# LONEDELL R-14 SCHOOL DISTRICT



# STUDENT HANDBOOK #r14family

## Success; Nothing Less!

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## All About Lonedell R-14

## Belief, Vision, and Mission of Our School

**BELIEF:** It is the belief of the Board of Education, the administration, and the faculty and staff of the Lonedell R-XIV School District that (1)all children will learn; (2)every child has the right to a quality education; and (3)every child has a responsibility to actively participate in their education.

**VISION:** To be a staff respected by the community, who provides a safe, engaging, and positive education for all children.

**MISSION:** Success, Nothing Less! It is the mission of the Lonedell R-XIV School District, in partnership with the community, to teach all children, providing them with an excellent education, making them productive members of society.

**PURPOSE:** The Board of Education recognizes the positive effects of parents/families' involvement in the education of their children. The Board is committed to strong parent/family involvement in working collaboratively with district staff as knowledgeable partners in educating district students.

#### Lonedell R-XIV School District Goals

In order to implement the Board's commitment to parent/family involvement in students' education, the District has implemented a Parent/Family Involvement Plan with the following features:

\*A committee of parents, staff, and community representatives, appointed by the Superintendent, will serve as the district's Parent Involvement Committee. The Committee's responsibilities will include recommendations for program development, parent/staff training and program evaluation. Program evaluation reports will be prepared and submitted to the Superintendent annually by June 1. This is in accordance to **\*Policy 1405 (Regulation 1405)** 

1. Regular two way communication between school and parents/families. Such communication will include but not be limited to scheduled parent visits to school, electronic communication, use of daily planners and folders, use of translators, parent volunteers, and other programs recommended by the Parent/Family Involvement Committee.

2. Assist parents in developing positive, productive parenting skills, as well as positive productive means of interacting with District administrators and staff.

 Provide professional development opportunities for District staff to facilitate productive parent/school involvement in promoting education of District students.
 Involve parents in meaningful activities to enhance student learning.

5. Enhance opportunities for parents/families to visit schools in a safe and open atmosphere. Such opportunities will include, but are not limited to, identifying roles for parent volunteers, providing training for volunteers and provision of family activities at school. 6. Affirmatively involve parents in school decisions which affect their children.7. Utilize community resources to promote and strengthen school programs, family practices, and student learning.

### **Student Assignments**

The administration and staff will make all student assignments. These assignments are based on the child's educational and social needs. If the parent/guardian has a specific educational need for their child to be assigned to a certain teacher, it must be received in writing at the school by April 1st. No changes will be made after this date. An example of an educational need would be if a child has speech impairment and a specific teacher has a background in speech. We will not make any changes based on social need.

## Lonedell School Pledge

I pledge to do my very best, Wherever I may be; I'll work hard and show respect To those who work with me. I'll do my part and you will see, When we work together, We're the best that we can be.



## **District Calendar**

## LONEDELL R-14 SCHOOL DISTRICT Success; Nothing Less! 2019-2020



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Aug 13	Open House 4-7 PM PD #2
Aug 14	PD #3
Aug 15	First Day of School
Sep 02	No School - Labor Day
Sep 23	No School - PD #4
Sep 26	6-8 Parent/Teacher Conf. 4-7 PM
Oct 01	6-8 Parent/Teacher Conf. 4-7 PM
Oct 16	End of Quarter 1
Oct 24	PK-5 Parent/Teacher Conf. 4-7 PM
Oct 25	No School - PD #5
Oct 29	PK-5 Parent/Teacher Conf. 4-7 PM
Nov 01	No School
Nov 27-29	No School - Thanskgiving Break
Dec 20	Early Release 12:14 PM/ End Of QTR 2
Dec 23 - Jan 6	No School - Christmas Break
Jan 06	No School - PD #6
Jan 07	Classes Resume
Jan 20	No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Feb 13	Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7 PM
Feb 14	No School - PD #7
Feb 17	No School - President's Day
Mar 12	End of Quarter 3
Mar 13	No School - PD #8
April 9-13	No School - Easter Break
May 15	Early Release 12:14 PM
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### **Board of Education and Administrative Staff**

Board of Education Mr. Brad Rucker – President Mr. Joe Tharp – Vice-President Mr. Daniel Short – Treasurer Mr. Jason Bailey Mr. James Heideman Mr. Travis Corwin Mrs. Tonya Cole

Administrative Staff

Mrs. Jenny Ulrich, Superintendent Dr. Wayne Dierker, Principal Mrs. Jeannine Berti, Special Education Director

#### **Central Office**

Mrs. Stephanie York, Accounting Manager Mrs. Sarah Grus, Benefits and Human Resources Manager

#### **Elementary Office**

Mrs. Terri Koenig, Administrative Assistant Mrs. Lisa Light, Administrative Assistant

#### **Staff Assignments**

Preschool Teacher Jackie Short

#### **Kindergarten Teachers**

Sara Thompson Kerri Cox

#### **1st Grade Teachers**

Amber Generally Melanie Friel

#### **2nd Grade Teachers**

Crystal Breitenstein Tonya LaCrone

<u>**3rd Grade Teachers**</u> Debra Winkler Jody Bailey <u>Ath Grade Teachers</u> Kelly Hardaway Leslie Henson

#### **5th Grade Teachers**

Cindy Brendel Tonya Dooley

#### 6th - 8th Grade Teachers

Danielle Brissette (Math) Heather Dunn (English Language Arts) Kathy Vollmer (Social Studies) Dave Imler (Science)

> STEAM Teacher J.T. Flora

Art Teacher Megan Hicks

Music Teacher Mandi Miller

Physical Education/Health Teacher & Athletic Coordinator Paul Brake

> <u>Library Teacher &</u> <u>Teaching Methods Coach</u> Sarah Britton

> > Band Teacher Terry Durgin

Speech & Language Pathologist Natalie Schroeder

#### **Special Education Teachers**

Carol Howard (Middle School) Bailea Hogan (Elementary) Sharon Knickmeyer (Elementary & Before and After Care Director)

> <u>Title 1</u> Susan Mathers

#### Paraprofessionals

Pam Campbell Hannah Dierker Tiger Dierker Jane Green Barbara Reed Tiffany Martin Sarah Richardson Mistie LaTurno

#### PAT & Special Education Administrative Assistant Sue Crumbaugh

<u>Counselor</u> Bev Taylor

<u>Nurse</u> Karin Bielefeld

> Technology Angi Hill

<u>Maintenance</u> Dennis Barry

#### **Custodians**

Kevin Schirmer Michael Werner Steven Hografe Cody Sittner Hunter Sohn

#### **Cafeteria/Chartwells**

Kelly Dierker Erica Calhoun Gail Stahlman Jeannette DeClue

#### After Care Teacher Assistant

Deb York

## Words to Parents

Research shows that parent's cooperation directly affects their child's academic placement, attitude, behavior, the degree of cooperation, and effectiveness of discipline. This process is intended to be instructional and corrective, not punitive. Therefore we ask parents to see to it:

- 1. Your child attends school every day.
- 2. Your son or daughter spends the proper amount of time in home study and preparation for his/her classes.
- 3. You take interest in school activities and organizations.
- 4. You meet your son's or daughter's teachers and inquire about his/her progress in school work.
- 5. You contact the teacher/principal with any concerns you are having concerning problems you believe are having an adverse effect upon your child.
- 6. Your child has received the proper amount of sleep and a good meal.
- 7. Your child has the proper school supplies.

Parents may request regarding the professional qualifications of their student classroom teacher; Lonedell is a Title 1 school.



## <u>Attendance</u>

## **Student Attendance Policy**

Parents are to notify school by 9:00 a.m. if a student is going to be absent. Prompt and regular attendance is essential if students are to do their best work in school. When a student is absent, the student is denied the opportunity to learn. Therefore, a student is expected to be in attendance when school is in session. All absences shall be unexcused absences unless parent/legal guardian notifies the school in writing or by telephone that their child is absent for an excusable reason. Students who are absent from school may not attend school activities or be on school property the same day or night without permission from school administration.

Any student who is absent from school without the expressed consent and/or knowledge of his/her parent(s) or guardian will be considered truant and may be reported to the Division of Family Services or the Juvenile Office (Board Regulation 2340)

Excusable absences include, but are not limited to:

- Illness of the student (Doctor's statement may be required to support such absences).
- Days of religious observance
- Death in the family
- Family emergencies which necessitate absence from school. The school must be notified in advance when such absences are foreseen. (School Administration shall define degree of emergency required to excuse absence).

Missouri Law requires children age seven and older attend school or parents may register with the state to offer home schooling. Failure to comply with the law may cause the school to notify the Division of Family Services. Suspected truancy will be reported to the truant officer.

Excessive absences which are not clearly excusable will be investigated by the principal and /or staff and appropriate action taken:

After a student has been absent for three consecutive days without contact from the parent(s)/guardian(s), the building principal will contact the parent/guardian by telephone or letter in order to inquire about the reason for the student's absence.

- If the principal is unable to contact the parent/guardian within three (3) days or the parent/guardian does not give a reasonable explanation for the absence within three days, the building principal shall send a registered letter to the parent/guardian requesting a conference within a week.
- If the parent/guardian does not contact the principal within a week of receipt of the registered letter, the building principal will make a referral to the proper legal authorities. (Board Policy and Regulation 2310 and 2340)

#### **Cumulative Absences**

• Parents will also be notified in writing when their child has missed cumulatively, three (3), five (5), eight (8) and ten (10) days in a semester.

- Students in grades 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> who are absent more than 5 days per semester (excused or unexcused) shall be required to make up the attendance with one day of Saturday School for each absence over 5 days. This is in accordance with the districts' attendance policy of 95% attendance and Missouri State Statutes 167.031, 167.081 and 167.11, which charge school officials with the duty of seeing that children are in compliance with state laws and attendance policies. Parents will be notified of this through written communication from the office. Saturday school will be offered the last Saturday of each month. Students experiencing extenuating circumstances causing absences which result in assignment of Saturday school will be left to the judgment of the principal and/or superintendent.
- Absences by a student exceeding 5 days or more in one semester, and not made up in Saturday School shall cause the student to be placed in summer school, if it is offered by the district.
- Students must attend all assigned summer school classes, maintain appropriate behavior and successfully pass each class offering.
- Any student, who does not properly complete Saturday School or Summer School assignment, will not be able to earn credit for classes affected by the attendance violation.

After notification of Saturday School assignment, or later Summer School Assignment, the student, his/her parent or legal guardian may file an appeal in writing within five days of notice with the principal. Upon receipt of the appeal request, an appeal committee shall then set a hearing date for the purpose of consideration of the applicant's appeal.

This committee shall consist of:

- Principal
- Counselor
- Student's Teacher(s)
- Nurse

The attendance committee's decision may be appealed to the superintendent, then to the Board of Education.

The school administration shall reserve the right to review continuous absences for medical reasons. Students, whose illness necessitates an absence of ten or more consecutive school days, may have the option for applying for homebound instruction. This may be provided upon the request of the student, approval of the student's physician, and approval from the State Department of Education.

## Student Make-Up Work Policy

Students who miss school because of illness or other justifiable reasons have the responsibility of making up the missed work. One day for each day missed will be considered reasonable. Students in grades K-3 are encouraged to collect missing work upon their return to school. It is the student's responsibility to get their missed work. Students will be expected to take tests and do homework that was announced before the absence on the day that they return to school.

Should it be necessary to request homework from the office, it must be requested by 9:00 am. Homework will be available in the office upon request. Extended absences require a teacher/parent meeting to arrange for assignments. *Students will be expected to take tests and do homework that was announced before the absence on the day that they return to school.* 

If a student does not turn in assignments within the teacher's stated time limit, all missing grades will become zeros.

#### POLICY REGARDING MAKE UP WORK FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE SUSPENDED OUT OF SCHOOL

Pupils who are truant or serving out a suspension are still required to complete all assignments. Work will need to be collected to be taken home. Students returning to school without make up work completed will go to ISS until all absent work is finished.

## **Bobcat Pride Event**

Each quarter, students in 4th-8th grade will have the opportunity to become a member of BOBCAT PRIDE. For each PRIDE celebration, qualifying students will participate in special activities. Each quarter, students will be given a fresh start to become a member of BOBCAT PRIDE. The students will have the following academic/behavior requirements to qualify to participate:

Fourth- Fifth Grade:

- No discipline
- 90% attendance
- No zeros on assignments
- No F's
- No more than four late assignments.

Sixth - Eighth Grade:

- No discipline
- 90% attendance
- No zeros on assignments
- No F's

### **Before and After School Procedures**

- 1. Students are not to be let off at the school before 7:15 a.m.
- 2. All students should report to their homeroom at 7:44 a.m.
- 3. School begins at 7:44 a.m.

Students may be dropped off at school no earlier than 7:15am. Student pick up will be at 2:57 each afternoon. The District will not be responsible for supervising students outside the stated times unless student is involved in an after school activity. Please do not leave your child at school during unsupervised periods. There is a Before/Aftercare Program available for parents who need to drop or pick up students at earlier or later times. Please contact the elementary office for further information about this program.



## **Communication**

### Staff and Student Electronic Communication

Employee's communication with students and/or teacher's electronic media must be made available to the student's parent/guardian. Please contact the Elementary Principal with any concerns. (Policy 4650)

## Photo Release

The district may use a photo/likeness of your child on the district website, press releases, flyers, Facebook, Twitter, etc. If you wish for your child's picture **not** to be published in any of these media outlets, you must submit a letter stating this to the elementary office. Please inquire with the elementary office with any questions.



## **Confidentiality of Records**

## **Directory Information**

All information contained in a student's educational record, except information designated as directory information by the District, shall be confidential and shall be directly accessible only to school officials who demonstrate a legitimate educational interest in the student's records and to parents/guardians or eligible students. Directory information means information contained in the educational record of a student which would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed.

## Protection Of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA)

PPRA affords parents of elementary and secondary students certain rights regarding the conduct of surveys, collection and use of information for marketing purposes, and certain physical exams. These include, but are not limited to, the right to:

- *Consent* before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns one or more of the following protected areas ("protected information survey") if the survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U.S. Department of Education (ED) –
  - 1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student's parent;
  - 2. Mental or psychological problems of the student or student's family;
  - 3. Sex behavior or attitudes;
  - 4. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
  - 5. Critical appraisals of others with whom respondents have close family relationships;
  - 6. Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as with lawyers, doctors, or ministers;
  - 7. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or student's parent; or
  - 8. Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.
- Receive notice and an opportunity to opt a student out of
  - 1. Any other protected information survey, regardless of funding;
  - 2. Any non-emergency, invasive physical exam or screening required as a condition of attendance, administered by the school or its agent, and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of a student, except for hearing, vision, or scoliosis screenings, or any physical exam or screening permitted or required under State law; and
  - 3. Activities involving collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for marketing or to sell or otherwise distribute the information to others. (This does not apply to the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the exclusive purpose of developing, evaluating, or providing educational products or services for, or to, students or educational institutions.)
- Inspect, upon request and before administration or use –

- 1. Protected information surveys of students and surveys created by a third party;
- 2. Instruments used to collect personal information from students for any of the above marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes; and
- 3. Instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.
- 4.

These rights transfer from the parents to a student who is 18 years old or an emancipated minor under State law.

Lonedell R-14 district policies, in consultation with parents, regarding these rights, as well as arrangements to protect student privacy in the administration of protected information surveys and the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes. Lonedell R-14 will directly notify parents of these policies at least annually at the start of each school year and after any substantive changes. Lonedell R-14 will also directly notify, such as through U.S. Mail or email, parents of students who are scheduled to participate in the specific activities or surveys noted below and will provide an opportunity for the parent to opt his or her child out of participation of the specific activity or survey. Lonedell R-14 will make this notification to parents at the beginning of the school year if the District has identified the specific or approximate dates of the activities or surveys at that time. For surveys and activities scheduled after the school year starts, parents will be provided reasonable notification of the planned activities and surveys listed below and be provided an opportunity to opt their child out of such activities and surveys. Parents will also be provided an opportunity to review any pertinent surveys. Following is a list of the specific activities and surveys covered under this direct notification requirement:

- Collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for marketing, sales, or other distribution.
- Administration of any protected information survey not funded in whole or in part by ED.
- Any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening as described above.
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*Parents who believe their rights have been violated may file a complaint with*:

Family Policy Compliance Office U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20202



## <u>Discipline</u>

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	Be Respectful	Use polite language Use good manners Follow Dress Code	Raise your hand and wait to be called on Be a good listener	Walk quietly (Bobcat Prowl) Take care of items in the haliway (bulletin boards, couches, etc)	Take turns Include others	Use table manners and say please/ thank you Clean up your area Use an inside voice Keep food on plate	Give others privacy Flush Use toilet paper and paper towels with care (sparingly) Use your inside voice	Follow driver's instructions Enter and exit carefully Find your seat quickly	Keep food and drink away from Library/Lab Use an inside voice Always enter quietly	Be a good listener Use good manners
	Be Responsible	Follow directions first time given Keep school neat and clean Keep track of your belongings	Be prepared for class Complete all assignments to the best of your ability	Return to class quickly Be in classroom when bell rings (5 <sup>8</sup> -8 <sup>8</sup> )	Be honest Throw trash in the trashcan	Bring your lunch card (5 <sup>th</sup> -3 <sup>th</sup> ) Return tray or lunch box to proper place Raise your hand and ask permission to leave your seat	Keep bathroom clean Return quickly to class Use assigned bathrooms Turn off water	Be on time Sit in assigned area Have bus pass ready when riding different or new bus	Take care of items in the library/lab (books, computers, etc) Stay in assigned area	Keep track of your belongings Keep area clean Ask "on-topic" questions
	Be Safe	Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself Walk	Use materials correctly Be where you belong	Banisters are for hands Stay to the right	Use equipment as instructed Keep rocks on the ground	Report spills Sit in assigned area (K-6) Find a seat and stay in it (7th-8th)	Wash hands with soap and water Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself	Stay in seat Keep aisle clear Keep hands, head and objects inside	Use furniture and shelving as instructed Follow internet safety guidelines	Stay in assigned area Use buddy system Follow rules of facility
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## Student Misconduct and Disciplinary Procedures

This section describes the broad range of acts of misconduct, which are unacceptable in school. It is meant as a guideline and not as an exhaustive list of all prohibited acts. The student who commits an act of misconduct not listed in the disciplinary code of conduct shall be subject to the discretionary authority of the classroom teacher or building principal.

The school has the right to issue discipline to students, including suspension. If the student's action adversely impacts the school environment (assault, drugs, sexual assault, violent behavior, etc.) the student will be given normal due process rights. Not necessarily limited to examples listed.

*NOTE: Any of the penalties listed on the following pages can be increased or decreased at the discrepancy of the administration due to circumstances and the severity of the offense.* 

### Search & Seizure

Desks and lockers are public property and school authorities may make responsible regulations regarding their use. School officials may inspect them if there is reasonable cause. Lockers will be checked for neatness weekly.

Students are permitted to park on school premises as a matter of privilege, not of right. The school retains the authority to conduct routine patrols of the student parking lots. The interior of a student's automobile on school premises may be searched if a school administrator has reasonable suspicion to believe that illegal, unauthorized or contraband items, or evidence of a violation of school policy is contained inside the vehicle. (Policy 2150)

### **Behavior Expectations**

The discipline code set out in regulation 2610 is intended to be illustrative but not an exclusive listing of acts of misconduct and the consequences for each. Misconduct that is not specifically listed in this handbook may be deemed to warrant discipline up to and including expulsion following provision of all due process procedures. In addition, the disciplinary consequence listed for each offense may be increased or decreased by the Administrator or the Board of Education due to mitigating or aggravating circumstances.

Electronic copies of regulation 2610 are available on the district website. Copies of these documents will also be available for public inspection during normal business hours in the Superintendent's office.

## Discipline

In order for any organization to function properly, there must be certain expectations for performance. Lonedell R-14 has expectations of behavior that will provide for an orderly school atmosphere. Our goal is to develop students that are self-disciplined and are able to make good judgments about acceptable behavior. Our philosophy is that no student should be allowed to disrupt the learning of other students.

The Lonedell R-14 School utilizes a discipline policy, which is explained by each individual teacher to each class at the beginning of the school year. Rules and regulations are posted in the classrooms.

Each teacher is responsible for maintaining control of his or her class in order to create an atmosphere conductive to learning. Normally, the teacher will be able to deal with students attempting to disrupt or distract from the educational objectives of the day. If the disruption or distraction continues, the teacher may elect to send the student to the principal.

When a student is sent to the principal for disciplinary action, he/she will consult the teacher, student, and possibly the parent. After consultation, the principal will decide the most appropriate action.

## **General Conduct**

- 1. Students will follow board policies, rules, regulations, staff directive, and classroom procedures.
- 2. Classes begin at 7:44 a.m. Students arriving after 7:44 a.m. are considered tardy.
- 3. Each student is expected to show courtesy and respect to others.
- 4. Each student is expected to follow the directions of those in charge. All teachers are responsible for you while you are in this building. <u>Any</u> teacher or staff member may correct your behavior at any time.
- 5. All staff members are to be addressed as Miss, Mrs., Ms., or Mr., or appropriate title, such as Coach.
- 6. Substitute teachers should be treated as guests in our school. Students should act especially courteous and well behaved toward them. Failure to cooperate will result in disciplinary action.
- 7. Running, loitering, and loud talking in the halls and classrooms is not permitted.
- 8. Students are not to damage school property. Students will be held responsible for the replacement of the damaged property.
- 9. The office telephone is for business purposes only with reference to the school. It should be used only when transacting business pertaining to the school. The phone is not to be used to call home for forgotten work, but for true emergencies.
- 10. Any item brought to school that is against policies may be confiscated by staff. Items may be returned to parent.

- 11. Students are to use the restroom according to their grade level, or another one upon specific permission of their teachers (K-2, 2-4, 5-6, or 7-8).
- 12. Any unserved consequences can be carried over to the new quarter or school year.

## **After School Detention**

Lonedell R-14 School district has after school detention for grades K-8<sup>th</sup>. Listed below are the procedures and regulations:

- 1. After school detention starts at the bus dismissal. If a student arrives late without an approved excuse, he/she will not be permitted to complete the detention assigned. Thus he/she will be referred to the principal for cutting the detention assigned.
- 2. If a student fails to show at detention, he/she will be considered deliberate defiance of school authority. The first offense of a failure to serve a scheduled after-school without prior notification will result in a 3 days ISS.
- 3. Students may attend practice for an extracurricular activity after serving the detention.
- 4. Any days absent from after school detention due to illness must be made up at the next regular scheduled detention.
- 5. After school detention will end precisely at 4:00 p.m. If a parent cannot pick up the student, an administrator must be advised of who will be picking up the student.
- 6. When a student must miss an after school they must bring a note from parents to the elementary office by 2:00 p.m. (only for an emergency situation). Students will not be allowed to reschedule an after school detention without parent contact. If arrangements are not made for the student to serve the detention on an alternate day, he/she will be considered in deliberate defiance of school authority and be required to serve 3 days ISS. If a student misses a rescheduled detention, the student will be subject to school suspension. The missed detentions must be served within five school days.
- 7. Certified staff members may detain students after normal school hours for a reasonable time provided the following conditions are observed:
  - Students must have an opportunity to make arrangements for transportation home. Therefore, the detention may take place on any days after the day of notification to detain.
  - The detention may be disciplinary or academic reasons as outlined by the classroom rules and approved by the principal.
  - The names of all students detained must be reported to the principal.
  - A certified staff member must supervise all students detained.

## In-School Detention/Loss Of Recess:

Students who are serving ISS are expected to adhere to all of the teacher's rules. All work assigned during ISS must be satisfactorily completed before the student will be allowed to return to class.

- 1. The student will be expected:
  - To be working at all times.
  - Turn in work as completed.
  - Stay awake (if a student falls asleep during ISS, another ISS will be assigned).
  - If a student is in ISS they may not attend or participate in extracurricular activities, to include those away from the school.

2. Refusal to follow rules will result in another day of ISS.

If all work assigned by teachers is completed, a student may read approved materials or do other work assigned by the ISS instructor. Students will not be permitted to sleep, play, and etc. while in ISS

### Suspension

- 1. The principal may suspend a student for a period not to exceed 10 school days.
- 2. When a student is suspended, the principal or designee shall attempt to reach the student's parent/guardian to inform them of the school's action and to request that they come to school for their child. If a parent/guardian is unable to come for the student, the principal or designee may ask the parent/guardian for permission to send the student home. If the parent/guardian cannot be reached or if the above request is refused, the student must remain on school property until the close of the school day.
- 3. If the principal decides that a suspension in excess of 10 school days is warranted, the principal may petition the superintendent for such suspension.
- 4. The superintendent of school may suspend a student for a period not to exceed 180 school days.
- 5. Students shall be suspended by a principal or by the superintendent unless:
  - The student shall be informed, orally or in writing, of the charge against him/her.
  - If the student denies the charge, he/she shall be given an oral or written explanation of the facts which for the basis of the proposed suspension.
  - The student shall be given an opportunity to present his/her version of the incident to the principal or superintendent.
- 6. Any suspension shall be reported immediately, in writing, to the student and the student's parent/guardian or others having custodian care of the student. A copy will be forwarded to the superintendent.

A student who is on suspension may not be within 1,000 feet of any school property unless he/she lives within 1,000 feet of the school, has a parent with him/her, or has been requested by the administration to attend a meeting at the school, or any activity of the District, regardless of whether or not the activity takes place on school property, unless the Superintendent/designee has authorized the student to be on school property. This restriction does not apply to suspended students enrolled and attending an alternative school which is within 1,000 feet of a District school. (Regulation 2662)

## **Offense/Disciplinary Action**

- 1. **Academic Dishonesty** Taking answers from or providing answers to another student on an assignment or lying about an assignment to a staff member.
  - First Offense: Zero on the assignment and an After School Detention
  - Subsequent Offense: Zero on the assignment and ISS days.
- 2. **Alcohol** Possession of or presence under the influence of alcohol regardless of whether the student is on school premises
  - First Offense: 30 to 90 Days OSS and possible notification of law enforcement officials. (May be reduced to 15-30 Days OSS with treatment in first ten days of suspension.)
  - Subsequent Offenses: 90 Days OSS to Expulsion and notification of law enforcement officials.
- 3. **Arson** Intentionally causing or attempting to cause a fire or explosion
  - First Offense: 30 to 90 Days OSS and notification to law enforcement officials
  - Subsequent Offenses: 174 Days OSS and notification to law enforcement officials
- 4. **Assault** Assault of a Student or Staff Member Use of physical force with the intent to do bodily harm. (Refer to Policy and Regulation 2673 Reporting of Violent Behavior)
  - First Offense: 10 to 30 Days OSS, (Possible notification of law enforcement officials and possible prosecution)
  - Subsequent Offenses: 30 to 180 Days OSS or Expulsion. (Possible notification of law enforcement officials and possible prosecution)
- 5. **Bullying** "Bullying" means intimidation unwanted aggressive behavior, or harassment that is repetitive or is substantially likely to be repeated and causes a reasonable student to fear for his or her physical safety or property; substantially interferes with the educational performance, opportunities, or benefits of any student without exception; or substantially disrupts the orderly operation of the school. (see Policy 2655).
  - First Offense: 1 Day ISS to 10 Days OSS

- Subsequent Offenses: 5 Days OSS to expulsion
- 6. **Fighting** Physically striking another in a mutual contact as differentiated from an assault.
  - First Offense: Subsequent Offense:
    - Kindergarten 1st grade: ½ Day ISS: 1 Day ISS to 3 days OSS
    - 2nd grade 4th grade: 2 Days ISS : 2 Days ISS to 5 Days OSS
    - 5th grade 8th grade: 3 Days OSS: 5 to 10 Days OSS
- 7. **Defiance of Authority** Refusal to obey directions or defiance of staff authority
  - First Offense: Principal conference to after-school detention or to 3 Days ISS
  - Subsequent Offenses: 3 Days ISS to 10 Days OSS
- 8. **Disruptive Behavior** Conduct which has the intentional effect of disturbing education or the safe transportation of a student
  - First Offense: Principal conference to after-school detention or to 3 Days ISS
  - Subsequent Offenses: 3 Days ISS to 180 Days OSS and possible notification of law enforcement officials.
- 9. Lack of Cooperation- not following directions, completing class work, and/or not participating in group projects.
  - First Offense: Principal conference to after-school detention or to 3 Days ISS
  - Subsequent Offenses: Alternative placement until work is completed.
- 10. **Drugs/Controlled Substance-(Policy 2641)** Possession or under the influence of any unauthorized prescription drug, alcohol, narcotic substance, counterfeit drugs, or drug-related paraphernalia or substance(s) represented to be such. Sale, purchase, or distribution of any prescription drug, alcohol, narcotic substance, counterfeit drugs, or drug-related paraphernalia
  - First Offense 3-180 days OSS, parent/principal conference, notification to law enforcement, documentation in student's discipline record
  - Second or more offense -10-180 days OSS, parent/principal conference, notification to law enforcement, possible recommendation for expulsion, documentation in student's discipline record
  - Drug paraphernalia including jewelry and pictures
  - First Offense 1-3 days ASD
  - Second Offense 1-3 days ISS
  - Third Offense and subsequent offenses 1-10 days OSS, parent/principal conference

- 11. **Sale of a controlled substance -**or substance represented to be a controlled substance while at school or at any of the locations described above.
  - First Offense: 90 to 180 Days OSS and notification to law enforcement officials. (May be reduced to 30 days if drug abuse treatment is started in first ten days of suspension.)
  - Subsequent Offenses: 180 Days to Expulsion and notification of law enforcement officials.
- 12. **Prescription Medication-** Possession of a prescription medication without a valid prescription for such medication on school premises or on a school bus.
  - First Offense: 3 Days OSS to 10 Days OSS
  - Subsequent Offenses: 10 Days OSS to 180 Days OSS
- 13. **Distribution of prescription medication** to any individual who does not have a valid prescription for such medication on school premises or on a school bus.
  - First Offense: 90 to 180 Days OSS and notification to law enforcement officials. (May be reduced to 30 days if drug abuse treatment is started in first ten days of suspension.)
  - Subsequent Offenses: 180 Days OSS to Expulsion and notification of law enforcement officials.
- 14. **Extortion** Verbal threats or physical conduct designed to obtain money or other valuables
  - First Offense: 1 Day ISS to 10 Days OSS
  - Subsequent Offenses: 3 Days ISS to 30 Days OSS
- 15. **Firearms and Weapons** (The term firearm includes, but is not limited to, such items as: Any item which is a loaded or unloaded weapon, weapon frame, or weapon barrel and which is designed to, or may be readily converted to, expel a projectile by action of an explosive, any item which will, or which may be readily converted to, expel a projectile by the action of an explosive or other propellant, and which has a barrel with a bore of at least one-half inch in diameter, or any explosive, incendiary, or poison gas, such as: bombs; grenades; rockets with a propellant charge of greater than four ounces; and other similar devices as recognized under federal law, or any combination of parts either designed to or intended for use in converting any device into a device as described in paragraphs above.

The term weapon shall mean a "firearm" as defined above, and shall also include the items which are defined as "weapons" in section 571.010, RSMo.

#### Students Who Bring Firearms or Weapons to School

The District will take the following action upon determining that a student has brought a firearm or weapon to school:

- The District will refer the student to the appropriate criminal justice or juvenile delinquency system, and
- The District will suspend the student from school for a period of not less than one year (365 days) from the date of the infraction, and may, at its discretion, expel the student from school permanently. This suspension provision may be modified on a case-by-case basis upon recommendation of the District Superintendent if the Superintendent determines that circumstances justify such a modification.
- District may, at its discretion, provide a student suspended under this Regulation with educational services in an alternative setting.
- 16. **Harassment** (Refer to Policy 2130 Harassment)
  - First Offense: 1 Day ISS to 10 Days OSS
  - Subsequent Offenses: 5 Days OSS to expulsion
- 17. Improper Display of Affection Consensual kissing, fondling, or embracing
  - First Offense: Principal conference to after-school detention or to 3 Days ISS
  - Subsequent Offenses: 3 Days ISS to 10 Days OSS
- 18. **Improper Language-**Threatening Language-Use of verbal, physical or written threats to do bodily harm to person or personal property.
  - First Offense: 1 Day ISS to 10 Days OSS
  - Subsequent Offenses: 3 Days ISS to 30 Days OSS

#### 19. Technology Violation-

Searching inappropriate titles/items on the internet or attempt to view inappropriate pages

- First Offense: Loss of internet privileges for a week with alternative assignment
- Second Offense: ISS to loss of computer for the quarter
- Third Offense: In School Suspension to out of school suspension.

Attempt to bypass school filter

- First Offense: ISS to loss of computer for the quarter
- Subsequence Offense: ISS to OSS

Altering device to hide behavior-such as deleting history, pictures, files, etc.

- First Offense: ISS to loss of computer remainder of the quarter
- Subsequence Offense: ISS to OSS

Obtaining & using others codes or passwords

- First Offense: ISS to loss of computer for the quarter
- Second Offense: ISS to OSS

20. **Use of Obscene or Vulgar Language**- Language which depicts sexual acts, human waste, and blasphemous language

- First Offense: Principal conference to after-school detention or to 3 Days ISS
- Subsequent Offenses: 3 Days ISS to 10 Days OSS
- 21. **Disruptive or Demeaning Language or Conduct** Use of hate language to demean other persons due to the race, gender, disability, natural origin, or religious beliefs. This provision also includes conduct, verbal, written, or symbolic speech which materially and substantially disrupts class, school activities, transportation, or school functions.
  - First Offense: Principal conference to after-school detention or to 3 Days ISS
  - Subsequent Offenses: 3 Days ISS to 180 Days OSS and possible notification of law enforcement officials.
- 22. **Inappropriate Sexual Conduct** (Refer to Policy and Regulation 2130 Harassment) Physical touching of another student in the area of the breasts, buttocks, or genitals
  - First Offense: 1 to 10 Days OSS
  - Subsequent Offenses: 5 Days OSS to expulsion
- 23. Use of sexually intimidating language, objects, or pictures.
  - First Offense: 1 to 10 Days OSS
  - Subsequent Offenses: 5 Days OSS to expulsion
- 24. Indecent Exposure Includes display of breasts, buttocks and genitals in a public location
  - First Offense: Principal conference to 10 Days OSS
  - Subsequent Offenses: 5 to180 Days OSS
- 25. **Aggressive Physical Contact** Pushing and shoving, not to the extent of fighting.
  - First Offense: 1-3 day ISS
  - Subsequent Offense: 3-10 days ISS
- 26. **Theft** Nonconsensual taking or attempt to take the property of another
  - First Offense: Restitution plus 1 Day ISS to 10 Days OSS and possible notification of law enforcement officials.
  - Subsequent Offenses: Restitution plus 1 to 30 Days OSS and possible notification of law enforcement officials.
- 27. **Tobacco** Possession or use of tobacco or tobacco products
  - First Offense: 3 to 10 Days OSS
  - Subsequent Offenses: 3 Days OSS to 30 Days OSS
- 28. **Truancy** Absent or tardy from class or classes without authorization (See also Policy and Regulation 2340 Truancy and Educational Neglect.)

- First Offense: Principal conference to after-school detention to 3 Days ISS and possible notification to law enforcement officials.
- Subsequent Offenses: 3 Days ISS to 10 Days OSS and possible notification of law enforcement officials
- 29. **Vandalism** Intentional damage or attempt to damage property belonging to the staff, students, or the District
  - First Offense: Restitution plus 5 hours school service and possible notification of law enforcement officials.
  - Subsequent Offenses: Restitution plus 10 hours school service to 10 days OSS and possible notification of law enforcement officials.
- 30. **Excessive Classroom Misconducts** Students who receive 10 or more referrals to the office will be considered persistent offenders. Students who exhibit harmful/threatening behaviors to themselves or others may also be eligible for a long-term suspension. Long-term suspension is also a possible consequence for certain specific misbehaviors.
  - 10-180 days long-term suspension.

## **Student Due Process**

The constitutional rights of individuals assure the protection of due process of law; thereof, this system of constitutionally and legally sound procedures is developed with regard to the administration of discipline in the Lonedell R-XIV School District.

- 1. The hallmark of the exercise of disciplinary authority will be fairness.
- 2. Every effort shall be made by administration and faculty members to resolve problems cooperatively with the student and parent or guardian.
- 3. Students must be given an opportunity for a hearing if they or their parents/guardians indicate the desire for one. A hearing shall be held to allow the student and parent/guardian to contest the appropriateness of the sanction imposed by a disciplinary authority, or if the student and parent/guardian allege prejudice or unfairness on the part of the school district officials responsible for the discipline.
- 4. The hearing authority may request the student and parent/guardian to attempt reconciliation first, but if the student and parent/guardian decline this request, a hearing will be scheduled as soon as possible.
- 5. The following procedural guidelines will govern the hearing:
  - a. Written notice of charges against a student shall be supplied to the parent/guardian.
  - b. Parent/guardian shall be present at the meeting.

- c. The student and parent/guardian can be represent by legal counsel.
- d. The student shall be given an opportunity to give his version of the facts and their implications. He should be allowed to offer the testimony of other witnesses and other evidence.
- e. The student shall be allowed to observe all evidence offered against him/her. In addition he shall be allowed to question any witness.
- f. A record shall be kept of the hearing.
- g. The hearing authority shall state within a reasonable time after the hearing, his findings as to whether or not the student charged is guilty of the conduct charged and his decision, if any, as to disciplinary action.
- h. The findings of the hearing authority shall be reduced to writing and sent to the student and parent/guardian.
- i. The student and parent/guardian shall be made aware of their right to appeal the decision of the hearing authority to the appropriate appellate authority.

## **Discipline Procedures for Handicapped Students**

If a handicapped student is charged with engaging in serious misconduct for which suspension may result, the principal or designee will follow these recommended procedures:

- 1. When suspension is considered, the Supervisor of Special Education will be notified. Notice should include action pending and reasons for such action.
- 2. Within five workdays of receipt of notice, the Supervisor of Special Education will reconvene the student's Individual Education Program (IEP) Committee. The committee will be considered a "Panel of Experts" charged with the responsibility of determining: (1) Whether the behavior(s) for which action is recommended is related to the student's handicapped condition, (2) Whether the student's action imperils the education of others within the setting, and (3) Whether the student is, in fact, in the appropriate least restrictive environment.
- 3. The composition of the "Panel of Experts" will consist of the following people:
  - a. School Principal
  - b. Supervisor of Special Education
  - c. Student's regular and/or special education teacher.
  - d. Parent/Guardian
  - e. Member of the appraisal team assigned to the school (psychologist)
  - f. The Student, when appropriate.
- 4. If the committee determines that the behavior under review is unrelated to the handicapping condition or that the student's behavior does imperil the education of others, the normal disciplinary procedures can proceed immediately. However, if the committee is unable to reach a decision based on the information presented, they may recommend further assessment.

- 5. In this event, the student will remain in the present placement until assessment is implemented and reviewed by the committee. In special cases where present placement cannot be maintained while undergoing a multi-disciplinary evaluation or would be a danger either to himself or to others within the educational setting, then the student may receive homebound instruction until the time that the evaluation has been completed. Concurrent agreement of the building Principal and Supervisor of Education can only authorize this procedure. The school will have ten working days to complete this process.
- 6. The decision rendered by the committee shall be communicated, in writing, to the parent/guardian, the principal and the supervisor of education following the conference. Once all issues are satisfied, the normal disciplinary procedures may proceed immediately. If, in the future, the expulsion becomes a viable alternative for a handicapped student, information gathered by the above process will be available to the Board of Education to assist them in making that decision.

#### CHANGE OF PLACEMENT FOR LESS THAN TEN SCHOOL DAYS

- 1. Disabled students who violate the School District's discipline policy may be disciplined in the same manner as other students, provided that any resulting suspension (in school (ISS) or out-of-school (OSS)) or other change in placement does not exceed ten school days.
- 2. Depending upon the student's misconduct and upon the specific provisions of the District's discipline policy, the disciplinary alternatives are:
  - a. Suspension for ten days or less.
  - b. Assignment to an interim alternative education setting (resource room, ISS, time out).
  - c. Assignment to another setting (homebound).
- 3. If the student is suspended, ISS or OSS, for ten days or less, the IEP team will:
  - a. Conduct a manifestation determination no later than ten days after the decision to impose disciplinary action to assess if the student's misconduct is related to the student's disability.
  - b. If the District has not conducted a behavioral assessment prior to the imposition of discipline, the District will convene the IEP team to conduct an informal/formal behavioral assessment to address the behavior either before, but not later than 10 days after imposing the discipline.
  - c. Review any existing behavior intervention plan and modify the existing plan, if necessary, to address the behavior which resulted in suspension, or develop a behavior plan to address the behavior.

#### LONG-TERM CHANGES IN PLACEMENT (DRUGS AND WEAPONS)

- 1. Manifestation Determination:
  - a. A manifestation determination will be made to decide if the student's misconduct is related to the student's disability for ISS or OSS or other changes in placement of one or more days.
  - b. If the student's disability is related to the misconduct, the behavior will be resolved through modifications to the student's IEP and the student may be suspended for no more than ten consecutive days.
  - c. If the behavior is not related to the student's disability, the student will be treated in a similar manner to the other students engaged in this behavior. However, educational services will not be terminated during the period of suspension and the District must continue to provide a free appropriate education.
- 2. Appeal:
  - a. Parent/guardian may appeal suspension in excess of ten days to the Board of Education pursuant to Board policy.
  - b. If the District decides to impose a suspension or change of placement for more than ten days, the District shall notify the parent/guardian of the disabled student of the decision and of all procedural safeguards.
  - c. If the student's parent/guardian contests the manifestation determination, the parent/guardian may seek a due process hearing pursuant to RSMo. 162.961, and the State will provide for an expedited hearing.
  - d. During any hearing challenging a manifestation determination, the student shall remain in the alternative educational setting pending the expedite hearing or until the expiration of the disciplinary period or alternative educational assignment whichever occurs first, unless the parent/guardian and District agree otherwise.

## LONG-TERM CHANGES PLACEMENT (LIKELY-TO-INJURE CASES)/MANIFESTATION DETERMINATION

- 1. The District administrators may request a state appointed hearing officer to determine whether a disabled student is substantially likely to cause injury to others.
- 2. In determining whether the disabled student is substantially likely to injure others, the hearing officer will consider the following:
  - a. The likelihood of injury to the student or to others if the student remains in his current educational placement.
  - b. The appropriateness of the student's current placement.
  - c. Whether the District has made reasonable efforts to minimize the risk of harm in the current educational placement, including the use of supplemental aids and services.

3. If the hearing officer determines that the disabled student is substantially likely to injure themselves or others, the hearing officer may assign the student to an interim education placement for up to 45 days.

## **Student Discipline Hearings**

Procedure in hearings before the Board of Education on suspension and expulsion matters:

- 1. Students or their parents/guardians may request a hearing before the Board of Education to contest any suspension in excess of 10 school days. The request will be addressed to the Superintendent who will review all matters concerning the suspension and make a recommendation whether to refer the request to the Board of Education for a hearing.
- 2. No student may be expelled until this matter is reviewed in a hearing before the Board of Education.
- 3. The parent/guardian may represent their student or may retain an attorney to act as a representative in the defense of the student. The representative will have the right to present witnesses, question any and all witnesses as herein provided, and make a statement and offer exhibits on the nature of the evidence and disposition of the case. If the parent/guardian elects to have the student represented by an attorney at the hearing, the parent/guardian shall notify the Superintendent of such representation at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled time of the hearing.
- 4. Prior to the hearing, the parties, or their attorneys, may examine the School District Office the discipline report and all related records.
- 5. Upon the request of any party, the Superintendent shall submit for review at the hearing the student's behavioral and academic record. If necessary, the information contained in such record may be explained and interpreted by a person trained in its use and interpretation. All parties shall be instructed to respect the confidentiality of all such records and information.
- 6. At the hearing, the Board of Education may consider a student's record of past disciplinary actions, criminal court records, juvenile court records, and any actions of the student, which would be criminal offenses.
- 7. The parties may present their version as to the charges and make such showing by way of affidavits, exhibits, and witnesses as they may desire, before testifying, witnesses shall be sworn.
- 8. The President of the Board of Education or the Chairman of the designated committee of the Board shall have full charge of the hearing and shall have the authority to direct

its proceedings and to control the conduct of all persons present in according herewith. Such authority shall include the limitation of questioning that is unproductive, lengthy, or irrelevant. The Board of Education may invoke reasonable limitations on the number of witnesses.

- 9. The hearings shall not be open to the public unless requested by the student's parent/guardian or those having his/her custodial care. However, if the hearing is open to the public, the Board of Education may set reasonable limitations on the number people present upon available space and need for orderly proceedings.
- 10. The Board of Education shall also have the right to exclude the public or any person or persons if it shall determine that any person or group of persons is disrupting the hearings. Unless public, as herein above provided, hearings may be attended only by members of the Board of Education, the Superintendent of Schools, the School Board attorney, the Principal, the student, the parent/guardian and their representatives. Witnesses may be present only when giving information at the hearing. With parent/guardian permission, the student may be excluded at times when the student's psychological or emotional problems are being discussed.
- 11. A record shall be made of any information presented at the hearing. The District shall keep statements and other written matter presented on file.
- 12. As soon as practicable after the hearing, the Board of Education shall make its decision and transmit the same in writing to the parties and the Superintendent.
- 13. The Board of Education or its committee shall decide by majority vote whether the student has engaged in the misconduct charged by District Administrators. The decision must be based solely on the evidence presented at the hearing and must include findings of fact on which the decision rests.



# <u>District Policy &</u>

# <u>Safe Schools Act</u>

#### **Corporal Punishment**

- 1. Corporal punishment as a measure of correction is permitted. It shall be used only when all other reasonable means have failed and then only in reasonable form and on the recommendation of the principal (principal requires a signed permission note from parents prior to any student being paddled). If found necessary, it should be administered by the principal/designee in a private area of the school. It should never be inflicted in the presence of other pupils or without a witness.
- 2. Corporal punishment shall be administered only by swatting the buttocks (maximum of three) with a wooden paddle. A staff member may, however, use a reasonable physical force against a pupil without advance notice to the principal if it is essential for self-defense, the preservation of order, or for the protection of others persons or property of the school district.

#### **District Policies**

District Policies may be found on our website at *www.lonedell.org* under District Information.

Bullying Incident Report Form			
<u>BULLYING INCIDENT REPORT FORM</u> If you have been the target of bullying or have witnessed the bullying of a District student, complete this form and submit to the elementary office. Reports of bullying will be investigated and disciplinary action will be taken as warranted.			
Date Filed: Your Name*			
Phone Number(s):			
Indicate the appropriate response to the following with a check mark(s): <ul> <li>You are a:StudentParentEmployeeVolunteer</li> </ul> Date(s) of alleged bullying:			
Person(s) alleged to have committed the bullying or harassment:			
Summarize the incident(s) or occurrence(s) of bullying as accurately as possible. Attach additional sheets or use back side of the form, if necessary.			
Names of witnesses:			
*Signature of Complainant			
This section is for the use of District Administration			
Date Received by Administration:			
Investigate Action taken:			
Result of Investigation/Action Taken:			
Signature of Administration: Date:			
Mickes Goldman O'Toole, LLC			

#### Definitions and Examples of Harassment (Regulation 2130)

<u>Sexual Harassment</u>-For purposes of this Regulation, sexual harassment of a student consists of sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, sexually-motivated physical conduct, or other verbal or physical conduct or communication of a sexual nature when:

When the unwelcome sexual conduct of a school employee or classmate is so severe, persistent or pervasive that it affects a student's ability to participate in or benefit from an educational program or activity, or creates an intimidating, threatening, or abusive educational environment.

Examples of conduct which may constitute sexual harassment include: sexual advances; touching, patting, grabbing, or pinching another person's intimate parts, whether that person is of the same sex or the opposite sex; coercing, forcing, or attempting to coerce or force the touching of anyone's intimate parts; coercing, forcing, or attempting to coerce or force sexual intercourse or a sexual act on another; graffiti of a sexual nature; sexual gestures; sexual or dirty jokes; touching oneself sexually or talking about one's sexual activity in front of others; spreading rumors about or rating other students as to sexual activity or performance; unwelcome, sexually-motivated or inappropriate patting, pinching, or physical contact. This prohibition does not preclude legitimate, non-sexual physical conduct such as the use of necessary restraints to avoid physical harm to persons or property, or conduct such as a teacher's consoling hug of a young student, or one student's demonstration of a sports move requiring contact with another student. (NOTE: Where the perpetrator is an adult and the victim is a student, welcomeness is generally not relevant.) other unwelcome sexual behavior or words, including demands for sexual favors, when accompanied by implied or overt threats concerning an individual's educational status or implied or overt promises of preferential treatment.

#### <u>Harassment Based Upon National Origin or Ethnicity, Disability, Race or Color, Gender, or</u> <u>Sexual Orientation or Perceived Sexual Orientation:</u>

For purposes of this Regulation, harassment of a student consists of verbal or physical conduct relating to an individual's ethnicity or country of origin or the country of origin of the individual's parents, family members, or ancestors, an individual's physical or mental impairment, relating to an individual's race or color, an individual's gender, or an individual's sexual orientation or perceived sexual orientation when:

- 1. The harassing conduct is so severe, persistent or pervasive that it affects a student's ability to participate in or benefit from an educational program or activity, or creates an intimidating, threatening, or abusive educational environment;
- 2. The harassing conduct has the purpose or effect of substantially or unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or academic performance; or
- 3. The harassing conduct otherwise substantially and adversely affects an individual's learning opportunities.

<u>Examples</u> of conduct which may constitute harassment because of <u>National Origin or</u> <u>Ethnicity, Disability, Race or Color, Gender, or Sexual Orientation or Perceived Sexual</u> <u>Orientation:</u>

include: graffiti containing offensive language which is derogatory to others because of an individual's ethnicity or country of origin or the country of origin of the individual's parents, family members, or ancestors, an individual's physical or mental impairment, relating to an individual's race or color, an individual's gender, or an individual's sexual orientation or perceived sexual orientation which is posted or circulated and which is aimed at degrading individuals or members of protected classes; a physical act of aggression or assault upon another because of, or in a manner reasonably related to, national origin or ethnicity, disability, race or color, gender, or sexual orientation or perceived sexual orientation; other kinds of aggressive conduct such as theft or damage to property which is motivated by national origin or ethnicity, disability, race or color, gender, or sexual orientation or perceived sexual orientation.

#### **REPORTING PROCEDURES**

The following procedures are applicable to any student who believes he or she has been the victim of sexual harassment or harassment/discrimination based on race, color, sex, national origin, age, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, or perceived sexual orientation by a student, teacher, administrator, or other school personnel of the School District, or by any other person who is participating in, observing, or otherwise engaged in activities, including sporting events and other extracurricular activities, under the auspices of the School District. Such individuals are encouraged to immediately report the alleged acts to an appropriate District official designated by this Regulation. Any teacher, administrator, or other school official who has or receives notice that a student has or may have been the victim of unlawful discrimination, sexual harassment or harassment based on race, color, sex, national origin, age, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, or perceived sexual orientation by a student, teacher, administrator, or other school personnel of the District, or by any other person who is participating in, observing, or otherwise engaged in activities, including sporting events and other extracurricular activities, under the auspices of the District, is required to immediately report the alleged acts to an appropriate District official designated by this Regulation. Any other person with knowledge or belief that a student has or may have been the victim of unlawful discrimination, sexual harassment or harassment based on race, sex color, national origin, age, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, or perceived sexual orientation as set forth above, is encouraged to immediately report the alleged acts to an appropriate District official designated by this Regulation. The School District encourages the reporting party or complainant to use the report form available from the principal of each building or available from the School District office, but oral reports shall be considered complaints as well. Use of formal reporting forms is not mandated. Nothing in this Regulation shall prevent any person from reporting harassment directly to the Compliance Officer or to the Superintendent. The District will respond to male and female students' complaints of discrimination and harassment promptly, appropriately, and with the same degree of seriousness.

1. In each school building, the building principal is the person responsible for receiving oral or written reports of discrimination, sexual harassment, or harassment based on race, sex, color, national origin, age, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, or perceived sexual orientation at the building level. Any adult School District personnel who receives a report of discrimination, sexual harassment, or harassment based on race, sex, color, national origin, age, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, or perceived sexual orientation at the building level. Any adult harassment, or harassment based on race, sex, color, national origin, age, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, or perceived sexual orientation shall inform the building principal immediately.

Upon receipt of a report, the principal must notify the District Compliance Officer immediately, without screening or investigating the report. The principal may request but may not insist upon a written complaint. If the report was given verbally, the principal shall personally reduce it to written form and forward it to the Compliance Officer within twenty-four (24) hours. Failure to forward any harassment report or complaint as provided herein will result in disciplinary action against the principal.

If the complaint involves the building principal, the complaint shall be made or filed directly with the Superintendent or the School District Compliance Officer by the reporting party or the complainant.

2. The School Board has designated the Superintendent as the District Compliance Officer with responsibility to identify, prevent, and remedy unlawful discrimination and harassment. The District Compliance Officer shall: receive reports or complaints of unlawful discrimination, sexual harassment, or harassment based on race, sex, color, national origin, age, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, or perceived sexual orientation; oversee the investigative process; be responsible for assessing the training needs of the District's staff and students in connection with the dissemination, comprehension, and compliance with this Regulation; arrange for necessary training required for compliance with this Regulation; and insure that any investigation is conducted by an impartial investigator who has been trained in the requirements of equal educational opportunity, including harassment, and who is able to apply procedural and substantive standards which are necessary and applicable to identify unlawful harassment, recommend appropriate discipline and remedies when harassment is found, and take other appropriate action to rectify the damaging effects of any prohibited discrimination, including interim protection of the victim during the course of the investigation. If any complaint involves a Compliance Officer, the complaint shall be filed directly with the Superintendent.

For further information, questions or concerns, please contact the Lonedell R-14 Principal, compliance coordinator.

#### Acts Of Violence or Serious Violation of School Board Policy

Violent behavior and the phrase acts of school violence are defined as the use of physical force by a student with the intent to do serious physical injury to another person while on school property, including a school bus, or while involved in school activities. These require districts to maintain records of the offence.

The Principal will report to the Superintendent/designee will report to law enforcement officials, as soon as is reasonably practicable, the commission of any of the acts or related juvenile offenses listed in Regulation 2673, which are committed on school property, including school buses, or while involved in school activities.

#### Student Participation in Secret Organizations and Gangs

The principal will establish procedures and regulations to ensure that any student is wearing, or carrying, or displaying gang paraphernalia, exhibiting behavior or gestures which symbolize gang membership; causing and/or participating in activities which intimidate or affect the attendance of another student, shall be subject to disciplinary action.



### <u>Dresscode</u>

#### Dress Code

### THE DRESS CODE MUST BE FOLLOWED DURING SCHOOL AND AT ALL SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.

It is generally accepted that cleanliness, good grooming, and appropriate dress are necessary to reduce distraction, promote health, and provide a productive learning atmosphere. Students are expected to dress in school appropriate clothing. Extreme dress and personal appearance that tend to cause distraction or pose health problems will not be tolerated at school. Common sense and reasonable attitude should eliminate the need to correct students in the area of dress and personal appearance. However, in those cases of abuse, the school administration will make the final judgments. Students who fail to dress appropriately will be loaned appropriate clothing if their parents are unable to bring appropriate clothing to school. Failure to comply with the dress code will result in one day of ISS. The following guidelines must be followed at all times:

- No piercing on the face, other than ears.
- No unnatural human hair coloring.
- No hats, including bandanas.
- No sagging or bagging pants.
- No pajamas (Should the school have a special pajama dress day, it will be announced in advance, only appropriate pajamas will be tolerated.)
- No revealing clothing. Revealing clothing is clothing that shows areas of the breast, stomach, back, or buttocks.
- No spaghetti strap tops, after grade 3.
- No shoes with wheels.
- Shorts, skirts, and shirts must be of an appropriate length. Belts are required with clothing so designed.
- No apparel displaying messages that are gang-related, sexually explicit, vulgar, violent, or advocating illegal activities. (Policy 2651)



### <u>Electronic Devices</u>

#### **Cell Phones**

Student cell phones, digital cameras and similar electronic devices will be banned during the instructional day, as well as, in dressing areas during extracurricular activities. Students may bring a cell phone to school. However, the cell phone must be placed in the student locker or turned into the school office at the beginning of the school day to be returned after school. The district is not responsible for damage to cell phones stored in the school office. Violation of this policy will result in in-school suspension, while second offenses will result in out-of-school suspension being imposed.

Parents may apply to the building principal to obtain a hardship exception. In such cases, the student's cell phone must be retained in the principal's office. Students granted a hardship may visit the office to use their cell phone for approved purposes. Telephones are also available in school offices for parents to contact their student for legitimate reasons.

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*No electronic devices* will be allowed at school. Electronic devices include any and all music and game devices. Examples include but are not limited to IPODs, CD Players, Gameboys, DS Systems, MP3 Players.



# <u>Emergency Plan</u>

#### **Emergency Response Procedures**

Lonedell R-14, in conjunction with Franklin County Emergency Management Agencies and FEMA, have established emergency response procedures to ensure our student and staffs' safety. For more information in regards to these procedures, please contact the elementary office. In the event of an emergency, students/staff safety is our number one focus ad priority. Communication with parents will be disseminated in a timely manner.



### <u>Enrollment</u>

#### **Enrollment of a Student**

The following guidelines are provided to assist parents and students. These guidelines are based on District Policies. Policies are available in the office for your review.

All students attending Lonedell Elementary School must reside within the Lonedell School District. Students enrolling in a given grade must have successfully completed the preceding grade, and transfer students must have left their previous school in good standing.

Any change in address, phone number or legal guardianship must be reported to the office.



## **Textbooks & Supplies**

#### **Textbooks and Supplies**

It is expected that students shall return textbooks to the school in good condition except for ordinary wear. Students shall be assessed fines for lost, damaged or defaced books (including those checked out from the library), materials or equipment. The fines will be for the amount of the loss. In computing a fine, 20 percent of the original cost of a book will be deducted for each year it has been used.

First year – 100% of the cost of the book Second year – 80% of the cost of the book Third year – 60% of the cost of the book Fourth year – 40% of the cost of the book Fifth year – 20% of the cost of the book

Technology Replacement Fees: <u>Replacement fees can be found in the one to one</u> handbook for 7<sup>th</sup> /8<sup>th</sup> grade students only.

As a student in the Lonedell R-14 School District, 7th and 8th graders will be assigned a district owned computer. Parents are encouraged to purchase One2One Insurance that will cover damage to the computer. The fee for this insurance, laptop bag and optional mobile filtering is listed is below.

Laptop One2One Insurance – Recommended \$40.00 Laptop Protective Case – Required \$20.00

Tier One Damage Deductible \$25.00 Tier Two Damage Deductible \$50.00 Replacement Damage Deductible \$100.00

If the district has made a reasonable effort to obtain payment for the lost or damaged textbooks to no avail, the district may then withhold the diploma, transcript or grades of any student who fails to return or replace such textbooks at the end of the semester or school year. If a student is graduating, the district may deny the privilege of participation in the graduation ceremony if the student has failed to return or replace a textbook by the date of the ceremony. Alternative payment methods, such as installment plans or school service, shall apply to students who are unable to pay. Indigent student, as determined in accordance with district guidelines, shall not be required to pay a textbook rental fee or damage deposit. A student shall not be refused use of textbooks based on failure to pay the required fees.

All textbooks, reading workbooks, etc., which are required by the school are furnished free of charge. Pupils should remember that they are using the books for one year and that someone else will have to use them next year.

All textbooks and workbooks are property of the Lonedell R-XIV School District. Pupils should take good care of the books and return them in good condition at the end of the school year or when they transfer from the school. Students will be charged for damage to textbooks and lost textbooks. The replacement cost, amount of damage, and the age of the book will determine the charge for lost or damaged books.

The following suggestions will help the child to care for his/her book:

- 1. Never touch a book unless your hands are clean and dry.
- 2. Never turn down a corner of a page.
- 3. Never turn an open book on its face.
- 4. Never leave a book in the sunlight or on a dusty shelf or desk.
- 5. Do not mark in books.
- 6. Keep books away from heat or dampness.
- 7. Do not sit on textbooks or leave them on the floor under your desk.

Band instruments: If a band instrument is not obtained within three weeks, the child will be dropped from band.



## <u>Guidance Department</u>

#### **Guidance Department**

Some major areas of service provided by the counselors are:

- 1. Orientation of new students.
- 2. Counseling program personal problems, career plans, high school plans, academic achievement, etc.
- 3. Parent/student/teacher conferences.
- 4. Individual and group testing



### Health Services

#### **Drug Free Schools**

Pursuant to requirements of the 1989 amendments of the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act and to the requirements of the Safe Schools Act, and for the purpose of preventing the use of illicit drugs and alcohol by students, the District shall provide ageappropriate, developmentally based drug and alcohol education and prevention programs to all students from early childhood level through grade twelve (12). (See also Policy 6130 - Drug Education.) Such programs will address the legal, social and health consequences of drug and alcohol use, and provide information about effective techniques for resisting peer pressure to use illicit drugs or alcohol.

The District shall provide information about any drug and alcohol counseling and rehabilitation

and re-entry programs that are available to students. Students may be required to participate in such programs in order to avoid suspension or expulsion if they are found to be in violation of this policy. All parents/guardians and students shall annually be provided with a copy of this policy.

The District certifies that it has adopted and implemented the drug prevention program described in this policy in the form required by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education or the United States Department of Education. The District conducts a biennial review of such program to determine its effectiveness, to implement necessary changes and to ensure that the disciplinary sanctions are consistently enforced.

#### **Compass Health Center Partnership**

The Lonedell R-14 School District is excited about its partnership with Compass Health Center. Compass received funding through the Franklin County Resource Board. This partnership will allow a service worker to be in our district weekly to provide additional support for students and families. <u>If you choose not to participate in this</u> <u>provided resource, please notify the office in writing.</u>

#### Health and Personal Cleanliness

School progress depends largely upon the good physical condition and good social habits of the child. Children who come to school clean and properly groomed are better prepared to be successful in their achievement.

#### Immunizations

As mandated by the Missouri Department of Health, all students are to be immunized against the diseases of diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, polio, measles, mumps and rubella. Students shall not be permitted to attend school unless they have been immunized as required under the rules and regulations of the Missouri Department of Health.

#### **Administering Medicines to Students**

#### Prescription Medication:

- 1. The student's authorized prescriber shall provide a written request that the student will be given medication during school hours. The request shall state the name of the student, name of drug, dosage, frequency of administration, route of administration, and the prescriber's name. The diagnosis/indication for use of the medicine shall be provided. When possible, the prescriber should state adverse effects and applicable emergency instructions.
- 2. In lieu of the prescriber's written request, the District will accept a prescription label properly affixed to the medication in question. Said label must contain the name of the student, name of the drug, dosage, frequency of administration, route of administration, diagnosis and the prescriber's name.
- 3. A parent/guardian must request in writing that the School District comply with the authorized prescriber's request to give medication. (The district will not administer the initial dose of any new prescription except in an emergency.)

#### **Over-The-Counter Medication:**

Over-the-counter medications may only be administered with parental permission. A completed Health History and a completed over-the-counter medication form must be on file before any oral medication may be administered. Over-the-counter oral medications will only be given three (3) consecutive days or five (5) times in a school calendar year without a written prescription from a physician/nurse practitioner. The school nurse has a supply of certain over-the-counter medications, any other medications that parents wish or their child to take should be given to the nurse in the original packaging along with the signed parent permission to give over-the-counter medication form.

#### **Emergency Medication**

Written standing orders will be obtained annually for the administration of emergency medication.

#### Storage and Administration of Medication

- 1. A parent/guardian or other responsible party designated by the parent/guardian will deliver all medication to be administered at school to the school nurse or designee. All medication, prescription or over-the-counter, must be in a pharmacy or manufacturer-labeled container. The School District shall provide secure, locked storage for medication to prevent diversion, misuse, or ingestion by another individual.
- 2. The administration of medication, over-the-counter medications, is a nursing activity, governed by the State of Missouri Nursing Practice Act. The registered professional school nurse must perform it. The nurse may delegate and supervise the administration of medication by unlicensed personnel who are qualified by education, knowledge and skill to do so. The registered nurse must provide and document the requisite education, training, and competency verification. The nurse is also empowered to contact the prescriber or pharmacist filling the prescription to discuss the prescription if the nurse has questions regarding the administration of such medication.

#### Self-Adminstration of Medication

Students with asthma or any potentially life-threatening respiratory illness may carry with them for self-administration metered-dose inhalers containing "rescue" medication. Possession and self-administration of these prescription medications must comply with the Missouri Safe Schools Act, 1996. The directives of this Act will be given to each parent/guardian who requests that his/her student be permitted to carry and self-administer such medication. Permission form for self-administration is part of this regulation.

Students with asthma, anaphylaxis, or any chronic health condition may carry with them for self-administration metered-dose inhalers containing "rescue" medication. Possession and self-administration of these prescription medications must comply with the Missouri Safe Schools Act, 1996. The directives of this Act will be given to each parent/guardian who requests that his/her student be permitted to carry and selfadminister such medication. A permission form for self-administration (Form 2870) is required. Provided however, that:

- 1. A licensed physician has prescribed or ordered such medications for use of the student and has instructed the student in the correct and responsible use of such medications;
- 2. The student has demonstrated to the student's licensed physician or designee and the school nurse, the skill level necessary to use the medications and any device necessary to administer such medications;
- 3. The student's physician has appended and signed a written treatment plan for managing asthma and anaphylaxis episodes of the student and for

medications for use of the student. Such plan will include a statement that the student is capable of self-administering the medication under the treatment plan;

- 4. The student's parent/guardian has completed and submitted to the school the student's treatment plan and liability statement.
- 5. The student's parent/guardian has signed a statement acknowledging that the district and its employees will incur no liability as a result of any injury arising from self-administration of medication by the student or administration of such medication by school staff. (see Form 2870.1)

The authorization for the possession and self-administration of medication to treat a student's asthma or anaphylaxis permits authorized students to possess and self-administer such student's medication while in school, at a school sponsored activity, and in transit from school or school sponsored activity. Such authorization will be effective for the school year when issued and for the school attended when the authorization is issued. Such authorization must be renewed each subsequent year in order to remain effective. Information concerning the student's condition treatment plan, authorization, and related documents will be kept on file in the school nurse's office and be easily accessible in the event of an asthma or anaphylaxis emergency. Duplicate prescribed medication, as described in this policy, will be kept in the school's nurses office and be reasonably accessible to the student and school staff in the event of an asthma or anaphylactic emergency.

#### Parent/Guardian Administration

In situations where the above requirements are not met, or any time the parent/guardian chooses, the parent/guardian may come to school to administer medicine to his/her student.

#### Exception for Potential Harmful Administration

It shall be the policy of this School District that the District will not knowingly administer any medication to a student if the School District's registered professional school nurse believes, in his/her professional judgment, that such administration should cause harm to the student, other students, or the School District itself. Such cases may include, but are not necessarily limited to, situations in which the School District is being asked to administer medication in a dosage that exceeds the highest recommended dosage listed in the current annual volume of the Physician's Desk Reference or other recognized medical or pharmaceutical text.

#### **Emergency Epinephrine-Emergency Asthma Medication**

The district has on hand, epinephrine and emergency asthma medication to be used in an emergency for any student. Please notify the school nurse in writing if you do not want these medications administered to your child in the event of an emergency.

#### Students with Communicable Diseases

The following administrative guidelines have been developed to assist in implementing policy 2860:

- 1. The District's policy and regulations on communicable diseases, including detailed information about procedures to be implemented if a student with a chronic infectious disease is enrolled, will be disseminated annually to parents of all students attending Lonedell R-XIV School District.
- 2. All employees will follow the most recent guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control (A copy of which shall be on file in the office of the Supervisor of Health Services and in the office of each school nurse). This includes applicable universal precautions in cleaning up body fluid spills, regardless of whether an individual is infected with a body fluid or blood-borne pathogen is known to be present in the school environment or related activities. Willful or negligent disregard for these precautions by any staff member will be cause for disciplinary action,

#### **Acute Infectious Disease**

A staff member, who has reason to believe that a student has been exposed to a contagious infectious disease, or who observes symptoms of such a disease, shall inform the principal. The principal will consult with the school nurse about the child.

- If the school nurse determines that the student has an acute contagious or infectious disease, the principal will exclude the student from school for the number of days specified in the latest revision of the Missouri Department of Health Publication (Prevention and Control of Communicable Diseases – A Guide for School Administrators, Nurses, Teachers and Day Care Operators), PACH – 16, or until a physician certifies that the student no longer is liable to transmit the disease.
- 2. If a student has been excluded from school by the principal because the student has or is suspected of having an acute contagious infectious disease, the student and his/her parent/guardian may appeal such decision in writing to the Superintendent. The Superintendent may require the student to be examined by a physician designated by the District, the child's own physician, or both at the option of the Superintendent. The student shall not attend classes or participate in school activities during the appeal period.

#### **Chronic Infectious Disease**

- 1. If the principal, after consulting with the school nurse, determines that a student may have a chronic infectious disease, the student may be excluded from school and provided an education in an alternative setting until the following procedures have been concluded. Prior to excluding the student, the student's parents/guardians shall receive written notification of the intent to exclude and their procedural safeguards as set forth in the District's compliance plan for Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.
- 2. The principal shall immediately report any student who has or is suspected of having a chronic infectious disease to the Superintendent or his/her designee. The Superintendent or his/her designee shall, within three (3) working days, appoint a review committee to assess the student's medical condition. The committee should include the following:
- a. The student's parents/guardians.
- b. The student's physician.
- c. A physician specialist in public health or infectious diseases.
- d. The Supervisor of Health Services, who shall serve as Chairperson of the review committee, or his/her designee.
- e. The principal.
- f. The Superintendent or his/her designee.
- g. Others mutually agreed upon by the District and the parents/guardians.
- h. The District's legal counsel may serve on the committee in an advisory capacity.
- **3.** If the student has been identified as a student with disabilities pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the student may be excluded from school and provided with and education in an alternative setting as long as such exclusion does not constitute a change in placement pursuant to the IDEA. The student's medical condition and educational placement will be evaluated in accordance with the procedures set forth above, with the additional provisions as specified in policy 2860.



### <u>Homework</u>

#### **Homework Policy**

Homework is a necessary function of school. Please check your child's backpack every night for homework assignments, notes, etc. Homework must be completed and is due on the date designated by the teacher. Students should read 15-20 minutes per night in addition to homework. Teachers may provide parents and students specific objectives/syllabus related to their class expectations, including homework. These objectives should be followed.



### Instruction

#### **Physical Education Participation**

It is the policy of the physical education department not to accept written excuses from the parents without a physician's note. Therefore, we encourage all students to do their best in participation each day, with the exception of obvious injuries such as broken arms, legs, sprained ankles, etc. Students should wear appropriate gym shoes during physical education class. Improper shoes or dress will be considered a failure to participate.

#### Human Sexuality Curriculum (Policy 6116)

The parents/guardians of each student will be advised of:

- The content of the District's human sexuality instruction;
- Their right to remove their student from any part of the District's human sexuality instruction.

The District's human sexuality curriculum will be available for public examination prior to its use in actual instruction. This may be obtained by contacting the elementary office.

#### Virtual Education/Instruction (Policy 6190)

Because virtual instruction can be an effective education option for some students, there may be courses available either through a district-provided virtual option or through the Missouri Course Access Program (MOCAP). More information about virtual courses can be found on our website at <u>www.lonedell.org</u>.



# <u>Internet, E-Mail Guidelines, &</u> <u>Computer Ethics</u>

#### Internet/E-Mail Guidelines and Computer Ethics

This code of practice governs the publishing of information in electronic format by students of Lonedell R-14 School, and in particular, the use of school computer facilities.

Lonedell School District is committed to ensuring a learning environment in which all persons treat others with humanity and respect. Every student is expected to conduct himself/herself in a manner which will not discredit or harm the school or its members. Failure to maintain this standard shall constitute a breach of school policy.

It is important that information systems are not misused by the sending or displaying of material, or publicizing access to such material, which is offensive or illegal.

PORNOGRAPHY- the displaying or accessing of pornographic or sexually explicit material is not allowed.

LIBEL- facts concerning individuals or organizations must be accurate and verifiable, and views or opinions must not portray their subjects in a way which could damage their reputation.

Students are required to agree with the following computer ethics:

- 1. Never knowingly post or forward information that is not true.
- 2. Have good manners.
- 3. Be creative, not destructive.
- 4. Always obey copyright laws.
- 5. Think before you send.
- 6. Not use someone else's account or password or share yours with anyone.
- 7. Obtain permission before uploading, downloading, and printing.
- 8. Follow the Network Etiquette and Privacy of District Regulation 6320
- 9. Avoid accessing, viewing, creating, and distributing materials inappropriate for the school environment.
- 10. Conserve ink and paper resources by printing only what is needed for school projects/assignments.
- 11. Use school computers during school hours for school required research or projects and refrain from using the Internet for personal interest or using personal e-mail accounts.

Parents who do not want their children using the Internet or e-mail need to send a letter to the office stating that request. Otherwise signing and returning the student handbook form implies students are allowed to use the Internet/e-mail.



### Food Service

#### Lunch/Breakfast Program

The Lonedell R-XIV Elementary School provides a well-balanced breakfast and lunch each day.

To prevent problems and/or misunderstandings, we recommend that parents/guardians pay for meals in advance. It works best if students pay for in advance, weekly or monthly. If paying for more than one student's meal with one check, write the name of the students on the check. This also helps with only one student per check

Breakfast	Full Price \$1.65	Reduced Price \$0.30
Lunch	Full price \$2.40	Reduced Price \$0.40
Extra Milk	\$0.30	Lost or Destroyed Lunch Card \$1.00

For students to receive a regular school meal, a positive balance must be maintained in their account. In the event that the lunch balance reaches \$25.00, students will be served a sandwich along with one carton of milk. All charging will close on May 1st each year. If parents/guardians fail to provide meals for students, the Department of Family Services will be notified of failure to provide their child with meals, resulting in Educational Neglect.

After 60 days of student withdrawal, food services student accounts of \$5.00 and under will become district revenue/funds unless a request is made for the balance.

Free and Reduced eligibility guidelines are available upon request in the elementary office or on our website at Lonedell.org.



# <u>Parent & Community</u> <u>Involvement</u>

## Parent and Community Involvement

The District will involve parents/community members through parent/teacher conferences, open house, volunteer programs, chaperoning field trips, PTO, Bobcat Boosters, Parents as First Teachers, and community events, career day.

# **Community Involvement in Decision Making**

The Board of Education recognizes that many residents of the District may be especially qualified to take an active part in school affairs because of their training, experience, or personal characteristics and encourages them to take an active part in school affairs. The Board shall give substantial weight to the advice it receives from individuals and community groups interested in the District's schools, but shall use its own judgment in arriving at decisions.

## Parent Visitation, Pick-Up Procedures, and Classroom Visitation

Lonedell R-XIV School has developed guidelines for parent visitation, pick-up procedures, and classroom visitation. Lonedell R-XIV School District does not have policies or procedures that would discourage a parent from visiting a school. Parents are encouraged to maintain a presence when visiting their child's building or classroom that allows for the educational environment to be positive. Parent input and questions are welcomed by the school district. The appropriate personnel are available to parents if a meeting is scheduled. (See School-Parent Compact).

## **Pick-Up Procedures**

Parent/Guardian will be given a pick-up card and pass code needed for pick-up of students. This procedure will be closely monitored and can be set up by the secretaries in the Elementary office.

## **Program Implementation & Coordination**

The principal of Lonedell R-XIV will act as the facilitator for this undertaking. The principal will organize and manage parent involvement in the school with the help of individual parents/staff/community. Management of the program will ensure that parental participation is recognized as an asset to the school.

# Parent Family Involvement Plan

# Parent Family Involvement Plan

Lonedell R-XIV School District Lonedell Elementary and Middle School K-8 Building Parent/Family Involvement Plan

**BELIEF:** It is the belief of the Board of Education, the administration, and the faculty and staff of the Lonedell R-XIV School District that (1) all children will learn; (2) every child has the right to a quality education; and (3) every child has a responsibility to actively participate in their education.

**VISION:** To be a staff respected by the community, who provides a safe, engaging, and positive education.

**MISSION:** Success, Nothing Less! It is the mission of the Lonedell R-XIV School District, in partnership with the community, to teach all children, providing them with an excellent education, making them productive members of society.

#### Purpose

The Board of Education recognizes the positive effects of parents/families' involvement in the education of their children. The Board is committed to strong parent/family involvement in working collaboratively with district staff as knowledgeable partners in educating district students.

### Lonedell R-XIV School District Goals

In order to implement the Board's commitment to parent/family involvement in students' education, the District has implemented a Parent/Family Involvement Plan with the following features:

A committee of parents, staff, and community representatives, appointed by the Superintendent, will serve as the district's Parent Involvement Committee. The Committee's responsibilities will include recommendations for program development, parent/staff training and program evaluation. Program evaluation reports will be prepared and submitted to the Superintendent annually by June 1.

- 1. Regular two way communication between school and parents/families. Such communication will include but not be limited to scheduled parent visits to school, electronic communication, use of daily planners and folders, use of translators, parent volunteers, and other programs recommended by the Parent/Family Involvement Committee.
- 2. Assist parents in developing positive, productive parenting skills, as well as positive productive means of interacting with District administrators and staff.

- 3. Provide professional development opportunities for District staff to facilitate productive parent/school involvement in promoting education of District students.
- 4. Involve parents in meaningful activities to enhance student learning.
- 5. Enhance opportunities for parents/families to visit schools in a safe and open atmosphere. Such opportunities will include, but are not limited to, identifying roles for parent volunteers, providing training for volunteers and provision of family activities at school.
- 6. Affirmatively involve parents in school decisions which affect their children.
- 7. Utilize community resources to promote and strengthen school programs, family practices, and student learning.
- 8. The Plan will be reviewed annually with input from parents and staff. Meeting agenda, sign-in sheets and meeting minutes will be prepared and maintained by the District.
- 9. Full opportunity for parent participation will be provided to all parents including, but not limited to, parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.
- 10. Conduct an annual evaluation of the policy and resolve any barriers that would limit the involvement of parents. (Examples of barriers include, but not limited to, economically disadvantaged, limited English proficiency, limited literacy, disabled or are of any racial or minority background.

This is in accordance to \*Policy 1405 (Regulation 1405)

# Title 1 Parent/Family Involvement (Policy 1621)

- 1. Development of the District's Plan will include input from parents of eligible students, teachers, administrators and related personnel.
- 2. Provide an orientation meeting for parents each school year before the end of the first quarter.
- 3. Provide parents of each school with the results of the annual review. This review is to include the individual school performance profiles.
- 4. Provide timely notification to parents, in the form of letters and flyers, regarding Title I meetings and workshops.
- 5. Offer professional development opportunities for teachers on increasing their effectiveness in teaching all students eligible for Title I services and on addressing the needs of Title I parents.
- 6. Offer workshops for parents on how to help assist in the instruction of their children.
- 7. The District will conduct an annual review meeting of Title I activities which will include, but not be limited to, parent evaluations and the school-parent compact. Meeting agenda sign-in sheets for parents and staff, as well as, meeting minutes will be maintained by the District.
- 8. Send data regarding year-end Title I program evaluation results to all parents.
- 9. Invite parents to and include parents in Title I program review team meetings.

10. Notify parents regarding the professional qualifications of their student's classroom teachers.

# Migrant Education Program (MEP) Parent Involvement (Policy 2270)

For purposes of Board policies and regulations, the phrase migratory students shall mean students aged three (3) through twenty-one (21) who are or whose parents/guardians or spouses are migratory agricultural workers, including migratory dairy workers or migratory fishers; and who in the preceding thirty-six (36) months, in order to obtain or accompany such parents/guardians or spouses in obtaining temporary or seasonal employment in agriculture or fishing work, have moved from one school district to another.

The District will identify migrant students by including a question on the District's enrollment form. If it is indicated that a migrant student is enrolling, the parents will then be asked to complete a parent survey/family interview form provided by the State Office for Migrant-English Language Learner (MELL) Program. The Regional Migrant Center or the State Director for Migrant Education will be notified of any migrant students who are enrolled in the District. The Regional Migrant Center will be contacted for any assistance needed for the migrant student(s).

#### Services

School District personnel including secretaries, nurses, counselors, teachers and principals will be advised of the presence of eligible migrant students to ensure that equal access to all school programs is provided. Complaints concerning the placement of migrant students will be resolved by means of the District's complaint resolution procedure for homeless students (Regulation 2260).

Parents of students in the Migrant Education Program (MEP) will be involved in and regularly consulted about the development, implementation, operation and evaluation of the Migrant Program. Parents of MEP students will receive instruction regarding their role in improving the academic achievement of their children.

### Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Parent Involvement

The Board of Education is committed to identifying and assessing the educational needs of students whose native or home language is other than English. The District will identify the LEP/ELL (Limited English Proficiency/English Language Learner) student by including a question on the District's enrollment form. If it is indicated that a LEP/ELL student is enrolling, he/she will be given the Wida- Access Placement Test (W-APT) to determine if the student qualifies for ELL services under state and federal law. If identified as eligible, the District will provide appropriate programs to address the needs of this student.

Students entitled to considerations under this policy include:

- 1. Language Minority (LM) students who come from a background where English is not the student's first language, or where the primary language of the home is not English or both.
- 2. Limited English Proficient (LEP) Students whose English language skills are insufficient to lead to success in an English-only classroom.

The District will also take steps to ensure to the maximum extent practicable that the interests of ELL students are included in the development and implementation of District programs and services that are offered by the District to and for its student body. Pursuant to federal law, parents of LEP students will be provided notification regarding their child's placement in and information about the district's LEP program. Parents will be notified of their rights regarding program content and participation.

# **Communication Strategies**

The District will provide communication opportunities for parent/community members through the website, direct mailings, notices to parents, the use of available local media, activities at school, school/classroom newsletters, automated calling system and report cards/progress.

In order to accomplish this goal, the school will be proactive in our communication with parents. Communication formats used by the district include:

- School Handbook
- Local Newspaper
- Website
- Email/mail
- Newsletters
- Parent Teacher Organization
- Parent conferences
- Letters to Parents
- Daily folders K-4th grade
- Conduct Cards 5th-8th grade
- Weekly automatic calls to parents
- Weekly conduct cards 5th-8th
- Texting parents with pertinent information

# School District Will

Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards as follows:

- The district will continue to teach curriculum aligned to the Missouri Learning Standards.
- The district will develop common formative and summative assessments in all areas.
- The district will use assessments to drive instruction, using the Missouri Model Districts.
- The district will provide professional development opportunities to teachers and staff that address curriculum, instruction, and assessment practices related to student achievement.
- Teachers will implement learned instructional strategies that will enhance student understanding and engagement.
- All staff will meet in their respective PLC groups weekly to discuss student data, progress and interventions, curriculum, assessment using the Collaborative Work Model, and shared leadership of the districts vision of providing a safe, engaging and positive education for all students.
- Develop additional and extended academic programs for additional learning.
- Inform parents, at the beginning of the school year, through the School Handbook , the Parents Right To Know in regards to teacher qualifications.

Hold parent-teacher conferences (at least 2 times per year in elementary schools) during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Title I teachers will assist in these meetings and provide parents with evaluation of student progress. Provide timely notification to parents, in the form of letters and flyers, regarding Title I Meetings, school program reviews, school review/ improvement meetings and workshops.

- A school wide Open House/Meet the Teachers Night will be scheduled the first week of school each year.
- Provide a Title I Orientation/Informational Meeting at the beginning of the school year. Provide two Title I Activity Fun Nights for parents and families per school year.
- Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress.
- 5th 8th grade Conduct cards will be used for weekly progress of both academics and behavior
- K-4th grade Daily folders will be sent home for current updates and communication with parents.
- The teachers will send Progress Reports (mid-quarter) and Report cards at the end of each quarter. Report cards are to be signed by parent and returned within one week.

Provide parents reasonable access to staff.

Teachers are available before and after school for telephone conversations as well as during plan time. Arrangements can be made with individual teachers for meetings and email access which is available on our website.

Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class.

Title I to provide and sponsor activities to address the needs of children which are unmet due to the absence of one parent, as a need arises.

Parents/Grandparents/community are encouraged to participate and volunteer in all school activities. The following must be completed:

- 1. Complete and return the Volunteer Registration and Survey Application.
- 2. Submit a copy of your Social Security Card (This needs to be submitted each year with the MO DHSS Registration Form)
- 3. Submit the \$15.25\* Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services registration fee (first time only). \*subject to change based on the state rate.
- 4. View the film "Smarter Adults, Safer Children" Training Video as assigned by the district.

# Parent Responsibilities

We, as parents, will support our children's learning in the following ways:

- Making sure my child receives the proper amount of sleep, a good meal, has proper school supplies, and attends school every day.
- Making sure that my child spends the proper amount of time in home study and preparation for his/her class.
- Volunteering in my child's classroom and taking interest in school activities and organizations.
- Participating, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my children's education.
- Promoting positive use of my child's extracurricular time.
- Staying informed about my child's education and communicating with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school or the school district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as appropriate.
- Meeting with my child's teacher (s) and inquire about his/her progress in school work; contacting the teacher/principal with any concerns about problems that may have an adverse effect upon my child.

# **Student Responsibilities**

I, as a student of Lonedell R-XIV, will share the responsibility to improve my academic achievement and achieve the State's high standards. Specifically, I will:

- Do my homework every day and ask for help when needed.
- Read/Homework at least 20 minutes every day outside of school time.
- Give to my parents or the adult who is responsible for my welfare all notices and information received by me from my school every day.
- Follow the classroom and school rules to keep me safe and productive

# **Upon Entering the School**

School and Classroom Visitation- Visitors will report to the Elementary Office where he/she will sign in, give destination, and receive a name tag which will be visibly placed on clothing. Visitors will also sign out when leaving the building.

Pick-up procedures – Parent/Guardian will be given a pick-up card and pass code needed for pick-up of students. This procedure will be closely monitored and can be set up by the secretaries in the Elementary office.

## Parent, Community, and school Volunteer Program

The District encourages participation of parents and citizens of the community to volunteer in the school in order to serve as additional resources to the teachers and students. Prior to serving as a volunteer, each individual must follow the Parent Involvement Guidelines (See above).

## **Program Implementation & Coordination**

The principal of Lonedell R-XIV will act as the facilitator for this undertaking. The principal will organize and manage parent involvement in the school with the help of individual parents/staff/community. Management of the program will ensure that parental participation is recognized as an asset to the school.

## Summary

It is the goal of Lonedell R-XIV School District to assure an ongoing partnership between the parents, the community, and the school. The district believes such a partnership is fundamental to the academic and social success of students. It is the district's hope that this partnership will produce an atmosphere of community involvement that has a positive impact on the lives of our students.

## School-Parent Compact

## LONEDELL R-14 SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT 2018-2019

The Lonedell R-14 School District and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) (participating children), agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share 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's high standards.

This school-parent compact is in effect during school year 2019-2020.

#### REQUIRED SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

#### School Responsibilities- The Lonedell R-14 School

**District will:** Hold parent-teacher conferences (at least 2 times annually), scheduled after/during the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarters during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement.

A school wide Open House/Meet the Teachers Night will be scheduled the first week of school each year.

Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress.

The teachers will send Progress Reports (mid-quarter) and Report cards at the end of each quarter. Report cards are to be signed by parent and returned within one week.

Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Teachers are available before and after school for telephone conversations as well as during plan time. Arrangements can be with individual teachers for meetings and email access.

Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class. Parents/Grandparents are encouraged to participate and volunteer in all school activities. The following must be completed:

Complete and return the Volunteer Registration and Survey Application. Submit a copy of your Social Security Card (This needs to be submitted each year with the MO DHSS Registration Form)

Submit the \$15.25 Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services registration fee (first time only).

View the film "Smarter Adults, Safer Children" Training Video

### Parent Responsibilities:

We, as parents, will support our children's learning in the following ways: Making sure my child receives the proper amount of sleep, a good meal, has proper school supplies, and attends school every day.

Making sure that my child spends the proper amount of time in home study and preparation for his/her class.

Volunteering in my child's classroom and taking interest in school activities and organizations.

Participating, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my children's education.

Promoting positive use of my child's extracurricular time.

Staying informed about my child's education and communicating with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school or the school district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as appropriate.

Meeting with my child's teacher (s) and inquire about his/her progress in school work; contacting the teacher/principal with any concerns about problems that may have an adverse effect upon my child.

### Student Responsibilities:

I, as a student of Lonedell R-14, will share the responsibility to improve my academic achievement and achieve the State's high standards. Specifically, I will: Do my homework every day and ask for help when I need to.

Read/Homework at least 20 minutes every day outside of school time.

Give to my parents or the adult who is responsible for my welfare all notices and information received by me from my school every day.

Follow the classroom and school rules to keep me safe and productive.



# Parties & Field Trips

# **Class Parties and Field Trips**

Class Parties and field trips are considered a privilege for those students that have met the requirements as stated in class rules and regulations of behavior and academics. Signed permission slips are required for attendance to these events. Parents are required to complete a background check prior to attending class parties and field trips sponsored by the school district per policy 1425. It is highly recommended that background checks be completed AT LEAST 2 weeks prior to the field trip. Failure to do so may result in your background check not being completed in time to attend.



# **Promotion/Retention Policy**

# K-8 Promotion/Retention Policy

The purpose of promotion and retention is to provide maximum consideration for the long-range welfare of the student and to provide an opportunity for each student to progress through school according to his/her own needs and abilities. It is expected that most students in the schools will be promoted annually from one grade level to another upon completion of satisfactory work, however, a student may be retained when his/her standards of achievement or social, emotional, mental, or physical development would not allow satisfactory progress in the next higher grade. Parent(s)/guardians who wish to appeal the decision for retention must first contact the building principal. If parents/guardians do not accept the decision at the building level, an appeal may be made in writing to the Superintendent. All appeals must be requested within two (2) weeks after the close of school.

In recommending promotion or retention, these factors will be considered:

- Academic achievement in all subject areas, especially attainment of grade level objectives, as determined by tests, teacher assignment, and work samples.
- Chronological age.
- Study Habits.
- Attendance.
- Social and emotional maturity.
- State-mandated retention requirements for primary/middle school students

### Fifth through Eighth Grade Promotion/Retention

Students must pass academic classes before moving to the next highest level of the course. Students with a single **semester** class failure may make up class work in summer school, if available or Saturday School. **Students with two semester failures are subject to retention**. Retention at grade level also may result when attendance regulations are not met. Parent conferences for students at risk of retention will begin in January each year. Parents will have the opportunity to speak with all teachers involved with the student on several occasions. Every effort will be made to provide students with individualized assistance, testing for disabilities (when appropriate) and modifications, when necessary. Students are, however, accountable for their grades. It is important that all parties work together to help students succeed. Teachers are asked to maintain consistent communication with parents when retention is a possibility. The final decision regarding retention will be the responsibility of the administration and will not be made until all grades are final.

#### Appeal of Retention Decisions

Parents/guardians who wish to appeal a decision regarding a student's retention must first contact the building principal. If parents/guardians do not accept the decision at the building level, an appeal may be made in writing to the Superintendent. All appeals must be requested within two (2) weeks after the close of school.

## **Reading Levels and State-Mandated Retention**

#### Third Grade Students

Third grade students who cannot demonstrate a reading level at or above the third grade level will be administered a reading assessment within forty-five (45) days of the end of their third grade year. If this assessment reflects that the student is reading below the second grade level, the District will design and implement a reading improvement plan for the student's fourth grade year. The reading improvement plan must include a minimum of thirty (30) hours of additional reading instruction or practice outside the regular school day during the fourth grade year. In addition, the District may require the student to attend summer school for reading instruction as a condition of promotion to the fourth grade.

#### Fourth Grade Students with Reading Improvement Plans

Within forty-five (45) days of the conclusion of the fourth grade year, the District shall administer another reading assessment to those fourth grade students for whom reading improvement plans had been designed. If this assessment reveals that the student is reading below a third grade level, the student shall be required to attend summer school to receive supplemental reading instruction. At the conclusion of summer school, the student shall be given another reading assessment. If the student is still reading below third grade level, the student shall not be promoted to fifth grade. Students shall not be retained more than once on the basis of their inability to satisfy the third grade or fourth grade reading standards. However, the District may, at its discretion, retain any student with a reading improvement plan who has not completed summer school for supplemental reading instruction.

#### Fifth and Sixth Grade Students

The reading assessment process shall be repeated on a yearly basis through the end of students' sixth grade years, accompanied by a corresponding increase in the required reading level. The reading assessment process will also be applied to students who initially enter the District in grades four, five or six and who have been determined to be reading below grade level. The permanent record of students who are determined to be reading below the fifth grade level at the end of the sixth grade shall carry a notation stating that the student has been unable to meet the minimal reading standards. That notation will be removed from the student's record once the District determines that he or she has met the standards.

#### **Exceptions**

The following students are exempt from the reading assessments:

- Students receiving special education services under an Individualized Education Program (IEP) pursuant to §162.670, RSMo.
- Students who are receiving special education services pursuant to Section 504 whose service plan includes an element addressing reading.
- Students who have limited English proficiency.

- Students who have insufficient cognitive ability to meet the reading requirements.
- However, a reading improvement plan shall be provided for these students in accordance with law.

## 8th Grade Graduation Requirements

- Once an eighth grade student accumulates 2 semester F's, they will lose the privilege to participate in graduation and all activities associated with graduation, and are subject to retention.
- Inability to maintain appropriate attendance, as set forth by the district attendance policy, will exempt students from graduation and all activities associated with graduation, as well as possible retention.
- Any student enrolling after the start of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter will not be allowed to participate in graduation.

*In accordance with District Policy 6115* 

# Curriculum Services State Mandated Curriculum: American History

As provided by state law, the District's curriculum will include American History components.

American History courses at all levels will include instruction in the details and events of the racial equality movement that have resulted in major changes in the laws and attitudes of the United States and of Missouri. Instruction will be sequenced in the proper time line.

Every school shall devote one entire class period annually to an observance of the significance of Veteran's Day.

Eighth Grade Lonedell R-14 Students will be required to complete the curriculum of the United States and Missouri Constitution Standards in order to receive a Lonedell R-14 Academic Diploma. Students will be required to pass the assessment with at least a D-average. Students who do not pass will be allowed to re-take the test at the discretion of the administration. Students with a 504 plan or an IEP will follow their plan according to their constitution objectives/ or accommodations. Students who enroll in Lonedell R-14 after the curriculum is taught during the 8th grade year will be exempt from this requirement for graduation diploma.



# <u>Public Notice</u>

# Public Notice ADA Accessibility

Procedures by which the public can find out information concerning location of and steps to follow in accessing the Lonedell R-14 School District Facilities and Services.

- 1. The Lonedell R-14 School District facilities are ADA accessible.
- 2. The gym is accessible through a ramp from the side parking area.
- 3. The lower level is accessible by entering the breezeway or using the elevator. Should you need assistance with the elevator, please ask in the Elementary Office.
- 4. *Please note that all visitors must check in at the elementary office prior to entering the building through any entrance other than the front doors.*
- 5. ADA Restrooms are located in the following areas:
  - a. 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Hall
  - b. 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Hall
  - c. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Hall
  - d. Gym Hall
- 6. There are three handicapped parking spaces on the grounds. Two are located at the front of the building on the track side. These spaces are noted by a blue bumper stop and emblem. The third is located on the side of the building and is noted by an emblem.
- 7. Anyone with ADA needs who wishes to obtain additional information or needs special arrangements made to assist them in accessing any of the Lonedell R-14 facilities or services my contact the following at 636-629-0401:
  - a. Jenny Ulrich, Superintendent
  - b. Jeannine Berti and Special Education Director
  - c. Wayne Dierker, Principal

# Asbestos Notice

Some areas of the Lonedell R-14 School District buildings contain asbestos materials. An inspection of asbestos containing materials and assumed asbestos containing materials conducted every three years by Mead Environmental Associates Inc. Anyone wanting more information or wishing to view the Lonedell R-14 Asbestos Management Plan can do so in the Superintendent's Office.

# Missouri Department of Elementary & Secondary Education No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB) COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

Programs include Title I. A, B, C, D, Title II, Title III.A.2, Title IV.A, Title VI, Title VII.C Revised 1/15 In compliance with NCLB Title IX Part C. Sec. 9304(a)(3)(C) Local education agencies are required to disseminate, free of charge, this information regarding NCLB complaint procedures to parents of students and appropriate private school officials or representatives. Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Complaint Procedures for NCLB Programs General Information-This guide explains how to file a complaint about any of the programs1 that are administered by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (the Department) under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB)2.

1. What is a complaint under NCLB?

For these purposes, a complaint is an allegation that a local education agency (LEA) or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (the Department) has violated a federal statute or regulation that applies to a program under NCLB.

2. Who may file a complaint?

Any individual or organization may file a complaint.

3. How can a complaint be filed?

Complaints can be filed with the LEA or with the Department.

4. How will a complaint filed with the LEA be investigated?

Complaints filed with the LEA are to be investigated and attempted to be resolved according to locally developed and adopted procedures.

5. What happens if a complaint is not resolved at the local level (LEA)?

A complaint not resolved at the local level may be appealed to the Department.

6. How can a complaint be filed with the Department?

A complaint filed with the Department must be a written, signed statement that includes: 1. A statement that a requirement that applies to an NCLB program has been violated by the LEA or the Department , and

2. The facts on which the statement is based and the specific requirement allegedly violated.

7. How will a complaint filed with the Department be investigated?

The investigation and complaint resolution proceedings will be completed within a time limit of forty calendar days. That time limit can be extended by the agreement of all parties.

The following activities will occur in the investigation:

1. Record. A written record of the investigation will be kept.

2. Notification of LEA. The LEA will be notified of the complaint within ten days of the complaint being filed.

3. Resolution at LEA. The LEA will then initiate its local complaint procedures in an effort to first resolve the complaint at the local level.

4. Report by LEA. Within thirty days of the complaint being filed, the LEA, will submit a written summary of the LEA investigation and complaint resolution. This report is

considered public record and may be made available to parents, teachers, and other members of the general public.

5. Verification. Within ten days of receiving the written summary of a complaint resolution, the Department will verify the resolution of the complaint through an on-site visit, letter, and/or telephone call(s).

6. Appeal. The complainant or the LEA may appeal the decision of the Department to the U.S. Department of Education.

8. How are complaints related to equitable services to private school children handled differently?

If the complaint is an LEA is not providing equitable services for private school children, in addition to the procedures listed in number 7 above, the complaint will also be filed with the U.S. Department of Education, and they will receive all information related to the investigation and resolution of the complaint. Also, appeals to the United States Department of Education must be filed no longer than thirty days following the Departments' resolution of the complaint (or its failure to resolve the complaint). 9. How will appeals to the Department be investigated?

The Department will initiate an investigation within ten days, which will be concluded within thirty days from the day of the appeal. An independent on-site investigation may be conducted if the Department determines that it is necessary. The investigation may be continued beyond the thirty day limit at the discretion of the Department. At the conclusion of the investigation, the Department will communicate the decision and reasons for the decision to the complainant and the LEA. Recommendations and details of the decision are to be implemented within fifteen days of the decision being delivered to the LEA.

10. What happens if a complaint is not resolved at the state level (the Department)? The complainant or the LEA may appeal the decision of the Department to the United States Department of Education.

# Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA) COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

This guide explains how to file a complaint about any of the programs<sup>1</sup> that are administered by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (the Department) under the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA)<sup>2</sup>.

### Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

### **Complaint Procedures for ESSA**

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### 1. What is a complaint?

For these purposes, a complaint is a written allegation that a local education agency (LEA) or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (the Department) has violated a federal statute or regulation that applies to a program under ESSA.

### 2. Who may file a complaint?

Any individual or organization may file a complaint.

## 3. How can a complaint be filed?

Complaints can be filed with the LEA or with the Department.

## 4. How will a complaint filed with the LEA be investigated?

Complaints filed with the LEA are to be investigated and attempted to be resolved according to the locally developed and adopted procedures.

## 5. What happens if a complaint is not resolved at the local level (LEA)?

A complaint not resolved at the local level may be appealed to the Department.

## 6. How can a complaint be filed with the Department?

A complaint filed with the Department must be a written, signed statement that includes:

1. A statement that a requirement that applies to an ESSA program has been violated by the LEA or the Department, and

2. The facts on which the statement is based and the specific requirement allegedly violated.

### 7. How will a complaint filed with the Department be investigated?

The investigation and complaint resolution proceedings will be completed within a time limit of forty-five calendar days. <u>That time limit can be extended by the agreement of all parties</u>.

The following activities will occur in the investigation:

**1**. **Record.** A written record of the investigation will be kept.

**2.** Notification of LEA. The LEA will be notified of the complaint within five days of the complaint being filed.

**3. Resolution at LEA.** The LEA will then initiate its local complaint procedures in an effort to first resolve the complaint at the local level.

**4. Report by LEA.** Within thirty-five days of the complaint being filed, the LEA will submit a written summary of the LEA investigation and complaint resolution. This report is considered public record and may be made available to parents, teachers, and other members of the general public.

**5. Verification.** Within five days of receiving the written summary of a complaint resolution, the Department will verify the resolution of the complaint through an on-site visit, letter, or telephone call(s).

**6. Appeal.** The complainant or the LEA may appeal the decision of the Department to the U.S. Department of Education.

# 8. How are complaints related to equitable services to nonpublic school children handled differently?

In addition to the procedures listed in number 7 above, complaints related to equitable services will also be filed with the U.S. Department of Education, and they will receive all information related to the investigation and resolution of the complaint. Also, appeals to the United States Department of Education must be filed no longer than thirty days following the Department's resolution of the complaint (or its failure to resolve the complaint).

### 9. How will appeals to the Department be investigated?

The Department will initiate an investigation within ten days, which will be concluded within thirty days from the day of the appeal. This investigation may be continued beyond the thirty day limit at the discretion of the Department. At the conclusion of the investigation, the Department will communicate the decision and reasons for the decision to the complainant and the LEA. Recommendations and details of the decision are to be implemented within fifteen days of the decision being delivered to the LEA.

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The complainant or the LEA may appeal the decision of the Department to the United States Department of Education.

# **Public Notice**

All responsible public agencies are required to locate, evaluate, and identify children with disabilities who are under the jurisdiction of the agency, regardless of the severity of the disability, including children attending private schools, children who live outside the district but are attending a private school within the district, highly mobile children, such as migrant and homeless children, children who are wards of the state, and children who are suspected of having a disability and in need of special education even though they are advancing from grade to grade. The Lonedell R-14 School District assures that it will provide a free, appropriate public education (FAPE) to all eligible children with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 21 under its jurisdiction. Disabilities include autism, deaf/blindness, emotional disorders, hearing impairment and deafness, intellectual disability, multiple disabilities, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, visual impairment/blindness and young child with a developmental delay.

The Lonedell R-14 School District assures that it will provide information and referral services necessary to assist the State in the implementation of early intervention services for infants and toddlers eligible for the Missouri First Steps program.

The Lonedell R-14 School District assures that personally identifiable information collected, used, or maintained by the agency for the purposes of identification, evaluation, placement or provision of FAPE of children with disabilities may be inspected and/or reviewed by their parents/guardians. Parents/guardians may request amendment to the educational record if the parent/guardian believes the record is inaccurate, misleading, or violates the privacy or other rights of their child. Parents have the right to file complaints with the U.S. Department of Education or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education concerning alleged failures by the district to meet the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

The Lonedell R-14 School District has developed a Local Compliance Plan for the implementation of State Regulations for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This plan contains the agency's policies and procedures regarding storage, disclosure to third parties, retention and destruction of personally identifiable information and the agency's assurances that services are provided in compliance with the General Education Provision Act (GEPA). This plan may be reviewed in the Elementary Office, Monday through Friday, from 8:00am until 3:00pm.

This notice will be provided in native languages as appropriate.

Additionally, Missouri school districts are responsible for meeting the educational needs of an increasingly diverse student population by providing a wide range of resources and support to ensure that all students have the opportunity to succeed and be college prepared and career ready. Our school district has programs designed to help meet the unique educational needs of children working to learn the English language, students who are advanced learners, students with disabilities, homeless students, the children of migrant workers, and neglected or delinquent students. For more information, contact Wayne Dierker at 636-629-0401.

# Notification of Rights Under FERPA for Elementary and Secondary Institutions

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) afford parents and students over 18 years of age (eligible students) certain rights with respect to the student's educational records. They are:

- 1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of the district receives a request for access.
  - Parents of eligible students should submit to the school principal (or appropriate school official) a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The principal will make arrangements for access to notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.
- 2. The rights to request the amendment of the student's educational records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate or misleading.
  - a. Parents or eligible students may ask Lonedell R-XIV School District to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. They should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading.
  - b. If the District decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the District will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.
- 3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's educational records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

- a. One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official includes the following:
  - <u>1.</u> A person employed by the District as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical and law enforcement personnel).
  - <u>2.</u> A person serving on the school board
  - 3. A person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special task, such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist.
  - <u>4.</u> A parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his/her tasks.
- b. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an educational record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.
- c. (Optional) Upon request, the District discloses educational records without consent of officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll. (NOTE: FERPA requires a school request unless it states in it annual notification that it intends to forward records on request.
  - 5. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the District to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is:

Family Policy Compliance Office U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue SW Washington, DC 20202-4605

(Developed by the Family Policy Compliance Office of the U.S. Department of Education.)

## Public Notice/Surrogate Parent

The State Board of Education is required to appoint a surrogate parent at such time as it becomes evident that a child with a disability does not have a parent, or a person acting as a parent, to participate in matters dealing with the provision of special education. For purposes of surrogate parent appointment, "parent" is defined as biological parent, a guardian, or a person acting as a parent of a child including, but not limited to, a grandparent, a stepparent, or a foster parent with whom the child lives. The term does not include the State if the child is a ward of the State. The term does not include a person whose parental rights have been terminated. The Lonedell School District has been given the responsibility to determine when a child with a disability who requires special education and who resides in the district is without a parent. The district must notify the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education of the need to appoint a surrogate parent. Training for persons serving as a surrogate parent will be provided by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the district. If you are interested in volunteering to serve as a surrogate parent, more information can be obtained from the district's surrogate contact person-the person responsible for the district's special education program. This notice will be provided in native languages as appropriate. For more information you may contact the Lonedell School District's Director of Special Education – Jeannine Berti at 636-629-0401.



# <u>Report Cards</u>

## Grade/Report Cards

- 1. Report cards are issued to parents and pupils at the end of each quarter.
- 2. Report cards are to be signed and returned in one week.
- 3. Parents (divorced or separated) may request a copy of their child's report card.

# **Grading System Grade**

Kindergarten
Mastered
Partially Mastered
Not Mastered
1 <sup>st</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Students will receive a letter grade along with marked mastery next to the standards
being studied.
Mastered – 80% or above
Partially Mastered – 60-79% or above

Not Mastered – 0-59%

#### 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

100-98 = A + 93-98 = A	90-92 = A-	87-89 = B+	83-86 = B	80-82 = B-
77-79 = C + 73-76 = C	70-72 = C-	67-69 = D+	63-66 = D	60-62 = D-
59 & below=Failing				

## **Honor Roll**

To recognize outstanding academic achievement, an Honor Roll has been established at the Lonedell R-14 School. The "A-B Honor Roll" will recognize grades 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> students who have earned an overall average of B's or better. "A Honor Roll" will recognize grades 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> who have earned an overall average of A's.



<u>Schedules</u>

Bell Schedule				
2018-2019	Bell Schedule			
7:44-7:55	Homeroom			
7:58-8:58	1 <sup>st</sup> Period			
9:01-9:51	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period			
9:54-10:44	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period			
10:47-11:37	4 <sup>th</sup> Period			
11:37-11:57	6-8 Lunch			
11:57-12:20	6-8 Recess			
12:23-1:13	5 <sup>th</sup> Period			
1:16-2:06	6 <sup>th</sup> Period			
2:09-3:03	7 <sup>th</sup> Period			



# <u>School Dismissal</u>

# **Dismissing Students From School**

- 1. The school has a buzz in system for all visitors. Just inside the front doors, visitors will be identified and buzzed into the elementary office by a staff member. Individuals who are not known by the staff will be required to produce identification. All visitors must sign in and wear a visitor tag while in the school building.
- 2. Every minute students spend in class is important to their education. Therefore, students who are being picked up early will not be called from class until the parent arrives in the office.
- 3. If you need to pick your child up during the school day, you must sign them out in the elementary office. If someone other than a parent is picking up a student, the parent must send a note allowing the school to release the student to the individual.
- 4. Children leaving school before dismissal or getting off the bus at a different location than they usually do are required to bring a note from the parents, or in an emergency, parents may telephone the office prior to 2:00. If you call in a bus change for your student you will be required to provide us with a pickup code. This pickup code will be selected by the parent(s)/guardian and **should be kept confidential for the safety of your student.** Bus drivers have been instructed to let students off the bus only at the student's regular stop or have been notified from the elementary school office.
- 5. Students must have arrangements made in advance. They must have notes from parents giving their permission for the arrangements. Students will not be allowed to use the phone to make arrangements. If the arrangement causes students to ride a different bus or get off at a different place on his/her regular bus, the bus driver must be given a note from the office concerning the arrangements.
- 6. Students who walk home will not be allowed to leave the building until bus dismissal.

## School Cancellation or Early Dismissal

In the event that school is cancelled or we have early dismissal, a School Reach telephone call will be made to the number(s) we have on file. Also, our local television stations will be notified and information presented on their network. Please make sure that all telephone numbers are current and updated in the elementary office.



# **Student Opportunities**

## **Student Insurance Program**

The school offers accident insurance to all students. Application forms for this insurance will be made available during the first week of school.

MO HealthNet for Kids provides healthcare coverage for children under age 19 whose family income falls within certain guidelines. Apply on line at www.mydss.mo.gov by choosing the "Apply for Health Benefits" option or request an application from 1-855-FSD-INFO.

## Library Media Center

The library center houses books, magazines, newspapers, reference materials, filmstrips, video tapes, audio visual equipment, including projectors of various types and video recorders, TV monitors, video cameras, computers, and other materials and equipment.

The library media center is open daily from 7:40 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Students may use the resources before and after school, with their classes, and may also come at other times for group or individual study and research.

Student may check out 2 library items at a time (books, magazines, etc.). They may be kept for one week, after which they may be checked out with a note from a teacher or a parent. Students will be expected to return overdue items before checking out others.



# **Student Possessions**

## **Student Possessions**

- 1. Students are not to bring large amounts of money, games, balls, bats, gloves, cameras, toys, cards, etc. to school without the expressed consent of the teachers.
- 2. Students are responsible for their own glasses, watches, and/or other jewelry.
- 3. Do not bring play things, water guns, rubber bands, etc. These do not make any contribution to academic achievement and therefore are prohibited in the building.
- 4. No items are to be bought or sold without the consent and approval of the principal's office. Items will be confiscated and parents will be notified.



## <u>Student Records</u>

#### **Student Educational Records**

A cumulative educational record shall be maintained for each student from his/her entrance into school through the last date of attendance or through graduation, whichever occurs first. Each student's educational record will include information required by state and federal statutes, regulations or agencies and shall include other information considered necessary by school officials.

The District will comply with the mandates of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Safe Schools Act regarding confidentiality of student records and disclosure of personally identifiable information. The parents/guardians of students who are attending or have attended the District's schools have the right to inspect and review the educational records of their students and to request amendment of their students' educational records. The District has adopted procedures (Regulation 2400) for the granting of parental requests for access to the educational records of their students within a reasonable period of time, but in no case more than forty-five (45) days after the request is made.

All information contained in a student's educational record, except information designated as directory information by the District, shall be confidential and shall be directly accessible only to school officials who demonstrate a legitimate educational interest in the student's records and to parents/guardians or eligible students. Upon request by military recruiters or an institution of higher learning, the District will provide students' names, addresses and telephone listings. Parents will be notified annually of their right to individually request that such information not be released without prior parental consent.

Military recruiters will be provided the same access to students as is given to institutions of higher learning.



# <u>Student Rights</u>

### **Equal Educational Opportunity**

It is the policy of the Board of Education to provide a free and appropriate education for students with disabilities. Students with disabilities are those who, because of certain atypical characteristics, have been identified by professionally qualified personnel as requiring special educational planning and services. Students with disabilities will be identified on the basis of physical, health, sensory, and/or emotional handicaps, behavioral problems or observable exceptionalities in mental ability. It is possible that a student may have more than one type of disability. The District's programs and services available to meet the needs of these students will be in accordance with The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, The Education for All Handicapped Students Act of 1975, The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504, and § 162.670- .995 RSMo., Missouri Special Education Services. In addition, the identification of students with disabilities and the services provided by the District will be in accordance with the regulations and guidelines of the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's Current Plan for Part B of The Education of the Handicapped Act, as amended. (See Policy and Regulation 6250 - Instruction for Students with Disabilities.)

#### Nondiscrimination and Student Rights (Policy 2100)

The Board of Education reaffirms its belief that every student regardless of race, color, sex, national origin, age, ethnicity, religion, disability, sexual orientation or perceived sexual orientation be given equal opportunity for educational development. The Board recognizes the importance of providing each student with a school environment conducive to intellectual, emotional and social growth through participation in a full range of educational programs and activities. Board and staff commitments insure equal educational opportunities in course offerings, guidance and counseling, test procedures, extracurricular activities, discipline procedures and student support services.

The Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act (20 U.S.C. § 7905) provides that "no public elementary school, public secondary school, local educational agency, or State educational agency that has a designated open forum or a limited public forum and that receives funds made available through the Department shall deny equal access or a fair opportunity to meet to, or discriminate against, any group officially affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America, or any other youth group listed in title 36 of the United States Code (as a patriotic society), that wishes to conduct a meeting within that designated open forum or limited public forum, including denying such access or opportunity or discriminating for reasons based on the membership or leadership criteria or oath of allegiance to God and country of the Boy Scouts of America or of the youth group listed in title 36 of the United States Code (as a patriotic Scoiety)."



<u>Testing</u>

### **Student Participation in State and District Wide Assessments**

All students will participate in statewide assessments or alternate assessments as determined by a student's IEP team. The administration will annually develop an assessment schedule for the current school year. The testing schedule will list the assessment instrument to be administered and the grade level of students that will be administered each test or assessment instrument. This policy and the assessment schedule will be given to each student as well as their parent/guardian at the beginning of each school year. In addition, a copy of this policy and the assessment schedule will be available to the public in the District office during normal business hours. (Policy 6440)

The Lonedell R-14 School District uses the following assessment tools: MAP - assessing 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in the early spring, Evaluate- assessing Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students -used throughout the school year for MAP readiness, DRA Reading Assessment Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grade students, assessed three times per year, AimsWeb- Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grade, and Slosson Math Assessment used as needed for additional support and information. Some 8<sup>th</sup> grades will take the End of Course (EOC) exams in Algebra 1 and in English/Language Arts.

#### Parents Right-To-Know

In accordance with ESEA Section 1111(h)(6) *PARENTS RIGHT-TO-KNOW*, The Lonedell R-14 School District is notifying you, the parent/guardian, of a student in a Title I school that you have the right and may request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher. This information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teachers including, at a minimum, the following:

- 1. Whether the teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
- 2. Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived.
- 3. The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree.
- 4. Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

If at any time your child has been taught for 4 or more consecutive weeks by a teacher not highly qualified, the school will notify you.



## **Transportation**

#### Transportation

The Lonedell R-14 District will provide free bus service transportation for students who live more than one mile from the school.

Good behavior is expected from students while they are riding the bus to and from school.

Students will load and unload at the front of the building's entrance. This should be done quickly as possible with SAFETY in mind at all times.

Students needing to ride a bus other than their assigned bus must have a note or a telephone call from their parents and must see an administrator for approval. Acceptable reasons for needing to ride a different bus must be of critical nature, such as death or illness in the family, parents out of town, etc.

## **Bus Discipline Policy**

School wide policies and rules are in effect on school busses the same as at school. Bus drivers are responsible for the behavior of students on busses and will report behavior problems to the BK Bus Line Supervisor, who may deny students transportation for a specified period of time. BK Supervisors will report the incident to the school principal who may suspend bussing privileges indefinitely.

### **Bus Rules & Regulations**

Major components of bus safety include, clean, well maintained equipment, and regulations that help to ensure good conduct and mutual respect, both among students and between driver and students. BK Bus Service provides well maintained buses. The students, drivers, parents, BK Service personnel and school must work cooperatively to ensure safe conduct and respect on the bus.

The student plays a very important role in maintaining safety on the bus. When the student is acting in a way that jeopardizes his/her own safety, or the safety of others, this will result in disciplinary action.

Students will load and unload at the front of the building's entrance. This should be done as quickly as possible with **SAFETY** in mind at all times.

## <u>Students needing to ride a bus other than their assigned bus must present the driver with a note from the office.</u>

Because of the possibilities for serious accidents, inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated on the bus. All school policies and rules are in effect on school busses the same as at school. Any offense by a student that occurs on transportation provided by the school shall be disciplined in the same manner as if the offense had occurred at school. In addition, transportation privileges may be suspended or revoked. Below are

additional regulations that students utilizing transportation provided by the school are responsible for adhering to.

STUDENTS WILL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS:

- 1. Students must obey the driver. The driver is in charge of the students on the bus. The driver may:
  - Assign students to specific seats for any length of time they deem necessary.
  - Refuse to let a student board the bus until the student obtains permission to do so if the driver feels order and safety on the bus is in jeopardy.
- 2. Students must follow the bus stop rules including:
  - Be on time to the bus stop. The bus will not wait.
  - Be picked up and let off at their regularly scheduled bus stop.
  - Be let off the bus at a stop other than their regularly scheduled bus stop only with written permission from a parent/guardian.
  - The bus route will not be altered to make non-scheduled stops.
  - Stand away from the roadway until the bus has come to a complete stop.
  - Students creating discipline problems at the bus stop may be removed from the bus or not allowed on the bus.
- 3. Students will be expected to adhere to the following rules while on the bus:
  - Students will refer to the driver as they would any staff member at school.
  - Unnecessary conversation with the driver is prohibited.
  - Students are to remain in their seats at all times. Sit three to a seat when needed. No one is permitted to save seats.
  - Pupils must not try to get off the bus or move about within the bus while it is in motion.
  - Students must observe directions of the driver when leaving the bus.
  - Except for ordinary conversation, classroom conduct is to be observed on the bus.
  - Students must not at any time extend arms or head out of the bus windows.
  - Students must not throw items out of the bus windows.
  - Items or materials that could cause damage or cause harm will not be permitted on the bus. The driver may refuse items at the bus stop.
  - Any damage to the bus should be reported at once to the driver.
  - No animals shall be permitted on the school bus.
  - No glass items are permitted on the school bus.
  - Alcohol or controlled substances will not be permitted on the bus.
  - The use of tobacco in any form will not be permitted on the bus.
  - Profane and/or disrespectful language will not be tolerated on the bus.

#### DISCIPLINARY MEASURES REGARDING BUS PRIVILEGES

Bus slips serve as a record and keep the parent informed about student misconduct on the bus. The need to give a student bus slips for offenses of a lesser nature will start a process involving levels of disciplinary action. The levels of disciplinary action regarding bus privileges are as follows:

1st Offense – Warning

 $2^{nd}$  Offense – 1 day bus suspension

3<sup>rd</sup> Offense – 3 day bus suspension

4<sup>th</sup> Offense – 5 day bus suspension

5<sup>th</sup> Offense – Bus suspension of a minimum of 10 days, or the remainder of the school year, or until such time the school gives permission for the student to again ride the bus.

#### MISCONDUCT OF A MORE SERIOUS NATURE

Some acts of misconduct are extremely offensive, disrespectful, or dangerous to the health and safety of others on the bus. Such misconduct will not require the use of bus slips. The bus driver may remove the student from the bus until proper action can be taken.

#### **BUS CONDUCT REPORT**

A bus conduct report will be filled out by the driver noting which offense and appropriate disciplinary action taken. The white and yellow copies of the report will be sent home with the student for parent/guardian signature. The student returns the white copy to the driver (with parent/guardian signature) and the parent/guardian keeps the yellow copy. If it is the student's first offense (warning) the student will have two days to return the signed copy to the driver. If not returned, the school will suspend the student from the bus until the signed copy is returned to the driver. If the student is suspended from the bus, the student cannot board the bus after the suspension without the signed copy being returned to the driver.

Reviewed May, 2015 B.K. Bus, Judy Wagner

#### **Transportation Crisis Plan**

No student 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and under will be released from the bus if a parent/guardian is not present at the bus stop at time of drop off.



This form will be referenced in the event that an emergency arises and the bus

driver finds no one at the bus stop to pick up the students. If a parent/guardian is not present at the bus stop to pick up the student, the student will be brought back to school by the bus driver. The bus driver or another BK Bus Service employee will call the emergency contact(s) listed below to inform them that there was no one present at the bus stop to pick up the student and therefore the student is being brought back to school. If BK Bus is unable to contact parent(s)/guardian(s) or emergency contacts after repeated attempts, the following agencies will be contacted:

- 1. Franklin County Sheriff's Department
- 2. Division of Family Services

The bus driver will wait with the student and a representative from the District at the school until the student is picked up by an emergency contact, parent, Division of Family Services, or Sheriff's Department.

Please note, this crisis plan is for emergencies only. Please do not abuse this system. If the emergency crisis plan has to be implemented more than three times per school year, Division of Family Services may be contacted.

It is the parent/guardian's responsibility to notify the Lonedell R-14 School District with any changes to the contact information.

Student Name:		Grade:		
Parent/Guardian:				
Address:				
Mother:	Phone:	Father:	Phone:	
Emergency Contact:	Phone number:			
Emergency Contact:	Phone number:			
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I have read and understand the Lonedell R-14 Bus Rules & Regulations and Transportation Crisis Plan. I understand my child is responsible for adhering to the Bus Rules & Regulations.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

#### Please sign and return the forms below to your student's teacher.

I have read and understand the Lonedell R-14 School District Student Handbook. I have discussed the rules and regulations with my student and he/she understands that he/she is responsible for following them.

Student Name

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date