when picking your children up**.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The staff at Leona Valley School believes that physical education is an important part of the educational experience. The development and maintenance of a healthy body is essential for physical well being and good mental health. We attempt to create an atmosphere for the development of leadership, sportsmanship and congeniality through our physical education program.

Elementary students will participate in Physical Education. Twice per week students will have a 45 minute P.E. session supervised by a certificated Physical Education teacher. It is recommended that students come to school dressed appropriately for physical activities. Closed-toed shoes and comfortable clothing is suggested for safety reasons. If your child cannot participate or must have limited participation in P.E. for medical reasons, **the school nurse must be contacted and a note from a Doctor is required. Parents can only excuse a child for P.E. for one day with a written note.**

PICTURES

Individual student pictures will be taken in the fall and spring. All students will be photographed.
Fall Pictures are used for school records and parents may purchase picture packages on picture day.
Spring Picture packages are sent home for the parents to view before purchasing.

Additional information regarding dates and package prices for both picture days will be sent home when available.

PARENT SQUARE
The Westside Union School District and Leona Valley uses ParentSquare as its main way to communicate with parents. Parents can access weekly school newsletters and communicate directly with teachers using the app or via email. Westside Union District will be sending newsletters out on Fridays at 5:00 PM. Our school will be sending out weekly newsletters on Sunday evenings at 5:00 PM. If you need help setting up your account, please contact the main office. All parents should be signed up and checking this application regularly, as this is the primary place all communication will go out about events, etc. This is important, because sometimes preregistration links will be sent out for events, and if you do not preregister, you may not be allowed into the event.

PLAYGROUND RULES
Playground rules will be reviewed with students at the beginning of each year and when necessary. Students are expected to act in a safe and respectful manner at all times.

POWERSCHOOL
The Westside Union School District is using a web-based program (PowerSchool) that allows the parents to access student and school information. Information available includes student's grades, attendance and the school site bulletin that includes activities and information for Leona Valley School and the Westside Union School District. PowerSchool codes with instructions to set up a PowerSchool account are sent home at the beginning of each school year and with newly enrolled students. PowerSchool accounts and passwords do not change over the summer vacation or when transferring to another Westside School. Returning students will use the same code. Please see the school office if you have lost or forgotten your PowerSchool account information.

PROPERTY
Textbooks, classroom library books, and other school property are for student use. Students are responsible to do their part to keep their assigned property, as well as, the building and grounds in a manner that will make all of us proud of our school. Library books may be checked out and taken home. However, students are responsible for returning them on time. All lost or damaged books must be replaced by the student to whom they are assigned. Please notify the office immediately if your child has lost or damaged a book. Report cards and other records will not be issued to students who owe money for lost or damaged books.

PTA
Leona Valley School Parent Teacher Association, (PTA) is a most important support group for our school. Membership in the PTO is open to all interested adults and is needed to make events successful. A Membership Drive will begin in August. Exciting new projects and activities have been planned.

SCHOOL COUNSELORS
Elementary counselors support student growth in the areas of academics, career and personal/social development. Please contact the office if you would like to refer your student for counseling services.

SCHOOL HOURS
Kindergarten through 6th grade classes will be in session from 7:45 am to 1:55 pm. Students who are not lined up or in class at 7:45 are tardy and will need to go to the office for a pass to class.
Supervision will be provided at 7:15 am daily. For the safety of your child PLEASE do not leave him/her prior to 7:15 am. Students who are not picked up at 1:55 pm will return to their classroom or teacher on duty and will require an adult on their emergency card to sign them out.

SCHOOL AND/OR DISTRICT MESSAGES
During the school year we send out several phone messages. If the correct telephone number is not on file for your child you will not receive messages sent out and will miss important information regarding school activities or emergencies that may occur during school hours. ***Please stop by the office when you change your phone number to update your child's records.***

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION EDUCATION

Students will be provided with educational opportunities that will encourage them to adopt a healthy lifestyle. One of the main programs is the "Say No" approach to drugs, alcohol and tobacco and encourages a strong, healthy self-concept. Parents should remind their children that possession or use of any alcohol, tobacco products or illegal drugs will not be tolerated at school or school functions.

TEXTBOOK REPLACEMENT COSTS

Students are responsible for caring for each of their textbooks. In the event a textbook is damaged or lost ***intentionally or by accident the student and their parent is responsible for replacement***.

TOBACCO USE

In accordance with Westside Union School District's Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3513.3, and per the California Health and Safety Code, Section 104420, and with State and Federal Laws, "Tobacco Use of any kind is prohibited at all times on all district property, owned, leased or rented, and in all district vehicles." This policy applies to all employees, students and visitors. Any violation of the policy will result in disciplinary action, up to and including suspension and/or dismissal. Please model behavior to our students and please adhere to, and help enforce the policy and regulations.

The following is a list of Tobacco Cessation programs available:

- California Smokers Helpline 1-800-NO-BUTTS
  1-800-456-6386 (Spanish)
- California Tobacco Chewers Helpline 1-800-844-2439
- Website: www.nobutts.org 1-800-45-NO-FUME (Spanish)
- American Cancer Society 1-800-ACS-2345
- American Lung Association 1-800-586-4872
- Nicotine-Anonymous.org
- BecomeAnEx.org
- TobaccoFreeCA.org

Toys

Unless otherwise noted for a special event, toys are not allowed on campus. They are a distraction and we are not responsible for them. Please remind students to keep all toys at home. If a student is found with a toy, it will be confiscated and a parent must pick it up from the front office.

VOLUNTEERS

Classroom volunteers are always welcome. If you would like to assist in the classroom or by making education materials, please contact your child's teacher to arrange this. Volunteers help the school staff to provide more adult contact time with each individual student, and it gives the volunteer a "good feeling" to observe the contribution he/she has made to the children. This time is important to your child attending school and we ask that you ***do not bring other siblings with you***.

All volunteers helping in the classroom or with PTA must have fingerprints cleared through the District office and volunteer sheet on file in the office ***before*** volunteering. Approved volunteers must make arrangements prior to volunteering on campus. Volunteers are required to sign in through the office and wear their personalized picture ID supplied by the District Office. ***Volunteers that do not follow these procedures will be asked to return to the office.*** **Volunteers are held to strict confidentiality for protection of all students. If confidentiality is breached, volunteer status may be revoked.** New regulations have been passed by the state, so there will be additional steps to follow for anyone looking to become a volunteer. Please contact your student's teacher if you are interested in becoming a volunteer.

We ask your assistance to insure the health and safety of your children. **VOLUNTEERS ARE VALUED**. Parents are encouraged to become an integral part of their child's educational process. There are many ways to help:

(1) Work with your students at home to reinforce schoolwork;
(2) Become a member of the PTA

WEATHER

Should school close due to weather conditions it will be announced by School Messenger Communications System and by public radio over one or more of the following stations:

KGMX 106.3	KOSS 1380 AM
KTPI 97.7 FM	KAVL 610 AM
KISS 105.5 FM	KUTY (HISPANIC) 1470 AM
KQAV 93.5 FM	

If an evening event is canceled due to inclement weather, it will not be rescheduled.

WITHDRAWALS

The school office should be notified by the parents of any student who is transferring to another school. Your child's attendance records (which follow them to their new school) are affected when they are not properly withdrawn. School records must be requested by the new school and will not be forwarded by Leona Valley until the student has officially withdrawn and paid all fees due. Records will **not** be sent with the student or parent.

**Student Handbook can be accessed on the School website.

ATTACHMENT A

WESTSIDE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

BREAKFAST and LUNCH are FREE for all students in THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

Smart Snacks in School

We are focused on the health of our school environment. Our school district has established nutrition standards for all snacks sold in school **by any entity**, including parent/student organizations, teachers, boosters, fundraisers, or the food and nutrition services department. These standards for snack sales are in effect from **any time before school through 1/2 hour after school**, in accordance with the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act, the USDA and our district Wellness Policy. Non-compliant foods may be sold from 1/2 hour after school through the end of the day. These standards carefully balance science-based nutrition guidelines with practical and flexible solutions to promote healthier eating on campus.

Kids often need snacks to help them get enough calories (ENERGY) throughout the day. Choosing healthy snacks that add nutrients, like vitamins and minerals, to their diets is essential. Smart snacking is a great way to meet daily nutrient requirements that may be missed at meal times.

Students in our district are offered healthier school meals with more fruits, vegetables and whole grains through the National School Lunch and Breakfast Program. The Smart Snacks in School standards published by the USDA will build on those healthy advancements by ensuring that all other snack foods and beverages available for sale to students in school are tasty and nutritious.

Parents are encouraged to avoid the top allergens including milk, eggs, fish, crustacean shellfish, tree nuts, peanuts, wheat, and soybean.

Sodas and red punch will not be permitted.

ATTACHMENT B

WESTSIDE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
41914 50th St. West
Lancaster, Ca. 93536
661-722-0716

February 25, 2026

Dear Parents:

At the Board Meeting of June 17, 2025, the Board of Trustees approved the 2026-2027 calendar. Please review the dates below to familiarize yourself with the calendar. If you have any questions, please contact your child's principal or school secretary.

JUNE - 2026
8-30 VACATION – NO SCHOOL
8-30 Extended Year School

JULY - 2026
1-31 VACATION – NO SCHOOL

AUGUST - 2026
3 Classes Begin – Minimum Day
3 First Quarter/First Semester Begins
3, 4, 31 Minimum Days

SEPTEMBER – 2026
7 Labor Day Holiday – **NO SCHOOL**

OCTOBER – 2026
2 First Quarter Ends
5 Second Quarter Begins
12-16 **NO SCHOOL**
12 & 13 Parent Teacher Conference – **NO SCHOOL**

NOVEMBER – 2026
11 Veteran's Day Holiday – **NO SCHOOL**
20 Minimum Day
23 Lincoln's Day Holiday – **NO SCHOOL***
24-27 Thanksgiving Holiday – **NO SCHOOL**

DECEMBER – 2026
7 & 18 Minimum Days
18 Second Quarter/First Semester Ends

December 2026 Continued
21-31 WINTER VACATION – NO SCHOOL

JANUARY - 2027
1-8 WINTER VACATION – NO SCHOOL
11 Classes Resume
11 Third Quarter/Second Semester Begins
15 Minimum Day
18 M. L. King Holiday – **NO SCHOOL**

FEBRUARY – 2027
15 Presidents' Day Holiday – **NO SCHOOL**

MARCH - 2027
19 Minimum Day
19 Third Quarter Ends
22-31 SPRING VACATION – NO SCHOOL

APRIL – 2027
1-2 SPRING VACATION – NO SCHOOL
5 Classes Resume
5 Fourth Quarter Begins

MAY - 2027
31 Memorial Day Holiday – **NO SCHOOL**

JUNE - 2027
3 Minimum Day
4 Fourth Quarter/Second Semester Ends
4 Last Day of School – Minimum Day

We hope that this calendar will be useful in planning family events. If you have questions, please contact the personnel at your child's school. This calendar is subject to change based on future negotiations with employee associations.

Sincerely,

Regina L. Rossall
District Superintendent

ATTACHMENT C

California Department of Education

Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) Annual Notice

Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) Annual Notice

The Westside Union School District annually notifies our students, employees, parents or guardians of its students, the district advisory committee, school advisory committees, appropriate private school officials, and other interested parties of our Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) process.

The UCP Annual Notice is available on our website.

We are primarily responsible for compliance with federal and state laws and regulations, including those related to unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying against any protected group, and all programs and activities that are subject to the UCP.

Programs and Activities Subject to the UCP

- Accommodations for Pregnant and Parenting Pupils
- Adult Education
- After School Education and Safety
- Agricultural Career Technical Education
- Career Technical and Technical Education and Career Technical and Technical Training Programs
- Child Care and Development Programs
- Compensatory Education
- Consolidated Categorical Aid Programs
- Course Periods without Educational Content
- Discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying against any protected group as identified under sections 200 and 220 and Section 11135 of the Government Code, including any actual or perceived characteristic as set forth in Section 422.55 of the Penal Code, or on the basis of a person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, in any program or activity conducted by an educational institution, as defined in Section 210.3, that is funded directly by, or that receives or benefits from, any state financial assistance.

Educational and graduation requirements for pupils in foster care, pupils who are homeless, pupils from military families and pupils formerly in Juvenile Court now enrolled in a school district

- Every Student Succeeds Act
- Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAP)
- Migrant Education
- Physical Education Instructional Minutes
- Pupil Fees
- Reasonable Accommodations to a Lactating Pupil
- Regional Occupational Centers and Programs
- School Plans for Student Achievement
- School Safety Plans
- School Site Councils
- State Preschool
- State Preschool Health and Safety Issues in LEAs Exempt from Licensing

And any other state or federal educational program the State Superintendent of Public Instruction (SSPI) of the California Department of Education (CDE) or designee deems appropriate.

Filing a UCP Complaint

A UCP complaint shall be filed no later than one year from the date the alleged violation occurred.

For complaints relating to Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAP), the date of the alleged violation is the date when the reviewing authority approves the LCAP or annual update that was adopted by our agency.

A pupil enrolled in any of our public schools shall not be required to pay a pupil fee for participation in an educational activity.

A pupil fee complaint may be filed with the principal of a school or our superintendent or their designee.

A pupil fee or LCAP complaint may be filed anonymously, that is, without an identifying signature, if the complainant provides evidence or information leading to evidence to support an allegation of noncompliance.

Responsibilities of the Westside Union School District

We shall post a standardized notice, in addition to this notice, with educational and graduation requirements for pupils in foster care, pupils who are homeless, pupils from military families and pupils formerly in Juvenile Court now enrolled in a school district.

We advise complainants of the opportunity to appeal an Investigation Report of complaints regarding programs within the scope of the UCP to the Department of Education (CDE).

We advise complainants of civil law remedies, including injunctions, restraining orders, or other remedies or orders that may be available under state or federal discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying laws, if applicable.

Copies of our UCP procedures shall be available free of charge.

Contact Information

Complaints within the scope of the UCP are to be filed with the person responsible for processing complaints:

Name or title: Robert Hughes, Deputy Superintendent Unit or office:

Human Resources

Address: 41914 50th Street West, Lancaster, CA 93536 Phone:

661-722-0716

E-mail address: r.hughes@westside.k12.ca.us

The above contact is knowledgeable about the laws and programs that they are assigned to investigate in the Westside Union School District.

ATTACHMENT D

Regulation 1222: ^Parental Civility Policy **Status:** ADOPTED

Original Adopted Date: 09/18/2001 | **Last Revised Date:** 03/05/2024 | **Last Reviewed Date:** 03/05/2024

Learning Environment Disruptions

The Board of Trustees is committed to a learning environment that fosters mutual respect among district teachers, parents/guardians and students. The following regulations have been developed for dealing with individuals who disrupt/damage the educational environment through volatile, hostile, or aggressive actions.

Disruptions

1. Any individual who disrupts or threatens to disrupt school/office operations; threatens the health and safety of students or staff; willfully causes property damage; uses loud and/or offensive language which could provoke a violent reaction; or who has otherwise established a continued pattern of unauthorized entry on school district property will be directed to leave school or school district property promptly by the Superintendent or designee.

2. If any member of the public uses obscenities or speaks in a demanding, loud, insulting and/or demeaning manner, the administrator or employee to whom the remarks are directed will calmly and politely admonish the speaker to communicate civilly. If corrective action is not taken by the abusing party, the district employee will verbally notify the abusing party that the meeting, conference, or telephone conversation is terminated and, if the meeting or conference is on district premises, the offending person will be directed to leave immediately.

3. If violence is directed against an employee, or theft against property, the employee shall promptly report the occurrence to the principal or supervisor and complete a written report. Employees and supervisors should notify law enforcement officials and report any attack, assault or threat made against them on school/district premises or at school/district-sponsored activities.

4. When an individual is directed to leave under such paragraph 1 or 2 circumstances, the Superintendent or designee shall inform the person that he/she will be guilty of a misdemeanor in accordance with Education Code 44811 and Penal Code 415.5 and 626.7, if he/she reenters any district facility within 30 days after being directed to leave, or within 14 days if the person is a parent/guardian of a student attending that school.

If an individual refuses to leave upon request or returns before the applicable period of time, the Superintendent or designee may notify law enforcement officials. An Incident Report should be completed for the situations set forth in paragraphs 1 and 2.

Appeal Procedure

Any person who is asked to leave a public school building or grounds may appeal to the Superintendent or designee. This appeal shall be made no later than the second day after the person has been directed to leave the school building or grounds. The Superintendent or designee shall render his/her decision within 24 hours after the appeal is made, and this decision shall be binding.

The decision of the Superintendent or designee may be appealed to the Board. Such an appeal shall be made no later than the second school day after the Superintendent or designee has rendered his/her decision. The Board shall consider and decide the appeal at its next scheduled regular or adjourned regular public meeting. The Board's decision shall be final.

Notification Procedure

The Superintendent or designee will be responsible for making both parents/guardians and teachers aware of district policy that promotes mutual respect including provisions for dealing with disruptions.

If it is determined that a member of the public is in violation of the provisions of this policy, the individual should be counseled on the applicable Education Code and Board policy provisions at the time of the occurrence and the employee must notify his/her supervisor and provide a written report of the incident.

ATTACHMENT E

Monthly Classroom & Birthday Celebrations

The following dates will be the only dates permitted for classroom and birthday celebrations. All celebrations will be on the last Friday of each month and will take place after student's lunch time.

8/28/26
10/2/26
10/30/26
11/20/26
12/18/26
1/29/27
2/26/27
4/2/27
4/30/27
5/28/27
6/4/27

ATTACHMENT F

Leona Valley Elementary
9063 West Leona Avenue
Leona Valley, CA 93551
661-948-9010
FAX 661-206-3730

Title I, Part A School-Level Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Leona Valley Elementary School, with parents and family members, has jointly developed, mutually agreed upon, and distributed to, parents and family members of participating children in Title I, Part A programs the following requirements as outlined in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) sections 1116(b) and (c).

Describe how parents and family members of participating children in Title I, Part A programs are involved in jointly developing, distributing to, a written school parent and family engagement policy, agreed upon by such parents for carrying out the requirements in ESSA Section 1116(c) through (f) (ESSA Section 1116[b][1]):

To involve parents in the Title 1 program at Leona Valley, the following practices have been established:

- The school convenes an annual meeting to inform parents of Title 1 status and about the rights of parents to be involved in the Title 1 program during, but not limited to Back to School Night, the School Site Council, Community Snacks with Staff meetings, and during PTSA meetings.
- In addition, sending information out through a weekly dialer and email, calendar of events, ParentSquare messages and posts, and event flyers.
- Leona Valley offers flexible meeting options. Meetings are held during different times of the year to make sure parents fully understand the Title 1 program and promote parent involvement. Since Leona Valley is a school-wide Title 1 School, all parents at Leona Valley receive the same information regarding Title 1 programs. In addition:
- ➔Weekly ParentSquare updates and activities taking place at Leona Valley will be sent out every Sunday evening
- ➔Updates via the ParentSquare app will be primary tool
- ➔Monthly ‘Staff collaborations’ at arrival time to ensure maximum participation

Describe how parents and family members of participating children in Title I, Part A programs, may amend a parent and family engagement school policy that applies to all parents and family members, if necessary, to meet the requirements (ESSA Section 1116[b][2]):

Leona Valley involves parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of the school’s Title 1 programs, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school’s Title 1 parent and family engagement policy and the joint development of the School Plan for Student Achievement:

- Conducting annual Title 1 meetings and 4 SSC meetings, and workshops where parents are invited and encouraged to provide input in the creation of the School Parent Involvement Policy.
- Workshops conducted include guiding parents on how to give recommendations to improve instruction, school programs, and the implications for parent involvement.

- The Principal and Vice Principal are readily available to listen to suggestions provided by parents to improve teaching and learning practices and best ways to support their students.

Describe how the Local Educational Agency (LEA) involved has a school district-level parent and family engagement policy that applies to all parents and family members in all schools served by the LEA, and how the LEA may amend that policy, if necessary to meet the requirements (ESSA Section 1116[b][3]):

The Westside USD has a district-level Board Policy (6020 Parent Involvement and AR 6020 Parent Involvement) that applies to all parents and family members for both Title I and non Title I school sites (ESSA Section 1116[b][3]. The district policy is reviewed by the Superintendent's Advisory Committee annually and amended as needed. The Local Educational Agency invites parents to the monthly Superintendent's Advisory Committee. Individuals are involved in the development of the parent and family engagement policy. If necessary and based on feedback, this policy may be amended to meet the requirements.

Describe how parents and family members of children participating in Title I, Part A programs can, if they find that the plan under ESSA Section 1112 is not satisfactory to the parents and family members, and the LEA shall submit the parent comments with the plan when the LEA submits the plan to the State (ESSA Section 1116[b][4]):

If requested by parents, the school provides opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children, and to respond to any such suggestion as soon as possible;

- IEP (Individualized Education Program meetings)
- Student support and progress meetings
- Individual parent conferences with teachers, counselors, and or administrators to help understand their child's academic progress or data
- Parent/Teacher Conferences

Describe how the school served by Title I, Part A funds holds an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents and family members of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation under Title I, Part A and to explain the requirements and the rights of the parents to be involved (ESSA Section 1116[c][1]):

Leona Valley provides parents with timely information about Title 1 programs through the use of:

- Weekly Newsletters
- ParentSquare
- Parent Center Bulletin Board
- Posters and banners posted in a visible place for parents to view
- Flyers sent home with students

Describe the steps that the school takes to offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning, afternoon, evening or other ways and may provide, with funds provided under Title I, Part A, for transportation, child care, or home visits, as such services relate to parental involvement (ESSA Section 1116[c][2]):

Leona Valley offers flexible meeting options. Meetings are held during different times of the year to make sure parents fully understand the Title 1 program and promote parent involvement. Since Leona Valley is a school-wide Title 1 School, all parents at Leona Valley receive the same information regarding Title 1 programs. In addition, Leona Valley will send home weekly dialers with emails

regarding updates and activities taking place at the school. The school will also regularly update parents with the use of the ParentSquare app.

Describe how parents and family members of participating children are involved, and in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under Title I, Part A, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy and the joint development of schoolwide program plan under ESSA Section 1114(b), except that if a school has in place a process for involving parents in the joint planning and design of the school's programs, the school may use that process, if such process includes an adequate representation of parents of participating children (ESSA Section 1116[c][3]):

Parents and family members of participating children are involved by being invited to the variety of participation events to plan, review and collaborate on improvements of the parent and family engagement policy and the schoolwide program such as:

- School Site Council meetings
- Title I Meeting
- School involves educational partners in the process by sharing school surveys, needs assessments, and WASC documents during the above meetings
- The school will submit parent comments, if not satisfactory, on the plan to the school site council for consideration and discussion with adjustments being made as necessary

Describe how the school is providing parents and family members of participating children of Title I, Part A programs: timely information about programs under Title I, Part A; a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels of the challenging State academic standards; and if requested by parents, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children, and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible (ESSA sections 1116[c][4][A-C]:

The school provides parents of Title I, Part A students with timely information about Title I, Part A programs, curriculum, and assessments as listed below:

- Parental notifications of programs supporting students through phone and email dialers that are available on the school website
- The provided description of the district adopted curriculum in use at the school on the district's website
- Informing parents of academic assessments used to measure student progress through phone and email dialers that are also available on the school website
- Notification of achievement levels of the challenging state academic standards of their students by receiving NWEA family reports which correlate to the State Standards
- Parental opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children by contacting a member of administration
- Responding to any suggestions received by administration within 48 business hours

Describe how the schoolwide program plan, ESSA Section 1114(b), is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children in Title I, Part A programs, submitting any parent comments on the plan when the school makes the plan available to the LEA (ESSA Section 1116[c][5]):

Leona Valley regularly involves parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way with the planning, reviewing, and improvement of the school's Title I, Part A programs and the Title I, Part A parental

involvement policy. If the School plan for Student Achievement is not satisfactory to Title 1 Parents, parent comments can be submitted on the plan to the school.

Leona Valley Title I, Part A School Parent and Family Engagement Policy was developed jointly and agreed on with parents and family members of children participating in Title I, Part A programs on 02/09/2026. The School will distribute the policy to all parents and family members of participating Title I, Part A students annually on or before August 2026.

Name and Title of Authorized Official

Corey Stanis, Principal

Signature of Authorized Official



Date - 2/09/2026

ATTACHMENT G

Leona Valley Elementary
9063 West Leona Avenue
Leona Valley, CA 93551
661-948-9010
FAX 661-206-3730

Title I, Part A School-Parent Compact

The Leona Valley Elementary School, and the parents of the students participating in activities, services and programs funded by Title I, Part A, agree that the School-Parent Compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share in the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State high academic standards (Every Student Succeeds Act [ESSA] Section 1116[d]).

The school understands the importance of the school experience for every student and their role as educators and models. Therefore, the school agrees to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of their ability:

- Provide meaningful learning activities that address challenging standards for all students
- Communicate regularly with families about their student's progress and ways that they can provide assistance through conferences, reports on student progress, access to staff, and opportunities to volunteer and participate in the educational process
- Participate in meaningful staff development in effective teaching strategies, addressing the needs of a diverse student body, and working effectively with all members of our learning community
- Allocate adequate resources to ensure that high standards can be met by all children

The parent/guardian understands that participation in their student's education will help their achievement, motivation, and attitude. Therefore, the parent will continue to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of their ability:

- Make sure that their child attends school each day, is on time, and is prepared to learn
- Know what is expected of our child and what she/he is learning in school
- Monitor our child's progress and communicate regularly with our child's teacher
- Encourage, assist and/or read with our child nightly
- Attend back-to-school night, parent-teacher conferences, and other school events

The student realizes education is important. Therefore, they agree to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of their ability:

- Come to school each day prepared to do their best and are ready to learn
- Participate in class activities
- Take responsibility for completing and returning their classwork and homework on time
- Act in a safe and respectful manner so their classmates and themselves can learn

This Compact was established by Leona Valley School on 2/09/2026, and will be in effect for the period of 2026/2027 school year. The school will distribute the Compact annually to all parents and family members of students participating in the Title I, Part A program on, or before: August 2026.

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Teacher Signature: _____