#### AGENDA SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANAWA CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: June 13, 2018 Time: 4:00 p.m. Place: Board Room, MES, 800 Beech Street, Manawa Board Committee Members: Scheller (C), Pohl, Hollman In Attendance: Timer: Recorder: 1. Title I School-Wide Program Plan – Jackie Gast (Information) 2. LWJSHS Student Handbook SY201819 (Information / Action) 3. MES Student Handbook SY201819 (Information / Action) 4. Future Agenda Items / Board Committee Planning Guide 5. Next Meeting Date6. Next Meeting Items: a. EL Plan b. One-to-One Handbook c. RtI Handbook d. Gifted / Talented Handbook 1. Title I School-Wide Program Plan Action \_\_\_\_ Table \_\_\_\_ LWJSHS Student Handbook SY201819 Action \_\_\_\_ Table \_\_\_\_ 2. Action \_\_\_\_ Table \_\_\_\_ 3. MES Student Handbook SY201819 4. Future Agenda Items / Board Committee Planning Guide Action Table 5. Next Meeting Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Chair: Signature

# Title I Schoolwide Program Plan for

# Manawa Elementary School

Written during the 2017-2018 School Year



# **School Information**

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Planning Year:	2017-2018	Local School Board	
_		approval date:	

# **District Information**

School District Name:	School District of Manawa	
Superintendent:	Dr. Melanie J. Oppor	
Phone:	(920) 596-5308	
Email address:	moppor@manawaschools.org	

Superintendent's Signature	Date

# Schoolwide Planning Team

Date when Plan will be implemented: 2017-2018

Parents:	Brenda Strebe, Amanda Rathje
School Staff: (include position)	Valerie Pari- Math Specialist/Interventionist Judy Connelly- Reading Interventionist Sheri Barber- 1 <sup>st</sup> grade teacher Sarah Highlander- 5 <sup>th</sup> grade teacher
Administrator(s): (include position)	Michelle Pukita- Elementary Principal Jacquelyn Gast- District Reading Specialist
Community Members:	Lyn Hokenstad
Others (Optional):	

# **Planning Process**

This schoolwide plan template is designed around the "Ten Comprehensive Components of a Schoolwide Plan."

# **Schoolwide Planning Summary**

The following table summarizes the steps and activities of our planning process. This includes planning team meetings, subcommittee work sessions, parent meetings, staff meetings, etc. where planning took place as well as other activities conducted that contributed toward the development of this plan (i.e. needs assessment data collection and analysis, inquiry process).

		Participants at Meetings (check all that apply)		
Meeting Dates	Agenda Topics/ Planning Steps	School/ District Staff	Parents	Community Members
10/18	Began digging into Data for Needs Assessment	Х		
10/19	Discussed school data	Х		
10/20	Drew up a plan for committee and assigned roles	Х		
12/1	Check in on plan writing	Х		
2/9	Check in on plan writing and sharing progress	Х		
3/14	Check in progress and projection for finishing plan	Х		
4/17	Review and Revision of Plan	Х	Х	X

#### **Communication Plan**

# Processes and opportunities to develop the SW plan:

The School District of Manawa will establish a Title I team to work on our schoolwide plan. It is essential that we have representation from administration, teachers, and community members. The reading specialist will coordinate the meetings that will take place to review data and discuss the plan. The reading specialist and the interventionists will attend CESA 6 Title I Schoolwide Program Writing workshops throughout the year to keep abreast of new information and receive guidance and support.

<u>Processes and opportunities to inform, solicit and receive input from stakeholders:</u>
Once the initial meetings have taken place, the reading specialist will contact the community members that are part of the team. We will meet to discuss the progress of the plan and review and make changes based on stakeholder input.

# SCHOOL PROFILE

Manawa Elementary School Manawa, WI 400 Beech St Manawa, WI (920)598-5700



Manawa Elementary School Principal: Michelle Pukita

# School Mission Statement:

The staff at Manawa Elementary School will faithfully provide service to others through dedication and determination.

Manawa Elementary School is a 4K-6<sup>th</sup> grade school proudly serving approximately 350 young learners in central Wisconsin. The following profile is a brief summery of our school's mission statements and annual goals besed on our assessment data. Our entire staff is committed to working in partnership with our families and community to make this the best school possible for our kids. We want all to feel welcomed and valued.

# Our Strengths:

In addition to our amazing students, our dedicated staff, families, and community are what make Manawa Elementary a great place to be. As a school that serves young learners from 4 K-6th grades, we understand and value the uniqueness and talents of all learners. Through our continual work with student achievement data, we as a school work hard to meet the needs of ALL students.



# 2017-2018 School Goals:

- Increase student talk versus teacher talk.
- Increase rigor through higher level thinking questions.
- 3) Improve student reading achievement.

# Manawa Elementary School Profile

# State Report Card

Please use the following link to access our school report card:

file:///C:/Users/vpari/Downloads/SRC \_Public\_Manawa\_Elementary\_2016-17\_17878-17872.PDF

#### MES CODE OF ETHICS

Our Promise to Students and Parents

- I believe that every attempt should be made to maintain the dignity of both the adult and the student.
- I believe that students should know misbehavior results in a loss of privileges.
- I believe students should be guided and expected to solve the problems they create without making problems for anyone else.
- I believe students should be given the opportunity to make decisions and live with the results.
- I believe that misbehavior should be viewed as an opportunity for individual problems solving and preparation for the real world.
- I believe that there should be a logical connection between misbehavior and resulting consequences.

# Fast Facts:

Grades	K4-6
School Type	Elementary
Enrollment	363
Percent Open Enrollment	3.0%
Race/Ethnicity	
American Indian or Alaskan N	lative 0.3%
Asian	0.3%
Black or African American	0.6%
Hispanic/Latino	3.0%
White	93.9%
Two or more Races	1.9%
Student Groups	
Students with Disabilities	10.2%
Economically Disadvantaged	39.7%
Limited English Proficient	0.3%



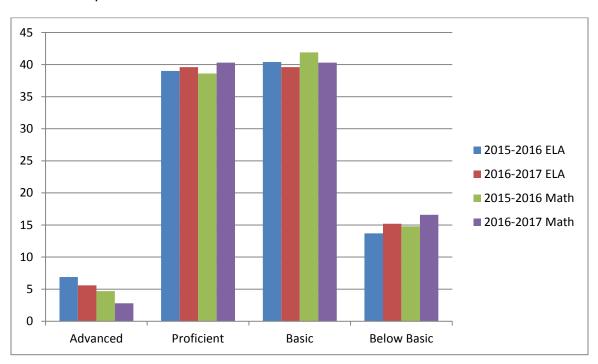
# I. Data/Conclusions (Needs Assessment)

Analyzing data is a daily practice at Manawa Elementary School. Not only do the interventionists review their students' data often, but a building consultation team (BCT) sits down for an hour and a half each week to discuss our students' progress. Teachers also have an hour and a half early release time for data review and discussion each week.

This Comprehensive Needs Assessment will review our Standardized State Test data (the Forward Exam) along with STAR data (our universal screener) and our Fountas and Pinnell Running Record Assessment data. A Parent Perception Survey was also used to get a general feel for our stakeholder's feelings regarding communication with the school and other valuable information that will help us to improve our building and our student achievement.

# Forward Data (2017)

# Overall Snapshot



# Fountas and Pinnell Running Records (Fall/Winter)

Grade	Number of	Percentage of	Percentage of
	Students Below	Students Below	Students Below
	Grade Level	Grade Level (Fall)	Grade Level
			(Winter)
Grade 1	23	62%	38%
Grade 2	11	34%	13%
Grade 3	15	25%	23%
Grade 4	6	14%	14%
Grade 5	8	20%	22%
Grade 6	16	30%	31%

<sup>\*</sup>Note that kindergarten students do not have a running record assessment in the fall, however, the winter Fountas and Pinnell benchmark assessment showed that 86% are not reading at benchmark. This is an area of major concern.

This table shows our elementary students' running record data from October 2017 and January of 2018. This table indicates a dire need for intervention in the early grades and continued intervention for struggling students in grades 4, 5, and 6. When compared to the beginning of the year data, we are making improvements in our readers in grades 1 and 2. The focus has switched to time spent on intervention with these young readers. However, notice that grades 4-6 are not growing as they should. Tier 1 instruction needs to improve in **all grades** to ensure teachers are working every day in small groups with their readers.

STAR Reading	Fall 2017		Winte	r 2018
	Number of	Percentage of	Number of	Percentage of
Grade Level	Students Below	Students Below	Students Below	Students Below
	Benchmark	Benchmark	Benchmark	Benchmark
1	15	50	4	14
2	11	39	8	27
3	30	54	19	37
4	21	53	19	46
5	22	59	12	39
6	32	64	24	47

STAR Math	Fall 2017		Winte	r 2018
	Number of	Percentage of	Number of	Percentage of
Grade Level	Students Below	Students Below	Students Below	Students Below
	Benchmark	Benchmark	Benchmark	Benchmark
1	14	48	4	15
2	11	38	6	20
3	21	38	12	23
4	15	38	11	26
5	9	24	6	17
6	19	37	12	23

This table shows our students' STAR reading and math data from the beginning of the school year and mid-year. This data set shows some growth as the year progresses in both the areas of reading and math. Although an improvement, there is still much work to be done to meet our goals.

The parent perception survey that was handed out at parent/teacher conferences indicates that overall, parents are happy with the school and the communication they receive from their child's teacher. One of the common themes was the desire to learn more about how to help their student with math homework. This is an area we will be sure to address as we plan upcoming family engagement nights.

## **II. School-Wide Reform Strategies**

There are many ways that the staff at Manawa Elementary School is working to improve the quality of instruction. The first is with our weekly early release Wednesday PLC time. Grade level teams of teachers meet to discuss student data and adjust pacing and instructional plans to meet the students' needs. Along with this, teachers develop common assessments to measure the success of students as they work through the standards of each unit.

The staff at MES has discovered that our Forward math assessment data shows we are increasing in the number of students who are scoring Basic or Below Basic. Because of this, many of our teachers have decided to make their SLO based on increasing math achievement. They have decided to spend more time allowing students to write out their thoughts when they solve a problem and analyze math errors. They plan to include more "Math talk" in class so students have an opportunity to share their thinking with their peers. They have also committed to look at sample questions from the Forward exam so that they can adjust the way in which they are asking questions of students.

All of these strategies are in place to hopefully close the gaps with our math achievement data.

According to our Forward data, students are scoring better on the Reading/ELA portion of the test, but they are not as doing as well as they should. We are dropping with the number of students who qualify for the Advanced level. Part of this is that we, as a school, have spent so much focus on helping to improve our struggling students that we have neglected to provide enrichment for our advanced students. We are working to change this. This year we have written and adopted a Gifted and Talented Plan that sets some guidelines for teachers and parents to refer students they feel qualify. We have identified these students in each individual class and are providing them Project Based Learning opportunities during our intervention time each day. These students also are being challenged by working on reading and math programs that are adaptable to their level of proficiency.

According to our STAR data, students are making growth in both reading and math as the year continues, but there is still a long way to go to have all students at benchmark. One of the strategies that we have implemented is to train teachers on how to look at their individual student's data and goal setting within the program. If they take the time to look at the exact skills that their students are doing poorly in, they can find resources to help fill these gaps. Taking a more active role in using the STAR data will hopefully decrease the number of students falling into the category of below benchmark.

Our Fountas and Pinnell data shows that our kindergarteners are significantly behind where they normally are when they begin this grade. We have met as a team (reading specialist, interventionists, and kindergarten teachers) to make a push-in intervention plan for those students that are lacking their very basic letter and sound recognition skills. Some of these same students are struggling with basic numeracy and identifying numbers and counting. Both the math and reading interventionist meet with these students daily to provide them support in these necessary areas. We also acknowledge that it is important to dig deeper to find the exact deficit for students. As a team, we have found a variety of relevant assessment screeners that will allow us to pin-point student's exact area of need.

Another reform strategy we have used as a whole-school is to work to make our daily intervention time (Wolf Time) more beneficial and useful for students. Grade levels meet every 8-10 weeks to see if students are being placed where they belong. For example, if a student shows they need math intervention in the beginning of the year based on their previous data, but over the course of the first quarter they are making large gains, they may be moved out of the intervention and receive basic math fact work

time or math enrichment. The same goes for reading. Our teachers work with students on comprehension and fluency in reading if their scores indicate they need that support. If they do not, they are assigned a group for Project Based Learning opportunities. Understanding that we need to make sure the system is "fluid" and able to change according to data and student need shows that we are cognizant and vigil to making sure our students' needs are being met.

One more reform strategy to mention is the fact that our school offers a summer school remediation program for our struggling readers and math students. Programming is designed to be as individualized as possible to meet the specific needs of our struggling students. It is offered to anyone who signs up and wants to work on their skill deficits. We do not require students to attend; however, if a student is falling below benchmark, it is strongly encouraged that they participate.

#### GOALS for 2017-2018 based on overall data:

By the end of the 2017-2018 school year, all teachers will increase the student talk versus teacher talk from 85% teacher talk versus 15% student talk to 60% student talk and 40% teacher talk, measured through math classroom observations.

By the end of the 2017-2018 school year, all teachers will increase rigorous, high-level thinking question (synthesize and evaluate questions) in math class from 0 questions to 2 questions in one class period, measured through math classroom observations.

By the end of the 2017-2018 school year, our overall running record data will show less than 20% of students in each class falling below benchmark.

By the end of the 2017-2018 school year, MES will design and implement a family engagement night centered around the school to home connection.

# **III. Instruction by Highly-Qualified Teachers**

All staff in the School District of Manawa are highly qualified. Not only do we ensure that we have the correct licensure each time we hire for a position, but all our support staff have either had classroom experience or have completed the Master Teacher requirements.

The School District of Manawa is working at a plan for teacher retention because we believe that retaining teachers not only helps our students, but it makes for a more unified teaching staff that can work together to carry out our vision. Most recently, the pupil services committee has worked hard at identifying the qualities for effective instruction. This will be shared with current staff for personal reflection as well as for

newly hired staff to ensure they fit our expectations. Please find the complete document below that identifies these qualities.

#### **Effective Instruction**

- Instructional Delivery
  - Teaching occurs in the middle of the learners
  - 80% student talk, 20% teacher talk
  - Technology is used in a purposeful and innovative manner
  - Lesson objective is written, verbalized, and reinforced throughout the lesson
  - Real-world application and high order questioning; includes open-ended questions
  - Differentiation of materials and lesson delivery
  - Student goal setting and student reflection
- Instructional Planning
  - Backward planning start with the end in mind
  - Intentionally planning questions, transitions, content, differentiation, and assessments linked to the standards
  - Collaborate with colleagues (interdisciplinary, specialists, guidance, etc.)
     to ensure all student needs are met
- Professional Knowledge
  - Demonstrates accurate knowledge of the subject matter
  - Knowledgeable of research/evidence-based practices
- Assessment for and of Learning
  - Formative assessment results are used to differentiate, inform, and guide instruction
  - Summative assessments are written before the unit/lesson is taught
  - Timely feedback of assessment results to all stakeholders
  - Common assessments are used to measure learning
- Learning Environment
  - Builds relationships with students, parents, and colleagues
  - Creates an environment that is conducive to engaging all learners
  - Effective routines and procedures
  - Promotes digital citizenship
- Professionalism
  - Collaborates with colleagues to share responsibility for all learners
  - Networks with professionals in and outside the district
  - Reflects on instructional practices
  - Demonstrates appropriate communication with students, colleagues, administration, parents, and community

 Willingness to seek out professional development opportunities to grow as a teacher

# IV. High Quality and Ongoing Professional Development (may be included in implementation activities)

The administrative team has taken up the task of writing a five-year professional development plan for the school district. After looking at student achievement data along with teacher perception surveys, the following has been determined as our focus area and goals in which to measure our progress. Please use attached link to an overview of our plan: (Plan on a Page) Along with forward planning for professional development, the district also provides some current PD for our staff. The elementary teachers receive STAR data training to learn how to more specifically understand and use their student data. The staff also participates in on-going book studies on various topics. The reading specialist also serves as an instructional coach and offers both reading and writing support for teachers.

# V. Strategies to attract highly-qualified teachers

The School District of Manawa takes great pride in its staff and wants the very best instructors. The district's PACE program is salary stipend program that allows us to remain competitive with surrounding school districts.

Below is the Hiring Process and Timeline for Hiring Effective/Quality Instructors for our school district.

# Hiring Process and Timeline for School District of Manawa

## **Posting Process**

- · Review position description
- Establish timeline for posting, interviews and approval of candidate
- Post internally via email by District Office Secretary simultaneously with external posting; internal candidate requests transfer to a different position
- Post externally to WECAN and District Webpage to include qualifications and job description (or local newspapers, radio, local t.v., etc.) by District Office Secretary and send to Board of Education Members via email
- Develop interview questions
- Determine interview team(s)

# **Searching Timeline**

- Post for at least two weeks or until filled
- Develop interview questions (drafted by District Administration with Admin. Team for administrative and teaching positions; drafted by principals for support staff)
- Determine interview teams
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Round for teachers is conducted by a combination of stakeholders to include the principal, teachers, parents, and students (if age appropriate).
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Round for teachers is conducted by the Admin. Team.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Round for administrators is conducted by a combination of stakeholders to include the superintendent, teachers, parents, and students (if age appropriate).
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Round for administrators is conducted by the Board of Education.
- Review applications
- Conduct initial reference checks
- · Call candidates for 1st round of interviews
- 1<sup>st</sup> round interviews
- · Call candidates for 2<sup>nd</sup> round of interviews
- · Conduct final reference and background checks
- · 2<sup>nd</sup> round of interviews
- · Confirming interview with District Administrator (financial and district expectations)
- Recommend candidate to Board of Education

#### **Transition Process**

- · Candidate to be introduced
- Transition plan developed and shared with candidate for a smooth entry into the position
- Transition days to occur
- Position start day

# Staff and Program Change Proposals

- November Written proposal is submitted to District Administrator by principals and directors for the following school year
- December District Administrator compiles list of staff and program change proposals
- December Business Manager assigns dollar value to each change proposal
- January Finance Committee meets with Administrative Team to balance additions and reductions based on presenting a total balanced budget to the full Board

- January/February Full Board of Education approval of staff and program changes as part of the balanced budget; apprise personnel affected by changes prior to the Board meeting
- February/March Create job descriptions, post new positions, and begin time line beginning at the beginning of this procedure
- March Issue contracts
- April 15 Contracts due

# **VI. Parent Involvement Strategies**

The following is our school district's policy for parent involvement:

#### 9250 - RELATIONS WITH PARENTS

The Board of Education believes that the education of children is a joint responsibility, one it shares with the parents of the school community. To ensure that the best interests of the child are served in this process, a strong program of communication between home and school must be maintained.

The Board believes that it is the parents who have the ultimate responsibility for their children's in-school behavior, including the behavior of students who have reached the legal age of majority, but are still, for all practical purposes, under parental authority. During school hours, the Board, through its designated administrators, acts *in loco parentis* or in place of the parents.

The Board recommends that the following activities be implemented to encourage parent-school cooperation:

- A. parent-teacher conferences to permit two-way communication between home and school
- B. meetings of staff members and groups of parents of those students having special abilities, disabilities, needs, or problems
- C. special events of a cultural, ethnic, or topical nature which are initiated by parent groups, involve the cooperative effort of students and parents, and are of general interest to the schools or community
- D. open houses in District schools to provide parents with the opportunity to see the school facilities, meet the faculty, and sample the program on a first-hand basis
  - Each school in the District shall hold an open house at least annually.

For the benefit of children, the Board believes that parents have a responsibility to encourage their child's career in school by:

- A. supporting the schools in requiring that the children observe all school rules and regulations, and by accepting their own responsibility for children's intentional in-school behavior:
- B. sending children to school with proper attention to their health, personal cleanliness, and dress;
- maintaining an active interest in the student's daily work and making it possible for the student to complete assigned homework by providing a quiet place and suitable conditions for study;
- D. reading all communications from the school, signing, and returning them promptly when required;
- E. cooperating with the school in attending conferences, meetings, and workshops set up for the exchange of information of the child's progress in school.

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Manawa Elementary School recognizes the importance of the home and school connection. Student success is enhanced when students, parents, and teachers all work together. We strive to create a welcoming environment where families feel comfortable and are confident that we focus on their child's safety and success.

When asked on the annual parent survey, parents overall felt comfortable at our school. Our attendance at Parent/Teacher conferences averages about 90%. While this is positive, the same participation isn't always prevalent at literacy/math nights. We have offered many different opportunities for families including learning about the reading and writing workshop, math night, and other read with your child nights. We will continue to survey our parents to find out what they are interested in learning about as well as a preferable time to attend. Below is a list of Parent Involvement Opportunities from the 2017-2018 school year-

Event	Date
Open House	August 30
Fall Parent Teacher Conferences	October 5
	November 9
Book Fair	November 9, May 3
Wolf Walk	October 13
4K Family Fun Night	February 21
Parent Teacher Conferences	February 8
Holiday Concert	December 22
Miranda Paul Author Visit	March 1
Paving the Way Open House	March 22

<b>Transition Meetings for Parents</b>	April 4, April 10, April 15
PTO meetings	?
Arts and Authors Night	May 3
District Color Run	May 18

# VII. Transitioning Students

Manawa Elementary School offers an Early Childhood Program as well as a 4K program. The Early Childhood teacher makes sure that her students not only receive the individual skills practice they need, but they are included in many of the 4K learning opportunities as well.

This year, in coordination with our Title I program, the 4K team invited all parents of incoming preschool students to participate in a family fun and information night. Families had the opportunity to explore many different stations with hands-on activities they could complete with their child. They also got a tour of the school, an opportunity to meet the 4K teacher and principal, and ask any questions regarding their child and their transition into school. There is also a summer school program offered for our students transitioning into kindergarten.

Manawa Elementary School continues to work hard at helping the transition of our students from sixth grade to the Jr/Sr high building which is grades 7-12. When semester rolls around, many of the sixth-grade teachers will no longer allow their students to leave their notebooks and books in their classroom desk. They are asked to learn how to become organized and rely solely on keeping their materials in their locker. This simulates the experience they will have in junior high. Students and teachers also take a day to tour the junior high and meet the teachers. This is often a time for many apprehensive students to get their questions answered and get a feel for what to expect. As a district, we also offer a Summer School Transitions class for our students where they learn how to use their locker, stay organized, test-taking skills, and other useful strategies to make their transition to junior high successful. In addition, all teachers in each grade fill out transition forms for students so that their next teacher is aware of their strengths, needs, and any additional support they will need to provide to ensure the students start the new year set up for success.

# **VIII. Teacher Participation in Assessment Decisions**

Beginning in the 2017-2018 school year, teachers are given an hour and a half each Wednesday for PLC time. During this time, teachers can work with their grade level team on reviewing student achievement data, goal-setting, and developing common assessments. Teachers have also been given training on how to use our STAR

assessments to provide skill intervention or enrichment to our students. Having a key role in analyzing and using data makes it more relevant for teachers so there is a strong connection between data and the curriculum.

# IX. Timely and Additional Assistance to Students Having Difficulty Mastering the Standards

MES prides itself on our continually-improving RtI model. A Building Consultation Team meets weekly to discuss students that are not making gains or having difficulty mastering the standards. Teachers sign up to be part of the meetings and bring useful data, so the team can decide for intervention and support. The following link will take you to the <u>District RtI Plan</u>.

We feel it is critical to find our students strengths and weaknesses and create ways to either help enhance their skills or improve their skills. Because of this, thirty minutes a day are set aside for Wolf-Time. Wolf-Time is an opportunity to work on skill deficits with a teacher that re-teaches and uses programs to close gaps, or it is an enrichment time to work on Project-Based Learning opportunities to enhance our above-benchmark students. Students that do need remediation for their skills are put into a Tier 2 intervention. They are given small group support from either a teacher or a math or reading interventionist. We monitor these students using progress monitoring tools to see if they are making improvements.

The most important part of our Rtl process is that we realize that our groups of students are always changing. Grade level teams meet quarterly or sometimes sooner if there is new data, and they determine their new groupings of students. This constant monitoring and willingness to provide useful, tailored support for students makes our Wolf-Time an imperative part of the school day.

# X. Coordination and Integration of Federal, State, and Local Resources

Manawa Elementary School utilizes its Title I resources to provide teachers who specialize in reading and math instruction. These staff members work with all children in the school, but they are the main resource people for students needing additional support. In addition to these federal funds, MES uses other state and local resources to best meet the needs of our students and our school's mission. Utilization of all these resources follows federal requirements. The following is a list of programs that have been made possible through state and local resources:

- Free and Reduced meals for qualifying families
- After School Care on Early Release Days
- School Counselor, Nurse, Speech Therapist and Part-Time Psychologist
- Special Education Services
- Physical and Occupational Therapy
- Seal-A-Smile Dental Assistance
- Routine screenings for hearing, vision, or academic concerns
- Growth and Human Development Classes
- Red Ribbon Week
- Project Backpack (food for families in need)
- Project Back-to-School Backpack (school supplies for students in need)
- Clothing Drive
- Summer School Program for extended learning opportunities
- Intervention materials and support programming for both gifted and at-risk students
- PD opportunities for all staff
- PBIS incentive program
- Student Council

# Dissemination, Review and Revision

This schoolwide plan will be shared at the spring "Authors and Artists" night along with an upcoming school board presentation. It will also get linked to the district's website under the Title I tab. Review and revision of this plan will take place annually. Once the initial assessment data is gathered during the next school year, the committee will begin to meet and analyze the findings and begin the Needs Assessment to determine focus areas. There will be meetings throughout the school year to reassess and add data and new programming. The plan will continue to be shared with all stakeholders on the district website.



# Students choosing to excel; realizing their strengths.

To: Dr. Melanie J. Oppor From: Michelle Pukita Date: June 8, 2018

Re: MES Student Handvbook

The purpose of this memo is to highlight the changes in the MES Student Handbook as follows:

Page #	Current Language (If applicable.)	Proposed Change or Addition
Cover; 1	2017-2018; wolf graphic	2018-2019; new Manawa logo
2	2017-2018; wolf graphic	2018-2019; new Manawa logo
2	Mrs. Kris Wegener	Will change to new Administrative Assistant after retirement
2	Handbook adopted June 2017	Handbook adopted to June 2018
3	2017-2018 calendar	2018-2019 calendar
4	Kristine Wegner, kwegner@manawaschools.org	New Administrative Assisant
4	Christine Hansen; 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher;	This is moved to 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher as reduction in 1 third grade section has been Board approved.
4	Andrea Whitman; 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher; awhitman@manawaschools.org	This will be deleted.
4	New addition	Special Educatio Teacher; Name will be entered once position is filled
5	Molly Schlaak; vocal music teacher; mschlaak@manawaschools,org	When this position is filled, name will be entered
5	Olivia Koehn; Disrict Nurse; okoehn@manawaschools.org	When this position is filled, name will be entered
5	Lindsey Vandenlangeenberg; Paraprofessional	This is deleted. Will adds new paraprofessional
14	7:30 a.m. Breakfast; 7:50 Classes Begin	7:30 a.m. Breakfast; 7:40 a.m. Students report to classrooms; 7:50 a.m. Classes begin
14	Wednesday Early Dismissal will be 1:50 p.m., except on September 6 <sup>th</sup> and June 6 <sup>th</sup> dismissal will be 2:50 p.m	Wednesday Early Dismissal will be 1:50 p.m., except on September 5 <sup>th</sup> and June 5 <sup>th</sup> dismissal will be 2:50 p.m.

# Student Handbook

2018-2019



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# Manawa Elementary Handbook 2018-2019



#### Dear Students and Parents:

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year. We are excited that you are a part of our great School District of Manawa and look forward to working with you and your child.

Please read and keep this book as a reference for any questions that may come up throughout the year. The handbook contains all of the necessary information about the day to day operation of our school. Once you have completed reading through the handbook, it is mandatory that you sign the last page and return it to the school office.

I look forward to working together with you during the course of the school year. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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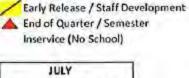
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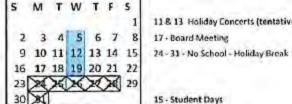
# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANAWA 2018- 2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR

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DECEMBER

11 & 13 Holiday Concerts (tentative) 17 - Board Meeting

15 - Student Days

5 · Last Day of School 6 - AM Records (45 Days)

5, 7, 8 - Make-up Days or Add Minutes

3 - Student Days / .5 Inservice

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This Student/Parent Handbook is based in significant part on policies adopted by the Board of Education and Administrative Guidelines developed by the District Administrator. The Policies and Guidelines are periodically updated in response to changes in the law and other circumstances. Therefore, there may have been changes to the documents reviewed in this handbook since it was printed. If you have questions or would like more information about a specific issue, contact your school principal. A current version of this handbook can be found on the District webpage at: <a href="https://www.manawaschools.org">www.manawaschools.org</a>

#### **FOREWORD**

This student handbook was developed to answer many of the commonly asked questions that you and your parents may have during the course of a school year. This handbook summarizes many of the official policies and administrative guidelines of the Board of Education and the District. To the extent that the handbook is ambiguous or conflicts with these policies and guidelines, the policies and guidelines shall control. This handbook is effective immediately and supersedes any prior student handbook.

Because the handbook also contains information about student rights and responsibilities, each student is responsible for knowing its contents. Please take time to become familiar with the following information and keep the handbook available for future use. It can be a valuable reference during the school year and a means to avoid confusion and misunderstanding when questions arise. Should you have any questions that are not addressed in this handbook, contact LuAnne Ujazdowski, Guidance Counselor or Principal Michelle Pukita. You will find their phone numbers/e-mail addresses listed in the Staff Directory section of the handbook.

This handbook summarizes many of the official policies and administrative guidelines of the Board of Education and the District. If any of the policies or administrative guidelines referenced herein are revised after June 30, 2016 the language in the most current policy or administrative guideline prevails. The current policies and guidelines are available on the District's website.

#### MISSION OF THE SCHOOL

The School District of Manawa is the place where students choose to excel academically and realize their strengths.

#### **EQUAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY/ANTI-HARASSMENT**

It is the policy of the District to provide an equal education opportunity for all students. The right of a student to be admitted to school and to participate fully in curricular, extra-curricular, student services, recreational or other programs or activities shall not be abridged or impaired based on the traits of sex (including transgender status, change of sex, or gender identity), race, color, national origin, religion, creed, ancestry, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability, or any other characteristic protected by federal or state civil rights laws (hereinafter referred to as "Protected Characteristics") or other protected characteristics as well as place of residence within District boundaries, or social or economic background.

Students who have been identified as having an impairment or disability under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act or the Americans with Disabilities Act shall be provided with appropriate educational services. Parents who have questions should contact school counselor, LuAnne Ujazdowski, at 920-596-5703.

Any person who believes that the Manawa Elementary School or any staff person has discriminated against them in violation of this policy may file a complaint. A formal complaint can be made in writing to a School Compliance Officer listed below:

Dan Wolfgram Carmen O'Brien

Principal (920) 596-5310 Business Manager (920) 596-5332

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If at any time during the investigation process the investigator determines that the complaint is properly defined as bullying because the conduct at issue is not based on a student's protected characteristics, the investigator shall transfer the investigation to the appropriate building principal.

Under no circumstances will the District threaten or retaliate against anyone who raises or files a complaint.

Manawa Elementary School is committed to an educational environment that is free of harassment of any form. The school will not tolerate any form of harassment and will take all necessary and appropriate action to eliminate it, including suspension or expulsion of students and disciplinary action against any other individual in the school district community. Additionally, appropriate action will be taken to stop and otherwise deal with any third party who engages in harassment against our students.

# **Harassment Policy\***

\*Parents/guardians and students are encouraged to read the full text of the Board of Education policy governing Anti-Harassment and Bullying available on the District web site or by contacting the school main office.

## **Summary of Board of Education Policy**

It is the policy of the Board of Education to maintain an educational environment that is free from all forms of harassment, including sexual harassment. This commitment applies to all District operations, programs, and activities. All students, administrators, teachers, staff, and all other school personnel share responsibility for avoiding, discouraging and reporting any form of unlawful harassment. This policy applies to conduct occurring on school property or at another location if such conduct occurs during an activity sponsored by the Board.

The Board will not tolerate any form of harassment and will take all necessary and appropriate action to eliminate it, including suspension or expulsion of students and disciplinary action against any other individual in the School District community. Additionally, appropriate action will be taken to stop and otherwise deal with any third party who engages in harassment against our students.

#### **Definitions**

- Bullying (See the bullying policy immediately following this section)
- Harassment: Any threatening, insulting, or dehumanizing gesture, use of data or computer software, or written, verbal or physical conduct directed against a student that:
  - 1. Places a student in reasonable fear of harm to his/her person or damage to his/ her property;
  - 2. Has the effect of substantially interfering with a student's educational performance, opportunities, or benefits; or
  - 3. Has the effect of substantially disrupting the orderly operation of a school.
- Sexual Harassment: Unwelcome sexual advances, requests of sexual favors, sexually motivated physical conduct or other verbal or physical conduct or communication of a sexual nature. Important...parent/guardians and students are encouraged to read the entire Board of Education policy with corresponding examples.
- Other forms of harassment such as race/color, religion, national origin, and disability are defined in the full text of the Board of Education policy.

## **Reporting Procedures**

Students and all other members of the School District community, as well as third parties, are encouraged to promptly report incidents of harassing conduct to a school staff member (teacher, counselor, or principal, for example) so the conduct can be addressed before it becomes severe, pervasive, or persistent. The District will investigate as described below. Initiating a complaint will not adversely affect the complaining individual's participation in educational or extracurricular programs unless the complaining individual makes the complaint maliciously or with knowledge that is false.

The reporting procedures are as follows:

- 1. Any student, parent/guardian of a student, teacher, school staff member, or school community member is encouraged to report the alleged act(s) to the school principal or district compliance officer.
- 2. The reporting party shall be encouraged to use a report form (See Addendum A) available in each school main office, but oral reports shall be considered complaints as well.
- 3. To provide individuals with options for reporting harassment to an individual of the gender with which they feel most comfortable, each school's building principal will designate one male and one female staff person (designated as Complaint Coordinators) to receive reports of harassment prohibited by this policy.

#### Confidentiality

The District will make all reasonable efforts to protect the rights of the complainant and the respondent. The District will respect the privacy of the complainant, the respondent, and all witnesses in a manner consistent with the District's legal obligation under state and federal law.

#### Sanctions and Monitoring

The Board shall vigorously enforce its prohibitions against harassment by taking appropriate action reasonable calculated to stop the harassment and prevent further such harassment. A violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action up to and including the discharge of an employee or the suspension /expulsion of a student. All disciplinary action will be taken in accordance with applicable law and the ages and maturity levels of the students.

#### Retaliation

Any act of retaliation against a person who has made a report or filed a complaint alleging harassment, or who has participated as a witness in a harassment investigation is prohibited.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANAWA HARASSMENT COMPLAINT FORM** – Addendum A at the end of this handbook.

#### **Bullying Policy**

\*Parents/guardians and students are encouraged to read the full text of the Board of Education Policy governing Bullying available on the District web site or by contacting the school main office.

The Board of Education is committed to providing a safe, positive, productive, and nurturing educational environment for all of its students. The Board encourages the promotion of positive interpersonal relations between members of the school community. Bullying toward a student, whether by other students, staff, or third parties is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated.

This prohibition includes physical, verbal, and psychological abuse. The Board will not tolerate any gestures, comments, threats, or actions which cause or threaten to cause bodily harm or

personal degradation. This policy applies to all activities in the District, including activities on school property, including at any of the school buildings or other property used exclusively or in part, whether leased or owned by the District, for the purpose of school-related functions or events; or while traveling to or from school or to and from school-sponsored functions or events; in transporting vehicles arranged for by School District officials. The policy applies as well during activities that occur off-school property if the student or employee is at any school-sponsored, school-approved or school-related activity or function, such as field trips or athletic events where students are under the supervision of school authorities, or where an employee is engaged in school business.

Bullying is deliberate or intentional behavior using word or actions, intended to cause fear, intimidation, or harm.

Bullying may be a repeated behavior and involves an imbalance of power. Furthermore, it may be serious enough to negatively impact a student's educational, physical, or emotional well-being. The behavior may be motivated by an actual or perceived distinguishing characteristic, such as, but not limited to: age; national origin; race; ethnicity; religion; gender; gender identity; sexual orientation; physical attributes; physical or mental ability or disability; and social, economic, or family status; however this type of bullying behavior need not be based on any of the legally protected characteristics. It includes, but is not necessarily limited to such behaviors as stalking, cyber bullying, intimidating, menacing, coercing, name-calling, taunting, making threats, and hazing.

Any student that believes s/he has been or is the victim of bullying should immediately report the situation to the building principal or the District Administrator. The student may also report concerns to a teacher or counselor who will be responsible for notifying the appropriate administrator or Board official. Complaints against the building principal should be filed with the District Administrator. Complaints against the District Administrator should be filed with the Board President.

Every student is encouraged to report any situation that they believe to be bullying behavior directed toward a student. Reports may be made to those identified above.

All school staff members and school officials who observe or become aware of acts of bullying are required to report these acts to the building principal or the District Administrator.

Reports of bullying may be made verbally or in writing and may be made confidentially. All such reports, whether verbal or in writing, will be taken seriously and a clear account of the incident is to be documented. A written record of the report, including all pertinent details, will be made by the recipient of the report.

All complaints about behavior that may violate this policy shall be investigated promptly by the building principal. The staff member who is investigating the report of bullying shall interview the victim(s) of the alleged bullying and collect whatever other information is necessary to determine the facts and the seriousness of the report.

Parents and/or guardians of each student involved in the bullying report will be notified prior to the conclusion of the investigation. The District shall maintain the confidentiality of the report and any related student records to the extent required by law.

If the investigation finds that bullying has occurred, it will result in prompt and appropriate remedial and/or disciplinary action. This may include student discipline, including, but not limited to reprimand, suspension, or possible expulsion. Further, the result of an investigation that finds that bullying has occurred may result in discharge for employees, exclusion for parent/guardians, guests, volunteers, and contractors, and removal from any official position

and/or a request to resign for Board members. Individuals may also be referred to law enforcement officials.

The complainant shall be notified of the findings of the investigation, and as appropriate, that remedial action has been taken.

This policy shall not be interpreted to infringe upon the First Amendment rights of students (i.e., to prohibit a reasoned and civil exchange of opinions, or debate, that is conducted at appropriate times and places during the school day and is protected by State or Federal law).

Retaliation against any person who reports, is thought to have reported, files a complaint, or otherwise participates in an investigation or inquiry concerning allegations of bullying is prohibited and will not be tolerated. Such retaliation shall be considered a serious violation of Board policy and independent of whether a complaint is substantiated. Suspected retaliation should be reported in the same manner as bullying. Making intentionally false reports about bullying for the purpose of getting someone in trouble is similarly prohibited and will not be tolerated. Retaliation and intentionally making a false report may result in disciplinary action as indicated above.

The following definitions are provided for guidance only. If a student or other individual believes there has been bullying, regardless of whether it fits a particular definition, s/he should report it and allow the administration to determine the appropriate course of action. Some examples of bullying are:

- Physical hitting, kicking, spitting, pushing, pulling, taking and/or damaging personal belongings or extorting money, blocking or impeding student movement, unwelcome physical contact.
- Verbal taunting, malicious teasing, insulting, name calling, making threats.
- Psychological spreading rumors, manipulating social relationships, coercion, or engaging in social exclusion/shunning, extortion, or intimidation.
- "Cyber-bullying" the use of information and communication technologies such as e-mail, cell phone and pager text messages, instant messaging (IM), defamatory personal web sites, and defamatory online personal polling web sites, to support deliberate, repeated, and hostile behavior by an individual or group, that is intended to harm others."

"Intimidation" includes, but is not limited to, any threat or act intended to tamper, substantially damage or interfere with another's property, cause substantial inconvenience, subject another to offensive physical contact or inflict serious physical injury on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or sexual orientation.

"Menacing" includes, but is not limited to, any act intended to place a school employee, student, or third party in fear of imminent serious physical injury.

"Harassment" means behavior toward a student or group of students based, in whole or in part on the traits of sex (including transgender status, change of sex, or gender identity), race, color, national origin, religion, creed, ancestry, marital or parent/guardian status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability, or any other characteristic protected by federal or state civil rights laws (hereinafter referred to as "Protected Characteristics which substantially interferes with the student's school or academic performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive school environment. Harassment may occur student-to-student, student-to-staff, staff-to-student, male-to-female, female-to-male, male-to-male, or female-to-female. Examples of conduct that may constitute harassment include:

- A. Graffiti containing offensive language;
- B. Name calling, jokes or rumors;
- C. Threatening or intimidating conduct directed at another because of the other's protected characteristic (e.g., sex, race, learning disability);
- D. Notes or cartoons:
- E. Slurs, negative stereotypes, and hostile acts which are based upon another's protected characteristic;
- F. Written or graphic material containing comments or stereotypes which is posted or circulated and which is aimed at degrading individuals or members of protected classes;
- G. A physical act of aggression or assault upon another because of, or in a manner reasonably related to, the individual's protected characteristic; or
- H. Other kinds of aggressive conduct such as theft or damage to property, which is motivated by a protected characteristic.

#### SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Sexual harassment deserves special mention. Sexual harassment consists of unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, sexually motivated physical conduct or other verbal or physical conduct or communication of a sexual nature when:

- A. Submission to that conduct or communication is made a term or condition, either explicitly or implicitly, of obtaining an education; or
- B. Submission or rejection of that conduct or communication by an individual is used as a factor in decisions affecting that individual's education; or
- C. That conduct or communication has the purpose or effect of substantially or unreasonably interfering with an individual's education, or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive educational environment.

Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- A. Unwelcome verbal harassment or abuse;
- B. Unwelcome pressure for sexual activity;
- C. Unwelcome, sexually motivated or inappropriate patting, pinching or physical contact, other than necessary restraint of students by teachers, administrators or other school personnel to avoid physical harm to persons or property;
- D. Unwelcome sexual behavior or words including demands for sexual favors, accompanied by implied or overt threats concerning an individual's educational status:
- E. Unwelcome sexual behavior or words, including demands for sexual favors, accompanied by implied or overt promises of preferential treatment with regard to an individual's educational status; or
- F. Unwelcome behavior or words directed at an individual because of their sex of sexual orientation;

Sexual harassment examples include, but are not limited to:

- A. Repeatedly asking a person for dates or sexual behavior after the person has indicated no interest:
- B. Rating a person's sexuality or attractiveness;
- C. Staring or leering at various parts of another person's body;
- D. Spreading rumors about a person's sexuality;
- E. Letters, notes, telephone calls or materials of a sexual nature; and
- F. Displaying pictures, calendars, cartoons or other materials with sexual content;

- G. A pattern of conduct, which can be subtle in nature, that has sexual overtones and is intended to create or has the effect of creating discomfort and/or humiliation to another;
- H. remarks speculating about a person's sexual activities or sexual history, or remarks about one's own sexual activities or sexual history.

It is also the policy of the School that a sexual relationship between staff and students is not permissible in any form or under any circumstances, in or out of the school, in that it interferes with the educational process and may involve elements of coercion by reason of the relative status of a staff member to a student. An inappropriate boundary invasion by a District employee or other adult member of the School District Community into a student's personal space and personal life is sexual harassment.

If you wish to report harassment, please contact one of the Complaint Coordinators listed above.

A copy of school's Anti-Harassment Policy, including the reporting, investigation, and resolution procedures, is available in the school office.

#### **SECTION 504/ADA COMPLAINT**

Any person who believes that the Manawa Elementary School or any staff person has discriminated against them in violation of the District's Section 504/ADA policy may file a complaint. A formal complaint can be made in writing to a School Compliance Officer listed below:

LuAnne Ujazdowski School Counselor, (920) 596-5703 lujasdowski@manawa.k12.wi.us

The complaint procedure is available in the School office.

# SCHOOL DAY/BELL SCHEDULE MANAWA ELEMENTARY BELL SCHEDULE

#### **Arrival**

School begins promptly at **7:50 a.m.** Students may be dropped off as early as 7:30 a.m. for breakfast. Please do not drop students off before 7:30 a.m. as we cannot guarantee adult supervision prior to this time.

## **Daily Schedule**

7:30 a.m. Breakfast

7:40 a.m. Students report to classrooms

7:50 a.m. Classes begin

10:45 a.m. Morning 4K & Early Childhood dismissal

12:00 p.m. Afternoon 4K begins 2:50 p.m. Dismissal for students

<sup>\*4</sup>K and Early Childhood attend school Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday.

<sup>\*</sup>Wednesday Early Dismissal will be 1:50 p.m., except on September  $5^{th}$  and June  $5^{th}$  dismissal will be 2:50 p.m.

#### STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The rules and procedures of Manawa Elementary School are designed to allow each student to obtain a safe, orderly, and appropriate education. Students can expect their rights to freedom of expression and association and to fair treatment as long as they respect those rights for their fellow students and the staff. Students will be expected to follow teachers' directions and obey all school rules. Disciplinary procedures will comply with the requirements of State and Federal law.

Parents/guardians have the right to know how their child is succeeding in school and will be provided information on a regular basis and as needed, when concerns arise. Many times it will be the responsibility of the student to deliver that information. If necessary, mail or hand delivery may be used to ensure contact. Parents/guardians are encouraged to build a two-way link with their child's teachers and support staff by informing the staff of suggestions or concerns that may help their child better accomplish his/her educational goals.

Students must arrive at school on time, prepared to participate in the educational program. If, for some reason, this is not possible, the student should seek help from the principal.

#### STUDENT WELL-BEING

Student safety is a responsibility of the staff. All staff members are familiar with emergency procedures such as fire and tornado drills and accident reporting procedures. Should a student be aware of any dangerous situation or accident, s/he must notify a staff person immediately.

All students must have an emergency medical card completed, signed by a parent/guardian or guardian, and filed in the school office. A student may be excluded from school until this requirement has been fulfilled.

Students with specific health care needs should submit those needs, in writing and with proper documentation by a physician, to the school office.

#### **INJURY AND ILLNESS**

All injuries must be reported to a teacher or to the office staff. If the injury is minor, the student will be treated and may return to class. If medical attention is required, the office will follow the School's emergency procedures.

A student who becomes injured or ill during the school day should request permission from the teacher to go to the office. The office staff will determine whether the student should remain in school or go home. No student will be released from school without proper parent/guardian permission.

# HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION

The District may arrange for individual instruction to students of legal school age who are not able to attend classes because of a serious physical or emotional disability.

Parents/guardians should contact the principal regarding procedures for such instruction.

# **SECTION I - GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### **ENROLLING IN THE SCHOOL**

Students generally enroll in the district in which they live. However, the Board will release a resident student who is accepted as a student in another school district under that district's open enrollment program.

Students who are new to Manawa Elementary School are required to enroll with their parent or legal guardian. When enrolling, the parent/guardian will need to bring:

- A. A birth certificate or similar document;
- B. Custody papers from a court (if appropriate);
- C. Proof of residency; and
- D. Proof of immunizations and/or an appropriate waiver.

In some cases, a temporary enrollment may be permitted. If that is done, the parent/guardians will be told what records are needed to complete the enrollment process.

Students enrolling from another accredited school will have their courses and grades evaluated by the guidance department. The office staff will assist parents/guardians in obtaining the official records from the other school.

Homeless students who meet the federal definition of homeless may enroll and will be under the direction of the Homeless Liaison with regard to enrollment procedures.

#### SCHEDULING AND ASSIGNMENT

The principal will assign each student to the appropriate classroom and the program in which the student will be participating. Any questions or concerns about the assignment should be discussed with the principal.

#### **EARLY DISMISSAL**

No student will be allowed to leave school prior to dismissal time without a written request signed by the parent/guardian whose signature is on file in the school office or the parent/guardian coming to the school office to request the release. No student will be released to a person other than a custodial parent-or guardian without a permission note signed by the custodial parent or guardian.

# TRANSFER OUT OF THE DISTRICT

If a student plans to transfer to another school, the parent/guardian must notify the principal. Transfer will be authorized only after the student has completed the arrangements, returned all school materials, and paid any fees or fines that are due.

#### **OPEN ENROLLMENT**

The School District of Manawa will participate in the Wisconsin Public School Open Enrollment Program in accordance with applicable law and the relevant policies and rules of the District, all as amended from time-to-time.

#### WITHDRAWAL FROM SCHOOL

No student under the age of eighteen (18) will be allowed to withdraw from school without the written consent of his/her parent/guardians-and completion of any required forms.

# **IMMUNIZATIONS**

Each student must have the immunizations required by the Wisconsin Department of Health and Human Services or must have an authorized waiver. If a student does not have the necessary shots or waivers, s/he may be excluded from school as permitted by law. This is for the safety of all students and staff. Any questions about immunizations or waivers should be directed to the School Nurse, Trisha Taber.

# STUDENT ACCIDENTS/ILLNESS/CONCUSSION

The School District of Manawa believes that school personnel have certain responsibilities in case of accidents, illness or concussions that occur in school. Said responsibilities extend to the administration of first aid by persons trained to do so, summoning of medical assistance, and notification of administration personnel, notification of parents/guardians, and the filing of accident reports.

#### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION**

Per Board policy, every student must have an Emergency Medical Authorization Form completed and signed by his/her parent/guardian in order to participate in any activity off school grounds. This includes field trips, spectator trips, athletic and other extra-curricular activities, and co-curricular activities.

The school has made the Emergency Medical Authorization Form available to every parent/guardian at the time of enrollment. A student's failure to return the completed form to school may jeopardize the student's participation in school activities.

# USE OF PRESCRIBED MEDICATIONS

In those circumstances where a student must take prescribed medication during the school day, the following guidelines are to be observed.

- Parents/guardians should, with their physician's advice, determine whether the medication schedule can be adjusted to avoid administering medication during school hours.
- The Medication Request and Authorization Form must be filed with the principal and the school nurse before the student will be allowed to begin taking any medication (including emergency medications for allergies and/or reactions) during school hours. The forms are available in the School office.
- All medications to be administered during school hours must be registered with the nurse's office.
- Medication that is brought to the office will be properly secured.
- Medication may be conveyed to school directly by the parent/guardian.

- For each prescribed medication, the container shall have a pharmacist's label with the following information:
  - 1. Student's name
  - 2. Practitioner's name
  - 3. Date
  - 4. Pharmacy name and telephone
  - 5. Name of medication
  - 6. Prescribed dosage and frequency
  - 7. Special handling and storage directions
- Medication MAY NOT be sent to school in a student's lunch box, pocket, or other means on or about his/her person, except for emergency medications for allergies and/or reactions.
- Any unused medication unclaimed by the parent/guardian will be destroyed by School personnel when a prescription is no longer to be administered or at the end of a school year.

A log for each prescribed medication shall be maintained by the School that will note the personnel giving the medication, the date, and the time of day. This log will be maintained along with the physician's written request and the parent/guardian's written release.

#### **ASTHMA INHALERS AND EPI-PENS**

Students, with appropriate written permission from both physician and parent/guardian, may possess and use a method dose inhaler or dry powder inhaler to alleviate asthmatic symptoms. Inhalers and Epinephrine (Epi-pen) can be administered only in accordance with conditions confirmed by the school principal and updated annually.

# **USE OF NON-PRESCRIBED (DRUG PRODUCTS)**

• Staff and volunteers will not be permitted to dispense non-prescribed drug products to any student without written parent/guardian consent.

The Nonprescription Drug Product Request must be filed with the School Nurse or Principal before the student will be allowed to begin taking any medication during school hours.

For each nonprescription drug product, the container shall be the original manufacturer's package and the package must list in a legible format the ingredients and recommended therapeutic dose.

The parent/guardians request to administer a nonprescription drug product shall contain the following information:

- A. Student's name
- B. Date
- C. Name of medication
- D. Dosage and frequency
- E. Special handling and storage directions

Further, only those nonprescription drugs that are provided by the parent/guardian in the original manufacturers' package which lists the ingredients and dosage in a legible format may be administered.

Parents/guardians may authorize the school to administer a non-prescribed drug product using a form which is available at the school office. A physician does not have to authorize such medication. The parent/guardian may also authorize on the form that their child:

- May self-administer the medication.
- Keep the medication in his/her possession.

If a student is found using or possessing a non-prescribed drug product without parent/guardian authorization, s/he will be brought to the school office and the parents/guardians will be contacted for authorization. The medication will be confiscated until written authorization is received.

Any student who distributes a medication of any kind to another student or is found to possess a medication other than the one previously authorized is in violation of the school's Code of Conduct and may be disciplined in accordance with the drug-use provision of the Code.

#### **HEAD LICE**

If a child in the District is found to have lice, the child's parent/guardian will be contacted to have the child treated and to pick him/her up immediately. After treatment and upon returning to school, the child will be examined by the school health staff or principal. The District practices a policy of "no live lice" and no nits as criteria for return to school.

# CONTROL OF CASUAL-CONTACT COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Because a school has a high concentration of people, it is necessary to take specific measures when the health or safety of the group is at risk. A teacher, nurse, or principal may send home a student who is suspected of having a communicable disease and will notify the parent/guardian of such action and the reason(s) it was taken. School officials may be required to notify local health officials if they suspect a student has a communicable disease as identified by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. School officials will comply with notification requirements of the Department of Health and Family Services in addition to notifying the student's parent/guardian.

Examples of such diseases include diphtheria, scarlet fever, strep infections, whooping cough, mumps, measles, rubella, and other conditions indicated by the Wisconsin Department of Health and Human Services.

Any student's removal from school will only be for the contagious period as specified in the school's administrative guidelines.

# DIRECT CONTACT COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

In the case of non-casual-contact communicable diseases, the school still has the obligation to protect the safety of the staff and students. In these cases, the person in question will have his/her status reviewed by a panel of resource people to ensure that the rights of the person affected and those in contact with that person are respected. The school will seek to keep students and staff in school unless there is definitive evidence to warrant exclusion.

Non-casual-contact communicable diseases include sexually transmitted diseases, AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome), ARC-AIDS Related Complex, HIV (Human

Immunodeficiency Virus), Hepatitis B, and other diseases that may be specified by the Wisconsin Department of Health and Human Services.

As required by Federal and State law, parent/guardians may be required to have their child's blood checked for HIV and HBV, and other blood-borne pathogens when the child has bled at school and students or staff members have been exposed to the blood. Any testing is subject to laws protecting confidentiality.

# INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

The American's with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act provide that no individual will be discriminated against on the basis of a disability. This protection applies not just to the student, but to all individuals who have access to the District's programs and facilities.

A student can access special education services through the proper evaluation and placement procedure. Parent/guardian involvement in this procedure is generally required. More important, the school encourages parents/guardians to be active participants. To inquire about special education programs and services, a parent/guardian should contact Dr. Melanie J. Oppor (920) 596-2525.

The district is committed to identifying, evaluating, and providing a free appropriate public education ("FAPE") to students within its jurisdiction who are disabled within the definition of Section 504, regardless of the nature or severity of their disabilities.

Services are also available to students with limited English proficiency. To inquire about programs and services, a parent/guardian should contact Carmen O'Brien at (920) 596-5840.

# STUDENT RECORDS

The origination and maintenance of appropriate student records are essential to the effective operation of the District and meeting the educational interests of students. The rights and responsibilities of students, parent/guardians and the District with respect to student records are governed by State and Federal law. Many student records are kept by teachers, counselors and administrative staff. There are two (2) basic kinds of student records -- directory information and confidential records.

Directory information can be given to any person or organization for non-commercial or non-business purposes when requested, unless the parent/guardians of the student object in writing to the disclosure as required under school policy and State and Federal law. Directory information generally includes student records that identify a student's name, photograph, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height for members of athletic teams, date of graduation, and degrees and awards received. Directory information also includes a student ID number, user ID, or other unique personal identifier used by the student when accessing or communicating in a district's electronic systems, if, standing alone, it cannot be used to access student education records, (i.e. a pin number, password, or other factor is also needed).

• If parents/guardians and eligible students do not submit their written objection to dissemination to the Board, directory information may be utilized by the District Administrator in District-wide publications, on the cable television educational access channel, or on the District's website. The directory information used will be properly verified and approved by the District Administrator.

Student records are generally considered confidential under State and Federal law and may not be released to third parties unless the student's parent/guardians' consent in writing. However,

there are exceptions to confidentiality, and requests for records within these exceptions may be granted without a parent/guardian's written consent. If you have questions about the confidentiality of student records and/or the release of student records to third-parties, please contact Dr. Melanie J. Oppor.

Parents/guardians and students are reminded of: 1) their rights to inspect, review and obtain copies of students records; 2) their rights to request the amendment of the student's school records if they believe the records are inaccurate or misleading; 3) their rights to consent to the disclosure of the student's school records, except to the extent State and Federal law authorizes disclosure without consent; 4) the categories of student record information which have been designated as directory information and their right to deny the release of such information; and 5) their right to file a complaint with the Family Policy Compliance Office of the U.S. Department of Education.

Consistent with the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA), no student shall be required, as a part of the school program or the District's curriculum, without prior written consent of the student (if an adult, or an emancipated minor) or, his/her parent/guardian, to submit to or participate in any survey, analysis, or evaluation that reveals information concerning:

- A. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or his/her parent/guardians;
- B. Mental or psychological problems of the student or his/her family;
- C. Sex behavior or attitudes;
- D. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating or demeaning behavior;
- E. Critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships;
- F. Legally recognized privileged and analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians, and ministers;
- G. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or his/her parent/guardians; or
- H. Income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such a program).

Consistent with the PPRA and Board policy, parents/guardians may inspect any materials used in conjunction with any such survey, analysis, or evaluation. Please contact Jeanne Frazier, Administrative Assistant, to inspect such materials.

Further, parents/guardians have the right to inspect, upon request, a survey or evaluation created by a third party before the survey/evaluation is administered or distributed by the school to the student. The parent/guardian will have access to the survey/evaluation within a reasonable period of time after the request is received by the building principal.

The District Administrator will provide notice directly to parents/guardians of students enrolled in the District of the substantive content of this policy at least annually at the beginning of the school year, and within a reasonable period of time after any substantive change in this policy. In addition, the District Administrator is directed to notify parents/guardians of students in the District, at least annually at the beginning of the school year, of the specific or approximate dates during the school year when the following activities are scheduled or expected to be scheduled:

A. The administration of any survey by a third party that contains one or more of sensitive information contained in A through H above.

The Family Policy Compliance Office in the U.S. Department of Education administers both Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA). Parents/guardians and/or eligible students 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 20202-4605 Washington, D.C. www.ed.gov/offices/OM/fpco

Informal inquiries may be sent to the Family Policy Compliance Office via the following email addresses: FERPA@ED.Gov; and PPRA@ED.Gov.

# STUDENT FEES, FINES, AND CHARGES

The district fee for Kindergarten through Grade 6 students is \$15.00. There is no district fee for 4K students.

The field trip fee for 4K through Grade 6 students is \$10.00.

A student athletic pass is available for optional purchase for \$5.00.

#### STUDENT FUND-RAISING

Students participating in school-sponsored groups and activities will be allowed to solicit funds from other students, staff members, and members of the community in accordance with school guidelines. The following general rules will apply to all fund-raisers.

- Students involved in the fund-raiser are not to interfere with students participating in other activities in order to solicit funds.
- A student will not be allowed to participate in a fund-raising activity for a group in which s/he is not a member without the approval of the student's teacher or counselor.
- No student may participate in fundraising activities off school property without proper supervision by approved staff or other adults.
- House-to-house canvassing by any student is not allowed for any fundraising activity.
- Students under the age of nine (9) must be accompanied by a parent/guardian or person sixteen (16) years of age or older.
- Any fund-raisers that require students to exert themselves physically beyond their normal pattern of activity, such as "runs for .....", will be monitored by a staff member in order to prevent a student from overextending himself/herself to the point of potential harm.
- No student may participate in a fund-raising activity conducted by a parent/guardian group, booster club, or community organization on school property without the approval of the principal.
- Fundraising by students on behalf of school-related organizations whose funds are not managed by the District may be permitted on school grounds by the District Administrator. If the fundraising activity will involve students under age nine (9) or the group holding the fundraiser includes any students under age nine (9), the group shall secure permission from such students' parent/guardians-to participate in the fundraising activity and shall assure that any such students are always accompanied by a parent/guardian or a person at least sixteen (16) years of age.

# STUDENT VALUABLES

Students are encouraged not to bring items of value to school. Items such as jewelry, expensive clothing, electronic equipment, and the like, are tempting targets for theft and extortion. The school cannot be responsible for their safe-keeping and will not be liable for loss or damage to personal valuables.

# **REVIEW OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS**

Parents/guardians have the right to review any instructional materials related to the human growth and development curriculum and may also observe instruction in classes dealing with such subject matter. Any parent/guardian who wishes to review instructional materials or observe classroom instruction should contact the Principal to make the appropriate arrangements. Parents'/guardians' rights to review teaching materials and instructional activities are subject to reasonable restrictions and limits.

#### **MEAL SERVICE**

The school participates in the National School Lunch Program and makes lunches available to students for a fee. Students may also bring their own lunch to school for consumption in the school's cafeteria.

Applications for the school's Free and Reduced-Priced Meal program are distributed to all students. Extra applications can be obtained in the school office.

#### FIRE AND TORNADO DRILLS

The school complies with all fire safety laws and will conduct fire drills in accordance with State law. Specific instructions on how to proceed will be provided to students by their teachers, who are responsible for safe, prompt, and orderly evacuation of the building.

Tornado drills will be conducted during the tornado season using the procedures provided by the State.

Lock down drills in which the students are restricted to the interior of the school building and the building secured may occur during the school year.

#### **EMERGENCY CLOSINGS AND DELAYS**

If the school must be closed or the opening delayed because of inclement weather or other conditions, the school will notify the following radio and television stations:

WDUX ----Waupaca 92.7 WBAY-CH 2
WFRV-CH 5 WSAW-CH 7
WLUK-CH 11 NBC 26

If there is no announcement made on the radio and television stations, school will be open and the buses will be running. If the weather should turn severe during the day and buses are sent out early, an announcement to this effect will be made on the above stations. Parents/guardians will also have the option of receiving an alert to their phone or email account. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to ensure updated directory information. Parents/guardians and students are responsible for knowing about emergency closings and delays.

# PREPAREDNESS FOR TOXIC AND ASBESTOS HAZARDS

The School is concerned for the safety of students and attempts to comply with all Federal and State Laws and Regulations to protect students from hazards that may result from industrial accidents beyond the control of school officials or from the presence of asbestos materials used

in previous construction. A copy of the School District's Toxic Hazard Policy and asbestos management plan will be made available for inspection at the Board offices upon request.

#### **VISITORS**

Visitors, particularly parents/guardians, are welcome at the school. In order to properly monitor the safety of students and staff, each visitor must report to the office upon entering the school to obtain a pass. Any visitor found in the building without a pass shall be reported to the principal. If a person wishes to confer with a member of the staff, s/he should call for an appointment prior to coming to the school, in order to prevent any loss of instructional time.

Visitors access to classrooms and instructional activities are subject to reasonable restrictions and limits. Please consult with the principal regarding these restrictions.

Students may not bring visitors to school without first obtaining advanced written permission from the principal.

# USE OF SCHOOL EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES

Students must receive the permission of the teacher before using any equipment or materials in the classroom and the permission of the principal to use any other school equipment or facility. Students will be held responsible for the proper use and safekeeping of any equipment or facility they are allowed to use.

# LOST AND FOUND

The lost and found area is in the main office. Students who have lost items should check there and may retrieve their items if they give a proper description. Unclaimed items will be given to charity at the close of the school year.

# STUDENT SALES

No student is permitted to sell any item or service in school without the approval of the principal. Violation of this rule may lead to disciplinary action.

# **USE OF SCHOOL TELEPHONES**

Office telephones are not to be used for personal calls. Except in an emergency, students will not be called to the office to receive a telephone call.

• Telephones are available in the school for students to use when they are not in class. Students are not to use telephones to call parents/guardians to receive permission to leave school. Office personnel will initiate all calls on behalf of a student seeking permission to leave school.

# USE OF CELL PHONES, OR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

#### SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANAWA

**Electronic Communication Device Policy** 

The School District of Manawa recognizes the value electronic communication devices add to the educational experience of all students as well as aid in improving communication with parents/guardians. Therefore, the use of wireless communication devices (WCDs) before and after school, during after school activities (e.g. extra- curricular activities), and/or at school-related functions is permitted. WCDs may also be used in class when authorized by the

classroom teacher. Use of WCDs at any other time is prohibited. Such possession or use of the WCDs may not, in any way,

- 1. Create a distraction, disruption or otherwise interfere with the educational environment.
- 2. Endanger the health or safety of the student or anyone else.
- 3. Invade the rights of others.
- 4. Involve illegal or prohibited conduct of any kind.

A "wireless communication device" is a device that emits an audible signal, vibrates, displays a message, or otherwise summons or delivers a communication to the possessor. The following devices are examples of WCDs: cellular and wireless telephones, pagers/beepers, personal digital assistants (PDAs), Smart phones, Wi-Fi-enabled or broadband access devices, two-way radios or video broadcasting devices, laptops, and other devices that allow a person to record and/or transmit, on either a real time or delayed basis, sound, video or still images, text, or other information. Students may not use WCDs on school property or at a school-sponsored activity to access and/or view Internet web sites that are otherwise blocked to students at school.

Permission for the possession of a WCD is allowed after an Electronic Communication Device Permit is signed by a parent/guardian, approved by the principal/designee, and on file in the principal's office. The permit will only be valid for the school year in which it was filed. Permission to possess a WCD is dependent on observing the following:

- Students are personally and solely responsible for the care and security of their WCDs. The School District of Manawa and its employees assume no responsibility for theft, loss, damage, or vandalism to WCDs brought onto its property, or the unauthorized use of such devices.
- Students agree that the WCD will remain turned off except when the student is using the device. This means that the device will not ring, beep, vibrate, buzz, or exhibit other displays that indicate that the device is activated.
- Students are prohibited from using WCDs to capture, record or transmit the words (i.e. audio) and/or images (i.e., pictures/video) of any student, staff member or other person during the school day, without express prior notice and explicit consent for the capture, recording or transmission of such words or images. Using a WCD to take or transmit audio and/or pictures/video of an individual without his/her consent is considered an invasion of privacy and is not permitted, unless authorized by the building principal.
- "Sexting", the electronic transmission of sexual messages or pictures, usually through cell phone text messaging, is prohibited at any time on school property or at school functions, while under the supervision of school authorities, or transmitted to others at school. This prohibition also explicitly includes displaying images received to a third party. Such conduct not only is potentially dangerous for the involved students, but can lead to unwanted exposure of the messages and images to others, and could result in criminal violations related to the transmission or possession of child pornography. Such conduct will be subject to discipline and possible confiscation of the WCD.
- WCDs, including but not limited to those with cameras, may not be possessed, activated or utilized at any time in any school situation where a reasonable expectation of personal privacy exists. These locations and circumstances include but are not limited to locker rooms, shower facilities, restrooms, classrooms, and any other areas where students or others may change clothes or be in any stage or degree of disrobing or changing clothes. See Locker Room Privacy Policy. The building principal has authority to make determinations as to other specific locations and situations where possession of a WCD is absolutely prohibited.
- No expectation of confidentiality will exist in the use of WCDs on school premises/property.
- Students are prohibited from using a WCD in any way that might reasonably create in the mind of another person an impression of being threatened, humiliated, harassed, embarrassed or intimidated. Harassment and/or Bullying of Students.

• Students are also prohibited from using a WCD to capture and/or transmit test information or any other information in a manner constituting fraud, theft, cheating, or academic dishonesty. Likewise, students are prohibited from using their WCDs to receive such information.

Possession of a WCD is a privilege that may be forfeited by any student who fails to abide by the terms of this policy, or otherwise engages in misuse of this privilege.

Violations of this policy may result in disciplinary action and/or confiscation of the WCD. The building principal may also refer the matter to law enforcement if the violation involves an illegal activity (e.g., child pornography).

Any person who knows a student is using a WCD in violation of this policy is obligated to report the violation to the building principal.

Parents/guardians are advised that the best way to get in touch with their child during the school day is by calling the school office. Students may use school phones to contact parents/guardians during permissible times of the school day.

LEGAL REF.: Section 118.28 Wisconsin Statutes

Students who violate this policy will face the following disciplinary consequences: (Any electronic device or combination thereof).

1st offense –Warning – device is requested to be turned off.

**2<sup>nd</sup> offense** – Teacher confiscates for the class period.

3rd offense – Phone is turned in to the main office where a parent or guardian must pick up.

Students refusing to relinquish their WCD may receive an in-school or out-of-school suspension. If they still refuse the proper authorities will be called.

#### **WEAPONS**

The Board of the School District of Manawa prohibits possession, use or threat to use, or storing of a weapon or look-alike weapon on school premises before, during, or after school, or at any school-sponsored activity. "School premises" includes a school building, school bus or vehicle, or any other school facility (including any school transportation facility, whether owned or contracted by the District). Students may not have live ammunition on the school site.

Determination of whether an item constitutes a weapon under this policy shall be made in accordance with established procedures. Exceptions to this policy include items which otherwise might be classified as weapons which are brought or transported to school premises or activities as part of a recognized activity for which the item is required, unless such is prohibited by law. (Examples might include but are not necessarily limited to guns handled by a staff member in a gun safety class, a look-alike gun which might be used in a dramatic activity, a gun bayonet which might be part of a history lesson, or a starting pistol used by a staff member in a track athletic event.)

Teachers should advise the appropriate building administrator beforehand of any activity or lesson necessitating the bringing to school of materials such as those described in this policy. Anyone found to be in violation of this policy is subject to discipline and/or legal action. If any part of this policy is held to be invalid under operation of the law, it shall not affect other parts of this policy which may be in compliance with the law.

#### ADVERTISING OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES

No announcements or posting of outside activities will be permitted without the approval of the principal. A minimum of twenty-four (24) hours' notice is required to ensure that the principal has the opportunity to review the announcement or posting.

The school has a central bulletin board located by the main school entrance hallway that may be used for posting notices after receiving permission from the principal.

#### **VIDEO SURVEILLANCE**

The Board of Education has authorized the use of video surveillance and electronic monitoring equipment at various school sites throughout the school. Any person who takes action to block, move, or alter the location and/or viewing angle of a video camera shall be subject to disciplinary action.

#### SAFETY AND SECURITY

- A. All visitors must report to the office when they arrive at school.
- B. All visitors are given and required to wear a building pass while they are in the building.
- C. The staff is expected to question people in the building whom they do not recognize and who are not wearing a building pass, and to question people who are "hanging around" the building after hours.
- D. Students and staff are expected to immediately report to a teacher or administrator any suspicious behavior or situation that makes them uncomfortable. All District employees are to wear photo-identification badges while in District schools and offices or on District property.

# LUNCH PROGRAM Hot Lunch & Breakfast Prices for 2016-2017 School Year:

Hot Lunch (Per Day)	
Elementary	\$2.80
Adult	\$3.50
Breakfast (Per Day)	,
Elementary	\$1.20
Adult	\$1.75
Milk (Per Day)	\$.30

Reduced price is **\$.40** for breakfast and **\$.40** for lunch for all qualifying students in the district.

**Free and Reduced Meal applications must be filled out each year**. Forms are available in each school office, and the District Office. They can be filled out at ANY time throughout the year.

# **SECTION II - ACADEMICS**

#### FIELD TRIPS

Field trips are academic activities that are held off school grounds. There are also other trips that are part of the school's co-curricular and extra-curricular program. No student may participate in any school-sponsored trip without parent/guardian consent.

Attendance rules, the Code of Conduct and the Search and Seizure policy apply to all field trips.

#### **GRADES**

The Teachers have a standard-based grading procedure, as well as additional notations that may indicate work in progress or incomplete work. The term standards-based refers to systems of instruction, assessment, grading, and academic reporting that are based on students demonstrating understanding or mastery of the knowledge and skills they are expected to learn as they progress through their education The purpose of a grade is to indicate the extent to which the student has acquired the necessary learning. If a student is not sure how his/her grade will be determined, s/he should ask the teacher.

## **GRADING PERIODS**

Students shall receive a report card at the end of each 9 week period indicating their grades for each course of study for that portion of the academic term.

When a student appears to be at risk of failure, notification will be provided to the parents so they can talk with the teacher about what actions can be taken to improve the student's performance.

<u>Parent/Guardian / Teacher Conferences:</u> Parent/guardian/teacher conferences will be held for the purpose of evaluation of student progress in school. Parents/guardians are encouraged to communicate with staff members at any time throughout the school year concerning their child's progress. Any time a parent/guardian wishes to see his/her child's records or confer with a teacher s/he should make an appointment through the Elementary School office.

# PROMOTION, PLACEMENT, AND RETENTION

#### Grades 5K-6 Level

Criteria: To be promoted all students in grades 3-8 must demonstrate adequate progress in core subject areas. Literacy and numeracy are the foundation of all core subjects. To that end, adequate progress will be determined by end-of-year report card standard scores for core academic subjects at a score of "S" in grades kindergarten, one and two or a "D" or higher in grades three through eight. If adequate progress is not evident, based on the report care scores, multiple measures may be used to compile a complete student learning profile for promotion consideration.

The multiple measures to consider may include, but are not limited to:

- A. Wisconsin School Assessment System Examination scores
- B. Response to Intervention/Instruction documentation
- C. Local assessments
- D. Teacher recommendations
- E. Demonstrate adequate progress toward attainment of annual goals specified in the Individualized Education Plan (IEP), Section 504 Plans, or English Development Learning Plan (EDLP) as documented by the staff serving the student.

# **Remediation Opportunities**

School personnel shall make a concerted and repeated effort throughout the school year to notify the parents/guardians of students who are at-risk of not meeting grade-level expectations and thus, may not be eligible for promotion. Opportunities to support student learning will be suggested and encouraged. In this way, students, with the support of their parents/guardians, can take full advantage of Response to Intervention/Instruction (RtI) time, Summer School, or other remediation learning opportunities for the purpose of meeting the grade-level criteria as described above to be eligible for promotion. Students' progress in meeting grade-level criteria will be monitored using universal screeners. "Universal screening is the systemic assessment of all children within a given class, grade, school building, or school district, on academic and/or social–emotional indicators that the school personnel and community have agreed are important" (Ikeda, Neessen, & Witt, 2009).

Universal screeners are administered in fall, winter, and spring if:

- A student scores below the cut score, differentiation instruction within the classroom will take place. The Building Consultation Team (BCT) supports the teacher in this process.
- The student continues not meeting the target growth; the BCT reviews additional data (formative, summative, and observational). The team then consults with the relevant staff and the parent/guardian is contacted. The team and parents review STAR data, Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark results, and teacher data.
- A BCT meets to identify appropriate evidence based on the intervention plan. The teacher documents frequency, duration, and method of data collection. The progress monitoring data is brought to the BCT throughout the intervention. Tier 2 (small group instruction provided outside of the classroom setting) will be put in place.
- If the intervention was successful, the student returns to universal instruction and the teacher continues to monitor progress for four (4) to six (6) weeks to ensure progress is maintained.
- If the intervention was not successful, then the BCT meets and reviews fidelity and intensity of the intervention. The plan will be modified and Tier 3 (individualized intervention) will be put in place.
- If this is unsuccessful, the BCT will reconvene and review the fidelity and intensity of the intervention. The plan will be modified and the appropriateness of a special education referral will be considered

# **Appeal Process**

Parents/guardians of the student recommended for retention may appeal to the District Administrator or designee. Such appeals shall be filed in writing no later than five (5) days after receiving the official letter of retention. The appeal petition must include reasons why the parent/guardian believes the student should be promoted. The District Administrator or designee shall respond with a decision in writing fifteen (15) days after receipt of the appeal.

# **HOMEWORK**

Teachers will clearly convey homework assignments and expectations to the students. Teachers will exercise flexibility is assigning homework with regard to total school curriculum workload.

Students at Manawa Elementary School will be provided with a student agenda or a similar recording/communication tool. Agendas will be used to keep track of assignments and long-term projects as well as a communication tool for both teachers and parents.

Students must accept, as their own responsibility, obtaining homework assignments missed due to absences. Homework completion of high quality is an essential part of the learning process.

#### STUDENT NETWORK AND INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE AND SAFETY

Students are encouraged to use the school's computers/network and Internet connection for educational purposes. Use of such resources is a privilege, not a right. Students must conduct themselves in a responsible, efficient, ethical, and legal manner. Unauthorized or inappropriate use, including any violation of the school's policies and administrative guidelines, may result in cancellation of the privilege, disciplinary action consistent with the school's rules, and civil or criminal liability. Smooth operation of the school's network relies upon users adhering to the school's policies and administrative guidelines. Prior to accessing the Internet at school, students must sign the Student Network and Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Agreement each year.

The School District reserves the right to monitor, inspect, copy, review and store at any time and without prior notice any and all usage of the computer network and Internet access and any and all information transmitted or received in connection with such usage. All such information files shall be and remain the property of the School District and no user shall have any expectation of privacy regarding such materials.

Use of the Network to engage in "cyber-bullying" is prohibited. "Cyber-bullying" involves the use of information and communication technologies such as e-mail, cell phone and pager text messages, instant messaging (IM), defamatory personal Web sites or MySpace accounts, and defamatory online personal polling Web sites, to support deliberate, repeated, and hostile behavior by an individual or group that is intended to harm others."

Cyber-bullying includes, but is not limited to the following:

- 1. Posting slurs or rumors or other disparaging remarks about a student or school staff member on a web site or on weblog;
- 2. Sending e-mail or instant messages that are mean or threatening, or so numerous as to drive up the victim's cell phone bill;
- 3. Using a camera phone to take and send embarrassing photographs/recordings of students or school staff members or post these images on video sharing sites such as You Tube;
- 4. Posting misleading or fake photographs of students or school staff members on web sites.

To the extent permitted by the First Amendment, instances of cyber-bullying off school grounds that disrupt the school environment or interfere with the learning process will be considered violations of the Student Code of Conduct

Students shall not access social media for personal use from the District's network but shall be permitted to access social media for educational use in accordance with their teacher's approved plan for such use.

#### STUDENT ASSESSMENT

To measure student progress, students will be tested in accordance with State standards and District policy.

Additional group tests are given to students to monitor progress and determine educational mastery levels. These tests are used to help the staff determine instructional needs.

Classroom tests will be used to assess student progress and assign grades. These are selected or prepared by teachers to assess how well the students have achieved specific objectives.

Vocational and interest surveys may be given to identify particular areas of student interest or talent. These are often given by the guidance staff.

• If necessary, intelligence tests, speech and language evaluations, individually administered achievement tests, and other special testing services are available to students needing these services.

Depending on the type of testing, specific information and/or parent/guardian consent may need to be obtained. The assessment program will not violate the rights of consent and privacy of a student participating in any form of evaluation.

#### **SECTION III - STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

# SCHOOL-SPONSORED CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Students have the opportunity to broaden their learning through curricular-related activities.

The school has many student groups that are approved by the Board of Education such as Student Council.

#### **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Co-curricular activities will include, but are not limited to, Club Sports.

Extra-curricular activities do not reflect the school curriculum, but are made available to students to allow them to pursue additional worthwhile activities such as recreational sports, drama, and the like. For further information, contact the Booster Club.

#### **SECTION IV - STUDENT CONDUCT**

# **ATTENDANCE**

The school requires all students to attend school regularly in accordance with the laws of Wisconsin. The school's educational program is predicated upon the presence of the student and requires continuity of instruction and classroom participation. The regular contact of students with one another in the classroom and their participation in a well-planned instructional activity under the guidance of a competent teacher are vital to this purpose.

# **Compulsory Student Attendance**

All children between six (6) and eighteen (18) years of age shall attend school regularly during the full period and hours, religious holidays exempted, that the school is in session. All students must attend until the end of the term, quarter or semester of the school year in which the child becomes eighteen (18) years of age unless they fall under an exception outlined in the District's Administrative Guidelines. A child who is enrolled in five-(5) year-old kindergarten shall attend school regularly, religious holidays exempted, during the full period and hours that kindergarten is in session until the end of the school term.

• Attendance is also defined as participation in the various forms of distance learning including videoconference, satellite, Internet or other electronic information and telecommunications technologies.

#### **Excuse for Absence**

A parent/guardian of a student who is absent shall provide a written, dated, signed statement indicating the reason for and the time period of the absence. This statement must be submitted prior to the absence if the absence is foreseeable. If the absence is not foreseeable, the statement must be provided prior to the student's readmission to school. The statement shall be submitted to the School Principal, Mrs. Pukita, who serves as the School Attendance Officer and filed in the student's school record. The District reserves the right to verify statements and investigate absences from school.

#### **Excused Absences**

A student shall be excused from school for the following reasons:

# Physical or Mental Condition

The student is temporarily not in proper physical or mental condition to attend a school program. If the absence exceeds 5 days, the inability of the student to attend school due to a physical or mental condition must be certified in writing by a licensed physician, dentist, chiropractor, optometrist or psychologist or Christian Science practitioner living and residing in Wisconsin, who is listed in the Christian Science Journal. The time period for which the certification is valid may not exceed thirty [30] days.

# Obtaining Religious Instruction

Students may wish to obtain religious instruction outside the school during the required school period. The time period or periods of absence shall be determined by the principal. Such absences must be at least 60 minutes but not more than 180 minutes per week. Requests for absence under this paragraph shall be denied if the student fails to attend religious instruction after requesting to be absent from his or her regular school. The supervisor of such religious instruction shall report monthly, to the principal of the school regularly attended, the names of the students who attended such weekly religious instruction.

# Permission of Parent or Guardian

The student may be excused by his or her parent or guardian before the absence for any or no reason. A student may not be excused for more than ten (10) days under this paragraph and must complete any course work missed during the absence. Examples of reasons for being absent that should be counted under this paragraph include, but are not limited to, the following:

- professional and other necessary appointments (e.g., medical, dental, and legal) that cannot be scheduled outside the school day
- to attend the funeral of a relative
- legal proceedings that require the student's presence
- vacations

Parents/guardians are encouraged not to take their child out of school for vacations. When a family vacation must be scheduled during the school year, the parents/guardians should discuss the matter with the principal and the student's teacher(s) to make necessary arrangements.

## Religious Holiday

The student wishes to observe a religious holiday consistent with the student's creed or belief.

# Suspension or Expulsion

The student has been suspended or expelled.

A student <u>may</u> be excused from school, as determined by the School Attendance Officer, for the following reasons:

- Quarantine: Quarantine of the student's home by a public health officer.
- Illness of an Immediate Family Member
- Emergency: An emergency that requires the student to be absent because of family responsibilities or other appropriate reasons.

# Truancy

A student will be considered truant if he or she is absent part or all of one or more days from school during which the School Attendance Officer, principal, or a teacher has not been notified of the legal cause of such absence by the parent/guardian or guardian of the absent student. A student will also be considered truant if he or she has been absent intermittently for the purpose of defeating the intent of the Wisconsin Compulsory Attendance statute – Sec. 118.15, Wis. Stat.

When a student is truant, the School Attendance Officer shall ensure that all applicable provisions of the District's Truancy Plan are carried out.

#### **Unexcused Absences**

Unexcused absences demonstrate a deliberate disregard for the educational program and are considered a serious matter. The principal will determine on a case-by-case basis the appropriate methods to deal with unexcused absences.

Approved Absences: Personal illnesses, a death in the family, religious holidays, or extreme emergencies are acceptable reasons for an absence. A **valid** excuse written by a parent/guardian must be presented to the office upon return to school, or a phone call from a parent/guardian on the day of absence, documenting the reason for the absence must be made to the school office. For a definition of a "**valid**" excuse, see the following examples:

# **Examples of Unexcused Absences:**

- Oversleeping
- Stayed home to finish homework
- Missing the bus/car wouldn't start
- Shopping/haircut/pictures
- Leaving school without permission

#### **Habitual Truancy**

A student is considered a habitual truant if he or she is absent from school without an acceptable excuse for part or all of five (5) or more days on which school is held during a school semester. When a student initially becomes a habitual truant, the School Attendance Officer shall ensure that all applicable provisions of the Districts' Truancy Plan are carried out.

# Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of the student's parent/guardian to ensure that their child attends school regularly. Parents/guardians are expected to provide an excuse for all absences.

# Student Responsibilities.

Students are required to attend all classes and other school activities on their daily schedule, unless they have been excused from school.

**Notification:** When a student's attendance for the day is unexcused, contact will be made to the parent/guardian. A message may be left on an answering machine. The parent/guardian will then have 2 days to notify the school office, either by phone or written note, stating the reason for the absence. If after 2 days the office has not received notification for the unexcused absence, the student then becomes truant and will be referred to administration for disciplinary action.

#### **TARDINESS**

- a. Students who are not in their homeroom or in class when the late bell rings are considered tardy.
- b. Students who attend any part of the class shall be recorded as present.
- c. Elementary School: All students who are tardy to school must report to the office upon arrival and get an admit slip to class.

Cases of truancy/tardiness will be referred to the school principal to plan options for addressing the truancy concern.

# STUDENT ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL EVENTS

The school encourages students to attend as many school events held after school as possible, without interfering with their school work and home activities. Enthusiastic spectators help to build school spirit and encourage those students who are participating in the event.

However, in order to ensure that students attending evening events as nonparticipants are safe, it is strongly advised that students be accompanied by a parent/guardian or adult chaperone when they attend the event.

- The school will not be able to supervise unaccompanied students nor will it be responsible for students who arrive without an adult chaperone.
- The school will continue to provide adequate supervision for all students who are participants in a school activity.

#### CODE OF CONDUCT

Participants/athletes are reminded that they represent the school both at athletic contests and elsewhere. All participants/athletes are expected to follow all school rules and to display high standards of behavior, including good sportsmanship, respect for others, and use of appropriate language and dress at all times. Participants/athletes must refrain from any conduct at any time that would reflect unsatisfactorily on him or her or the school. This code applies to all school activities, both curricular and extracurricular, that occur outside of the normal school day.

Conduct that would reflect unsatisfactory on a participant/athlete or on the school includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Any crime dealing with, but not limited to, sexual behavior, vandalism or property damage, theft.
- Possession, use, sale or purchase of any controlled substance/intoxicant or drug paraphernalia. Controlled substances/intoxicants include, but are not limited to:

- anabolic steroids or prescribed medications used in a manner other than that for which they were prescribed.
- Purchase, use or possession of tobacco products or E-cigarettes or anything that resembles them.
- The possession of any weapon or look-alike weapons.
- Hosting, sponsoring, or organizing a party/gathering at which alcohol or drugs are being used, consumed or offered. Students who knowingly or unknowingly attend a party/gathering where alcohol is being used illegally or drugs are present, are expected to remove themselves immediately from the residence. Students are encouraged to report the scenario to a school administrator immediately.

# **Sportsmanship**

All students and parents/guardians are required to practice good sportsmanship during all school-related events. Poor sportsmanship may result in removal from sporting events.

# DRESS AND GROOMING

While fashions change, the reason for being in school does not. Students are in school to learn. Any fashion (dress, accessory, or hairstyle) that disrupts the educational process or presents a safety risk will not be permitted. Personal expression is permitted within these general guidelines.

We take pride in the appearance of our students. All students are expected to dress and groom themselves neatly in clothing that is seasonably suitable for school activities. Students wearing inappropriate clothing, such as but not limited to: clothing with alcohol/tobacco reference, inappropriate slogans and suggestive in nature may be asked to return home to make necessary changes.

- Clothing must cover all undergarments. Shorts, skirts and dresses must reach fingertip in length.
- There will be no midriff showing, no low cut tops, cut-out/ripped t-shirts underneath the arm exposing the torso, spaghetti straps, or strapless garments worn.
- Straps on tank tops must be at least 2 inches wide.
- Hats, caps, headwear, jackets/coats, bulky outerwear, backpacks, large chains, jewelry with sharp objects, low riding pants, etc., are not allowed to be worn in the school.
- It is encouraged to wear shoes with a back strap to keep children safe for playground running and play.

Students should consider the following questions when dressing for school:

- 1. Does my clothing expose too much? (No)
- 2. Does my clothing advertise something that is prohibited to minors? (No)
- 3. Are there obscene, profane, drug-related, gang-related, or inflammatory messages on my clothing? (No)
- 4. Would I interview for a job in this outfit? (Yes)
- 5. Am I dressed appropriately for the weather? (Yes)
- 6. Do I feel comfortable with my appearance? (Yes)

If a student has selected a manner of appearance that is beyond mere freedom of expression and disrupts the educational process or presents risk to themselves or others, s/he may be removed from the educational setting.

# Reporting Concerns:

Anyone in violation will be sent to the office.

If a dress code violation occurs, the following steps will be taken:

- **First Occurrence**: Student will be asked to correct the problem by changing clothes, turning a shirt inside out, putting on shoes, etc.,
- **Second Occurrence**: Student will be asked to correct the problem by changing clothes, turning a shirt inside out, putting on shoes, etc., and a parent/guardian will be notified by phone.

Students attending after school events need to follow the dress. This includes, but not limited to sporting events, and school concerts.

Students who are representing our school at an official function or public event may be required to follow specific dress requirements. Usually, this applies to athletic teams, cheerleaders, bands, and other such groups.

#### CARE OF PROPERTY

Students are responsible for the care of their own personal property. The school will not be responsible for the loss of personal property. Valuables such as jewelry or irreplaceable items should not be brought to school. The school may confiscate such items and return them to the student's parent/guardians.

Damage to or loss of school equipment and facilities wastes taxpayers' money and undermines the school program. Therefore, if a student damages or loses school property, the student or his/her parent/guardian will be required to pay for the replacement or damage. If the damage or loss was intentional, the student will also be subject to discipline according to the Code of Conduct.

#### STUDENT CONDUCT

School rules apply at school, on school property, at school-sponsored events, and on school transportation.

It is the school staff's responsibility to provide a safe and orderly learning environment. History has shown that certain student actions are not compatible with the words "safe" and "orderly". Disciplinary action will be decided on a case-by-case basis and imposed after review of the facts and/or special circumstances of the situation.

Each of the behaviors described below may subject the student to disciplinary action including, but not limited to, suspension and/or expulsion from school.

- 1. Possession or use of a weapon or look-alike or other item that might cause bodily harm to persons.
- 2. Being under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances or otherwise violating the District alcohol and drug policy.
- 3. Behavior that interferes with a person's work or school performance or creates an intimidating, hostile, harassing, or offensive classroom environment.

- 4. Arguing, taunting, baiting, bullying, cyber-bullying, inciting or encouraging an argument or disruption or group posturing to provoke altercations or confrontations.
- 5. Disruption or intimidation caused by gang or group symbols or gestures, or gang or group posturing to provoke altercations or confrontations.
- 6. Pushing, striking, or other inappropriate physical contact with a student or staff member.
- 7. Interfering with the orderly operation of the classroom by using, threatening to use or counseling others to use violence, force, coercion, threats, intimidation, fear, or disruptive means.
- 8. Dressing or grooming in a manner that presents a danger to health or safety, causes interference with work, or creates classroom disorder.
- 9. Restricting another person's freedom to properly utilize classroom facilities or equipment.
- 10. Repeated classroom interruptions, confronting staff argumentatively, making loud noises, or refusing to follow directions.
- 11. Throwing objects in the classroom.
- 12. Repeated disruptions or violations of classroom rules, or excessive or disruptive talking.
- 13. Behavior that causes the teacher or other students fear of physical or psychological harm.
- 14. Willful damage to or theft of school property or the property of others.
- 15. Repeated use of profanity.
- 16. Using tobacco.
- 17. Failure to report knowledge of a weapon, bullying or threat of violence.
- 18. Purposely setting a fire.
- 19. Gambling.
- 20. Plagiarism and falsification of identification or school documents.
- 21. Issuing a false alarm or false report.
- 22. Trespassing.
- 23. Persistent absence or tardiness.
- 24. Unauthorized use of School or personal property.
- 25. Assisting another person to violate a School rule.
- 26. Inappropriate public displays of affection.
- 27. Violation of specific classroom or activity rules.
- 28. Violation of bus rules.
- 29. Refusal to accept discipline.
- 30. Criminal conduct.

# DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION

The administration and staff recognize that the misuse/abuse of drugs is a serious problem with legal, physical, and social implications for the entire school community.

- As educational institutions of this community, the schools should strive to prevent drug abuse and help drug abusers by educational, rather than punitive, means.
- or purposes of this policy, "drugs" shall mean: dangerous controlled substances as so designated and prohibited by Wisconsin statute;
- All chemicals that release toxic vapors;
- All alcoholic beverages;
- Any prescription or patent drug, except those for which permission to use in school has been granted pursuant to Board policy;
- "Look-alikes":
- Anabolic steroids;
- Any other illegal substances so designated and prohibited by law.

The use, possession, concealment, or distribution of any drug, drug look-alike and any drug-paraphernalia at any time on school property or at any school-related event is prohibited.

Disciplinary sanctions, up to and including expulsion and referral for prosecution, will be imposed on students who violate the school's drug abuse guidelines.

#### USE OF TOBACCO IS PROHIBITED

The Board of Education is committed to providing students, staff, and visitors with a tobacco and smoke-free environment. The negative health effects of tobacco use for both users and non-users are well established. In addition, students less than eighteen (18) years of age are generally prohibited by law from purchasing or possessing cigarettes and other tobacco products.

For purposes of this policy, "use of tobacco" means to chew or maintain any substance containing tobacco, including smokeless tobacco, in the mouth to derive the effects of tobacco, as well as all uses of tobacco, including cigars, cigarettes, pipe tobacco, chewing tobacco, snuff, any other matter or substances that contain tobacco, in addition to papers used to roll cigarettes and/or the smoking of electronic, "vapor," or other substitute forms of cigarettes, clove cigarettes and any other lighted smoking devices for burning tobacco or any other substance. Accordingly, the Board prohibits students from using or possessing tobacco in any form on District premises, in District vehicles, within any indoor facility owned or while leased or contracted for by the District and used to provide education or library services to children, and at all District-sponsored events.

#### STUDENT CODE OF CLASSROOM CONDUCT

The School District of Manawa is committed to maintaining an orderly and safe academic atmosphere. Teachers are expected to create a positive learning environment and to maintain proper order in the classroom. Students are expected to behave in the classroom in a manner that allows teachers to effectively carry out their lessons and allows students to participate in classroom learning activities. Students are also expected to abide by all rules of behavior established by the School and their classroom teachers.

To ensure adherence to these expectations and principles, the Board of Education has adopted this Code of Classroom Conduct, which applies to all students.

#### GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL OF A STUDENT FROM CLASS

Disturbances that interrupt the learning process cannot be permitted by any teacher. A teacher may temporarily remove a student from the teacher's class if the student violates the Code of Classroom Conduct. Additionally, the student may be removed from the class for a longer period of time within the discretion of the principal. A student removed from class may also be placed in an alternative education setting.

Removal of a student from class for violating the Code of Classroom Conduct or placement of the student in an alternative educational setting does not prohibit the school from further disciplining the student for the conduct that caused removal or placement including, but not limited to, suspending or expelling the student.

It is neither possible nor necessary to specify every type of improper or inappropriate behavior for which a teacher may remove a student from class. Provided below, however, are examples of reasons a student may be removed from class. A teacher may remove a student from class for conduct or behavior that:

- A. Would result in suspension or expulsion under the Board's policies and procedures;
- B. Violates the behavioral rules and expectations of the school;
- C. Is dangerous, disruptive or unruly. Such behavior includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- 1. Possession or use of a weapon or look-alike or other item that might cause bodily harm to persons in the classroom
- 2. Being under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances or otherwise violating the District alcohol and drug policy
- 3. Behavior that interferes with a person's work or school performance or creates an intimidating, hostile, harassing, or offensive classroom environment
- 4. Arguing, taunting, baiting, inciting or encouraging an argument or disruption or group posturing to provoke altercations or confrontations
- 5. Disruption or intimidation caused by gang or group symbols or gestures, or gang or group posturing to provoke altercations or confrontations
- 6. Pushing, striking, or other inappropriate physical contact with a student or staff member
- 7. Interfering with the orderly operation of the classroom by using, threatening to use or counseling others to use violence, force, coercion, threats, intimidation, fear, or disruptive means
- 8. Dressing or grooming in a manner that presents a danger to health or safety, causes interference with work, or creates classroom disorder
- 9. Restricting another person's freedom to properly utilize classroom facilities or equipment
- 10. Repeated classroom interruptions, confronting staff argumentatively, making loud noises, or refusing to follow directions
- 11. Throwing objects in the classroom
- 12. Repeated disruptions or violations of classroom rules, or excessive or disruptive talking
- 13. Behavior that causes the teacher or other students fear of physical or psychological harm
- 14. Willful damage to or theft of school property or the property of others
- 15. Repeated use of profanity
- D. Interferes with the ability of the teacher to teach effectively. Such conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:
  - 1. Repeated reporting to class without bringing necessary materials to participate in class activities
  - 2. Possession of personal property by school rules or otherwise disruptive to the teaching and learning of others
- E Shows disrespect or defiance of the teacher, exhibited in words, gestures or other behavior;
- F. Is inconsistent with class decorum and the ability of other to learn. Such behavior includes, but is not limited to, sleeping in class, blatant inattention, or other overt or passive refusal or inability to engage in class activities.

# PROCEDURE FOR STUDENT REMOVAL FROM CLASS

When a student is removed from class, the teacher shall send or escort the student to the principal and inform the principal of the reason for the student's removal from class. The teacher shall provide the principal with a written explanation of the reasons for the removal of the student within twenty-four (24) hours of the student's removal from class.

The principal will generally give the student an opportunity to briefly explain the situation. The principal shall then determine the appropriate educational placement for the student.

# **Student Placement**

The principal shall place the student, who has been removed from a class by a teacher, in one of the following alternative educational settings:

- A. An alternative education program approved by the Board under State law;
- B. Another instructional setting, time-out, in-school suspension or out-of-school suspension; or
- C. The class from which the student was removed if, after weighing the interests of the student, the other students in the class, and the teacher, the principal determines that readmission to the class is the best or only alternative.

# Parent/Guardian Notification Procedures

The principal shall provide the parent/guardian of a student removed from class-with written notice of the removal and the reason(s) for the removal. The notification shall be made as soon as practicable, but no later than two (2) school days after the student's removal from class. The notice shall also include the reasons for the student's removal and the placement made by the principal. If the removal from class and change of educational placement involves a student with a disability, the parent/guardian notification shall be made consistent with State and Federal laws and regulations applicable to disabled students.

If the student removed from a class is subject to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension or expulsion for the particular classroom conduct and/or other disciplinary incidents, the parent/guardian shall also be notified of the disciplinary action in accordance with legal and policy requirements.

#### Students with Disabilities

A student with a disability under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, and Section 115.758, Wis. Stat. may be removed from class and placed in an alternative educational setting only to the extent authorized under the laws.

#### **Definitions**

"Student" means any student enrolled in the District, an exchange student, or a student visitor to the District's schools.

"Teacher" means a person holding a license or permit issued by the State Superintendent whose employment by a school district requires that he or she hold that license or permit.

"Class" or "classroom" means any class, meeting or activity which students attend, or in which they participate while in school under the control or direction of the District. This definition of "class" includes, without limitation, regular classes, special classes, resource room sessions, labs, library time, counseling groups, assemblies, study halls, lunch, or recess. "Class" also includes regularly scheduled District-sponsored extracurricular activities, either during or outside of school hours. Such activities include, by example and without limitation, District sponsored field trips, after-school clubs, and sporting activities.

#### OTHER FORMS OF DISCIPLINE

It is important to remember that the school's rules apply at school, on school property, at school-sponsored events, and on school transportation. In some cases, a student can be suspended from school transportation for infractions of school bus rules.

Ultimately, it is the principal's responsibility to keep things orderly. In all cases, the school shall attempt to make discipline prompt and equitable and to have the punishment match the severity of the incident.

# **Informal Discipline**

Informal discipline takes place within the school. It includes:

- Writing assignments;
- Change of seating or location;
- Lunch-time detention;
- In-school restriction

#### SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION

# A. Suspension

# 1. Duration and Grounds for Suspension

The principal or a person designated by the principal may suspend a student for up to five (5) school days or, if a notice of expulsion hearing has been sent, for up to fifteen (15) consecutive school days or ten (10) consecutive school days if the student is eligible for special education services under Chapter 115, Wis. Stats., if the suspension is reasonably justified and based upon any of the following misconduct:

- a. Noncompliance with school or School Board rules;
- b. Knowingly conveying any threat or false information concerning an attempt or alleged attempt being made or to be made to destroy any school property by means of explosives;
- c. Conduct by the student while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority that endangers the property, health or safety of others;
- d. Conduct while not at school or while not under the supervision of a school authority that endangers the property, health or safety of others at school or under the supervision of a school authority;
- e. Conduct while not at school or while not under the supervision of a school authority that endangers the property, health or safety of any employee or School Board member of the school district in which the student is enrolled.
- f. Under paragraphs c, d, and e above, conduct that endangers a person or property includes making a threat to the health or safety of a person or making a threat to damage property.

The District Administrator, or any principal or teacher designated by the District Administrator shall suspend a student if the student possessed a firearm while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority.

The suspension period applies to "school days." Thus, a suspension period does not include weekend days or vacation days.

# 2. Suspension Procedure

Prior to being suspended, on the day of the alleged infraction or as soon thereafter as is practicable, the student will be advised orally or in writing of the reason for the proposed suspension and given an opportunity to explain his or her conduct.

The principal, within his or her discretion, may also inform the student's parent or guardian of the reason for the proposed suspension prior to suspending the student.

# 3. Notice of Suspension

The parent or guardian of a suspended minor student shall be given prompt written notice of the suspension and the reason for the suspension by mail and by sending a copy of the notice home with the student. Oral notice may also be given to the student's parent or guardian; however, it will be confirmed in writing.

# 4. Sending a Student Home on the day of the Suspension

Generally, the student should remain in school on the day of the suspension until school is dismissed for the day. Except as provided below:

• If the situation requires that the student be removed from the premises before school is dismissed, the principal shall attempt to contact the student's parent or guardian to request that s/he pick up the student. If the parent/guardian is unable to pick up the student, the student should remain under the school's supervision until school is dismissed, or in the event law enforcement is involved, under law enforcement supervision.

# 5. Opportunity to Complete School Work

A suspended student shall not be denied the opportunity to take any quarterly, semester or grading period examinations or to complete course work missed during the suspension period. Such work shall be completed pursuant to the procedures established by the School Board.

# 6. Reference to the Suspension in the Student's Record

The student's suspension from school shall be entered in the student's record as required by the rules adopted by the School Board concerning the content of student records.

The suspended student or the student's parent or guardian may, within five (5) school days following the commencement of the suspension, have a conference with the District Administrator or his or her designee, who shall be someone other than a principal, administrator or teacher in the suspended student's school, to discuss removing reference to the suspension from the student's records.

Reference to the suspension in the student's school record shall be removed if the District Administrator finds that:

- The student was suspended unfairly or unjustly;
- The suspension was inappropriate, given the nature of the alleged offense; or
- The student suffered undue consequences or penalties as a result of the suspension.

The District Administrator, or the administrator's designee, shall make his or her finding within fifteen (15) days of the conference.

# 7. Co-Curricular or Extra-Curricular Participation

A student's participation in co-curricular or extra-curricular activities during a suspension shall be determined on a case-by-case basis.

# B. Expulsion

# 1. Grounds for Expulsion

The School Board may expel a student only when it is satisfied that the interest of the school demands the student's expulsion and it finds that the student:

- Repeatedly refused or neglected to obey the rules established by the School District;
- Knowingly conveyed or caused to be conveyed any threat or false information concerning an attempt or alleged attempt being made or to be made to destroy any school property by means of explosives;
- Engaged in conduct while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority that endangered the property, health or safety of others;
- Engaged in conduct while not at school or while not under the supervision of a school authority that endangered the property, health or safety of others at school or under the supervision of a school authority or endangered the property, health or safety of any employee or School Board member of the School District in which the student is enrolled; or
- Was at least sixteen (16) years old and had repeatedly engaged in conduct while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority that disrupted the ability of school authorities to maintain order or an educational atmosphere at school or at an activity supervised by a school authority and that such conduct did not otherwise constitute grounds for expulsion.

Under this section, conduct that endangers a person or property includes threatening the health or safety of a person or threatening to damage property.

# 2. Expulsion for Bringing a Firearm to School

The School Board shall expel a student from school for not less than one (1) year whenever it finds that the student brought a firearm to school or, while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority, possessed a firearm, unless the Board finds that the punishment should be reduced based upon the circumstances of the incident. Any such finding by the Board shall be in writing.

# 3. Expulsion Hearing

Prior to expelling a student, the School Board shall provide the student with a hearing. Prior written notice of the expulsion hearing must be sent separately both to the student and his/her parent/guardian(s) if the student is a minor; otherwise just to the student. The notice will comply with the requirements of State law.

The student, or the student's parent/guardian if the student is a minor, has the right to request a closed hearing or the Board may choose to close the hearing. The student and, if the student is a minor, the student's parent or guardian may be represented at the hearing by counsel.

# 4. Expulsion Order

The Board shall reduce its decision to writing in the form of a written order. If expulsion is ordered, the order must state the length of time that the student is to be expelled. The order should also state specific findings of fact and conclusions of law in support of the decision.

#### 5. Student Records

The student's expulsion from school shall be entered in the student's record as required by the rules adopted by the School Board concerning the content of student records.

#### **Discipline of Disabled Students**

Students with disabilities will be entitled to the rights and procedures afforded by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (I.D.E.A.) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (A.D.A.).

# **SEARCH AND SEIZURE**

Search of a student and his/her possessions, including vehicles, may be conducted at any time the student is under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education, if there is a reasonable suspicion that the student is in violation of law or school rules. A search may also be conducted to protect the safety of others or as otherwise permitted by law.

Students are provided lockers, desks, and other equipment in which to store materials. This equipment is the property of the school and may be searched at any time if there is reasonable suspicion that a student has violated the law or school rules.

All computers located in classrooms, labs and offices of the District are the District's property and are to be used by students, for educational purposes. The District retains the right to access and review all electronic, computer files, databases, and any other electronic transmissions contained in or used in conjunction with the District's computer system, and electronic mail. Students should have no expectation that any information contained on such systems is confidential or private.

Review of such information may be done by the District with or without the student's knowledge or permission. The use of passwords does not guarantee confidentiality, and the District retains the right to access information in spite of a password. All passwords or security codes must be registered with the instructor. A student's refusal to permit such access may be grounds for disciplinary action.

No strip searches will be conducted by any employee of the District, but may be conducted by law enforcement officials, if deemed necessary.

Anything that is found in the course of a search that may be evidence of a violation of school rules or the law may be taken and held or turned over to the police. The school reserves the right not to return items which have been confiscated.

#### STUDENT'S RIGHTS OF EXPRESSION

Manawa Elementary School recognizes the right of students to express themselves. With the right of expression comes the responsibility to do it appropriately. Students may distribute or display, at appropriate times, non-sponsored, noncommercial written material and petitions; buttons, badges, or other insignia; clothing, insignia, and banners; and audio and video materials. All items must meet the following school guidelines:

- A. A material cannot be displayed if it:
  - 1. Is obscene to minors, libelous, indecent, or vulgar,
  - 2. Advertises any product or service not permitted to minors by law,
  - 3. Intends to be insulting or harassing,
  - 4. Intends to incite fighting or presents a likelihood of disrupting school or a school event.
  - 5. Presents a clear and present likelihood that, either because of its content or manner of distribution or display, it causes or is likely to cause a material and substantial disruption of school or school activities, a violation of school regulations, or the commission of an unlawful act.
- B. Materials may not be displayed or distributed during class periods, or during passing times between classes. Permission may be granted for display or distribution during lunch periods and after school in designated locations, as long as exits are not blocked and there is proper access and egress to the building.

Students who are unsure whether or not materials they wish to display meet school guidelines may present them to the principal twenty-four (24) hours prior to display.

# STUDENT SUGGESTIONS AND COMPLAINTS

The school is here for the benefit of the students. The staff is here to assist a student in becoming a responsible adult. If a student has suggestions that could improve the school, s/he should feel free to offer them. Written suggestions may be presented directly to the principal or to the student council.

When concerns or grievances arise, the best way to resolve the issue is through communication. No student will be harassed by any staff member or need fear reprisal for the proper expression of a legitimate concern. As with suggestions, concerns and grievances may be directed to the principal or to the student council.

# **SECTION V - TRANSPORTATION**

#### **BUS TRANSPORTATION TO SCHOOL**

Bus transportation is provided for all eligible students. The bus schedule and route is available by contacting Kobussen Buses at 920-389-1500.

Students will ride only assigned school buses and will board and depart from the bus at assigned bus stops. Students will not be permitted to ride unassigned buses for any reason other than an emergency, except as approved by the principal.

A change in a student's regular assigned bus stop may be granted for a special need, if a written request from a parent/guardian is submitted to the principal stating the reason for the request and the duration of the change and the principal approves.

#### **BUS CONDUCT**

Students who are riding to and from school on transportation provided by the school are required to follow some basic safety rules. This applies to school-owned buses as well as any contracted transportation that may be provided.

The driver is responsible for student safety and may assign seating or direct the student in any reasonable manner to maintain that safety.

The following behaviors are expected of all students:

# Previous to loading (on the road and at school)

Each student shall:

- Be on time at the designated loading zone (5 minutes prior to scheduled stop);
- Stay off the road at all times while walking to and waiting for the bus;
- Line up single file off the roadway to enter;
- Wait until the bus is completely stopped before moving forward to enter;
- Refrain from crossing a highway until the bus driver signals it is safe;
- Go immediately to a seat and be seated.
- It is the parent/guardians' responsibility to inform the bus driver when their child will not be boarding the bus. The bus will not wait.

# During the trip

Each student shall:

- Remain seated while the bus is in motion;
- Keep head, hands, arms, and legs inside the bus at all times;
- Not litter in the bus or throw anything from the bus;
- Keep books, packages, coats, and all other objects out of the aisle;
- Be courteous to the driver and to other bus riders:
- Not eat, play games or play cards, etc.;
- Not tamper with the bus or any of its equipment.

# Leaving the bus

- Each student shall:
- Remain seated until the bus has stopped;
- Cross the road, when necessary, at least ten (10) feet in front of the bus, but only after the driver signals that it is safe;

• Be alert to a possible danger signal from the driver.

The driver will not discharge students at places other than their regular stop at home or at school unless s/he has proper authorization from school officials.

# **VIDEOTAPES ON SCHOOL BUSES**

The Board of Education may authorize the installation of video cameras on school buses for purposes of monitoring student behavior.

If a student is reported to have misbehaved on a bus and his/her actions were recorded on a videotape, the tape will be submitted to the Principal and may be used as evidence of the misbehavior. Since these tapes are considered part of a student's record, they can be viewed only in accordance with State and Federal law.

# PENALTIES FOR INFRACTIONS

A student who engages in misconduct on a bus shall be subject to discipline and may be deprived of the privilege of riding on the bus.

## SELF-TRANSPORTATION TO SCHOOL

- Riding a bike to school is a privilege which can be revoked at any time. A bicycle rack is located in the front area of school. Riding bicycles on the school property during school hours is not permitted except during events or special occasions that involve bicycles.
- The school district is not responsible for lost or stolen bicycles. We encourage students in kindergarten and first grade to ride with a buddy or sibling to ensure safety.

# Addendum A

# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANAWA

HARASSMENT COMPLAINT FORM

(Attach additional she	eets if necessary)		
Date:		-	
Name:		Telephor	ne:
Address:	City:	State:	Zip:
Parent/guardian Nan	ne:		
Who did the harassm	ent?		
Describe the harassn	nent. Include time, date	es, and location for	each incident:
	on or what action did yo		
	anyone else who has in		
I understand these confidential as much		stigated and that	this form will be kep
information to school application, or other	district officials regard	ling a complaint, j ciplinary action m	a person provides false proceeding, employmen ay be taken against the
(Signatu	are)		
Received by:			
Date:			

# Student / Parent / Guardian Handbook:

I have been given the opportunity to view and/or obtain any of the above information for review. My child(ren) and I have read and understand the information contained in each section. By signing below, we agree to follow the rules and guidelines within the Student/Parent/Guardian Handbook.

Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
Student(s) Signatures(s):	



# Students choosing to excel; realizing their strengths.

To: Dr. Melanie Oppor

From: Dan Wolfgram

Date: June 9, 2018

Re: Little Wolf Jr./Sr. High School Student Handbook 2018-2019 Revisions

The purpose of this memo is to highlight the changes in the 2018-2019 Little Wolf Jr./Sr. High School Student Handbook as follows:

Page #	Current Language (If applicable.)	Proposed Change or Addition
Cover Page	2017-2018	2018-2019
2	• 2017-2018	• 2018-2019
	• Adopted 2016	Adopted July 2018
3	School District of Manawa 2017-2018 School Calendar	School District of Manawa 2018-2019 School Calendar
5	<ul> <li>Bill Lund</li> <li>Harley Peterson</li> <li>Olivia Koehn</li> <li>Molly Schlaak</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Erik Duhn</li><li>Tom Polkki</li></ul>
6	<ul><li>Henry Byrd</li><li>Dana Dean</li></ul>	<ul><li>Emily Grimm</li><li>Dana Bonikowski</li></ul>
8	Youth Options / Course Options	Early College Credit Program / Start College Now Program
9	2017	2018
16-20	2017-2018 Bell Schedules	2018-2019 Bell Schedules
		*Wednesday Early Dismissal will be 2:05 p.m., except on September 5 <sup>th</sup> and June 6 dismissal will be at 3:05 p.m.

26	non-commercial or non-business purpose when requested	educational purposes
	Directory information also includes a student ID number, user ID, or other unique personal identifier used by the student when accessing or communicating in a district's electronic systems, if, standing alone, it cannot be used to access student education records, (i.e. a pin number, password, or other factor is also needed).	Directory information also includes a student ID number, user ID, or other unique personal identifier used by the student when accessing or communicating in a district's electronic systems, if, standing alone, it cannot be used to access student education records, (i.e. a pin number, password, or other factor is also needed).
28	Parents can decline release of student directory data to the Armed Forces using the consent verification form presented at the time of registration.	Parents can decline release of student directory data to the Armed Forces using the consent verification form presented available at the time of registration.
30	Washington DC-Price is approximate- \$865	Washington DC-Price is approximate- \$1,000
31		Student Valuables – Add: Students are expected to use school-issued locks for use during physical education classes
	ONLY Juniors and Seniors who have met the minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 upon quarterly review will be allowed to leave campus for lunch.	ONLY students in grades 9-12 who have met the criteria for an Honor Pass will be allowed to leave campus for lunch.
38	Cum Laude (With honor/distinction), 20 – 34.99 honor points Magna Cum Laude (With great honor/distinction), 35 – 49.99 honor points Summa Cum Laude (With highest honor/distinction), 50 honor points or more	Cum Laude (With honor/distinction), 4 – 17.49 honor points Magna Cum Laude (With great honor/distinction), 17.5 – 28.79 honor points Summa Cum Laude (With highest honor/distinction), 28.8 honor points or more
40	Freshman 0 to 6 credits Sophomore 7 credits to 13 credits Junior 14 Credits to 20 Credits Senior 21 Credits or more	Freshman 0 - 5 credits Sophomore 6 - 11 credits Junior 12 - 17 Credits Senior 18 credits or more
	Credits – A Little Wolf High School diploma shall be granted upon successful completion of a total of at least 26 credits in grades 9 through 12	Credits – A Little Wolf High School diploma shall be granted upon successful completion of a total of at least <b>24</b> credits in grades 9 through 12 to include:

	to include:	
	Elective Courses 10.5	Elective Courses 8.5
41	The costs for the above-described coursework will be based upon and follow the policies established PI 40, Youth Options.	The costs for the above-described coursework will be based upon and follow the policies established PI 40, Youth Options.
41	Eliminate entire section on	Early College Credit Program
	Youth/Course Options	The 2017 Wisconsin Act 59 eliminated the Course Options and Youth Options programs. The Youth Options statute (118.55) was renamed the Early College Credit Program. The statute allows Wisconsin public and private high school students to take one or more courses at an institution of higher education for high school and/or college credit. Under this section, "institution of higher education" means an institution within the University of Wisconsin System, a tribally controlled college, or a private, nonprofit institution of higher education located in the state. Courses may be denied by the school if a comparable course at the school already exists.
		Start College Now Program
		"Start College Now" will allow high school students the opportunity to take college courses at Wisconsin Technical Colleges. Students looking to take courses in the fall semester must turn in the application by March 1, 2018. For spring semester courses the same application is used, however the due date is October 1, 2018.
		The Board of Education will provide students enrolled in the District with the ability to take up to two (2) courses at any given time through one or more other educational institutions as outlined in the information above. Please contact the high school

		counseling office at (920) 596-5802.
46	Nate Ziemer at (920)-596-5817	Skylar Liebzeit (920) 596-5838
49		If a student is unexcused or without prior approval of the absence, the student-athlete is not allowed to practice or play in an athletic event that evening.
50	Closed Campus: Little Wolf Jr./Sr. H.S operates under a closed campus policy.  Students leaving for lunch must signout and back in again in office. Work release is only excused if the proper application has been made through the school administration. Students who violate the release rules will be disciplined accordingly.	Closed Campus: Little Wolf Jr./Sr. H.S operates under a closed campus policy. Students who meet the criteria for the Honor Pass, may leave at lunch (grades 9-12) and RtI (grades 11-12).  Honor Pass The Honor Pass is a program that has been designed collaboratively with staff and students that provides student choice and incentivize academics and positive behavior. The staff and students believe that this program helps to support the school's Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program as well as prepare students for the rigors, responsibilities, and privileges of adult life. The Honor Pass system is designed to utilize school, community, and parental oversight to provide students with choices and rewards while at school.  Qualifications:  GPA of 2.75 or higher  Completed Application Form —  No unexcused absences or 5 tardies.  Teacher recommendations  Parental approval  Privileges:  Open campus lunch for students (9-12).  Opportunity to leave campus during RtI (grades 11-12) — provided the student is not claimed by a teacher for an academic purpose, currently in a structured (RtI) program, or

		club meeting time.  Opportunity to go to the gym, commons, or the student lounge in the library during RtI. (grades 7-12)  Opportunity to meet with an instructor of their choice for enrichment, remediation, homework assistance or Advanced Placement (AP) classes.
		Honor Pass Revocation Honor Passes can be revoked by any School District of Manawa staff member for the following reasons listed below. Parents and the police also have the option of revoking the privilege by contacting the school.  • Failing grades  • Tardiness  • Discipline referral  • Parental request
52		If a student records more than 10 tardies in a semester, the student shall serve a code of conduct violation.
52		If a student accumulates 5 or more referrals in a semester, the student shall serve a code of conduct violation.
52	Code violations may be presented, in writing, to the Administration by any staff member, liaison officer and/or credible person who has knowledge of a possible infraction. Such reports must be made within ninety (90) days of said violation. A confidential complaint will be investigated to the extent possible.	Code violations may be presented, in writing, to the Administration by any staff member, law enforcement officer and/or credible person who has knowledge of a possible infraction. Such reports must be made within ninety (90) days of said violation. A confidential complaint will be investigated to the extent possible. Exceptions to the 90-day rule include the student receiving a citation.
53	The above co-curricular rules/violations will pertain to all athletes in grades seventh through twelve. Offenses stay with the student	The above co-curricular rules/violations will pertain to all athletes in grades seventh through twelve. Code of conduct violations will

	throughout their years in Jr. High and then start fresh in High School. The slate is not wiped clean by ignoring or not serving a suspension or entering into the next grade or new school the next year.	stay with incoming freshman from the Jr. High until the entirely of the suspension is fulfilled. Once a middle school infraction is fulfilled, future infractions as a high school student will be treated as a first offense.
54	Appeal Procedure A student/athlete may apply in writing within ten (10) calendar days from the date of the incident to the building principal for an appeal to the Appeal Board.	Appeal Procedure The parent of a student/athlete may apply in writing within ten (10) calendar days from the date of student/parent notification to the building principal for an appeal to the Appeal Board.
54	Parent/guardians/guardians and students who are involved in an athletic program are requested to attend either the fall, winter or spring informational meeting.	Student athletes and a parent/guardian must attend the summer parent/athlete meeting. If they are unable to attend other arrangements must be made.
55	A student must be in attendance by noon to participate in any co-curricular events. Exceptions to this are excused school-related activities and appointments that are approved in advance by Administration and/or a written doctor's excuse.	Student Athletes must attend a full school day to participate in athletics that evening or provide an excuse from a doctor or have prior administrative approval. School related absences do not apply.
55	An athlete who receives any "F's" at the conclusion of a mid-term will have ten (10) school days to raise the grade(s) in question to passing while maintaining passing grades in all other classes to maintain eligibility. If the student is unable to raise their grade, then that student would serve an academic suspension as if they failed a nine-week course. See the above rules stated as they would apply.	An athlete who receives any "F's" at the conclusion of a mid-term will have ten (10) school days to raise the grade(s) in question to passing while maintaining passing grades in all other classes to maintain eligibility. If the student is unable to raise their grade, then that student would serve an academic suspension as if they failed a nine-week course. See the above rules stated as they would apply.
56	3. Students participating in athletic activities and performing on behalf of the School District of Manawa must use the means of transportation provided by the school to get to and from a co-curricular event. Any exception/change to the above must	3. Students participating in athletic activities and performing on behalf of the School District of Manawa must use the means of transportation provided by the school to get to and from a co-curricular event. Any exception/change to the above must

	have written parent/guardian consent to the building principal or athletic director or coach by 9:00 am the day of the event. The athletic director or principal will act upon violations of this rule.	have written parent/guardian consent to the building principal or athletic director or coach by 9:00 am the day of the event. The athletic director or principal will act upon violations of this rule.
56	A student/athlete may ride home from these events with an immediate family member or an approved adult, once a release form has been completed and after receiving permission from the athletic director, advisor, or principal.	A student/athlete may ride home from away events with their parent/legal guardian provided they sign the student out with the coach. Student athletes may NOT ride home with emergency contacts, siblings, friends, or other adults.
59	2017-2018	2018-2019
64	When a student is removed from class, the teacher shall send or escort the student to the principal and inform the principal of the reason for the student's removal from class. The teacher shall provide the principal with a written explanation of the reasons for the removal of the student within twenty-four (24) hours of the student's removal from class.	When a student is removed from class, the teacher shall send or escort the student to the principal and inform the principal of the reason for the student's removal from class. The teacher shall provide the principal with a written explanation of the reasons for the removal of the student within twenty-four (24) hours of the student's removal from class. The teacher will also contact the parent/guardian as to the reason for the removal.
65	Writing assignments	Writing assignments
		Informal Discipline
		Saturday morning detention-7:45-11:45 on the last Saturday of the month, except if it is a holiday weekend.
Acknowled	7/17/17 (Red Paper)	7/17/18 (White Paper)
gement page		One signature page for each child in the school will be required

# Student Handbook

2018-2019



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## Little Wolf Jr. / Sr. High Student Handbook 2018-2019



## Dear Students and Parent/guardians:

Welcome to the 2017-2018 school year. We are extremely excited about this school year. This handbook has been designed to help answer your questions about the procedures used in this district and specifically this building. Once you have completed reading through the handbook, it is mandatory that you sign the last page and return it to the school office. I look forward to a tremendous year working together.

Yours in education,

#### Dan Wolfgram

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First 3 inclement weather days will not be made up. Additional inclement weather days will be made up on June 6, 7 and 8 or add minutes.

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This Student/Parent/guardian Handbook is based in significant part on policies adopted by the Board of Education and Administrative Guidelines developed by the District Administrator. The Policies and Guidelines are periodically updated in response to changes in the law and other circumstances. Therefore, there may have been changes to the documents reviewed in this Handbook since it was printed. If you have questions or would like more information about a specific issue, contact your school principal.

#### **FOREWORD**

This student handbook was developed to answer many of the commonly asked questions that you and your parent/guardians may have during the course of a school year. This handbook summarizes many of the official policies and administrative guidelines of the Board of Education and the District. To the extent that the handbook is ambiguous or conflicts with these policies and guidelines, the policies and guidelines shall control. This handbook is effective immediately and supersedes any prior student handbook.

Because the handbook also contains information about student rights and responsibilities, each student is responsible for knowing its contents. Please take time to become familiar with the following information and keep the handbook available for future use. It can be a valuable reference during the school year and a means to avoid confusion and misunderstanding when questions arise. Should you have any questions that are not addressed in this handbook, contact your Guidance Counselor or Principal Dan Wolfgram. You will find their phone numbers/e-mail addresses listed in the Staff Directory section of the handbook.

This handbook summarizes many of the official policies and administrative guidelines of the Board of Education and the District. If any of the policies or administrative guidelines referenced herein are revised after June 18, 2018 the language in the most current policy or administrative guideline prevails. The current policies and guidelines are available on the District's website.

#### MISSION OF THE SCHOOL

Our school, in collaboration with the community, is committed to focusing on high expectations, fostering individual academic excellence, and creating a safe environment of respect and responsibility.

#### **EQUAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY/ANTI-HARASSMENT**

It is the policy of the District to provide an equal education opportunity for all students. The right of a student to be admitted to school and to participate fully in curricular, extracurricular, student services, recreational or other programs or activities shall not be abridged or impaired based on the traits of sex including transgender status, change of sex, or gender identity), race, color, national origin, religion, creed, ancestry, marital or parent/guardian status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability, or any other characteristic protected by federal or state civil rights laws (hereinafter referred to as "Protected Characteristics") or other protected characteristics as well as place of residence within District boundaries, or social or economic background.

Students who have been identified as having an impairment or disability under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act or the Americans with Disabilities Act shall be provided with appropriate educational services. Parent/guardians who have questions should contact school counselor, at (920) 596-5802.

Any person who believes that the Little Wolf Jr. / Sr. High School or any staff person has discriminated against them in violation of this policy may file a complaint. A formal complaint can be made in writing to a School Compliance Officer listed below:

Dan Wolfgram
Principal (920) 596-5310
dwolfgram@manawaschools.org

Carmen O'Brien Business Manager (920) 596-5332 carmen.obrien@manawaschools.org If at any time during the investigation process the investigator determines that the complaint is properly defined as bullying because the conduct at issue is not based on a student's protected characteristics, the investigator shall transfer the investigation to the appropriate building principal.

Under no circumstances will the District threaten or retaliate against anyone who raises or files a complaint.

Little Wolf Jr./Sr. High School is committed to an educational environment that is free of harassment of any form. The school will not tolerate any form of harassment and will take all necessary and appropriate action to eliminate it, including suspension or expulsion of students and disciplinary action against any other individual in the school district community. Additionally, appropriate action will be taken to stop and otherwise deal with any third party who engages in harassment against our students.

#### **Harassment Policy\***

\*Parent/guardians and students are encouraged to read the full text of the Board of Education policy governing Anti-Harassment and bullying available on the District web site or by contacting the school main office.

#### **Summary of Board of Education Policy**

It is the policy of the Board of Education to maintain an educational environment that is free from all forms of harassment, including sexual harassment. This commitment applies to all District operations, programs, and activities. All students, administrators, teachers, staff, and all other school personnel share responsibility for avoiding, discouraging and reporting any form of unlawful harassment. This policy applies to conduct occurring on school property or at another location if such conduct occurs during an activity sponsored by the Board.

The Board will not tolerate any form of harassment and will take all necessary and appropriate action to eliminate it, including suspension or expulsion of students and disciplinary action against any other individual in the School District community. Additionally, appropriate action will be taken to stop and otherwise deal with any third party who engages in harassment against out students.

#### **Definitions**

- Bullying (See the bullying policy immediately following this section)
- Harassment: Any threatening, insulting, or dehumanizing gesture, use of data or computer software, or written, verbal or physical conduct directed against a student that:
  - 1. Places a student in reasonable fear of harm to his/her person or damage to his/ her property;
  - 2. Has the effect of substantially interfering with a student's educational performance, opportunities, or benefits; or
  - 3. Has the effect of substantially disrupting the orderly operation of a school.
- Sexual Harassment: Unwelcome sexual advances, requests of sexual favors, sexually motivated physical conduct or other verbal or physical conduct or communication of a sexual nature. Important...parent/guardians and students are encouraged to read the entire Board of Education policy with corresponding examples.
- Other forms of harassment such as race/color, religion, national origin, and disability are defined in the full text of the Board of Education policy.

#### **Reporting Procedures**

Students and all other members of the School District community, as well as third parties, are encouraged to promptly report incidents of harassing conduct to a school staff member (teacher, counselor, or principal, for example) so the conduct can be addressed before it becomes severe, pervasive, or persistent. The District will investigate as described below. Initiating a complaint will not adversely affect the complaining individual's participation in educational or extra-curricular programs unless the complaining individual makes the complaint maliciously or with knowledge that is false.

The reporting procedures are as follows:

- 1. Any student, parent/guardian of a student, teacher, school staff member, or school community member is encouraged to report the alleged act(s) to the school principal or district compliance officer.
- 2. The reporting party shall be encouraged to use a report form (See Addendum A) available in each school main office, but oral reports shall be considered complaints as well
- 3. To provide individuals with options for reporting harassment to an individual of the gender with which they feel most comfortable, each school's building principal will designate one male and one female staff person (designated as Complaint Coordinators) to receive reports of harassment prohibited by this policy.

#### Confidentiality

The District will make all reasonable efforts to protect the rights of the complainant and the respondent. The District will respect the privacy of the complainant, the respondent, and all witnesses in a manner consistent with the District's legal obligation under state and federal law.

#### Sanctions and Monitoring

The Board shall vigorously enforce its prohibitions against harassment by taking appropriate action reasonable calculated to stop the harassment and prevent further such harassment. A violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action up to and including the discharge of an employee or the suspension /expulsion of a student. All disciplinary action will be taken in accordance with applicable law and the ages and maturity levels of the students.

#### Retaliation

Any act of retaliation against a person who has made a report or filed a complaint alleging harassment, or who has participated as a witness in a harassment investigation is prohibited.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANAWA HARASSMENT COMPLAINT FORM** – Addendum A at the end of this handbook.

#### **Bullying Policy**

\*Parents/guardians and students are encouraged to read the full text of the Board of Education Policy governing Bullying available on the District web site or by contacting the school main office.

The Board of Education is committed to providing a safe, positive, productive, and nurturing educational environment for all of its students. The Board encourages the promotion of positive interpersonal relations between members of the school community. Bullying toward a student, whether by other students, staff, or third parties is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. This prohibition includes physical, verbal, and psychological abuse. The Board will not tolerate any gestures, comments, threats, or actions which cause or threaten to cause bodily harm or personal degradation. This policy applies to all activities in the District, including activities on school property, including at any of the school buildings or other property used exclusively or

in part, whether leased or owned by the District, for the purpose of school-related functions or events; or while traveling to or from school or to and from school-sponsored functions or events; in transporting vehicles arranged for by School District officials. The policy applies as well during activities that occur off-school property if the student or employee is at any school-sponsored, school-approved or school-related activity or function, such as field trips or athletic events where students are under the supervision of school authorities, or where an employee is engaged in school business.

Bullying is deliberate or intentional behavior using word or actions, intended to cause fear, intimidation, or harm.

Bullying may be a repeated behavior and involves an imbalance of power. Furthermore, it may be serious enough to negatively impact a student's educational, physical, or emotional well-being. The behavior may be motivated by an actual or perceived distinguishing characteristic, such as, but not limited to: age; national origin; race; ethnicity; religion; gender; gender identity; sexual orientation; physical attributes; physical or mental ability or disability; and social, economic, or family status; however, this type of bullying behavior need not be based on any of the legally protected characteristics. It includes but is not necessarily limited to such behaviors as stalking, cyber bullying, intimidating, menacing, coercing, name-calling, taunting, making threats, and hazing.

Any student that believes s/he has been or is the victim of bullying should immediately report the situation to the building principal or the District Administrator. The student may also report concerns to a teacher or counselor who will be responsible for notifying the appropriate administrator or Board official. Complaints against the building principal should be filed with the District Administrator. Complaints against the District Administrator should be filed with the Board President.

Every student is encouraged to report any situation that they believe to be bullying behavior directed toward a student. Reports may be made to those identified above.

All school staff members and school officials who observe or become aware of acts of bullying are required to report these acts to the building principal, or the District Administrator.

Reports of bullying may be made verbally or in writing and may be made confidentially. All such reports, whether verbal or in writing, will be taken seriously and a clear account of the incident is to be documented. A written record of the report, including all pertinent details, will be made by the recipient of the report.

All complaints about behavior that may violate this policy shall be investigated promptly by the building principal. The staff member who is investigating the report of bullying shall interview the victim(s) of the alleged bullying and collect whatever other information is necessary to determine the facts and the seriousness of the report.

Parents and/or guardians of each student involved in the bullying report will be notified prior to the conclusion of the investigation. The District shall maintain the confidentiality of the report and any related student records to the extent required by law.

If the investigation finds that bullying has occurred, it will result in prompt and appropriate remedial and/or disciplinary action. This may include student discipline, including, but not limited to reprimand, suspension, or possible expulsion. Further, the result of an investigation that finds that bullying has occurred may result in discharge for employees, exclusion for parent/guardians, guests, volunteers, and contractors, and removal from any official position and/or a request to resign for Board members. Individuals may also be referred to law enforcement officials.

The complainant shall be notified of the findings of the investigation, and as appropriate, that remedial action has been taken.

This policy shall not be interpreted to infringe upon the First Amendment rights of students (i.e., to prohibit a reasoned and civil exchange of opinions, or debate, that is conducted at appropriate times and places during the school day and is protected by State or Federal law).

Retaliation against any person who reports, is thought to have reported, files a complaint, or otherwise participates in an investigation or inquiry concerning allegations of bullying is prohibited and will not be tolerated. Such retaliation shall be considered a serious violation of Board policy and independent of whether a complaint is substantiated. Suspected retaliation should be reported in the same manner as bullying. Making intentionally false reports about bullying for the purpose of getting someone in trouble is similarly prohibited and will not be tolerated. Retaliation and intentionally making a false report may result in disciplinary action as indicated above.

The following definitions are provided for guidance only. If a student or other individual believes there has been bullying, regardless of whether it fits a particular definition, s/he should report it and allow the administration to determine the appropriate course of action. Some examples of bullying are:

- Physical hitting, kicking, spitting, pushing, pulling, taking and/or damaging personal belongings or extorting money, blocking or impeding student movement, unwelcome physical contact.
- Verbal taunting, malicious teasing, insulting, name calling, making threats.
- Psychological spreading rumors, manipulating social relationships, coercion, or engaging in social exclusion/shunning, extortion, or intimidation.
- ""Cyberbullying" the use of information and communication technologies such as email, cell phone and pager text messages, instant messaging (IM), defamatory personal web sites, and defamatory online personal polling web sites, to support deliberate, repeated, and hostile behavior by an individual or group, that is intended to harm others."

"Intimidation" includes, but is not limited to, any threat or act intended to tamper, substantially damage or interfere with another's property, cause substantial inconvenience, subject another to offensive physical contact or inflict serious physical injury on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or sexual orientation.

"Menacing" includes, but is not limited to, any act intended to place a school employee, student, or third party in fear of imminent serious physical injury.

"Harassment" means behavior toward a student or group of students based, in whole or in part on the traits of sex (including transgender status, change of sex, or gender identity), race, color, national origin, religion, creed, ancestry, marital or parent/guardian status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability, or any other characteristic protected by federal or state civil rights laws (hereinafter referred to as "Protected Characteristics which substantially interferes with the student's school or academic performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive school environment. Harassment may occur student-to-student, student-to-staff, staff-to-student, male-to-female, female-to-male, male-to-male, or female-to-female. Examples of conduct that may constitute harassment include:

#### A. Graffiti containing offensive language;

- B. Name calling, jokes or rumors;
- C. Threatening or intimidating conduct directed at another because of the other's protected characteristic (e.g., sex, race, learning disability);
- D. Notes or cartoons;
- E. Slurs, negative stereotypes, and hostile acts which are based upon another's protected characteristic;
- F. Written or graphic material containing comments or stereotypes which is posted or circulated, and which is aimed at degrading individuals or members of protected classes;
- G. A physical act of aggression or assault upon another because of, or in a manner reasonably related to, the individual's protected characteristic; or
- H. Other kinds of aggressive conduct such as theft or damage to property, which is motivated by a protected characteristic.

#### SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Sexual harassment deserves special mention. Sexual harassment consists of unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, sexually motivated physical conduct or other verbal or physical conduct or communication of a sexual nature when:

- A. Submission to that conduct or communication is made a term or condition, either explicitly or implicitly, of obtaining an education; or
- B. Submission or rejection of that conduct or communication by an individual is used as a factor in decisions affecting that individual's education; or
- C. That conduct or communication has the purpose or effect of substantially or unreasonably interfering with an individual's education, or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive educational environment.

Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- A. Unwelcome verbal harassment or abuse;
- B. Unwelcome pressure for sexual activity;
- C. Unwelcome, sexually motivated or inappropriate patting, pinching or physical contact, other than necessary restraint of students by teachers, administrators or other school personnel to avoid physical harm to persons or property;
- D. Unwelcome sexual behavior or words including demands for sexual favors, accompanied by implied or overt threats concerning an individual's educational status:
- E. Unwelcome sexual behavior or words, including demands for sexual favors, accompanied by implied or overt promises of preferential treatment with regard to an individual's educational status; or
- F. Unwelcome behavior or words directed at an individual because of their sex of sexual orientation;

Sexual harassment examples include, but are not limited to:

- A. Repeatedly asking a person for dates or sexual behavior after the person has indicated no interest;
- B. Rating a person's sexuality or attractiveness;
- C. Staring or leering at various parts of another person's body;
- D. Spreading rumors about a person's sexuality;
- E. Letters, notes, telephone calls or materials of a sexual nature; and
- F. Displaying pictures, calendars, cartoons or other materials with sexual content;
- G. A pattern of conduct, which can be subtle in nature, that has sexual overtones and is intended to create or has the effect of creating discomfort and/or humiliation to another;

H. remarks speculating about a person's sexual activities or sexual history, or remarks about one's own sexual activities or sexual history.

It is also the policy of the School that a sexual relationship between staff and students is not permissible in any form or under any circumstances, in or out of the school, in that it interferes with the educational process and may involve elements of coercion by reason of the relative status of a staff member to a student. An inappropriate boundary invasion by a District employee or other adult member of the School District Community into a student's personal space and personal life is sexual harassment.

If you wish to report harassment, please contact one of the Complaint Coordinators listed above.

A copy of school's Anti-Harassment Policy, including the reporting, investigation, and resolution procedures, is available in the school office.

#### **SECTION 504/ADA COMPLAINT**

Any person who believes that the Little Wolf Jr./Sr. High School or any staff person has discriminated against them in violation of the District's Section 504/ADA policy may file a complaint. A formal complaint can be made in writing to a School Compliance Officer listed below:

Janine Connolly School Counselor, (920) 596-5802 jconnollyt@manawaschools.org

The complaint procedure is available in the School office.

## SCHOOL DAY/BELL SCHEDULES

## LITTLE WOLF JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL BELL SCHEDULE

Warning Bell: 7:40 Junior/High School

High School		Junior High	
Period 1	7:45 – 8:35	Period 1	7:45 – 8:48
Period 2	8:39 – 9:29	Period 2	8:52 – 9:55
Period 3	9:33 – 10:23	Period 3	9:59 – 11:02
Period 4	10:27 - 11:17	Lunch	11:02 – 11:32
Period 5	11:21 – 12:11	Period 4	11:36 – 12:41
Lunch	12:11 – 12:41		
Period 6	12:45 – 1:35	JH Specials	12:45 – 1:35
Period 7	1:39 – 2:29	JH Specials	1:39 – 2:29
<u>RtI</u>	2:33 – 3:05	<u>RtI</u>	2:33 – 3:05

## EARLY RELEASE BELL SCHEDULE

## Warning Bell 7:40 Junior/High School

High School		Junior High	
Period 1	7:45 - 8:26	Period 1	7:45 - 8:37
Period 2	8:30 - 9:11	Period 2	8:41 - 9:33
Period 3	9:15 - 9:56	Period 3	9:37 - 10:29
Period 4	10:00 - 10:41	Lunch	10:29 - 10:59
Period 5	10:45 - 11:26	Period 4	11:03 - 11:56
Lunch	11:26 - 11:56		
Period 6	12:00 - 12:41	JH Specials	12:00 - 12:41
Period 7	12:45 - 1:26	JH Specials	12:45 - 1:26
RtI	1:30 - 2:05	RtI	1:30 - 2:05

## **10-Minute HOMEROOM SCHEDULE**

Warning Bell: 7:40 Junior/High School

High School		Junior High	
<b>Homeroom</b>	7:45 – 7:55	Homeroom	7:45 – 7:55
Period 1	7:59 – 8:47	Period 1	7:59 – 9:00
Period 2	8:51 – 9:39	Period 2	9:04 – 10:05
Period 3	9:43 – 10:31	Period 3	10:09 – 11:10
Period 4	10:35 - 11:23	Lunch	11:10 – 11:40
Period 5	11:27 – 12:15	Period 4	11:44 – 12:45
Lunch	12:15 – 12:45		
Period 6	12:49 – 1:37	JH Specials	12:49 – 1:37
Period 7	1:41 – 2:29	JH Specials	1:41 – 2:29
<u>RtI</u>	2:33 – 3:05	<u>RtI</u>	2:33 – 3:05

## 20 - Minute HOMEROOM SCHEDULE

Warning Bell: 7:40 Junior/High School

High School		Junior High	
<u>Homeroom</u>	7:45 – 8:05	<b>Homeroom</b>	7:45 – 8:05
Period 1	8:09 – 8:56	Period 1	8:09 – 9:08
Period 2	9:00 – 9:47	Period 2	9:12 – 10:11
Period 3	9:51 – 10:37	Period 3	10:15 – 11:15
Period 4	10:41 - 11:28	Lunch	11:15 – 11:45
Period 5	11:32 – 12:19	Period 4	11:49 – 12:49
Lunch	12:19 – 12:49		
Period 6	12:53 – 1:40	JH Specials	12:53 – 1:40
Period 7	1:44 – 2:31	JH Specials	1:44 – 2:31
<u>RtI</u>	2:35 – 3:05	<u>RtI</u>	2:35 – 3:05

## EARLY RELEASE 1/2 DAY BELL SCHEDULE

## Warning Bell 7:40 Junior/High School

High School		Junior High	
Period 1	7:45 – 8:11	Period 1	7:45 – 8:18
Period 2	8:15 – 8:41	Period 2	8:22 – 9:55
Period 3	8:45 – 9:11	Period 3	8:59 – 9:33
Period 4	9:15 - 9:41	Period 4	9:37 – 10:11
Period 5	9:45 – 10:11	Lunch	10:11 – 10:41
Period 6	10:15 – 10:41	JH Specials	10:45 – 11:11
Period 7	10:45 – 11:11	JH Specials	11:15 – 11:41
Lunch	11:11 – 11:41	<u>RtI</u>	11:45 – 12:15
RtI	11:45 – 12:15		

<sup>\*</sup>Wednesday Early Dismissal will be 2:05 p.m., except on September  $5^{th}$  and June  $6^{th}$  - dismissal will be at 3:05 p.m.

#### STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The rules and procedures of Little Wolf Jr./Sr. High School are designed to allow each student to obtain a safe, orderly, and appropriate education. Students can expect their rights to freedom of expression and association and to fair treatment as long as they respect those rights for their fellow students and the staff. Students will be expected to follow teachers' directions and obey all school rules. Disciplinary procedures will comply with the requirements of State and Federal law.

Parents/guardians have the right to know how their child is succeeding in school and will be provided information on a regular basis and as needed, when concerns arise. Many times it will be the responsibility of the student to deliver that information. If necessary, mail or hand delivery may be used to ensure contact. Parents/guardians are encouraged to build a two-way link with their child's teachers and support staff by informing the staff of suggestions or concerns that may help their child better accomplish his/her educational goals.

Students must arrive at school on time, prepared to participate in the educational program. If, for some reason, this is not possible, the student should seek help from the principal.

• Adult students (age eighteen (18) or older) are expected to follow all school rules. If residing at home, adult students should include their parent/guardians in their educational program.

#### STUDENT WELL-BEING

Student safety is a responsibility of the staff. All staff members are familiar with emergency procedures such as fire and tornado drills and accident reporting procedures. Should a student be aware of any dangerous situation or accident, s/he must notify a staff person immediately.

All students must have an emergency medical card completed, signed by a parent/guardian or guardian, and filed in the school office. A student may be excluded from school until this requirement has been fulfilled.

Students with specific health care needs should submit those needs, in writing and with proper documentation by a physician, to the school office.

#### **INJURY AND ILLNESS**

All injuries must be reported to a teacher or to the office staff. If the injury is minor, the student will be treated and may return to class. If medical attention is required, the office will follow the School's emergency procedures.

A student who becomes injured or ill during the school day should request permission from the teacher to go to the office. The office staff will determine whether the student should remain in school or go home. No student will be released from school without proper parent/guardian permission.

#### HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION

The District may arrange for individual instruction to students of legal school age who are not able to attend classes because of a serious physical or emotional disability.

Parents/guardians should contact the principal regarding procedures for such instruction.

#### **SECTION I - GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### **ENROLLING IN THE SCHOOL**

Students generally enroll in the district in which they live. However, the Board will release a resident student who is accepted as a student in another school district under that district's open enrollment program.

Students who are new to Little Wolf Jr./Sr. High School are required to enroll with their parent or legal guardian unless eighteen (18). When enrolling, the parents/guardians will need to bring:

- A. A birth certificate or similar document;
- B. Custody papers from a court (if appropriate);
- C. Proof of residency; and
- D. Proof of immunizations and/or an appropriate waiver.

In some cases, a temporary enrollment may be permitted. If that is done, the parent/guardian will be told what records are needed to complete the enrollment process.

Students enrolling from another accredited school will have their courses and grades evaluated by the counseling department. The office staff will assist parents/guardians in obtaining the official records from the other school.

Homeless students who meet the federal definition of homeless may enroll and will be under the direction of the Homeless Liaison with regard to enrollment procedures.

Adult students (eighteen (18) years of age or older) may enroll themselves, but if residing with their parent/guardians, are encouraged to include them in the process. Adult students do carry the responsibilities of both the student and parent/guardian and are expected to follow all School rules.

#### SCHEDULING AND ASSIGNMENT

Schedules are provided to each student at the beginning of the school year or upon enrolling. The schedule is based upon the student's needs and available class space. Any changes in a student's schedule should be handled through the school counselor. Student requests for schedule changes should be made within the first week of class. It is important to note that some courses may be denied because of limited space or the need to complete prerequisites courses. Students are expected to follow their schedules. Any variation must be approved with a pass or schedule change.

#### **EARLY DISMISSAL**

No student will be allowed to leave school prior to dismissal time without a written request signed by the parent/guardian whose signature is on file in the school office or the parent/guardian coming to the school office to request the release. No student will be released to a person other than a custodial parent or guardian without a permission note signed by the custodial parent-or guardian.

#### TRANSFER OUT OF THE DISTRICT

If a student plans to transfer to another school, the parent/guardian must notify the principal. Transfer will be authorized only after the student has completed the arrangements, returned all

school materials, and paid any fees or fines that are due. Parents/guardians are encouraged to contact the school counselor for specific details.

#### **OPEN ENROLLMENT**

The School District of Manawa will participate in the Wisconsin Public School Open Enrollment Program in accordance with applicable law and the relevant policies and rules of the District, all as amended from time-to-time.

#### WITHDRAWAL FROM SCHOOL

No student under the age of eighteen (18) will be allowed to withdraw from school without the written consent of his/her parent/guardian and completion of any required forms.

#### **IMMUNIZATIONS**

Each student must have the immunizations required by the Wisconsin Department of Health and Human Services or must have an authorized waiver. If a student does not have the necessary shots or waivers, s/he may be excluded from school as permitted by law. This is for the safety of all students and staff. Any questions about immunizations or waivers should be directed to the School Nurse, Terri Brooks.

#### STUDENT ACCIDENTS/ILLNESS/CONCUSSION

The School District of Manawa believes that school personnel have certain responsibilities in case of accidents, illness or concussions that occur in school. Said responsibilities extend to the administration of first aid by persons trained to do so, summoning of medical assistance, and notification of administration personnel, notification of parent/guardian, and the filing of accident reports.

#### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION**

Per Board policy, every student must have an Emergency Medical Authorization Form completed and signed by his/her parent/guardian in order to participate in any activity off school grounds. This includes field trips, spectator trips, athletic and other extra-curricular activities, and co-curricular activities.

The school has made the Emergency Medical Authorization Form available to every parent/guardian at the time of enrollment. A student's failure to return the completed form to school may jeopardize the student's participation in school activities.

#### **USE OF PRESCRIBED MEDICATIONS**

In those circumstances where a student must take prescribed medication during the school day, the following guidelines are to be observed.

- Parents/guardians should, with their physician's advice, determine whether the medication schedule can be adjusted to avoid administering medication during school hours.
- The Medication Request and Authorization Form must be filed with the principal and the school nurse before the student will be allowed to begin taking any medication (including emergency medications for allergies and/or reactions) during school hours. The forms are available in the School office.

- All medications to be administered during school hours must be registered with the nurse's office.
- Medication that is brought to the office will be properly secured.
- Medication may be conveyed to school directly by the parent/guardian.
- For each prescribed medication, the container shall have a pharmacist's label with the following information:
  - 1. Student's name
  - 2. Practitioner's name
  - 3. Date
  - 4. Pharmacy name and telephone
  - 5. Name of medication
  - 6. Prescribed dosage and frequency
  - 7. Special handling and storage directions
- Medication MAY NOT be sent to school in a student's lunch box, pocket, or other means on or about his/her person, except for emergency medications for allergies and/or reactions.
- Any unused medication unclaimed by the parent/guardian will be destroyed by School personnel when a prescription is no longer to be administered or at the end of a school year.

A log for each prescribed medication shall be maintained by the School that will note the personnel giving the medication, the date, and the time of day. This log will be maintained along with the physician's written request and the parent/guardian's written release.

#### **ASTHMA INHALERS AND EPI-PENS**

Students, with appropriate written permission from both physician and parent/guardian, may possess and use a method dose inhaler or dry powder inhaler to alleviate asthmatic symptoms. Inhalers and Epinephrine (Epi-pen) can be administered only in accordance with conditions confirmed by the school principal and updated annually.

#### **USE OF NONPRESCRIBED (DRUG PRODUCTS)**

• Staff and volunteers will not be permitted to dispense non-prescribed drug products to any student without written parent/guardian consent.

The Nonprescription Drug Product Request must be filed with the school nurse Principal before the student will be allowed to begin taking any medication during school hours.

For each nonprescription drug product, the container shall be the original manufacturer's package and the package must list in a legible format the ingredients and recommended therapeutic dose.

The parent/guardians request to administer a nonprescription drug product shall contain the following information:

#### A. Student's name

- B. Date
- C. Name of medication
- D. Dosage and frequency
- E. Special handling and storage directions

Further, only those nonprescription drugs that are provided by the parent/guardian in the original manufacturers' package which lists the ingredients and dosage in a legible format may be administered.

Parents/guardians may authorize the school to administer a non-prescribed drug product using a form which is available at the school office. A physician does not have to authorize such medication. The parent/guardian may also authorize on the form that their child:

- May self-administer the medication.
- Keep the medication in his/her possession.

If a student is found using or possessing a non-prescribed drug product without parent/guardian authorization, s/he will be brought to the school office and the parents/guardians will be contacted for authorization. The medication will be confiscated until written authorization is received.

Any student who distributes a medication of any kind to another student or is found to possess a medication other than the one previously authorized is in violation of the school's Code of Conduct and may be disciplined in accordance with the drug-use provision of the Code.

#### **HEAD LICE**

If a child in the District is found to have lice, the child's parent/guardian will be contacted to have the child treated and to pick him/her up immediately. After treatment and upon returning to school, the child will be examined by the school health staff or principal. The District practices a policy of "no live lice" and no nits as criteria for return to school.

#### CONTROL OF CASUAL-CONTACT COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Because a school has a high concentration of people, it is necessary to take specific measures when the health or safety of the group is at risk. A teacher, nurse, or principal may send home a student who is suspected of having a communicable disease and will notify the parent/guardian of such action and the reason(s) it was taken. School officials may be required to notify local health officials if they suspect a student has a communicable disease as identified by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. School officials will comply with notification requirements of the Department of Health and Family Services in addition to notifying the student's parent/guardian.

Examples of such diseases include diphtheria, scarlet fever, strep infections, whooping cough, mumps, measles, rubella, and other conditions indicated by the Wisconsin Department of Health and Human Services.

Any student's removal from school will only be for the contagious period as specified in the school's administrative guidelines.

#### DIRECT CONTACT COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

In the case of non-casual-contact communicable diseases, the school still has the obligation to protect the safety of the staff and students. In these cases, the person in question will have

his/her status reviewed by a panel of resource people to ensure that the rights of the person affected and those in contact with that person are respected. The school will seek to keep students and staff in school unless there is definitive evidence to warrant exclusion.

Non-casual-contact communicable diseases include sexually transmitted diseases, AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome), ARC-AIDS Related Complex, HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus), Hepatitis B, and other diseases that may be specified by the Wisconsin Department of Health and Human Services.

As required by Federal and State law, parents/guardians may be required to have their child's blood checked for HIV and HBV, and other blood-borne pathogens when the child has bled at school and students or staff members have been exposed to the blood. Any testing is subject to laws protecting confidentiality.

#### INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

The American's with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act provide that no individual will be discriminated against on the basis of a disability. This protection applies not just to the student, but to all individuals who have access to the District's programs and facilities.

A student can access special education services through the proper evaluation and placement procedure. Parent/guardian involvement in this procedure is generally required. More important, the school encourages parents/guardians to be active participants. To inquire about special education programs and services, a parent/guardian should contact Dr. Melanie J. Oppor (920) 596-2525.

The district is committed to identifying, evaluating, and providing a free appropriate public education ("FAPE") to students within its jurisdiction who are disabled within the definition of Section 504, regardless of the nature or severity of their disabilities.

Services are also available to students with limited English proficiency. To inquire about programs and services, a parent/guardian should contact Carmen O'Brien at (920) 596-5840.

#### STUDENT RECORDS

The origination and maintenance of appropriate student records are essential to the effective operation of the District and meeting the educational interests of students. The rights and responsibilities of students, parent/guardians and the District with respect to student records are governed by State and Federal law. Many student records are kept by teachers, counselors and administrative staff. There are two (2) basic kinds of student records -- directory information and confidential records.

Directory information can be given to any person or organization for educational puposes or non-business purposes when requested, unless the parent/guardians of the student object in writing to the disclosure as required under school policy and State and Federal law. Directory information generally includes student records that identify a student's name, photograph, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height for members of athletic teams, date of graduation, and degrees and awards received. Directory information also includes a student ID number, user ID, or other unique personal identifier used by the student when accessing or communicating in a district's electronic systems, if, standing alone, it cannot be used to access student education records, (i.e. a pin number, password, or other factor is also needed).

• If parents/guardians and eligible students do not submit their written objection to dissemination to the Board, directory information may be utilized by the District Administrator in District-wide publications, on the cable television educational access channel, or on the District's website. The directory information used will be properly verified and approved by the District Administrator.

Student records are generally considered confidential under State and Federal law and may not be released to third parties unless the student's parent's/guardian's consent in writing. However, there are exceptions to confidentiality, and requests for records within these exceptions may be granted without a parent's/guardian's written consent. If you have questions about the confidentiality of student records and/or the release of student records to third-parties, please contact Dr. Melanie J. Oppor.

Parents/guardians and students are reminded of: 1) their rights to inspect, review and obtain copies of students records; 2) their rights to request the amendment of the student's school records if they believe the records are inaccurate or misleading; 3) their rights to consent to the disclosure of the student's school records, except to the extent State and Federal law authorizes disclosure without consent; 4) the categories of student record information which have been designated as directory information and their right to deny the release of such information; and 5) their right to file a complaint with the Family Policy Compliance Office of the U.S. Department of Education.

Consistent with the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA), no student shall be required, as a part of the school program or the District's curriculum, without prior written consent of the student (if an adult, or an emancipated minor) or, his/her parents/guardians, to submit to or participate in any survey, analysis, or evaluation that reveals information concerning:

- A. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or his/her parent/guardians;
- B. Mental or psychological problems of the student or his/her family;
- C. Sex behavior or attitudes:
- D. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating or demeaning behavior;
- E. Critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships;
- F. Legally recognized privileged and analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians, and ministers;
- G. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or his/her parent/guardians; or
- H. Income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such a program).

Consistent with the PPRA and Board policy, parents/guardians may inspect any materials used in conjunction with any such survey, analysis, or evaluation. Please contact Jeanne Frazier, Administrative Assistant to inspect such materials.

Further, parent/guardians have the right to inspect, upon request, a survey or evaluation created by a third party before the survey/evaluation is administered or distributed by the school to the student. The parent/guardian will have access to the survey/evaluation within a reasonable period of time after the request is received by the building principal.

The District Administrator will provide notice directly to parents/guardians of students enrolled in the District of the substantive content of this policy at least annually at the beginning of the school year, and within a reasonable period of time after any substantive change in this policy. In addition, the District Administrator is directed to notify

parents/guardians of students in the District, at least annually at the beginning of the school year, of the specific or approximate dates during the school year when the following activities are scheduled or expected to be scheduled:

• The administration of any survey by a third party that contains one or more of sensitive information contained in A through H above.

The Family Policy Compliance Office in the U.S. Department of Education administers both Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA). Parents/guardians and/or eligible students 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 20202-4605 Washington, D.C. www.ed.gov/offices/OM/fpco

Informal inquiries may be sent to the Family Policy Compliance Office via the following email addresses: FERPA@ED.Gov; and PPRA@ED.Gov.

#### ARMED FORCES RECRUITING

The School must provide equal access to the high school campus and to student directory information to all entities offering educational or employment opportunities to students. "Armed forces" means the armed forces of the United States and their reserve components and the United States Coast Guard.

Parents can decline release of student directory data to the Armed Forces using the consent verification form available at the time of registration. The Board shall ensure that students and parents/guardians are notified of the provisions of the opportunity to deny release of Directory information. Public notice shall be given regarding right to refuse disclosure to any or all "directory information" including in the armed forces of the United States and the service academies of the armed forces of the United States.

If parents/guardians and eligible students do not submit such written notification to the Board, directory information may be utilized by the District Administrator in District-wide publications, on the cable television educational access channel, or on the District's website. The directory information used will be properly verified and approved by the District Administrator.

Annually the Board will notify male students age eighteen (18) or older that they are required to register for the selective service.

#### STUDENT FEES, FINES, AND CHARGES

Fees will be charged for the following non-curricular activities and programs. Such fees or charges are determined by the cost of materials, freight/handling fees, and add-on fees for loss or damage to school property. The school and staff do not make a profit.

## **HIGH SCHOOL FEES**

FEES FOR EVERY STUDENT	
District Fee	\$20.00
Lyceum	\$ 2.00
Newspaper	\$ 1.00
Junior Class	\$10.00
Sophomore Class	\$ 5.00
Freshman Class	\$ 5.00

Student Parking Permits: New permit required each school year.	Required for all vehicles parked in the student	\$10.00
	parking lot	

OPTIONAL FEES		
	Student Athletic Pass	\$ 5.00
	Yearbook	\$50.00
Sports Fees	Student Max \$75 / Family Max \$150	\$30
Course Fees		
Band	Instrument Rental	\$30.00
Wildlife	Taxidermy – Optional Project	\$10.00 - \$30.00
Food Science	Lab Fees	\$10.00
Plants, Animals & You	White T-Shirt (student purchases)	Varies
Animal Science	Supply List Available July 2nd	Varies
Senior Art	Price Based on Chosen Project	Varies
Jewelry & Glass	Price Based on Chosen Project	Varies
Pottery & Sculpture		\$5.00
Drawing		\$5.00
Painting		\$5.00
Photography		\$5.00
Fiber Arts		\$5.00
Graphic Design		\$5.00
Intro to Tech Ed		\$10.00
Furniture & Cabinetry		\$10.00
Metals Manufacturing		\$10.00
Fabrication		\$10.00

#### JUNIOR HIGH FEES

7 <sup>TH</sup> & 8 <sup>TH</sup> Grade Fees			
for Every Student:			
_	District Fee	\$20.00	
	Lyceum	\$ 2.00	
	7th Grade Class Fee	\$ 5.00	
	8th Grade Class Fee	\$ 5.00	

OPTIONAL FEES FOR 7 <sup>TH</sup> AND 8 <sup>TH</sup> GRADERS		
	Student Athletic Pass	\$ 5.00
	Yearbook	\$12.00
Sports Fees	Student Max \$30 / Family Max \$150	\$15.00 per sport
PBIS Rewards Trips	Costs vary depending on trip	\$5.00 - \$30.00
Washington D.C.	Price is approximate	\$1,000.00

Fees may be waived in situations where there is financial hardship.

Students using school property and equipment can be fined for excessive wear and abuse. The fine will be used to pay for the damage, not to make a profit.

Late fines can be avoided when students return borrowed materials promptly. Their use may be needed by others.

Students who fail to pay fines, fees, or charges may be denied participation in graduation ceremonies.

#### STUDENT FUND-RAISING

Students participating in school-sponsored groups and activities will be allowed to solicit funds from other students, staff members, and members of the community in accordance with school guidelines. The following general rules will apply to all fund-raisers.

- Students involved in the fund-raiser are not to interfere with students participating in other activities in order to solicit funds.
- A student will not be allowed to participate in a fund-raising activity for a group in which s/he is not a member without the approval of the student's teacher or counselor.
- No student may participate in fundraising activities off school property without proper supervision by approved staff or other adults.
- House-to-house canvassing by any student is not allowed for any fundraising activity.
- Students under the age of nine (9) must be accompanied by a parent/guardian or person sixteen (16) years of age or older.
- Any fund-raisers that require students to exert themselves physically beyond their normal pattern of activity, such as "runs for .....", will be monitored by a staff member

- in order to prevent a student from overextending himself/herself to the point of potential harm.
- No student may participate in a fund-raising activity conducted by a parent/guardian group, booster club, or community organization on school property without the approval of the principal.
- Fundraising by students on behalf of school-related organizations whose funds are not managed by the District may be permitted on school grounds by the District Administrator. If the fundraising activity will involve students under age nine (9) or the group holding the fundraiser includes any students under age nine (9), the group shall secure permission from such students' parents/guardians to participate in the fundraising activity and shall assure that any such students are always accompanied by a parent/guardian or a person at least sixteen (16) years of age.

## STUDENT VALUABLES

Students are encouraged not to bring items of value to school. Items such as jewelry, expensive clothing, electronic equipment, and the like, are tempting targets for theft and extortion. The school cannot be responsible for their safe-keeping and will not be liable for loss or damage to personal valuables. Students are expected to use school-issued locks for use during physical education classes.

#### **REVIEW OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS**

Parents/guardians have the right to review any instructional materials related to the human growth and development curriculum and may also observe instruction in classes dealing with such subject matter. Any parent/guardian who wishes to review instructional materials or observe classroom instruction should contact the Principal to make the appropriate arrangements. Parents'/guardians' rights to review teaching materials and instructional activities are subject to reasonable restrictions and limits.

#### **MEAL SERVICE**

The school participates in the National School Lunch Program and makes lunches available to students for a fee. Ala carte items are available. Students may also bring their own lunch to school for consumption in the school's cafeteria.

ONLY students in grades 9-12 who have met the criteria for an Honor Pass will be allowed to leave campus for lunch.

Applications for the school's Free and Reduced-Priced Meal program are distributed to all students. Extra applications can be obtained in the school office.

# FIRE AND TORNADO DRILLS

The school complies with all fire safety laws and will conduct fire drills in accordance with State law. Specific instructions on how to proceed will be provided to students by their teachers, who are responsible for safe, prompt, and orderly evacuation of the building.

Tornado drills will be conducted during the tornado season using the procedures provided by the State.

Lock down drills in which the students are restricted to the interior of the school building and the building secured may occur during the school year.

## **EMERGENCY CLOSINGS AND DELAYS**

If the school must be closed or the opening delayed because of inclement weather or other conditions, the school will notify the following radio and television stations:

WDUX ----Waupaca 92.7 WBAY-CH 2 WSAW-CH 7 NBC 26

WFRV-CH 5 WLUK-CH 11

If there is no announcement made on the radio and television stations, school will be open and the buses will be running. If the weather should turn severe during the day and buses are sent out early, an announcement to this effect will be made on the above stations. Parents/guardians will also have the option of receiving an alert to their phone or email account. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to ensure updated directory information. Parents/guardians and students are responsible for knowing about emergency closings and delays.

## PREPAREDNESS FOR TOXIC AND ASBESTOS HAZARDS

The School is concerned for the safety of students and attempts to comply with all Federal and State Laws and Regulations to protect students from hazards that may result from industrial accidents beyond the control of school officials or from the presence of asbestos materials used in previous construction. A copy of the School District's Toxic Hazard Policy and asbestos management plan will be made available for inspection at the Board offices upon request.

#### **VISITORS**

Visitors, particularly parent/guardians, are welcome at the school. In order to properly monitor the safety of students and staff, each visitor must report to the office upon entering the school to obtain a pass. Any visitor found in the building without a pass shall be reported to the principal. If a person wishes to confer with a member of the staff, s/he should call for an appointment prior to coming to the school, in order to prevent any loss of instructional time.

Visitors access to classrooms and instructional activities are subject to reasonable restrictions and limits. Please consult with the principal regarding these restrictions.

Students may not bring visitors to school without first obtaining advanced written permission from the principal.

# **USE OF THE LIBRARY**

The library is available to students throughout the school day. Passes may be obtained from a student's teacher or from the librarian/library aide. Books and periodicals (not the most recent issue) on the shelves may be checked out for a period of three weeks. To check out any other materials, contact the librarian/library aide. To avoid fees, all materials checked out of the library must be returned to the library by the end of each term.

## USE OF SCHOOL EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES

Students must receive the permission of the teacher before using any equipment or materials in the classroom and the permission of the principal to use any other school equipment or facility. Students will be held responsible for the proper use and safekeeping of any equipment or facility they are allowed to use.

## LOST AND FOUND

The lost and found area is in the main office. Students who have lost items should check there and may retrieve their items if they give a proper description. Unclaimed items will be given to charity at the close of the school year.

#### STUDENT SALES

No student is permitted to sell any item or service in school without the approval of the principal. Violation of this rule may lead to disciplinary action.

#### **USE OF SCHOOL TELEPHONES**

Office telephones are not to be used for personal calls. Except in an emergency, students will not be called to the office to receive a telephone call.

• Telephones are available in the school for students to use when they are not in class. Students are not to use telephones to call parents/guardians to receive permission to leave school. Office personnel will initiate all calls on behalf of a student seeking permission to leave school.

## USE OF CELL PHONES, OR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

#### SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANAWA

Electronic Communication Device Policy

The School District of Manawa recognizes the value electronic communication devices add to the educational experience of all students as well as aid in improving communication with parents/guardians. Therefore, the use of wireless communication devices (WCDs) before and after school, during lunch break, in between classes, during after school activities (e.g. extracurricular activities), and/or at school-related functions is permitted. WCDs may also be used in class when authorized by the classroom teacher. Use of WCDs at any other time is prohibited. Such possession or use of the WCDs may not, in any way,

- 1. Create a distraction, disruption or otherwise interfere with the educational environment.
- 2. Endanger the health or safety of the student or anyone else.
- 3. Invade the rights of others.
- 4. Involve illegal or prohibited conduct of any kind.

A "wireless communication device" is a device that emits an audible signal, vibrates, displays a message, or otherwise summons or delivers a communication to the possessor. The following devices are examples of WCDs: cellular and wireless telephones, pagers/beepers, personal digital assistants (PDAs), Smart phones, Wi-Fi-enabled or broadband access devices, two-way radios or video broadcasting devices, laptops, and other devices that allow a person to record and/or transmit, on either a real time or delayed basis, sound, video or still images, text, or other information. Students may not use WCDs on school property or at a school-sponsored activity to access and/or view Internet web sites that are otherwise blocked to students at school.

• Students are personally and solely responsible for the care and security of their WCDs. The School District of Manawa and its employees assume no responsibility for theft, loss, damage, or vandalism to WCDs brought onto its property, or the unauthorized use of such devices.

- Students agree that the WCD will remain turned off except when the student is using the device. This means that the device will not ring, beep, vibrate, buzz, or exhibit other displays that indicate that the device is activated.
- Students are prohibited from using WCDs to capture, record or transmit the words (i.e. audio) and/or images (i.e., pictures/video) of any student, staff member or other person during the school day, without express prior notice and explicit consent for the capture, recording or transmission of such words or images. Using a WCD to take or transmit audio and/or pictures/video of an individual without his/her consent is considered an invasion of privacy and is not permitted, unless authorized by the building principal.
- "Sexting", the electronic transmission of sexual messages or pictures, usually through cell phone text messaging, is prohibited at any time on school property or at school functions, while under the supervision of school authorities, or transmitted to others at school. This prohibition also explicitly includes displaying images received to a third party. Such conduct not only is potentially dangerous for the involved students, but can lead to unwanted exposure of the messages and images to others, and could result in criminal violations related to the transmission or possession of child pornography. Such conduct will be subject to discipline and possible confiscation of the WCD.
- WCDs, including but not limited to those with cameras, may not be possessed, activated or utilized at any time in any school situation where a reasonable expectation of personal privacy exists. These locations and circumstances include but are not limited to locker rooms, shower facilities, restrooms, classrooms, and any other areas where students or others may change clothes or be in any stage or degree of disrobing or changing clothes. See Locker Room Privacy Policy. The building principal has authority to make determinations as to other specific locations and situations where possession of a WCD is absolutely prohibited.
- No expectation of confidentiality will exist in the use of WCDs on school premises/property.
- Students are prohibited from using a WCD in any way that might reasonably create in the mind of another person an impression of being threatened, humiliated, harassed, embarrassed or intimidated. Harassment and/or Bullying of Students.
- Students are also prohibited from using a WCD to capture and/or transmit test information or any other information in a manner constituting fraud, theft, cheating, or academic dishonesty. Likewise, students are prohibited from using their WCDs to receive such information.

Possession of a WCD is a privilege that may be forfeited by any student who fails to abide by the terms of this policy, or otherwise engages in misuse of this privilege.

Violations of this policy may result in disciplinary action and/or confiscation of the WCD. The building principal may also refer the matter to law enforcement if the violation involves an illegal activity (e.g., child pornography).

Any person who knows a student is using a WCD in violation of this policy is obligated to report the violation to the building principal.

Parents/guardians are advised that the best way to get in touch with their child during the school day is by calling the school office. Students may use school phones to contact parent/guardians during permissible times of the school day.

LEGAL REF.: Section 118.28 Wisconsin Statutes

Students who violate this policy will face the following disciplinary consequences: (Any electronic device or combination thereof).

1st offense – Warning – device is requested to be turned off.

**2<sup>nd</sup> offense** – Teacher confiscates for the class period.

3rd offense - Phone is turned into the main office where a parent/guardian must pick up.

Students refusing to relinquish their WCD may receive an in-school or out-of-school suspension. If they still refuse the proper authorities will be called.

#### **WEAPONS**

The Board of the School District of Manawa prohibits possession, use or threat to use, or storing of a weapon or look-alike weapon on school premises before, during, or after school, or at any school-sponsored activity. "School premises" includes a school building, school bus or vehicle, or any other school facility (including any school transportation facility, whether owned or contracted by the District). Students may not have live ammunition on the school site.

Determination of whether an item constitutes a weapon under this policy shall be made in accordance with established procedures. Exceptions to this policy include items which otherwise might be classified as weapons which are brought or transported to school premises or activities as part of a recognized activity for which the item is required, unless such is prohibited by law. (Examples might include but are not necessarily limited to guns handled by a staff member in a gun safety class, a look-alike gun which might be used in a dramatic activity, a gun bayonet which might be part of a history lesson, or a starting pistol used by a staff member in a track athletic event.)

Teachers should advise the appropriate building administrator beforehand of any activity or lesson necessitating the bringing to school of materials such as those described in this policy. Anyone found to be in violation of this policy is subject to discipline and/or legal action. If any part of this policy is held to be invalid under operation of the law, it shall not affect other parts of this policy which may be in compliance with the law.

#### ADVERTISING OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES

No announcements or posting of outside activities will be permitted without the approval of the principal. A minimum of twenty-four (24) hours' notice is required to ensure that the principal has the opportunity to review the announcement or posting.

The school has a central bulletin board located across from the main office which may be used for posting notices after receiving permission from the principal.

## **VIDEO SURVEILLANCE**

The Board of Education has authorized the use of video surveillance and electronic monitoring equipment at various school sites throughout the school. Any person who takes action to block, move, or alter the location and/or viewing angle of a video camera shall be subject to disciplinary action.

#### SAFETY AND SECURITY

- A. All visitors must report to the office when they arrive at school.
- B. All visitors are given and required to wear a building pass while they are in the building.
- C. The staff is expected to question people in the building whom they do not recognize and who are not wearing a building pass, and to question people who are "hanging around" the building after hours.
- D. Students and staff are expected to immediately report to a teacher or administrator any suspicious behavior or situation that makes them

uncomfortable. All District employees are to wear photo-identification badges while in District schools and offices or on District property.

LUNCH PROGRAM

Hot Lunch & Breakfast Prices for 2016-2017 School Year:

Hot Lunch (Per Day)	
Jr./Sr. High School	\$2.90
Breakfast (Per Day)	
Jr. / Sr. High School	\$1.20
Milk (Per Day) *	\$.30

Reduced price is \$.30 for breakfast and \$.40 for lunch for all qualifying students in the district.

Free and Reduced Breakfast and Lunch forms must be filled out each year. Forms are available in each school office, and the District Office. They can be filled out at ANY time throughout the year.

## **SECTION II - ACADEMICS**

#### FIELD TRIPS

Field trips are academic activities that are held off school grounds. There are also other trips that are part of the school's co-curricular and extra-curricular program. No student may participate in any school-sponsored trip without parent/guardian consent.

Attendance rules, the Code of Conduct and the Search and Seizure policy apply to all field trips.

#### **GRADES**

The Teachers have a standard grading procedure, as well as additional notations that may indicate work in progress or incomplete work. The purpose of a grade is to indicate the extent to which the student has acquired the necessary learning. In general, students are assigned grades based upon test results, projects, and classroom participation. Each teacher may place a different emphasis on these areas in determining a grade and will so inform the students at the beginning of the course work. If a student is not sure how his/her grade will be determined, s/he should ask the teacher.

The School uses the following grading system:

## Grading Scale for all students:

- A 95-100
- A- 92-94
- B+ 89-91
- B 86-88
- B- 83-85
- C+ 80-82
- C 77-79
- C- 74-76
- D+ 71-73
- D 68-70
- D- 65-67
- F 0-64

## Marking System:

- (A) Excellent
- (B) Good
- (C) Average
- (D) Below Average
- (F) Failure

If a student receives an "F" in a required subject, he/she must repeat and pass that subject to fulfill graduation requirements. Ordinarily, a student who receives an "F" in a course, which is part of a sequence, must repeat and pass that course to continue in the sequence.

- (I) Incomplete: When a student's work is not completed by the end of the quarter due to the student's absence from school, he/she receives an "I". This work, in most cases, must be made up within two weeks after the end of the quarter. Exceptions to the two-week period must be cleared through the principal. If work is not made up in the allowed time, the "I" becomes an "F"
- (W) Withdrew: A student receives this grade when he/she drops a course with administrative approval.

NOTE: A student withdrawing from a course after the fifth week of the semester will do so with an F unless granted administrative exception.

#### **GRADE POINT AVERAGE**

To calculate a grade point average (G.P.A.), assign a point value to each course grade and divide by the total number of credits. For partial-credit courses use the fractional value of the grade. For example, a half credit course with an earned grade of C would be  $.5 \times 2=1$ . Then add this to the other grades earned for total points earned. This total is then divided by the total credits earned for the G.P.A. This can be done by grading period, semester, year, or for a series of school years.

#### LAUDE SYSTEM

The Laude System replaces the class rank system. It allows us to recognize and encourage students to take appropriate courses that will better prepare them for the future. This system is a point-based system that gets combined with a student's GPA, under our normal grading scale. This system rewards a student for **completing** designated rigorous courses and will earn the student honor points.

To qualify for Cum Laude or Higher: The student must minimally have a 3.4 cumulative grade point average and have earned a minimum of 20 Laude points. Once students meet these requirements they will earn one of the following distinctions:

**Cum Laude** (With honor/distinction), 4 – 17.49 honor points **Magna Cum Laude** (With great honor/distinction), 17.5 – 28.79 honor points **Summa Cum Laude** (With highest honor/distinction), 28.8 honor points or more

\*Academic Excellence Scholarship: Refer to language spelled out in Board Policy 5451.02

#### **GRADING PERIODS**

<u>Report Cards</u>: At the end of each semester, students receive report cards containing their final semester grades in all of their courses. The grades on the semester report card become a part of each student's permanent record.

At the end of the nine-week period a report card indicating quarterly grades is issued. This quarterly grade is a progress report to give students, parent/guardians, and the counselor an idea of the student's work at that point. The quarterly grade is not an official grade. It does not appear on any official record and in no way affects credits, average, or rank in class.

<u>Parent/guardian / Teacher Conferences:</u> Parent/guardian/teacher conferences will be held for the purpose of evaluation of student progress in school. Parents/guardians are encouraged to communicate with staff members at any time throughout the school year concerning their child's progress. Any time a parent/guardian wishes to see his/her child's records or confer with a teacher they should make an appointment through the High School office.

## PROMOTION, PLACEMENT, AND RETENTION

#### Grades 5K-8 Level

Criteria: To be promoted all students in grades 3-8 must demonstrate adequate progress in core subject areas. Literacy and numeracy are the foundation of all core subjects. To that end, adequate progress will be determined by end-of-year report card standard scores for core academic subjects at a score of "S" in grades one and two or a "D" or higher in grades three through eight. If adequate progress is not evident, based on the report care scores, multiple

measures may be used to compile a complete student learning profile for promotion consideration.

The multiple measures to consider may include, but are not limited to:

- A. Wisconsin School Assessment System Examination scores
- B. Response to Intervention/Instruction documentation
- C. Local assessments
- D. Teacher recommendations
- E. Demonstrate adequate progress toward attainment of annual goals specified in the Individualized Education Plan (IEP), Section 504 Plans, or English Development Learning Plan (EDLP) as documented by the staff serving the student.

# **High School Level**

Student placement criteria are as follows:

- A. 1st year of high school attendance or the credit equivalent are placed in 9th grade.
- B. 2nd year of high school attendance or the credit equivalent are placed in 10th grade.
- C. 3rd year of high school attendance or the credit equivalent are placed in 11th grade.
- D. 4th year of high school attendance or the credit equivalent are placed in 12th grade.

# **Remediation Opportunities**

School personnel shall make a concerted and repeated effort throughout the school year to notify the parents/guardians of students who are at-risk of not meeting grade-level expectations and thus, may not be eligible for promotion. Opportunities to support student learning will be suggested and encouraged. In this way, students, with the support of their parents/guardians, can take full advantage of Response to Intervention/Instruction (Rtl) time, Summer School, or other remediation learning opportunities for the purpose of meeting the grade-level criteria as described above to be eligible for promotion. Students' progress in meeting grade-level criteria will be monitored using universal screeners.

Referral shall be based on failing grades at the middle of the first quarter.

- The BCT shall meet to problem-solve the relevant behavior and educational issues regarding the student and implement strategies to help the student improve his/her failing grades or performance. The student's grades or performance shall be monitored throughout the second quarter by the SAT BCT. An educational assessment may be completed upon recommendation of the SAT BCT. The student's parents/guardians shall be notified.
- If, at the end of the first semester, the student continues to receive less than a "D" or less in core area subjects, the BCT will review and revise the previous plan and implement new strategies to help improve the student's failing grades or performance. An educational assessment shall be completed unless this was already done during the second quarter of the school year. The student's parent/guardians/guardians shall be notified.
- The BCT shall monitor student progress bi-weekly during the third quarter. The BCT will make a promotion or retention recommendation to the building principal by the end of third quarter. The student's parent/guardians/guardians will be kept informed of student progress and the preliminary recommendation. The district administrator shall be informed.
- Final determination of a retention, promotion, or promotion conditioned on a remediation plan shall be made by the building principal and reported to the district administrator and be based, in part, on the 4th quarter mid-term grades or

performance. The principal shall provide a written notice of the decision to the parents/guardians at least 4 weeks before the end of the school year.

# **Appeal Process**

Parents/guardians of the student recommended for retention may appeal to the District Administrator or designee. Such appeals shall be filed in writing no later than five (5) days after receiving the official letter of retention. The appeal petition must include reasons why the parent/guardian believes the student should be promoted. The District Administrator or designee shall respond with a decision in writing fifteen (15) days after receipt of the appeal.

The following number of earned credits designates the grade in which the student will be registered:

Freshman 0 to 5 Credits Sophomore 6 Credits to 11 Credits Junior 12 Credits to 17 Credits Senior 18 Credits or more

# **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

A student must meet the following graduation requirements in order to be eligible to receive a Little Wolf High School diploma:

- 1. Student must attend high school for eight (8) semesters.
- 2. A student must be enrolled in a class or participating in a Board-approved activity during each class period of each school day while attending high school. Students may be eligible for early graduation in accordance with established policy and procedures. Students may have the eight-semester requirement waived if the early graduation procedures established in the rules are followed.
- 3. Credits A Little Wolf High School diploma shall be granted upon successful completion of a total of at least 24 credits in grades 9 through 12 to include:
  - English 4 credits
  - Social Studies 3 credits
  - Financial Literacy 1/2 Credit
  - Physical Education 1 ½ credits
  - Health ½ credit
  - Math 3 credits
  - Science 3 credits
  - Electives 8 1/2 credits
- 4. All required courses shall be successfully completed, and any failure shall be made up before a diploma will be issued.
- 5. Students with disabilities who properly complete the programs specified in their I.E.P. and have received the recommendation of the I.E.P. team may participate in graduation activities and may be awarded a diploma (provided the student satisfied the District's high school graduation requirements).
- 6. Alternative Provisions for Earning a Manawa Little Wolf High School Diploma A post-high school candidate is a student who is less than twenty-two (22) years of age at the time of his/her requested re-enrollment and whose class has previously graduated. District Administrator's approval is required for all students who are twenty-two (22) years of age or older. Post-high school candidates must meet the graduation requirements as established at the time of their re-enrollment and not when the student first exited school.

- 7. Post-Secondary Course Work Post-secondary course work to be applied toward a high school diploma must be taken through a(n):
  - A. correspondence/online school Such courses must be evaluated and approved by the high school principal in order to apply toward the high school diploma.
  - B. accredited college/technical College. Course work taken at a college/technical college will be approved and credits earned apply toward a high school diploma if:
    - 1. The college/technical college course is not a duplicate of a high school course.
  - 2. If the course is a logical next step course in subject sequence and is not offered in any form by the high school.
  - 3. If the desired course is not offered by the high school but is determined, by the principal, to meet the educational goals and interests of the student.

The costs for the above described course work will be based upon and follow the policies established PI 40, Youth Options.

- 8. Attendance Current seniors, like all students, must comply with all attendance expectations as set forth in the district's Attendance/Truancy Plan. A senior identified as truant during their last semester of coursework will not be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony.
- 9. School Program Obligations: All fee, fine, detention, and similar obligations arising from student participation in school programs must be fulfilled before the student can participate in the commencement ceremony.

Only those students who have met all District graduation requirements as set forth in this policy and are wearing the prescribed cap and gown and complying with administrative behavioral expectations shall be permitted to participate in the commencement ceremony. The principal shall determine whether a student has satisfied the criteria in this policy. A student may be denied participation in graduation activities for disciplinary reasons

## EARLY COLLEGE CREDIT PROGRAM

The 2017 Wisconsin Act 59 eliminated the Course Options and Youth Options programs. The Youth Options statute (118.55) was renamed the Early College Credit Program. The statute allows Wisconsin public and private high school students to take one or more courses at an institution of higher education for high school and/or college credit. Under this section, "institution of higher education" means an institution within the University of Wisconsin System, a tribally controlled college, or a private, nonprofit institution of higher education located in the state. Courses may be denied by the school if a comparable course at the school already exists.

## START COLLEGE NOW PROGRAM

"Start College Now" will allow high school students the opportunity to take college courses at Wisconsin Technical Colleges. Students looking to take courses in the fall semester must turn in the application by March 1, 2018. For spring semester courses the same application is used, however the due date is October 1, 2018.

The Board of Education will provide students enrolled in the District with the ability to take up to two (2) courses at any given time through one or more other educational institutions as outlined in the information above. Please contact the high school counseling office at (920) 596-5802.

## RECOGNITION OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Students who have displayed significant achievements during the course of the year are recognized for their accomplishments. Areas that may merit recognition include academics, athletics, performing arts, citizenship, and volunteerism. Recognition for such activities is initiated by the staff and coordinated by the Guidance Department.

#### Honor Roll

**High Honor** 4.00 **Honor** 3.50 - 3.99 **Honorable Mention** 3.00 - 3.49

## ATHLETIC AWARDS

Requirements for athletic awards are developed by each head coach with the approval of the Athletic Director. These requirements will be reviewed with interested students by the appropriate coach.

## **DIPLOMA DEFERRAL**

Social graduation is an opportunity for students with individual education programs ("IEPs") to participate in high school graduation ceremonies without obtaining an official diploma. Students with IEPs who have completed all academic requirements for high school graduation, but who have not yet completed their transition-related IEP goals may be eligible for social graduation.

## **HOMEWORK**

The assignment of homework can be expected. Student grades will reflect the completion of all work, including outside assignments. Homework is also part of the student's preparation for the standardized tests and graduation.

Homework will not generally be used for disciplinary reasons but only to enhance the student's learning.

## **CREDIT RECOVERY**

Little Wolf High School does offer credit recovery through the alternative education program (Phoenix program.) This program utilizes Plato Courseware. This standards-based online learning program assists students achieve their **GED Option #2 (GEDO #2)**. Wisconsin law states that a school board may grant a high school diploma to a pupil who has not satisfied the credit requirements if:

- 1. The student was enrolled in an alternative education program
- 2. The school board determines that the pupil has demonstrated a level of proficiency in the subjects for which credits are required equivalent to that which they would have attained if they had satisfied the credit requirements

#### STUDENT NETWORK AND INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE AND SAFETY

Students are encouraged to use the school's computers/network and Internet connection for educational purposes. Use of such resources is a privilege, not a right. Students must conduct themselves in a responsible, efficient, ethical, and legal manner. Unauthorized or inappropriate use, including any violation of the school's policies and administrative guidelines, may result in cancellation of the privilege, disciplinary action consistent with the school's rules, and civil or criminal liability. Smooth operation of the school's network relies upon users adhering to the school's policies and administrative guidelines. Prior to accessing the Internet at school, students must sign the Student Network and Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Agreement each year.

The School District reserves the right to monitor, inspect, copy, review and store at any time and without prior notice any and all usage of the computer network and Internet access and any and all information transmitted or received in connection with such usage. All such information files shall be and remain the property of the School District and no user shall have any expectation of privacy regarding such materials.

Use of the Network to engage in "cyberbullying" is prohibited. ""Cyberbullying" involves the use of information and communication technologies such as e-mail, cell phone and pager text messages, instant messaging (IM), defamatory personal Web sites or Social Media accounts, and defamatory online personal polling Web sites, to support deliberate, repeated, and hostile behavior by an individual or group that is intended to harm others."

Cyberbullying includes, but is not limited to the following:

- 1. Posting slurs or rumors or other disparaging remarks about a student or school staff member on a web site or on Social Media;
- 2. Sending e-mail or instant messages that are mean or threatening, or so numerous as to drive up the victim's cell phone bill;
- 3. Using a camera phone to take and send embarrassing photographs/recordings of students or school staff members or post these images on video sharing sites such as You Tube or any Social Media.
- 4. Posting misleading or fake photographs of students or school staff members on web sites, or Social Media.

To the extent permitted by the First Amendment, instances of cyberbullying off school grounds that disrupt the school environment or interfere with the learning process will be considered violations of the Student Code of Conduct

Students shall not access social media for personal use from the District's network but shall be permitted to access social media for educational use in accordance with their teacher's approved plan for such use.

#### STUDENT ASSESSMENT

To measure student progress, students will be tested in accordance with State standards and District policy.

Additional group tests are given to students to monitor progress and determine educational mastery levels. These tests are used to help the staff determine instructional needs.

Classroom tests will be used to assess student progress and assign grades. These are selected or prepared by teachers to assess how well the students have achieved specific objectives.

Vocational and interest surveys may be given to identify particular areas of student interest or talent. These are often given by the guidance staff.

• If necessary, intelligence tests, speech and language evaluations, individually administered achievement tests, and other special testing services are available to students needing these services.

Depending on the type of testing, specific information and/or parent/guardian consent may need to be obtained. The assessment program will not violate the rights of consent and privacy of a student participating in any form of evaluation.

College entrance testing information can be obtained from the Guidance office.

#### **SECTION III - STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

## SCHOOL-SPONSORED CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Students have the opportunity to broaden their learning through curricular-related activities. A curricular-related activity may be for credit, required for a particular course, and/or contain school subject matter.

The school has many student groups that are approved by the Board of Education. Authorized groups include:

## **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Co-curricular activities will include but are not limited to the following:

Art Club	FBLA	FOR Club
Art Team	Ski Club	Quiz Bowl
FFA	Forensics	Solo & Ensemble
Student Council	Pep Band	National Honor Society

Extra-curricular activities do not reflect the school curriculum but are made available to students to allow them to pursue additional worthwhile activities such as recreational sports, drama, and the like.

All students are permitted to participate in the activities of their choosing, as long as they meet the eligibility requirements.

# NON-SCHOOL-SPONSORED CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Non-school-sponsored student groups organized for religious, political, or philosophical reasons may meet during non-instructional hours. The application for permission can be obtained from the Principal. The application must verify that the activity is being initiated by students, attendance is voluntary, no school staff person is actively involved in the event, the event will not interfere with school activities, and non-school persons do not play a regular role in the event. School rules will still apply regarding behavior and equal opportunity to participate.

Membership in any fraternity, sorority, or any other secret society as proscribed by law is not permitted. All groups must comply with school rules and must provide equal opportunity to participate.

No non-district-sponsored organization may use the name of the school or the school mascot.

#### SCHOOL-SPONSORED PUBLICATIONS AND PRODUCTIONS

The Board of Education sponsors student publications and productions as a means by which students learn, under adult direction/supervision, the rights and responsibilities inherent when engaging in the public expression of ideas and information in our democratic society.

## **ATHLETICS**

A variety of athletic activities are available in which students may participate providing they meet eligibility requirements that may apply. The following is a list of activities currently being offered. For further information, contact Skylar Liebzeit, the Athletic Director, at (920) 596-5838.

Basketball	Softball	Wrestling	Baseball
Cross Country	Football	Track	Bowling Club
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Golf Volleyball Cheer/Dance Club

#### STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

The school district of Manawa recognizes the importance and promotes jobs that further a student's educational goals. If a student believes that s/he must maintain a job in addition to going to school s/he must first make contact with his/her counselor to discuss any legal requirements and obtain any needed documents i.e. work permits. In addition, students are encouraged to work through the work study program to receive certification and recognition for their efforts. Only students that are enrolled in this program will be allowed to leave school for work.

## **SECTION IV - STUDENT CONDUCT**

#### **ATTENDANCE**

The school requires all students to attend school regularly in accordance with the laws of Wisconsin. The school's educational program is predicated upon the presence of the student and requires continuity of instruction and classroom participation. The regular contact of students with one another in the classroom and their participation in a well-planned instructional activity under the guidance of a competent teacher are vital to this purpose.

# **Compulsory Student Attendance**

All children between six (6) and eighteen (18) years of age shall attend school regularly during the full period and hours, religious holidays exempted, that the school is in session. All students must attend until the end of the term, quarter or semester of the school year in which the child becomes eighteen (18) years of age unless they fall under an exception outlined in the District's Administrative Guidelines.

• Attendance is also defined as participation in the various forms of distance learning including videoconference, satellite, Internet or other electronic information and telecommunications technologies.

#### **Excuse for Absence**

A parent/guardian of a student who is absent shall provide a written, dated, signed statement indicating the reason for and the time period of the absence. This statement must be submitted prior to the absence if the absence is foreseeable. If the absence is not foreseeable, the statement must be provided prior to the student's readmission to school. The statement shall be submitted to the principal, Mr. Wolfgram, who serves as the School Attendance Officer and filed in the student's school record. The District reserves the right to verify statements and investigate absences from school.

#### **Excused Absences**

A student <u>shall</u> be excused from school for the following reasons:

#### Physical or Mental Condition

The student is temporarily not in proper physical or mental condition to attend a school program. If the absence exceeds 5 days, the inability of the student to attend school due to a physical or mental condition must be certified in writing by a licensed physician, dentist, chiropractor, optometrist or psychologist or Christian Science practitioner living and residing in Wisconsin, who is listed in the Christian Science Journal. The time period for which the certification is valid may not exceed thirty [30] days.

# Obtaining Religious Instruction

Students may wish to obtain religious instruction outside the school during the required school period. The time period or periods of absence shall be determined by the principal. Such absences must be at least 60 minutes but not more than 180 minutes per week. Requests for absence under this paragraph shall be denied if the student fails to attend religious instruction after requesting to be absent from his or her regular school. The supervisor of such religious instruction shall report monthly, to the principal of the school regularly attended, the names of the students who attended such weekly religious instruction.

## Permission of Parent/Guardian

The student may be excused by his or her parent/guardian before the absence for any or no reason. A student may not be excused for more than ten (10) days under this paragraph and must complete any course work missed during the absence. Examples of reasons for being absent that should be counted under this paragraph include, but are not limited to, the following:

- professional and other necessary appointments (e.g., medical, dental, and legal) that cannot be scheduled outside the school day
- to attend the funeral of a relative
- legal proceedings that require the student's presence
- college visits
- job fairs
- vacations

Parents/guardians are encouraged not to take their child out of school for vacations. When a family vacation must be scheduled during the school year, the parents/guardians should discuss the matter with the principal and the student's teacher(s) to make necessary arrangements.

## Religious Holiday

The student wishes to observe a religious holiday consistent with the student's creed or belief.

## Suspension or Expulsion

The student has been suspended or expelled.

#### Program or Curriculum Modification

Students may be excused from regular school attendance to participate in a program or curriculum modification leading to high school graduation or a high school equivalency diploma as provided by State law.

# <u>High School Equivalency - Secured Facilities</u>

A student may be excused from regular school attendance to participate in a program leading to a high school equivalency diploma in a secured correctional facility, a secured child-caring institution, a secure detention facility, or a juvenile portion of a county jail. The student and his/her parent/guardian or guardian must agree that the student will continue to participate in such a program.

#### Child at Risk

The student is a "child at risk" as defined under State law and is participating in a program at a technical college on either a part-time or full-time basis leading to high school graduation, as provided under State law.

A student <u>may</u> be excused from school, as determined by the School Attendance Officer, for the following reasons:

- Quarantine: Quarantine of the student's home by a public health officer.
- Illness of an Immediate Family Member
- Emergency: An emergency that requires the student to be absent because of family responsibilities or other appropriate reasons.

**Pre-Arranged Absence:** Students absent for reasons other than the above will be considered unexcused with this exception: parents may PRE-EXCUSE their child for any reason for up to ten days per year. This means that any absence for reasons other than the above may be excused providing there is a WRITTEN PRE-ARRANGED FORM. (Forms may be picked up in the office prior to the date of absence.) If it is not PRE-ARRANGED, it will be considered UNEXCUSED.

# Truancy

A student will be considered truant if he or she is absent part or all of one or more days from school during which the School Attendance Officer, principal, or a teacher has not been notified of the legal cause of such absence by the parent or guardian of the absent student. A student will also be considered truant if he or she has been absent intermittently for the purpose of defeating the intent of the Wisconsin Compulsory Attendance statute – Sec. 118.15, Wis. Stat.

When a student is truant, the School Attendance Officer shall ensure that all applicable provisions of the District's Truancy Plan are carried out.

#### **Unexcused Absences**

Unexcused absences demonstrate a deliberate disregard for the educational program and are considered a serious matter. The principal will determine on a case-by-case basis the appropriate methods to deal with unexcused absences. If a student is unexcused or without prior approval of the absence, the student-athlete is not allowed to practice or play in an athletic event that evening.

Approved Absences: Personal illnesses, a death in the family, religious holidays, or extreme emergencies are acceptable reasons for an absence. A **valid** excuse written by a parent must be presented to the office upon return to school, or a phone call from a parent/guardian on the day of absence, documenting the reason for the absence must be made to the school office. For a definition of a **"invalid"** excuse, see the following examples:

# **Examples of Unexcused Absences:**

- Oversleeping
- Stayed home to finish homework
- Working
- Missing the bus/car wouldn't start
- Job hunting
- Shopping/haircut/pictures
- Leaving school without permission

#### **Habitual Truancy**

A student is considered a habitual truant if he or she is absent from school without an acceptable excuse for part or all of five (5) or more days on which school is held during a school semester. When a student initially becomes a habitual truant, the School Attendance Officer shall ensure that all applicable provisions of the Districts' Truancy Plan are carried out.

## Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of the student's parent/guardian to ensure that their child attends school regularly. Parent/guardians are expected to provide an excuse for all absences.

# Student Responsibilities.

Students are required to attend all classes and other school activities on their daily schedule, unless they have been excused from school.

# Students Leaving School During the School Day

**Closed Campus:** Little Wolf Jr./Sr. H.S operates under a closed campus policy. Students who meet the criteria for the Honor Pass, may leave at lunch (grades 9-12) and RtI (grades 11-12).

#### **Honor Pass**

The Honor Pass is a program that has been designed collaboratively with staff and students that provides student choice and incentivize academics and positive behavior. The staff and students believe that this program helps to support the school's Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program as well as prepare students for the rigors, responsibilities, and privileges of adult life. The Honor Pass system is designed to utilize school, community, and parental oversight to provide students with choices and rewards while at school.

#### **Qualifications:**

- GPA of 2.75 or higher
- Completed Application Form -
- No unexcused absences or 5 tardies.
- Teacher recommendations
- Parental approval

## Privileges:

- Open campus lunch for students (9-12).
- Opportunity to leave campus during RtI (grades 11-12) provided the student is not claimed by a teacher for an academic purpose, currently in a structured (RtI) program, or club meeting time.
- Opportunity to go to the gym, commons, or the student lounge in the library during RtI. (grades 7-12)
- Opportunity to meet with an instructor of their choice for enrichment, remediation, homework assistance or Advanced Placement (AP) classes.

## **Honor Pass Revocation**

Honor Passes can be revoked by any School District of Manawa staff member for the following reasons listed below. Parents and the police also have the option of revoking the privilege by contacting the school.

- Failing grades
- Tardiness
- Discipline referral
- Parental request

No staff member shall permit or cause any student to leave school prior to the regular hour of dismissal except with the knowledge and approval of the principal and with the knowledge and approval of the student's parent/guardians.

No student will be released to any government agency without proper warrant or written parent/guardian permission except in the event of an emergency as determined by principal.

**Notification:** When a student's attendance for the day is unexcused, contact will be made to the parent/guardian A message may be left on an answering machine. The parent/guardian will then have 2 days to notify the school office, either by phone or written note, stating the

reason for the absence. If after 2 days the office has not received notification for the unexcused absence, the student then becomes truant and will be referred to administration for disciplinary action.

# Make-Up Course Work and Examinations

A student whose absence from school was excused or unexcused shall be permitted to make-up course work and examinations missed during the absence when they return to school. It is the student's responsibility to contact his or her teachers to determine what course work and examinations must be made-up. Teachers shall have the discretion to assign substitute course work and examination. Teachers shall also have the discretion to specify where and when examinations and course work shall be completed, including outside regular school hours. The time for completing the work shall be commensurate with the length of the absence, unless extended by the principal based upon extenuating circumstances.

#### **Unexcused Absences**

Credit in a course or subject shall not be denied solely because of a student's unexcused absence from school.

A student whose absence from school was unexcused shall be permitted to make-up course work and quarterly, semester or grading period examinations missed during the absence if the student is at risk of receiving no credit in a course or subject if the work is not made up.

Subject to the immediately preceding two paragraphs, credit may, but is not required to be given for the completion of make-up work. Further, credit for make-up work may be given only after the student has satisfied consequences imposed for unexcused absences. The extent to which make-up credit is given shall be determined on a case-by-case basis by the principal and the respective teachers.

If make-up work is allowed, it is the student's responsibility to contact his or her teachers to determine what course work and examinations must be made-up. Teachers shall have the discretion to assign substitute course work and examinations. Teachers shall also have the discretion to specify where and when examinations and course work shall be completed, including outside regular school hours. The time for completing the work shall be commensurate with the length of the absence, unless extended by the principal based upon extenuating circumstances.

#### **TARDINESS**

- a. Students who are not in their homeroom or in class when the late bell rings are considered tardy.
- b. Students who attend any part of the class shall be recorded as present.
- c. High School/Middle School. All students who are tardy to school must report to the principal's office to sign in.
- d. When a teacher detains a student after class, s/he shall issue a late pass for the student's next class.

Teachers are requested to refer cases of chronic tardiness to the principal.

Cases of truancy/tardiness will be referred to the school principal to plan options for addressing the truancy concern.

#### STUDENT ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL EVENTS

The school encourages students to attend as many school events held after school as possible, without interfering with their school work and home activities. Enthusiastic spectators help to build school spirit and encourage those students who are participating in the event.

However, in order to ensure that students attending evening events as nonparticipants are safe, it is strongly advised that students be accompanied by a parent/guardian or adult chaperone when they attend the event.

- The school will not be able to supervise unaccompanied students not will it be responsible for students who arrive without an adult chaperone.
- The school will continue to provide adequate supervision for all students who are participants in a school activity.

## CODE OF CONDUCT

Participants/athletes are reminded that they represent the school both at athletic contests and elsewhere. All participants/athletes are expected to follow all school rules and to display high standards of behavior, including good sportsmanship, respect for others, and use of appropriate language and dress at all times. Participants/athletes must refrain from any conduct at any time that would reflect unsatisfactorily on him or her or the school. This code applies to all Little Wolf Jr./Sr. High School students on a year-round basis. This code applies to all school activities, both curricular and extracurricular, that occur outside of the normal school day.

Conduct that would reflect unsatisfactorily on a participant/athlete or on the school includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Any crime dealing with, but not limited to, sexual behavior, vandalism or property damage, theft.
- Possession, use, sale or purchase of any controlled substance/intoxicant or drug paraphernalia. Controlled substances/intoxicants include but are not limited to: anabolic steroids or prescribed medications used in a manner other than that for which they were prescribed.
- Purchase use or possession of tobacco products or E-cigarettes or anything that resembles them.
- The possession of any weapon or look-alike weapons.
- Hosting, sponsoring, or organizing a party/gathering at which alcohol or drugs are being used, consumed or offered. Students who knowingly or unknowingly attend a party/gathering where alcohol is being used illegally or drugs are present, are expected to remove themselves immediately from the residence. Students are encouraged to report the scenario to a school administrator immediately.
- If a student records more than 10 tardies in a semester, the student shall serve a code of conduct violation.
- If a student accumulates 5 or more referrals in a semester, the student shall serve a code of conduct violation.

Code violations may be presented, in writing, to the Administration by any staff member, liaison officer and/or credible person who has knowledge of a possible infraction. Such reports must be made within ninety (90) days of said violation. A confidential complaint will be investigated to the extent possible. Exceptions to the 90-day rule include the student receiving a citation. Principal discretion can be used.

Violations of the school rules/conduct shall also be a violation of the Extra-Curricular Code and the participant/athlete is to be disciplined accordingly as established by the principal, athletic director, and/or advisor.

## **Violation of Training Rules**

## **Athletic Activities:**

• An athlete who is charged with a violation of training rules or any W.I.A.A. regulation shall be suspended until such time as his/her violation is reviewed by his/her coach, the athletic director and the principal. The athlete must participate for the entire season in order for the suspension to be considered served.

#### Athletic & Non-Athletic Activities:

- A student/athlete will be determined to have committed a violation of the Co-Curricular Code if any of the following have occurred:
  - a. The student/athlete admits the conduct constituting a violation
  - b. The building administrator or designee obtains information, which in his/her judgment is clear and convincing evidence that the student/athlete engaged in conduct constituting a violation.
- All students/athletes attending the School District of Manawa schools must abide by the rules and regulations of this handbook.
- The Athletic Director will maintain an ongoing record of all co-curricular violations to the rules of this handbook.

#### Penalties for Violation of Co-Curricular Activities Rules

#### **Athletic Activities**

- First offense: suspension from 25% of the contests in the present season or a minimum of two (2) contests. Percentages of games lost due to code infractions is based on the total number of games in the season, not what may remain in the rest of that season.
- Second Offense: suspension from 50% of the contests in the present season or a minimum of five (5) contests. Percentages of games lost due to code infractions is based on the total number of games in the season, not what may remain in the rest of that season.
- Third and subsequent offenses: suspension from all activities for one (1) calendar year.
- Grade violations will follow the evaluation identified under academics of this handbook.
- The above co-curricular rules/violations will pertain to all athletes in grades seventh through twelve. Code of conduct violations will stay with incoming freshman from the Jr. High until the entirely of the suspension is fulfilled. Once a middle school infraction is fulfilled, future infractions as a high school student will be treated as a first offense.
- Students who must serve an In-School Suspension (ISS) are not allowed to leave school for any sport or co-curricular activity during the school day.

Listed below is the number of contests students would have to sit out if they violated the cocurricular activities rules. There will be a twenty-five percent (25%) penalty for the first violation, fifty percent (50%) for second violations, and one-calendar year (1) suspension for third and subsequent violations.

Number of Contests	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Percentage							]	Nur	nbe	er of	Cor	itest	s Pe	naliz	zed							
*25%	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	5	5	5
*50%	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	4	4	5	5	6	6	7	7	8	8	9	9	10	10	10

- All fractions of percentages have been rounded down to the next full number. Any enforcement of individual or multi-game/meet date will be considered as individual games scheduled. Other types of tournaments, when not individual or dual tournaments will count as one game or meet scheduled.
- Teams that automatically qualify for Regional competition are counted in the total number of competitions.

## **Completion of Suspension**

Any remaining percentage of the suspension not served during the initial sports season shall be applied toward the season of the next sport in which the athlete participates (for example, if an athlete is suspended for a percentage of football games with less than the percentage remaining in the season, he/she will be suspended from a percentage of contests of the next sport in which he/she competes) A suspension will need to be repeated if a student who is on suspension for part of the season does not complete the season of his/her sport or activity. Students who join a sport after the first contest, and are fulfilling a current suspension, must have 100% attendance and complete the sport in order for the suspension to be satisfied.

#### **Non-Athletic Activities**

- Other co-curricular students will abide by suspension expectations specific to the activities they're involved with during the school year.
- For those activities with limited scheduled events, a violation could result in exclusion from that activity. Administrative discretion regarding specific penalties may have to be applied to those situations where students are participating in only one event.

#### Athletic & Non-Athletic Activities

• Any student, who in good faith, refer themselves or parents/guardians who refer their son or daughter for violations of the co-curricular rules may have their penalty reduced by one (1) event/contest if deemed appropriate by the building administrator or athletic director.

## **Appeal Procedure**

• The parent of a student/athlete may apply in writing within ten (10) calendar days from the date of student/parent notification to the building principal for an appeal to the Appeal Board. The Appeal Board will consist of the Principal, Athletic Director, and two faculty members and a co-curricular advisor who are not directly involved with the individual student's co-curricular activities. Disciplinary action administered for academic reasons will not be heard in appeal. The Appeal Board will be selected by the building principal. The right to appeal will not serve as a pardon for participation purposes or suspend the enforcement of the suspension. All decisions rendered by the appeal board are considered final.

## Sportsmanship

All students and parents/guardians are required to practice good sportsmanship during all school-related events. Poor sportsmanship may result in removal from sporting events.

# Membership

As stated in the WIAA High School Handbook – Article VII – Health and Behavior/Compliance: Section 1 – Required Documentation

- A. A student may not practice for or participate in interscholastic athletics until the school has written evidence on file in its office attesting to:
  - 1) Yearly parent/guardian permission, including an acknowledgment of receiving the school athletic code.
  - 2) Acknowledgement of receiving the WIAA rules of Eligibility.
  - 3) Current physical exam form to participate in sports or alternate year card
  - 4) Sports fee paid or fee waive turned into school office.
  - 5) Concussion information sheet must be obtained by athletic director.

## Section 2 – Physical Examination

- A. A current physical exam card to participate in sports as determined by a licensed physician or advanced practice nurse prescriber (APNP) no less than every other school year with April 1 the earliest date of examination. School policy determines when an athlete may return to competition following an injury, except where rule book or WIAA tournament policies apply.
- B. Physical examinations are good for two years from the date the physical was given.
- Be an amateur in all sports. You violate your amateur status if you: "Accept any amount of money or merchandise, awards for athletic services, or sign a contract for athletic services." Example: League Teams, Golf outings "hole in one win a car"
- Student athletes and a parent/guardian must attend the summer parent/athlete meeting. If they are unable to attend other arrangements must be made.

## **Academic Eligibility**

Eligibility requirements will begin with the initial enrollment in the first co-curricular activity. In order to be academically eligible for co-curricular activities, a student must meet all the District and DPI requirements defining a full-time student. Additionally, each student must have passed or be currently passing all classes as stated in the following academic requirements:

• Athletes who receive an "F" at the conclusion of a nine-week grading period will be ineligible to participate in 25% of the total games or appearances of that sport or activity's full season. If the suspension is not completed in the current sport/activity, the remainder of the suspension will be carried over into the next athletic sport or activity in that grade period. The athlete will be placed on academic probation until the next quarter grades are posted or the day the suspension ends and grades are all passing. The athlete will not be allowed to leave school early for any event in that sport until all grades are passing.

- Athletes who receive two "F's" at the conclusion of a nine-week grading period will be ineligible to participate in 50% of the total games or appearances of that sport or activity's full season. If the suspension is not completed in the current sport/activity, the remainder of the suspension will be carried over into the next athletic sport or activity in that grade period. The athlete will be placed on academic probation until the next quarter grades are posted or the day the suspension ends and grades are all passing. The athlete will not be allowed to leave school early for any event in that sport until all grades are passing.
- Athletes who receive three or more "F's" during a nine-week grading period will be ineligible to participate in all games or appearances of that sport for the entire 9 week grading period. This does not prohibit an athlete from practicing or assisting with the activity, with the coach's approval. If the athlete is in mid-season, the consequence will move forward into the next athletic season to fulfill the 9-week rule. The athlete will not be allowed to leave school early for any event in that sport until all grades are passing.
- An athlete who is enrolled in any state-approved Exceptional Educational Needs program, and who receives no usual grades for such courses, may be eligible if he/she is making satisfactory progress in his/her total school program as indicated by his/her IEP.
- Athletes who attend summer school for remediation, must receive the grade of "pass" to be eligible for any failure infraction and penalty. See the rules stated above as they apply.

# Attendance: (Athletic & Non-Athletic Activities)

A student must be in attendance by noon to participate in any co-curricular events. Exceptions to this are excused school-related activities and appointments that are approved in advance by Administration and/or a written doctor's excuse.

- (Exception: acceptable absences as they fall under Wisconsin State Statute 118 regarding compulsory education)
- If a student is truant from an assigned class period or is displaying a pattern of habitual tardiness to a specific class, he/she will be referred to the principal and will not be allowed to compete until the situation is resolved.

# Students may not compete, perform, practice or attend on days of an out-of-school suspension.

• Students suspended from co-curricular activities are expected to remain as part of the team or group. Due to the diversity of co-curricular activities, it will be up to the advisor or coach to determine what level of involvement the student will have in the group and whether or not the student will be required to attend all contests and activities. Members of athletic teams are required to attend all practices and be non-participants during the time of their suspension.

## **Travel and Conduct on Trips**

- 1. Students/athletes who participate in activities outside of the School District of Manawa will conduct themselves as responsible young adults. This includes but is not limited to the following
  - Show appropriate respect for all adults and authority figures.

- Show courteous and well-mannered behavior.
- Show appropriate sportsmanship at all times.
- 2. It is the student/athlete's responsibility to represent our school and community in a positive manner.
- 3. Non-athletic activities must have a Field Trip form filled out and signed by a parent/guardian and returned to the advisor prior to their field trip.(forms may be picked up from an advisor or in the main office)
- 4. A student/athlete may ride home from away events with their parent/legal guardian provided they sign the student out with the coach. Student athletes may NOT ride home with emergency contacts, siblings, friends, or other adults.
- 5. If no prior approval, permission by a parent/guardian/guardian must be given to the coach and/or advisor at the event and abide by provisions of rule five (5).

# Injuries, Accident Reports and Insurance Coverage

- 1. The school has purchased a group insurance policy, but it will not cover any interscholastic sports injuries. If a parent would like to purchase a voluntary interscholastic athletic insurance plan that would be available at the school offices upon request.
- 2. All injuries must be reported immediately to the coach and/or advisor. Coaches and advisors should be notified prior to any medical treatment on the part of the student/athlete whenever possible or as soon as possible after treatment. The injury must also be reported immediately to the office by the coach or advisor for insurance purposes. The report should be handed into the high school office.
- 3. It is the policy of W.I.A.A. and the School District of Manawa to have a medical release from a medical physician following any severe injury.
- 4. All head injuries severe enough to have received medical treatment require a medical release from a medical physician before the athlete may return to any practice or competition. (please refer to the W.I.A.A. for further requirements for head injuries/concussions).

## Care of Equipment

- 1. Each student/athlete is responsible for the proper care and safekeeping of equipment issued to him/her. Lockers should be securely locked during and after every practice/game/event.
- 2. Equipment issued to a student/athlete shall be the responsibility of that individual. These individuals shall pay for any equipment not returned at the current replacement cost.
- 3. School issued equipment is school property and is used during a particular season/event only. At the conclusion of a season/event equipment must be turned in to the coach/advisor in charge. Parent/guardian assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated. It is the responsibility of the student/athlete and the parent/guardian to have equipment turned in at the proper time.

- 4. A student/athlete will not participate in another activity until all equipment and /or fines have been returned or paid to the appropriate coach or advisor.
- 5. A student/athlete will not receive any "end of the season" awards until all equipment; fees and/or fines have been returned or paid.

# Practice, Competition, Contests (Athletic & Non-Athletic Activities)

- 1. All athletes/members are expected to attend all practices and events of that activity unless excused by their coach/advisor, principal or athletic director.
- 2. Violations such as being late for practices, missing practice and disrespect shall be dealt with at the coach/advisor, principal or athletic director's discretion.
- 3. All athletes/members and/or parent/guardians/guardians are asked to give each coach and/or advisor a **24-hour courtesy time limit** prior to discussing an issue or concern following an event.

## Changing a Sport/Activity

A student/athlete may not quit one sport/activity and begin another during the same season without the consent of both head coaches/advisors involved in the change and permission from the athletic director, advisor and principal. Any disciplinary actions that are in place will remain in place in the new activity.

# **Multi-Sport Participation**

The Multi-Sport Participation Policy allows students to participate in two (2) sports/organizations during the same season, regardless if the sports are individual or team-oriented. If a student desires to participate in multiple sports during the school year, they must do the following prior to the start of any season:

- 1. Submit a completed contract to the Athletic Director prior to the first scheduled contest. This form includes:
  - Permission from his/her parent or guardian to compete in multiple sports in the same season.
  - Declaration by the student of the priority sport for tournaments in the event of scheduling conflicts.
  - Approval by the Head Coach(s) of each sport.
  - Signature of student's agreement to coordinate the practice/contest schedule for the season in coordination with the coaches.
  - Signature of the Athletic Director.
- 2. The athlete must participate in at least one regular season event in the secondary sport so that they are eligible to participate in the conference tournament in that sport.
- 3. The Athletic Director will share the list of multi-sport athletes with the Central Wisconsin Conference Commissioner and the other CWC Athletic Directors prior to the start of each season.

It is the goal of the Athletic Department to have continuous communication between student athletes, coaching staff, and the Athletic Department to avoid putting athletes in difficult situations.

If a student quits a primary sport, the student will need consent from both coaches to participate in any of the secondary sports from that point forward that season. If a student

quits a secondary sport, the student will only be able to participate in the primary sport from that point forward that season.

The following Multi- Sport Priorities have been established for the benefit of all athletes:

- 1. Games come before practices.
- 2. Tournaments come before games.
- 3. Districts come before games and tournaments.
- 4. State comes before all else.

# **Athletic Awards (Athletic Activities)**

- 1. A letter "M" and certificate will be awarded the first time to the athlete who fulfills the varsity requirements set forth by the coach, provided he/she has not been expelled from athletic participation due to training rule violations and finishes the season in good standing.
- 2. Any athlete who earns additional varsity letters shall be presented with a certificate and bar pin signifying this honor.
- 3. Participation certificates are awarded to all athletes who successfully complete a season, but who do not earn a varsity letter.
- 4. All awards will be received and displayed with honor, pride and dignity.
- 5. Any "M" which becomes too shabby to be worn while an award winner is still in school may be turned in to the athletic director for a new letter.
- 6. Any student having a code violation will forfeit the privilege of having their name submitted for any special awards (conference, state, etc.) or honors during the season in which the code violation was committed and/or served.

# **Pre-Season Meeting**

Portions of this Student Handbook shall be presented to each student during a mandatory preseason meeting and/or the first day that he/she reports for a co-curricular activity. A physical card, Emergency Form, Concussion Form and Athletic Fee information shall be distributed at this time as well. The original signed form for the Student Handbook, physical card, Concussion Form, and Emergency Form shall be kept on file in the High School office. The Pre-Season Meeting shall be offered in the fall prior to the beginning of the co-curricular season.

## Parent/Guardian Involvement

Parent/guardian attendance at pre-season meetings is required and involvement throughout the season is encouraged. If a parent/guardian cannot attend they are required to check view the presentation either on DVD or online if available.

# ATHLETIC CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY FEES 2018-2019

Following is the list of Athletic Co-Curricular Activities and their fees for the Junior High School:

Basketball (Girls & Boys)

\$15.00

Cross Country (Girls & Boys)	\$15.00
Football	\$15.00
Track (Girls & Boys)	\$15.00
Volleyball	\$15.00
Wrestling Club	No Charge

# Maximum per Junior High student

\$30.00 per year

Following is the list of Athletic Co-Curricular Activities and their fees for the High School:

Baseball	\$30.00
Basketball (Girls & Boys)	\$30.00
Cross Country (Girls & Boys)	\$30.00
Football	\$30.00
Golf (Girls & Boys)	\$30.00
Softball	\$30.00
Track (Girls & Boys)	\$30.00
Volleyball	\$30.00
Wrestling	\$30.00
Cheer/Dance Club	No Charge

## Maximum per High School student

\$75.00 per year

## Maximum per family (Junior and Senior High)

\$150.00 per year

Fees are to be made payable to Little Wolf Jr./Sr. High School.

## DRESS AND GROOMING

While fashions change, the reason for being in school does not. Students are in school to learn. Any fashion (dress, accessory, or hairstyle) that disrupts the educational process or presents a safety risk will not be permitted. Personal expression is permitted within these general guidelines.

We take pride in the appearance of our students. All students are expected to dress and groom themselves neatly in clothing that is seasonably suitable for school activities. Students wearing inappropriate clothing, such as but not limited to: clothing with alcohol/tobacco reference, inappropriate slogans and suggestive in nature may be asked to return home to make necessary changes.

- Clothing must cover all undergarments. Shorts, skirts and dresses must reach fingertip in length.
- There will be no midriff showing, no low cut tops, cut-out/ripped t-shirts underneath the arm exposing the torso, spaghetti straps, or strapless garments worn.
- Straps on tank tops must be at least 2 inches wide.
- Hats, caps, headwear, jackets/coats, bulky outerwear, backpacks, large chains, jewelry with sharp objects, low riding pants, etc., are not allowed to be worn in the school.
- The wearing of flip-flops is discouraged.

Students should consider the following questions when dressing for school:

- 1. Does my clothing expose too much? (No)
- 2. Does my clothing advertise something that is prohibited to minors? (No)
- 3. Are there obscene, profane, drug-related, gang-related, or inflammatory messages on my clothing? (No)
- 4. Would I interview for a job in this outfit? (Yes)

- 5. Am I dressed appropriately for the weather? (Yes)
- 6. Do I feel comfortable with my appearance? (Yes)

If a student has selected a manner of appearance that is beyond mere freedom of expression and disrupts the educational process or presents risk to themselves or others, s/he may be removed from the educational setting.

## **Reporting Concerns:**

Anyone in violation will be sent to the office.

If a dress code violation occurs, the following steps will be taken:

- **First Occurrence**: Student will be asked to correct the problem by changing clothes, turning a shirt inside out, putting on shoes, etc.,
- **Second Occurrence**: Student will be asked to correct the problem by changing clothes, turning a shirt inside out, putting on shoes, etc., and a parent/guardian will be notified by phone.

Students attending after school events need to follow the dress. This includes, but not limited to sporting events, and school concerts.

Students who are representing our school at an official function or public event may be required to follow specific dress requirements. Usually, this applies to athletic teams, cheerleaders, bands, and other such groups.

#### CARE OF PROPERTY

Students are responsible for the care of their own personal property. The school will not be responsible for the loss of personal property. Valuables such as jewelry or irreplaceable items should not be brought to school. The school may confiscate such items and return them to the student's parent/guardians.

Damage to or loss of school equipment and facilities wastes taxpayers' money and undermines the school program. Therefore, if a student damages or loses school property, the student or his/her parents/guardians will be required to pay for the replacement or damage. If the damage or loss was intentional, the student will also be subject to discipline according to the Code of Conduct.

## STUDENT CONDUCT

School rules apply at school, on school property, at school-sponsored events, and on school transportation.

It is the school staff's responsibility to provide a safe and orderly learning environment. History has shown that certain student actions are not compatible with the words "safe" and "orderly". Disciplinary action will be decided on a case-by-case basis and imposed after review of the facts and/or special circumstances of the situation.

Each of the behaviors described below may subject the student to disciplinary action including, but not limited to, suspension and/or expulsion from school.

- 1. Possession or use of a weapon or look-alike or other item that might cause bodily harm to persons.
- 2. Being under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances or otherwise violating the District alcohol and drug policy.
- 3. Behavior that interferes with a person's work or school performance or creates an intimidating, hostile, harassing, or offensive classroom environment.
- 4. Arguing, taunting, baiting, bullying, cyber-bullying, inciting or encouraging an argument or disruption or group posturing to provoke altercations or confrontations.
- 5. Disruption or intimidation caused by gang or group symbols or gestures, or gang or group posturing to provoke altercations or confrontations.
- 6. Pushing, striking, or other inappropriate physical contact with a student or staff member.
- 7. Interfering with the orderly operation of the classroom by using, threatening to use or counseling others to use violence, force, coercion, threats, intimidation, fear, or disruptive means.
- 8. Dressing or grooming in a manner that presents a danger to health or safety, causes interference with work, or creates classroom disorder.
- 9. Restricting another person's freedom to properly utilize classroom facilities or equipment.
- 10. Repeated classroom interruptions, confronting staff argumentatively, making loud noises, or refusing to follow directions.
- 11. Throwing objects in the classroom.
- 12. Repeated disruptions or violations of classroom rules, or excessive or disruptive talking.
- 13. Behavior that causes the teacher or other students fear of physical or psychological harm.
- 14. Willful damage to or theft of school property or the property of others.
- 15. Repeated use of profanity.
- 16. Using tobacco.
- 17. Failure to report knowledge of a weapon, bullying or threat of violence.
- 18. Purposely setting a fire.
- 19. Gambling.
- 20. Plagiarism and falsification of identification or school documents.
- 21. Issuing a false alarm or false report.
- 22. Trespassing.
- 23. Persistent absence or tardiness.
- 24. Unauthorized use of School or personal property.
- 25. Assisting another person to violate a School rule.
- 26. Inappropriate public displays of affection.
- 27. Violation of specific classroom or activity rules.
- 28. Violation of bus rules.
- 29. Refusal to accept discipline.
- 30. Criminal conduct.
- 31. Academic cheating/plagiarism

#### DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION

The administration and staff recognize that the misuse/abuse of drugs is a serious problem with legal, physical, and social implications for the entire school community.

- As educational institutions of this community, the schools should strive to prevent drug abuse and help drug abusers by educational, rather than punitive, means.
- For purposes of this policy, "drugs" shall mean:
- All dangerous controlled substances as so designated and prohibited by Wisconsin statute;

- All chemicals that release toxic vapors;
- All alcoholic beverages;
- Any prescription or patent drug, except those for which permission to use in school has been granted pursuant to Board policy;
- "Look-alikes": Anabolic steroids;
- Any other illegal substances so designated and prohibited by law.

The use, possession, concealment, or distribution of any drug, drug look-alike and any drug-paraphernalia at any time on school property or at any school-related event is prohibited. Disciplinary sanctions, up to and including expulsion and referral for prosecution, will be imposed on students who violate the school's drug abuse guidelines.

#### **USE OF TOBACCO IS PROHIBITED**

The Board of Education is committed to providing students, staff, and visitors with a tobacco and smoke-free environment. The negative health effects of tobacco use for both users and non-users are well established. In addition, students less than eighteen (18) years of age are generally prohibited by law from purchasing or possessing cigarettes and other tobacco products.

For purposes of this policy, "use of tobacco" means to chew or maintain any substance containing tobacco, including smokeless tobacco, in the mouth to derive the effects of tobacco, as well as all uses of tobacco, including cigars, cigarettes, pipe tobacco, chewing tobacco, snuff, any other matter or substances that contain tobacco, in addition to papers used to roll cigarettes and/or the smoking of electronic, "vapor," or other substitute forms of cigarettes, clove cigarettes and any other lighted smoking devices for burning tobacco or any other substance. Accordingly, the Board prohibits students from using or possessing tobacco in any form on District premises, in District vehicles, within any indoor facility owned or while leased or contracted for by the District and used to provide education or library services to children, and at all District-sponsored events.

# STUDENT CODE OF CLASSROOM CONDUCT

The School District of Manawa is committed to maintaining an orderly and safe academic atmosphere. Teachers are expected to create a positive learning environment and to maintain proper order in the classroom. Students are expected to behave in the classroom in a manner that allows teachers to effectively carry out their lessons and allows students to participate in classroom learning activities. Students are also expected to abide by all rules of behavior established by the School and their classroom teachers.

To ensure adherence to these expectations and principles, the Board of Education has adopted this Code of Classroom Conduct, which applies to all students.

#### GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL OF A STUDENT FROM CLASS

Disturbances that interrupt the learning process cannot be permitted by any teacher. A teacher may temporarily remove a student from the teacher's class if the student violates the Code of Classroom Conduct. Additionally, the student may be removed from the class for a longer period of time within the discretion of the principal. A student removed from class may also be placed in an alternative education setting.

Removal of a student from class for violating the Code of Classroom Conduct or placement of the student in an alternative educational setting does not prohibit the school from further disciplining the student for the conduct that caused removal or placement including, but not limited to, suspending or expelling the student.

It is neither possible nor necessary to specify every type of improper or inappropriate behavior for which a teacher may remove a student from class. Provided below, however, are examples of reasons a student may be removed from class. A teacher may remove a student from class for conduct or behavior that:

- A. Would result in suspension or expulsion under the Board's policies and procedures;
- B. Violates the behavioral rules and expectations of the school;
- C. Is dangerous, disruptive or unruly. Such behavior includes, but is not limited to, the following:
  - 1. Possession or use of a weapon or look-alike or other item that might cause bodily harm to persons in the classroom
  - 2. Being under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances or otherwise violating the District alcohol and drug policy
  - 3. Behavior that interferes with a person's work or school performance or creates an intimidating, hostile, harassing, or offensive classroom environment
  - 4. Arguing, taunting, baiting, inciting or encouraging an argument or disruption or group posturing to provoke altercations or confrontations
  - 5. Disruption or intimidation caused by gang or group symbols or gestures, or gang or group posturing to provoke altercations or confrontations
  - 6. Pushing, striking, or other inappropriate physical contact with a student or staff member
  - 7. Interfering with the orderly operation of the classroom by using, threatening to use or counseling others to use violence, force, coercion, threats, intimidation, fear, or disruptive means
  - 8. Dressing or grooming in a manner that presents a danger to health or safety, causes interference with work, or creates classroom disorder
  - 9. Restricting another person's freedom to properly utilize classroom facilities or equipment
  - 10. Repeated classroom interruptions, confronting staff argumentatively, making loud noises, or refusing to follow directions
  - 11. Throwing objects in the classroom
  - 12. Repeated disruptions or violations of classroom rules, or excessive or disruptive talking
  - 13. Behavior that causes the teacher or other students fear of physical or psychological harm
  - 14. Willful damage to or theft of school property or the property of others
  - 15. Repeated use of profanity
- D. Interferes with the ability of the teacher to teach effectively. Such conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:
  - 1. Repeated reporting to class without bringing necessary materials to participate in class activities
  - 2. Possession of personal property by school rules or otherwise disruptive to the teaching and learning of others

- E Shows disrespect or defiance of the teacher, exhibited in words, gestures or other behavior;
- F. Is inconsistent with class decorum and the ability of other to learn. Such behavior includes, but is not limited to, sleeping in class, blatant inattention, or other overt or passive refusal or inability to engage in class activities.

## PROCEDURE FOR STUDENT REMOVAL FROM CLASS

When a student is removed from class, the teacher shall send or escort the student to the principal and inform the principal of the reason for the student's removal from class. The teacher shall provide the principal with a written explanation of the reasons for the removal of the student within twenty-four (24) hours of the student's removal from class. The teacher will also contact the parent/guardian as to the reason for the removal.

The principal will generally give the student an opportunity to briefly explain the situation. The principal shall then determine the appropriate educational placement for the student.

#### **Student Placement**

The principal shall place the student, who has been removed from a class by a teacher, in one of the following alternative educational settings:

- A. An alternative education program approved by the Board under State law;
- B. Another instructional setting, time-out, in-school suspension or out-of-school suspension; or
- C. The class from which the student was removed if, after weighing the interests of the student, the other students in the class, and the teacher, the principal determines that readmission to the class is the best or only alternative.

## Parent/Guardian Notification Procedures

The principal shall provide the parent or guardian of a student removed from class-with written notice of the removal and the reason(s) for the removal. The notification shall be made as soon as practicable, but no later than two (2) school days after the student's removal from class. The notice shall also include the reasons for the student's removal and the placement made by the principal. If the removal from class and change of educational placement involves a student with a disability, the parent/guardian notification shall be made consistent with State and Federal laws and regulations applicable to disabled students.

If the student removed from a class is subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension or expulsion for the particular classroom conduct and/or other disciplinary incidents the parent/guardian shall also be notified of the disciplinary action in accordance with legal and policy requirements.

## Students with Disabilities

A student with a disability under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, and Section 115.758, Wis. Stat. may be removed from class and placed in an alternative educational setting only to the extent authorized under the laws.

#### **Definitions**

"Student" means any student enrolled in the District, an exchange student, or a student visitor to the District's schools.

"Teacher" means a person holding a license or permit issued by the State Superintendent whose employment by a school district requires that he or she hold that license or permit.

"Class" or "classroom" means any class, meeting or activity which students attend, or in which they participate while in school under the control or direction of the District. This definition of "class" includes, without limitation, regular classes, special classes, resource room sessions, labs, library time, counseling groups, assemblies, study halls, lunch, or recess. "Class" also includes regularly scheduled District-sponsored extracurricular activities, either during or outside of school hours. Such activities include, by example and without limitation, District sponsored field trips, after-school clubs, and sporting activities.

## OTHER FORMS OF DISCIPLINE

It is important to remember that the school's rules apply at school, on school property, at school-sponsored events, and on school transportation. In some cases, a student can be suspended from school transportation for infractions of school bus rules.

Ultimately, it is the principal's responsibility to keep things orderly. In all cases, the school shall attempt to make discipline prompt and equitable and to have the punishment match the severity of the incident.

## **Informal Discipline**

Informal discipline takes place within the school. It includes:

- Change of seating or location;
- Lunch-time & after-school detention;
- In-school restriction

## **Detentions**

A student may be detained after school or asked to come to school early by a teacher, after giving the student and his/her parents/guardians one day's notice. The student or his/her parents/guardians are responsible for transportation.

# **In-School Discipline**

The following rules shall apply to In-School Restriction.

- Students are required to have class assignments with them.
- Students are not to communicate with each other unless given special permission to do so.
- Students are to remain in their designated seats at all times unless permission is granted to do otherwise.
- Students shall not be allowed to put their heads down or sleep.
- No radios, cell phones, personal gaming/music devices, cards, magazines, or other recreational articles shall be allowed in the room.
- No food or beverages shall be consumed.
- Students who must serve an In-School Suspension (ISS) are not allowed to leave school for any sport or co-curricular activity during the school day.

## SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION

## A. Suspension

## 1. Duration and Grounds for Suspension

The principal or a person designated by the principal may suspend a student for up to five (5) school days or, if a notice of expulsion hearing has been sent, for up to fifteen (15) consecutive school days or ten (10) consecutive school days if the student is eligible for special education services under Chapter 115, Wis. Stats., if the suspension is reasonably justified and based upon any of the following misconduct:

- a. Noncompliance with school or School Board rules;
- b. Knowingly conveying any threat or false information concerning an attempt or alleged attempt being made or to be made to destroy any school property by means of explosives;
- c. Conduct by the student while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority that endangers the property, health or safety of others;
- d. Conduct while not at school or while not under the supervision of a school authority that endangers the property, health or safety of others at school or under the supervision of a school authority;
- e. Conduct while not at school or while not under the supervision of a school authority that endangers the property, health or safety of any employee or School Board member of the school district in which the student is enrolled.
- f. Under paragraphs c, d, and e above, conduct that endangers a person or property includes making a threat to the health or safety of a person or making a threat to damage property.

The District Administrator, or any principal or teacher designated by the District Administrator shall suspend a student if the student possessed a firearm while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority.

The suspension period applies to "school days." Thus, a suspension period does not include weekend days or vacation days.

# 2. Suspension Procedure

Prior to being suspended, on the day of the alleged infraction or as soon thereafter as is practicable, the student will be advised orally or in writing of the reason for the proposed suspension and given an opportunity to explain his or her conduct.

The principal, within his or her discretion, may also inform the student's parent/guardian of the reason for the proposed suspension prior to suspending the student.

# 3. **Notice of Suspension**

The parent/guardian of a suspended minor student shall be given prompt written notice of the suspension and the reason for the suspension by mail and by sending a copy of the notice home with the student. Oral notice may also be given to the student's parent/guardian; however, it will be confirmed in writing.

## 4. Sending a Student Home on the day of the Suspension

Generally, the student should remain in school on the day of the suspension until school is dismissed for the day. Except as provided below:

• If the situation requires that the student be removed from the premises before school is dismissed, the principal shall attempt to contact the student's parent/guardian to request that s/he pick up the student. If the parent/guardian is unable to pick up the student, the student should remain under the school's supervision until school is dismissed, or in the event law enforcement is involved, under law enforcement supervision.

# 5. Opportunity to Complete School Work

A suspended student shall not be denied the opportunity to take any quarterly, semester or grading period examinations or to complete course work missed during the suspension period. Such work shall be completed pursuant to the procedures established by the School Board.

## 6. Reference to the Suspension in the Student's Record

The student's suspension from school shall be entered in the student's record as required by the rules adopted by the School Board concerning the content of student records.

The suspended student or the student's parent/guardian may, within five (5) school days following the commencement of the suspension, have a conference with the District Administrator or his or her designee, who shall be someone other than a principal, administrator or teacher in the suspended student's school, to discuss removing reference to the suspension from the student's records.

Reference to the suspension in the student's school record shall be removed if the District Administrator finds that:

- The student was suspended unfairly or unjustly;
- The suspension was inappropriate, given the nature of the alleged offense; or
- The student suffered undue consequences or penalties as a result of the suspension.

The District Administrator, or the administrator's designee, shall make his or her finding within fifteen (15) days of the conference.

# 7. Co-Curricular or Extra-Curricular Participation

A student's participation in co-curricular or extra-curricular activities during a suspension shall be determined on a case-by-case basis.

## B. **Expulsion**

# 1. Grounds for Expulsion

The School Board may expel a student only when it is satisfied that the interest of the school demands the student's expulsion and it finds that the student:

• Repeatedly refused or neglected to obey the rules established by the School District;

- Knowingly conveyed or caused to be conveyed any threat or false information concerning an attempt or alleged attempt being made or to be made to destroy any school property by means of explosives;
- Engaged in conduct while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority that endangered the property, health or safety of others;
- Engaged in conduct while not at school or while not under the supervision of a school authority that endangered the property, health or safety of others at school or under the supervision of a school authority or endangered the property, health or safety of any employee or School Board member of the School District in which the student is enrolled; or
- Was at least sixteen (16) years old and had repeatedly engaged in conduct while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority that disrupted the ability of school authorities to maintain order or an educational atmosphere at school or at an activity supervised by a school authority and that such conduct did not otherwise constitute grounds for expulsion.

Under this section, conduct that endangers a person or property includes threatening the health or safety of a person or threatening to damage property.

# 2. Expulsion for Bringing a Firearm to School

The School Board shall expel a student from school for not less than one (1) year whenever it finds that the student brought a firearm to school or, while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority, possessed a firearm, unless the Board finds that the punishment should be reduced based upon the circumstances of the incident. Any such finding by the Board shall be in writing.

# 3. Expulsion Hearing

Prior to expelling a student, the School Board shall provide the student with a hearing. Prior written notice of the expulsion hearing must be sent separately both to the student and his/her parent/guardian if the student is a minor; otherwise just to the student. The notice will comply with the requirements of State law.

The student, or the student's parent/guardian if the student is a minor, has the right to request a closed hearing or the Board may choose to close the hearing. The student and, if the student is a minor, the student's parent/guardian may be represented at the hearing by counsel.

# 4. Expulsion Order

The Board shall reduce its decision to writing in the form of a written order. If expulsion is ordered, the order must state the length of time that the student is to be expelled. The order should also state specific findings of fact and conclusions of law in support of the decision.

## 5. Student Records

The student's expulsion from school shall be entered in the student's record as required by the rules adopted by the School Board concerning the content of student records.

## **Discipline of Disabled Students**

Students with disabilities will be entitled to the rights and procedures afforded by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (I.D.E.A.) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (A.D.A.).

#### **SEARCH AND SEIZURE**

Search of a student and his/her possessions, including vehicles, may be conducted at any time the student is under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education, if there is a reasonable suspicion that the student is in violation of law or school rules. A search may also be conducted to protect the safety of others or as otherwise permitted by law.

Students are provided lockers, desks, and other equipment in which to store materials. This equipment is the property of the school and may be searched at any time if there is reasonable suspicion that a student has violated the law or school rules. Locks are to prevent theft, not to prevent searches.

All computers located in classrooms, labs and offices of the District are the District's property and are to be used by students, for educational purposes. The District retains the right to access and review all electronic, computer files, databases, and any other electronic transmissions contained in or used in conjunction with the District's computer system, and electronic mail. Students should have no expectation that any information contained on such systems is confidential or private.

Review of such information may be done by the District with or without the student's knowledge or permission. The use of passwords does not guarantee confidentiality, and the District retains the right to access information in spite of a password. All passwords or security codes must be registered with the instructor. A student's refusal to permit such access may be grounds for disciplinary action.

No strip searches will be conducted by any employee of the District, but may be conducted by law enforcement officials, if deemed necessary.

Anything that is found in the course of a search that may be evidence of a violation of school rules or the law may be taken and held or turned over to the police. The school reserves the right not to return items which have been confiscated.

#### STUDENT'S RIGHTS OF EXPRESSION

Little Wolf Jr./Sr. High School recognizes the right of students to express themselves. With the right of expression comes the responsibility to do it appropriately. Students may distribute or display, at appropriate times, non-sponsored, noncommercial written material and petitions; buttons, badges, or other insignia; clothing, insignia, and banners; and audio and video materials. All items must meet the following school guidelines:

- A. A material cannot be displayed if it:
  - 1. Is obscene to minors, libelous, indecent, or vulgar,

- 2. Advertises any product or service not permitted to minors by law,
- 3. Intends to be insulting or harassing,
- 4. Intends to incite fighting or presents a likelihood of disrupting school or a school event.
- 5. Presents a clear and present likelihood that, either because of its content or manner of distribution or display, it causes or is likely to cause a material and substantial disruption of school or school activities, a violation of school regulations, or the commission of an unlawful act.
- B. Materials may not be displayed or distributed during class periods, or during passing times between classes. Permission may be granted for display or distribution during lunch periods and after school in designated locations, as long as exits are not blocked and there is proper access and egress to the building.

Students who are unsure whether or not materials they wish to display meet school guidelines may present them to the principal twenty-four (24) hours prior to display.

## STUDENT SUGGESTIONS AND COMPLAINTS

The school is here for the benefit of the students. The staff is here to assist a student in becoming a responsible adult. If a student has suggestions that could improve the school, s/he should feel free to offer them. Written suggestions may be presented directly to the principal or to the student government.

When concerns or grievances arise, the best way to resolve the issue is through communication. No student will be harassed by any staff member or need fear reprisal for the proper expression of a legitimate concern. As with suggestions, concerns and grievances may be directed to the Principal or to the student council.

## **SECTION V - TRANSPORTATION**

#### BUS TRANSPORTATION TO SCHOOL

Bus transportation is provided for all eligible students.

Students will ride only assigned school buses and will board and depart from the bus at assigned bus stops. Students will not be permitted to ride unassigned buses for any reason other than an emergency, except as approved by the principal.

A change in a student's regular assigned bus stop may be granted for a special need, if a written request from a parent/guardian is submitted to the principal stating the reason for the request and the duration of the change and the principal approves.

# **BUS CONDUCT**

Students who are riding to and from school on transportation provided by the school are required to follow some basic safety rules. This applies to school-owned buses as well as any contracted transportation that may be provided.

The driver is responsible for student safety and may assign seating or direct the student in any reasonable manner to maintain that safety.

The following behaviors are expected of all students:

# Previous to loading (on the road and at school)

Each student shall:

- Be on time at the designated loading zone (10 minutes prior to scheduled stop);
- Stay off the road at all times while walking to and waiting for the bus;
- Line up single file off the roadway to enter;
- Wait until the bus is completely stopped before moving forward to enter;
- Refrain from crossing a highway until the bus driver signals it is safe;
- Go immediately to a seat and be seated.
- It is the parent/guardians' responsibility to inform the bus driver when their child will not be boarding the bus. The bus will not wait.

# During the trip

Each student shall:

- Remain seated while the bus is in motion;
- Keep head, hands, arms, and legs inside the bus at all times;
- Not litter in the bus or throw anything from the bus;
- Keep books, packages, coats, and all other objects out of the aisle;
- Be courteous to the driver and to other bus riders;
- Not eat, play games or play cards, etc.;
- Not tamper with the bus or any of its equipment.

# Leaving the bus

- Each student shall:
- Remain seated until the bus has stopped;
- Cross the road, when necessary, at least ten (10) feet in front of the bus, but only after the driver signals that it is safe;
- Be alert to a possible danger signal from the driver.

The driver will not discharge students at places other than their regular stop at home or at school unless s/he has proper authorization from school officials.

#### **VIDEOTAPES ON SCHOOL BUSES**

The Board of Education may authorize the installation of video cameras on school buses for purposes of monitoring student behavior.

If a student is reported to have misbehaved on a bus and his/her actions were recorded on a videotape, the tape will be submitted to the principal and may be used as evidence of the misbehavior. Since these tapes are considered part of a student's record, they can be viewed only in accordance with State and Federal law.

#### PENALTIES FOR INFRACTIONS

A student who engages in misconduct on a bus shall be subject to discipline and may be deprived of the privilege of riding on the bus.

## SELF-TRANSPORTATION TO SCHOOL

- Driving to school is a privilege which can be revoked at any time. Students who are provided the opportunity to ride school transportation are encouraged to do so. Students and their parent/guardians assume full responsibility for any transportation to and from School not officially provided by the school.
- The following rules shall apply.
- Parking lot speed limit is 5 mph.

#### • STUDENT PARKING LOT PERMIT: \$10.00

A new car/truck permit is required every year. It must be displayed behind the rear view mirror. Police patrol the parking lot. Students failing to display their parking permit will be fined.

# • SNOWMOBILE PERMIT \$ 5.00

A new snowmobile permit is required every year. It must be displayed on the side of the snowmobile visible for the police to see. There will be a fine for students not displaying the snowmobile permit.

- If a student's permit is suspended, no fees will be refunded. Failure to comply with these rules will result in loss of privileges and/or disciplinary actions for the student.
- When the school provides transportation, students shall not drive to school-sponsored activities, unless written permission is granted by their parent/guardians and approved by the Principal.
- No other students are allowed to be driven to a school-sponsored activity by the approved student driver without a note from parent/guardians of passenger students granting permission and approval by the Principal.

# Addendum A

# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANAWA

HARASSMENT COMPLA	INT FORM (Attac	ch additi	onal sheets if	necessar	y)		
Date:							
Name:		Telephone:					
Address:	City:		State:	Zip:_			
Parent/guardian							
Name:					_		
Who did the harassment	?						
Describe the harassmen	t. Include time,	dates, a	nd location fo	or each inc	cideı	nt:	
What was your reaction	or what action d	id you ta	ake?				
List any witnesses or complaint:	anyone else w	ho has	information	relevant	to	this	

I understand these incidents will be investigated and that this form will be kept confidential as much as possible.

No person shall provide false information at any time. If a person provides false information to school district officials regarding a complaint, proceeding, employment application, or other matter, appropriate disciplinary action may be taken against the individual who provided the false information.

(5	Signature)		
Received by: _			
Date:			



# Student/Parent/Guardian Handbook Co-Curricular Code of Conduct Acknowledgement

One signature page for each child in the school will be required

I have been given the opportunity to view and/or obtain any of the above information for review. My child and I have read and understand the information contained in each section. By signing below, we agree to follow the rules and guidelines within the Student/Parent/guardian Handbook, Including Co-Curricular Code of Conduct.

I am aware that the Student Handbook and Code of Conduct are available on the School District of Manawa website, in each student's offline Google Drive folder, and available in paper form at each District Building

Parent/Guardian	Signature:	Date:
Student Signatures	•	

Please note, the Board of Education will be approving the official Student/Parent/Guardian Handbook, Including Co-Curricular Code of conduct handbook on 7/17/18. At this time,

the draft version is posted.