

LITTLE FALLS TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents:

Please find attached a copy of our district's formal Student Code of Conduct as adopted by our Board of Education.

Our students and parents in Grades 3-8 are asked to sign the contract that is attached and return it to your child's homeroom teacher. If your child attends School #2, we are not requiring our younger students to sign the contract. Instead, our primary staff will devote time to discussing these rules with the class so your child will be aware of our expectations.

Our district will be continuing to focus in the area of Character Education in the 2010-2011 school year, and our staff will be working on a number of projects that highlight this critical area for our students, and we expect to initiate a number of new programs and activities this year in all of our schools.

As developed several years ago, A Little Falls Student is...! will be used as our day to day Code of Conduct in our three schools, as we feel it is very positively worded and easier for our staff and students to work with than the more formal Code. While the simplified version is student friendly, the consequences, etc. from the formal code will remain in effect. As additional activities are implemented, you will be informed of them via the classroom teacher's communications, and our School Newsletters.

Please feel free to contact your child's principal should you have any further questions. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

Bruce deLyon, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Attachments - 3

Little Falls Township Public Schools
Little Falls, New Jersey

Student Code of Conduct

All students have a fundamental right to a free public education. Along with this right, they have a responsibility to join with other students in respecting the rights of others.

RESPONSIBILITY OF STUDENTS

1. To report to school and each class promptly and not leave school grounds without permission.
2. To demonstrate respect towards adults and schoolmates.
3. To obey all members of the school staff.
4. To take home all school documents and notices for parent/guardian signature and to return them to school promptly.
5. To refrain from using or having possession of any of the following: cigarettes, tobacco, illegal drugs, knives, matches, lighters, fireworks, guns, pornographic literature, or any other items that may be harmful or offensive.
6. To control speech and gestures so that no individual is offended or embarrassed by language or activities.
7. To refrain from participating in any form of sexual harassment of fellow students and others.
8. To properly dispose of all waste material while in school, on school property and while traveling to and from school.
9. To maintain proper dress and personal hygiene.
10. To respect school property as well as the personal property of others.
11. To avoid running, shouting, pushing or any other disruptive or inappropriate behavior which may cause injury or interfere with the safety or rights of others.
12. To avoid fighting, no matter the reason.
13. To avoid dangerous situations such as snowball throwing, rock throwing or games requiring bodily contact.

GENERAL RULE INFRACTIONS

The following rule infractions shall result in one, or any combination of the disciplinary actions listed below being taken, depending upon the frequency and/or degree of the infraction.

Rule infractions:

- * Tardiness
- * Use of profane language
- * Class disruption
- * Defiant and insubordinate behavior
- * Lunchroom misbehavior

- * Playground misbehavior
- * Bus misbehavior
- * Gum chewing or eating candy
- * Throwing snowballs or other objects
- * Disturbing school neighbors
- * Other inappropriate behavior deemed serious enough by the principal

Disciplinary Actions:

- * Counseling/discipline session with teacher
- * Teacher notifying the parent/guardian
- * Counseling/discipline session with the building principal
- * Building principal notifying the parent/guardian
- * Loss of recess
- * Other actions deemed warranted by the building principal

SCHOOL SUSPENSION

The following rule infractions shall result in out-of-school suspension for a period not to exceed ten (10) school days:

- * Repeated "General Rule Infractions"
- * Possession, use or distribution of any controlled dangerous substance prohibited by law; alcoholic beverages; any prescription or patent drug except those for which permission to use has been authorized by a licensed physician and approved by the parent or guardian.
- * Striking or threatening a teacher, school employee or fellow student
- * Stealing
- * Fighting
- * Causing or attempting to cause damage to school property
- * Turning in a false fire alarm or calling in a bomb threat
- * Using or having possession of a dangerous weapon or fireworks
- * Smoking
- * Truancy
- * Cutting of Class
- * Any infraction that is deemed serious enough to warrant a suspension by the school principal

Note: An out-of-school suspended student is prohibited from attending classes or school sponsored activities and may not appear on school grounds.

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LITTLE FALLS, NEW JERSEY

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT
CONTRACT

This contract provides for each student, parent, and teacher to agree to support and abide by the LITTLE FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT CODE OF CONDUCT.

As a member of the student body, I, _____ will support and follow the expectations and standards which contribute to my personal growth and development, the quality of daily life for all students and the orderliness and safety of our school.

My signature and that of my parents is my pledge to give my personal best in meeting all rules and standards in class and on our school property. I will seek the assistance and guidance of our teachers, the staff, and administrators throughout the school year.

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____

HOMEROOM TEACHER SIGNATURE _____