

CHANGES TO THE 2010-2011 **STUDENT/PARENT HANDBOOK**

ATTENDANCE

1. If parents choose to take their child/children out of school for non-calendared vacations, they should NOT expect teachers to prepare assignments ahead of time. **The child's assignments will be ready for him/her upon their return to school.** Non- calendared vacations are discouraged, as they are disruptive to your child's learning.

DISCIPLINE

2. **If a student is suspended, he or she will not be allowed to participate in school- related extra-curricular activities until the conclusion of the term of suspension and will receive a 3 in General Conduct for that quarter.**

3. Probation may be given for a very serious offense, continued misconduct, or for a consistent lack of effort. **Consistent low grades can also result in academic probation. If a student is put on academic probation, and behavior and/or grades do not improve by a date set by Administration, he or she may be asked to leave the school. If a student is placed on probation, he or she will not be allowed to participate in school- related extra-curricular activities until the conclusion of the term of probation.** A student who earns a 3 in conduct and/or effort on a report card in two quarters or a 4 in one quarter will have a conference with the principal to determine status.

4. **If a student is put on suspension or probation he/she may not participate in extra- curricular activities until the term of suspension or probation has concluded.**

DISCIPLINE / EXTRA-CURRICULAR PARTICIPATION

5. **Students must receive a Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least a 2.0 in order to participate in any extra-curricular activities.**

If a student is absent from school on any given day, he or she MAY NOT participate in school sponsored extra-curricular activities on that date.

CONFERENCES

6. Parent-Teacher Conferences- Parent-teacher conferences take place after the first quarter for all grades. Every student must attend with the parent, except kindergarten, first and **second grade students**.

UNIFORM

7. Uniform- **5th -8th grade will be wearing the khaki pants, skorts, and shorts next year**, not the blue uniform bottoms that the 5th and 6th grades have been wearing. For the lower grades, blue pants must be Dennis brand.

8. On **Physical Education Days**, students are to wear tennis shoes, and the official P.E. T-shirt and shorts (~~1st and 4th quarter only~~) or sweat pants (~~1st -4th quarter~~). **PE shorts may be worn throughout the entire school year at parent's discretion**. The T-shirt must be tucked in except for P.E. class.

PARKING

9. The Kindergarten **AM** drop off / **PM** pick up procedure requires parents to use the Notre Dame Avenue entrance **and to park in the school's main parking lot**. Parents of Kindergarten students may park in the front lot (outside of the Auditorium) for Kindergarten AM pick-up and Kindergarten PM drop-off only.

ADDENDEUM TO HANDBOOK:

Missing assignments are calculated as zeros and, therefore, can seriously affect a final grade. Students should make every possible effort to make up their work in a timely fashion. ***No work will be accepted more than two weeks (10 school days) after the required due date.***