



Los Osos Middle School

Student Handbook 2020 - 2021

ADMINISTRATION AND OFFICE SUPPORT STAFF:

Principal – Mr. Karl Blum
Counselor – Ms. Baca
School Secretary – Mrs. Trujillo
Attendance Secretary – Ms. Hoffman

Assistant Principal – Mrs. Diana Jones
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Office Secretary Clerk - Mrs. Ochoa
Registrar / Counseling – Mrs. Colletti

Family Advocate - Hector Santos

CAMPUS HOURS

Campus hours are 7:30 AM-4:00 PM. By appointment only.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND EXPECTATIONS

THE CORE ACADEMIC PROGRAM COURSE OF STUDY

Sixth Grade: Humanities, Math, Science, Physical Education, and STEAM electives.

Seventh Grade: Humanities, Math, Science, Physical Education, and Electives.

Eighth Grade: Humanities, Math, Science, Physical Education, and Electives.

THE ELECTIVE PROGRAM

LOMS offers a variety of elective choices so that you may explore your interests and abilities: Band, Choir, ASB Leadership, Spanish, and a variety of 21st century electives.

RECOMMENDED SCHOOL MATERIALS

1. A rolling backpack or bookbag for notebooks
2. Three-ring binder (metal rings)
3. Pencil pouch that fits in the binder
4. Six dividers for three-ring binder
5. Three #2 pencils
6. Three pens (black or blue)
7. Binder paper

REPORT CARDS / GRADES

Grades are issued as “A, B, C, D, F” and I (incomplete). Classwork, Homework, and Assessments are all factors which determine grades. An incomplete is given only when a student has been ill or a death in the family has occurred, but never when a student had the same opportunity as other class members to do the assigned work.

The school year consists of two semesters and each semester contains two quarters. Each quarter is a grading period and students will receive a report card at the end of each quarter.

Only semester grades are recorded in each student’s permanent record.

AERIES

AERIES is a secure program that allows parents to view their child's grades and attendance, and much more. Parents and students view their current grades and assignments by using their computer I.D. and access code. These numbers are given to each parent at the beginning of the school year. Our expectation is that teachers will update AERIES weekly.

HOMEWORK GUIDELINES AND REQUESTS

If a student is absent, the student should call homework buddies first to get the homework assignment missed for the day. If a student will be absent three days or more, contact teachers via email or voicemail and request homework.

STUDENT PLANNING

Classroom assignments and homework will be on each teacher's Google Calendar, Web Page or assigned in class.

ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE FOR STUDENTS

- Make-up assignments and retakes on tests are based on teacher class guidelines
- Monitoring by their advisory teacher.
- Team conferencing with student and/or parent and counselor
- Student Study Team
- Incentives for academic achievement (Pride Award Program)

8TH GRADE ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS

At the end of the year, a ceremony will be held to present awards to Eighth Grade students in the following areas: Information from a student's 6th grade year, 7th grade year as well as first semester in 8th grade will be used to determine awards:

1. President's Award for Educational Excellence

President's Award with Merit - **4.0 GPA** during the five **semesters** of their 6th, 7th and first semester of 8th grade.

2. CJSF (California Junior Scholastic Federation) Honor Roll Awards - Students enrolled in CJSF for five **semesters** will receive this award.

3. Outstanding Citizenship Certificate - A student who has earned 25 or more O's in citizenship; during the first five semesters of their 6th, 7th and 8th grade years, **unless qualified for CJSF**.

4. 8th Grade Teacher Class Awards - Awards will be given to outstanding students in areas such as English, Math, etc

5. Lion of the Year award: 2 students selected from the following criteria:

- CJSF Honor Roll Recipient
- Qualify for President's Award
- Candidates will prepare a 2 minute speech on a selected topic to be presented to the selection committee.

ACADEMIC RECOGNITION - CJSF/PRIDE Awards

California Junior Scholarship Federation is a statewide organization with over 600 schools in membership. The goal is to promote outstanding scholarship in school and community service. At LOMS, we are pairing this with our Traditional Pride awards.

Membership/Awards are not given automatically. Students must apply each semester.

CJSF Qualifier

6 qualifying classes* = **12 pts**; 5 classes* = **10 pts**, 4 classes* = **8 pts**

A = 3 pts., B = 1 pt, C = 0 pts.

Must have A or B in PE.

Must have 5 "O's" in citizenship at Semester, an "N" or "U" in citizenship is not allowed.

No "D" or "F" in any class.

Students must apply each semester. This is the student's responsibility

Lion Pride (Non-CJSF Qualifier)

6 qualifying classes* = **11 pts**; 5 classes* = **9 pts**; 4 classes* = **7 pts**

A = 3 pts., B = 1 pt, C = 0 pts.

Must have A or B in PE.

Must have 4 "O's" in citizenship at Semester, an "N" or "U" in citizenship is not allowed.

No "D" or "F" in any class.

Students must apply each semester. This is the student's responsibility

Phoenix Pride (Non-CJSF Qualifier)

.5 GPA Increase from previous semester

Must have 4 "O's" in citizenship at Semester, an "N" or "U" in citizenship is not allowed.

No "D" or "F" in any class.

You must apply each semester

*Points are earned in all classes except PE .

DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

In each class at LOMS, students will receive a citizenship grade each grading period. This is reflective of their citizenship in class only. Not their academic performance. The goal for all LOMS students is to earn an "O" in citizenship.

Citizenship grades are used as qualifiers for CJSF/PRIDE Awards.

Students citizenship will be determined based on the following rubric in each class:

	Unsatisfactory (U)	Needs Improvement (N)	Satisfactory (S)	Outstanding (O)
Key Attributes	<p><u>Rarely:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Willing to help others ■ Reliable and responsible ■ Courteous ■ Works well with others ■ Adheres to teacher directives ■ Follows all LOMS Expectations ■ Respects school property / others' property ■ Listens attentively during announcements ■ Lines up and enters the room properly <p><u>Consistently:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Talks out or talks to neighbors at inappropriate times. ■ Refuses to work in cooperative groups ■ Teases or provokes other students ■ Avoids participation ■ Talks back/ acts defiantly 	<p><u>Occasionally:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Willing to help others ■ Reliable and responsible ■ Courteous ■ Works well with others ■ Adheres to teacher directives ■ Follows all LOMS Expectations ■ Respects school property / others' property ■ Listens attentively during announcements ■ Lines up and enters the room properly <p><u>Sometimes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Talks out or talks to neighbors at inappropriate times. ■ Refuses to work in cooperative groups ■ Teases or provokes other students ■ Avoids participation ■ Talks back/ acts defiantly 	<p><u>Usually:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Willing to help others ■ Reliable and responsible ■ Courteous ■ Works well with others ■ Adheres to teacher directives ■ Follows all LOMS Expectations ■ Respects school property / others' property ■ Listens attentively during announcements <p><u>Occasionally:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Talks out or talks to neighbors at inappropriate times. ■ Is reluctant to work in cooperative groups ■ Avoids participation 	<p><u>Consistently:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Offers to help others. ■ Reliable and responsible ■ Courteous ■ Works well with others ■ Adheres to teacher directives ■ Follows all LOMS Expectations without redirection ■ Respects school property / others' property ■ Listens attentively during announcements <p><u>Rarely:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Talks out or talks to neighbors at inappropriate times.

Scholastic Achievement Awards

LOS OSOS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Golden Pride



California Junior Scholastic Federation Qualifier

ACADEMICS

6 classes* = 12 pts
5 classes* = 10 pts
4 classes* = 8 pts

A = 3 B = 1 C = 0

Must have
"A" or "B" in PE.

No "D" or "F"
in any class.

BEHAVIOR

Five "Os" in
citizenship required. **

No "N" or "U"
in citizenship. **

APPLICATION

You must apply
each semester.



PHOENIX PRIDE AWARD

Non-California Junior Scholastic Federation Qualifier

ACADEMICS

.5 GPA INCREASE FROM
THE PREVIOUS SEMESTER.

BEHAVIOR

FOUR "Os" IN
CITIZENSHIP REQUIRED. **
NO "N" OR "U" IN
CITIZENSHIP. **

APPLICATION

YOU MUST APPLY
EACH SEMESTER.

LION PRIDE AWARD

Non-California Junior Scholastic Federation Qualifier

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6 classes* = 11 pts
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>>> BEHAVIOR <<<

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No "N" or "U"
in citizenship. **

>>> APPLICATION <<<

You must apply
each semester.

*Points are earned in all classes
except PE and Aide/Asst.

**Citizenship is counted in all classes.

Citizenship reminders will be sent out at the following grading periods:

1st Quarter Progress Report, Quarter Grades, 2nd Quarter Progress Report.

3rd Quarter Progress Report, Quarter Grades, 4th Quarter Progress Report.

Citizenship at LOMS is just as important as the academic grades given in the classroom. If you have a concern about your citizenship grade, please schedule a meeting with your classroom teacher.

Citizenship contracts are used at these quarter progress points so you know how to improve your citizenship throughout the year.

ATTENDANCE POLICIES

EXCUSED ABSENCE: A absence is excused only for: illness; bereavement; medical, dental, court appointment; quarantine; or school sanctioned activity. **All other absences are considered unexcused.**

CONFIDENTIAL MEDICAL RELEASE: *SLCUSD shall notify pupils in grades 7 to 12, inclusive, and the parents/guardians/caregivers of all pupils enrolled in the district, that school authorities may excuse any pupil from the school for the purpose of obtaining confidential medical services without the consent of the pupil's parent/guardian/caregiver. These services may include treatment having to do with drugs/alcohol, reproductive health, sexually transmitted diseases, and mental health. (Ed. Code 46010.1)

UNEXCUSED ABSENCE: Unexcused absences include family travel out of town, and any absence not deemed excusable as mentioned above. *The State of California considers a student a truant if he/she receives three (3) or more unexcused absences* and requires the school to notify the parent. *On the third or more unexcused absence, the school will send you a School Attendance Review Board letter indicating the classification of your child as a truant per the state's Education Code.*

Here are a few guidelines to follow in case of absence:

- For student safety and state compliance, absences need to be called in each day to the Attendance Office before 10:00 am. For your convenience our Attendance Office has a 24-hour telephone message service to leave messages regarding absences at **(805) 534-2837**. Please give specific reasons for absences since the State of California requires specificity to be considered for an excused absence.
- Failure to verify an absence within 24 hours, by indicating the day(s), date(s), and reason will result in a truancy/cut and detentions assigned accordingly.
- Students are responsible for completing missing assignments. The time allowed to make up work is equal to the time of the absence, for excused absences only.

TARDY TO CLASS

Punctuality is a common, reasonable, and legal expectation for students. Students need to be ready to work when the period begins..If a student is late to log onto a class, the student must inform the teacher of their presence in the chat box.

SHORT-TERM INDEPENDENT STUDY PROGRAM- OUT OF TOWN ABSENCES

If it is necessary to have your child out of school for family business/travel for an extended period of time- **5 to 20 consecutive days**, please make an appointment with the Attendance Secretary no less than

10 school days prior to leaving.

An Independent Study Agreement will be developed indicating all home/class work assigned; all assigned work will be **due immediately upon return to school** in order to receive full credit. Independent Study can only be requested once per academic year.

It is the Parent's legal responsibility to notify the Attendance Office before 10:00 a.m. the morning of every day of absence. CALL 534-2837

GENERAL CAMPUS GUIDELINES

COMPUTER USE

Inappropriate use of technology will result in a disciplinary action. Students are responsible for computers that are issued to them. Any damage that is beyond reasonable wear and tear is the student's responsibility.

TEXTBOOKS

Textbooks are provided on a loan basis. Students will be held responsible for their care. Books must be paid for if lost or damaged. All books must be returned prior to the end of the year.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

SCHOOL-HOME COMMUNICATIONS

Communication between home and school is not only welcomed at Los Osos Middle School, but is essential in improving student learning and achievement. School administration, teachers, and staff communicate with parents in a variety of ways. These may include individual parent conferences, telephone calls, letters, progress reports, report cards, email, etc. There are times during the year when home-to-school conversations are needed to clarify issues that may arise. In order to facilitate constructive conversations we suggest the following:

Contact Teacher First: Every attempt to get questions answered and concerns resolved should be made with the classroom teacher. This may be done by email, phone conversation or in a scheduled teacher/parent conference.

Contact Assistant Principal/ Principal: If a parent's concerns have not been met or further information is needed, contact the assistant principal and/or principal. This may be done by email, phone conversation or in a scheduled meeting.

A strong school/home partnership is vital to the success of all our students. The above process should help both parents and school to address each concern promptly, efficiently and with due process.

Attendance Office - Parents may leave important messages of **urgent** matters by calling **534-2835**.

Telephone - Students needing transportation, homework, P.E. clothes, lunches, etc. are to use the Office telephones in case of emergency e.g. illness or direct school business.

Cell Phones- Students may only use cell phones when permitted by the teacher for approved academic and instructional purposes. All urgent messages between parents and children need to be communicated through the school office at 534-2835. Students who send or receive text messages during the school day may be assigned consequences.

Los Osos Middle School is not responsible for lost or stolen phones or electronic devices.

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL (SSC)

Los Osos Middle School has a School Site Council. This body allows parents, teachers, students and administrators to share in school information, approving the safety plan, and provide input for the school. If you are interested in joining the School Site Council, please contact the main office and leave your name and number with the secretary.

ENGLISH LEARNERS ADVISORY COUNCIL (ELAC)

Los Osos Middle School has a English Learners Advisory Council which represents the English Learners on our campus. This committee helps to inform these families about the school, community and special services available to our English Learner students.

UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

Complaints about school policies, employees, or incidents should be directed initially to the principal. In the event that the school or district is alleged to be in violation of civil rights or state/federal compliance, a Uniform Complaint Procedure Form should be filled out. Complaint forms are available at the school site and all district offices. Completed forms should be forwarded to a Compliance Officer for review. Compliance Officers are located at the District Office, 1500 Lizzie Street, San Luis Obispo. They are Mrs. Christin Newlon, Director of Personnel (549-1233) and Mrs. Kimberly McGrath, Assistant Superintendent (549-1205). [B.P.4139]

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES / COUNSELING

COUNSELING SERVICES

Individual and group counseling available.

Students who wish to make an appointment with their counselor may do so by completing a "Request for an Appointment" form, available in the Attendance and Main Offices. In addition we have a Student Assistance Program that reaches out to students with social and emotional needs which interfere with their success in school.

SCHOOL NURSE

The school nurse is available one day a week. The nurse monitors the student's immunization status, health needs, and medications. The nurse also can assist with SST team meetings.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

ELIGIBILITY FOR SPORTS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Students will be ineligible to participate in sports, school activities and clubs for the following reasons:

Academic: GPA is below a 2.0

Attendance: truancy; excessive tardies or absences

Classroom Citizenship:

Two or more "N" marks in citizenship

One or more "U" marks in citizenship

Discipline: In-School Suspensions, and Out of School Suspensions.

Students will remain ineligible until removed from the ineligibility list by the administration.

ACTIVITY RESTRICTION

Students who have been suspended for a violation of campus rules are also on activity restriction for the duration of that suspension. They may not participate in any extracurricular activities during this time.

SPORTS

We offer the following district sponsored sports: Cross Country, Boys and Girls Volleyball, Boys and Girls Basketball, Boys and Girls Soccer, Track and Field, and Wrestling

We will be fielding two teams: 6/7th and 8th for both genders.

Students must attend at least four of six periods on the day of an activity, field trip, or game in order to be eligible to participate/attend. The only exception is a medical/dental or approved appointment by the principal. A note signed by a school administrator is required for a student to leave an activity or game with their parents.

To participate in sports/practices, the students must be enrolled as a student at Los Osos Middle School.

CLUBS

We have a variety of club offerings each year on campus. Check the bulletin for information on our different amazing clubs.

ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY (ASB) CARDS

Every member of the Student body is given an ID Card. Students are encouraged to purchase an ASB Sticker. An ASB Sticker entitles each holder to reduced rates to athletic events, dances and other functions, and yearbook purchases. The price of an ASB Sticker is \$10.00.

ACTIVITY DANCE NIGHTS

An Activity Dance Night is a combination of an informal school dance and an activity night where students can enjoy games, food, and structured activities. Our Activity Dance Nights are held in the MP room, quad and gym. Activity Dance Nights begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at 8:30 p.m. These are for 7th and 8th grade students only.

DRESS: Clothing must comply with school day dress expectations.

LOMS is a Restorative Approach / Character Counts School

CHARACTER COUNTS

Learning about and building character at Los Osos Middle School is one of our core values. This year we are an official Character Counts school site. This program is made up of the six pillars of character. Throughout the year, our staff will educate and reward students for exhibiting these types of behaviors.

The Six Pillars of CharacterSM



RESTORATIVE APPROACH PROCESS

This is a process designed to value a student's feelings and integrity in a situation where previously, a punitive action would have been the norm. The goal is for our students to be accountable for their actions and be able to remain in class so that they can continue with their learning. When students reach the 5th and 6th tier, it means that our staff has worked very hard to model appropriate behavior and it just hasn't sunk in. Therefore, a more traditional progressive discipline process will begin. Parent communication in this process is as vital as anything if your student is continuing to be disruptive.

PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE CONSEQUENCES

1. If student expectations are violated, students will be sent to the office for appropriate disciplinary action.
2. We will use our Restorative Process for your student. If this process exhausts itself, then a more traditional progressive discipline process may occur. This may include after school detention, Friday School from 1-6pm, or suspension (in-school or out-of-school)
3. If a student accumulates a total of ten (10) days of suspension, he/she will be referred to the District's Administrative Hearing Panel, or School Attendance Review Board (SARB) for alternative placement.

SEVERE CLAUSE

In severe circumstances the student may be immediately suspended and/or referred to an Administrative Hearing Panel for possible expulsion.

At no times may a student possess or attempt to sell a look-a-like substance represented as alcohol or drugs, Use, possession of, under the influence of, or sale of, drugs or alcohol EC 48915 (2), 48900 (P), or EC 48900 (A) (5)

I understand that possession of firearms, knives, explosives or other dangerous objects are not allowed on campus at any time for any reason. EC 48900 (B), 48915 (b)

Violation of either of these Education Codes will result in suspension and possible expulsion.

LOMS Behavior Expectations

At Los Osos Middle School, all students are expected to demonstrate respect and responsibility while in class and on the campus. School wide behavior expectations for all students are to demonstrate **Respect and Responsibility in all areas and settings**. All students are expected to be polite, cooperative, and follow the school rules at all times. These standards create a safe learning environment for all students in which to learn.

1. **All students** will follow all school and classroom rules.
2. **All students** will follow all teacher/staff directives without question.
3. **All students** will not disrupt students or staff before, during or after-school.
4. **All students** will not threaten, intimidate, bully or harass others, verbally, in writing, electronically or physically, including name calling, verbal banter or use of profanity, vulgarity or use any words of sexual or racial nature.
5. **All students** will not take other students property, money or items without student permission.
6. **All students** will participate in and be prepared daily for all classes.

7. **All students** will attend all scheduled detentions and/or Friday school.
8. **All students** will treat all students and staff with respect.
9. **All students** will be on time, and attend school every day.
10. **All students** will not accept, carry or be in possession of any item prohibited from being at a school.

LOMS		EXPECTATIONS		
S E T T I N G				
	All Settings On/Off Campus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be Positive. Be Involved. Be on Time. Use appropriate language. Help / share / praise others. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be Kind. Keep hands & feet to yourself at all times. Report dangerous situations & bullying to an adult. 	Correct behavior. Apologize. Seek adult help.
	Classroom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be on time. Be prepared. Be on task. Follow classroom rules. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be an active learner. Listen to others. Cooperate. Use appropriate voice. Keep workspace clean. 	Follow adult prompt. Reflect, then take action to repair rupture with others.
	Communication & Interaction with Adults	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respond positively. Be honest. Be humble. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Own actions. Refrain from arguing. Immediately follow adult directions. 	Remain respectful. Re-enter setting.
	Hallways / Between Classes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be prompt. Walk. Use appropriate voice. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk directly to your next class without detours. Stay on walkways. Remain in-bounds. 	
	Technology Computers, Tablets and Personal Devices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use only your assigned device. Use proper netiquette. Leave device in designated space. Only use internet for classwork. Keep device on silent (not vibrate). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use device for educational and school purposes only. Do not share passwords with other students. Demonstrate appropriate care and use of materials and equipment. Report damage to adult. 	Correct Misuse. Follow teacher prompt. Reflect, then take action to repair rupture.
	Locker Rooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respect others' property & privacy. Dress out every day. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secure valuables in PE locker. Use appropriate voice. Store backpacks in long locker that matches your shoebox locker. 	Correct behavior. Apologize. Seek adult help.
	Lunch Area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be seated properly at table. Wait in lines patiently. Practice good table manners. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean up after yourself. Eat only while seated at a table. Keep backpacks out of walkways. 	Follow adult prompt.
	Bathroom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respect privacy. Keep bathrooms clean. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use facility quickly, quietly, and correctly. 	Reflect, then take action to repair rupture with others.
	Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use appropriate voice. Use computers for school projects only. Help others. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check out / return materials on time. Use library for learning / academic collaboration only. 	Remain respectful.
	Field	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate good sportsmanship. Play safe. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use equipment properly. Remain in-bounds. Include others. 	
	Bus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be in line. Wait your turn. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have your pass ready. Remain seated. 	

LOMS GENERAL SCHOOL RULES

1. All students are expected to be in their assigned seat and prepared to work as noted on the Bell Schedule.
2. Come to class prepared with proper materials, such as pens, pencils, and a binder with notebook paper.
3. We expect students to keep their campus clean, eating is permitted in the MPR and Cafeteria Quad only. Be environmentally responsible by placing all garbage in recyclable or trash cans. Gum is not permitted on campus.
4. Any electronic device, jewelry, large sums of money and disruptive items such as electronic games, pagers, toys, laser pointers, and novelties are not permitted and will be confiscated. In addition, the administration will not spend time looking for these items if they are lost or stolen.
5. **Students are not permitted to have cell phones, or electronic signalling devices on campus, and it may be used as part of the instructional program only when authorized by the teacher. Students causing disruption to learning through use of Cell phones will incur consequences. Students are not to text, or make phone calls from their personal device during school hours 8:05am - 2:55pm. Misuse (ie. sexting, harassment) may also result in school consequences including notification of S.R.O.**
The security of personal property is the sole responsibility of the student – the school is not responsible for personal property brought from home.
6. Hazardous objects that are not permitted on campus include, but are not limited to, fireworks, matches, lighters, lasers, roller blades, wallet chains, studded apparel, or weapons of any kind, including small “Swiss Army” style pocket knives.
7. **At LOMS, we expect that students will maintain appropriate hallway behavior, walking, keeping hands to oneself, and respecting the “Quiet Zones”**
8. Displays of affection are limited to holding hands; other displays of affection are not considered age-appropriate school behavior.
9. We expect that all students be responsible citizens and report any dangerous, or illegal activity to any staff member.
10. We are a great school and when we have visitors on campus, we show extra respect and cooperation toward all guest teachers and visitors.
11. Threats, harassment, intimidation, or joking about disruptive or harmful acts are unacceptable. Consequences will be enforced and the sheriff notified if appropriate.
12. **Students will use respectful talk when engaging with other students and staff on campus. Students will refrain from derogatory comments around race, religion, sexuality, identity and disability, and profanity.**

BULLYING/HARASSMENT

Bullying is not acceptable in the San Luis Coastal Unified School District. Students should seek immediate help from an adult if he/she feels that they are being bullied or harassed. Students are also expected to immediately report incidents of bullying/harassment to school personnel. Each complaint of bullying/ harassment will be investigated.

PANTSING

“Pantsing” is not a funny prank, it poses a cruel and humiliating experience for the other student and it is a serious infraction of school rules. Individuals choosing to “pants” another student will be given strong consequences that **may include suspension**. A conference with parents, teachers, administrator, and a School Resource Officer may also occur.

PE LOCKERS

DON'T SHARE YOUR LOCKER OR LOCKER COMBINATION WITH ANYONE!

All 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students will be assigned a PE locker for storage of PE items. PE Lockers are only accessible during the scheduled PE period.

BICYCLES and SKATEBOARDS

We have a bike and skateboard rack for students who ride to campus. No skateboards should be kept in classrooms. Students will need their own lock if they skate or bike to campus. Helmets must be worn by all skaters and riders. Students without helmets will have to walk home and their vehicle will remain on campus.

All Bikes/Skateboards must be walked on campus.

TRANSPORTATION BUS RULES

Students who wish to ride the school bus to and from school will be required to register and pay a fee for this service. It is important that all students are aware of the bus riding rules so they may keep their bus privileges. The district's School Bus Rules are outlined in the Secondary Schools Discipline Code that all students receive as part of their registration packet at the beginning of school. You are responsible to read and follow all bus rules. If a student receive a bus referral for a bus riding infraction, the following are the progressive consequences assigned for each referral:

- First referralConference with assistant principal and parents notified.
- Second referral.....Two-week suspension of bus riding privileges
- Third referralFour-week suspension of bus riding privileges
- Fourth referralBus riding privileges suspended for rest of school year

All bus referrals are for the academic year; they are not removed at semester's end.

CAFETERIA EXPECTATIONS

Cafeteria expectations include **NO**: Throwing food, eating in line, destruction of food, exchange or sale of free- or reduced-price meals, leaving trash, pushing/shoving/giving or cutting in line. Theft-stealing from cafeteria or others will result in a consequence.

DRESS EXPECTATIONS

Students have the responsibility to come to school dressed in a manner that will not disrupt the instructional program or endanger anyone's health and safety. The school's dress standards reflect our community's expectations of "age-appropriate" dress and it considers the social and emotional developmental level of early adolescent students.

GUIDELINES AND CLOTHING NOT PERMITTED:

- Clothing, accessories, or personal dress that are unsafe to oneself, other students, or property;
- Distracting or interfering with instruction; ie: bandanas of any color;
- Offensive, revealing or promoting or implying alcohol, drugs, tobacco, gang affiliation, or sexual meaning;
- Bare midriiffs, spaghetti straps, tube tops, low plunging necklines, and very short dresses/shorts or sagging shorts/pants.
- NO HATS are allowed on campus during the school day.
- Shoulders must be covered with at least a two inch (three finger width) strap; no revealing cleavage;
- Shorts'/skirts'/dresses' hems no shorter than half the distance from the student's waist to their knee, undergarments cannot be exposed, ex.boxer shorts or bra straps.

Online Learning

Online Learning Expectations



Video

Video
(Zoom/Google Meets)

Conferencing is our way to come together as a class during online learning. When we are together online, here are our class norms.

Be on Time

- Be prepared
- Before class starts check your tech and log on



Presentation

- Check/Modify your background
- Dress appropriately
- Speak clearly, look up, and stay on topic



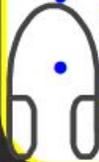
Mute Yourself

- When joining a video conference
- When your teacher or another student is talking
- When you are not speaking.



Be in a Quiet Place

- Use headphones if you have them
- Put away cell phones



Be Respectful

- Stay focused
- Pay attention
- Be an active participant
- Be kind and considerate



Chat Responsibly

- Raise your hand to speak
- Type/Post only class related questions and comments



SCHOOL CONSEQUENCES

RESTORATIVE SUSPENSION ALTERNATIVE Students who may meet the threshold of a suspension, for a single event or a culmination of several discipline consequences may be given a Restorative Suspension Alternative. **This is an in-house suspension that starts at the end of Lunch and ends at 6:00pm on a Friday. If a student fails to attend the Restorative Suspension Alternative, then they may be given In or Out of School Suspensions.**

ACTIVITY RESTRICTION - Students who have been suspended for a violation of campus rules are also on activity restriction for the duration of that suspension. They may not participate in any extracurricular activities during this time. Students may also receive an activity restriction for continued poor choices.

BEHAVIOR CONTRACTS: After various interventions for inappropriate behavior have failed, a conference with the student and his/her parents will be held. The student and parents must sign a behavior contract, which outlines appropriate behavior as well as consequences for non-compliance with the contract. Failure to fulfill the requirements of the behavior contract may result in referral to the District where alternative placement may be considered.

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