



Board Agenda Item #	Agenda # II C – Action Item
Date:	November 8, 2018
To:	Magnolia Board of Directors
From:	Alfredo Rubalcava, CEO & Superintendent
Staff Lead:	Brenda D. Lopez, Ed.D., Assistant Director of Student Services
RE:	School Safety Plans

Proposed Board Motion

I move that the board approve school safety plans for all MPS school sites

Introduction

- The school safety plans are a living document and revisions are continuously made to improve the safety of our school sites for the benefit of all stakeholders

Background

- Annually the safety plans are reviewed and revised, additionally all staff is required to be informed, trained and updated on safety protocol

Analysis (If applicable)

- Safety Plans are modeled after promising safety plans and we follow the checklist available through LACOE regarding school safety planning

Budget Implications

- None at this time

Exhibits (attachments):

- School Safety Plan Compliance Checklist
- School Safety Plans for MSA 1, MSA1 Amigo Campus, MSA 2, MSA 3, MSA 4, MSA 5, MSA 6, MSA 7, MSA 8, MSA Santa Ana, and MSA San Diego
- Staff Training List for all school sites
- Safety Supplies and Equipment for all sites

Compliance Checklist for a Comprehensive School Safety Plan

California *Education Code*: Sections 32280–32289

Required Components for a Comprehensive School Safety Plan

Section 32281	Mandate Met (date, plan)	Comments, Suggested Details (resources, activities, etc.)
<p>(b)(1) Plan is written and developed by a school site council (SSC).</p> <p>(2) The SSC may delegate this responsibility to a safety committee made up of principal/designee, teacher, parent of child who attends the school, classified employee, and others, if desired.</p>	Include date and plan.	Include planning committee roster.
<p>(b)(3) SSC/planning committee consulted with a representative from a law enforcement agency in the writing and development of the comprehensive school safety plan.</p>	Include date and plan.	Comments

Section 32282	Mandate Made (date, plan)	Comments, Suggested Details (resources, activities, etc.)
<p>(a) The comprehensive school safety plan includes, but is not limited to all of the following:</p>	Include date and plan.	Comments
<p>(1) An assessment of the current status of school crime at the school and at school-related functions, which may be accomplished by reviewing one or more of the following types of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office Referrals • Attendance rates/SARB data • Suspension/Expulsion data • California Healthy Kids Survey • School Improvement Plan • Local law enforcement juvenile crime data • Property Damage data 	Include date and plan.	<p>Describe the data reviewed and key analysis points, and table of findings</p> <p>Document how this information was shared with SSC/planning committee.</p>
<p>(2) Identify appropriate strategies and programs that provide and maintain a high level of school safety and address the school's procedures for complying with existing laws related to school safety, including but not limited to the following:</p>	Include date and plan.	<p>Additional items to consider:</p> <p>Threat Assessment; Student Support Teams</p>

Section 32282	Mandate Made (date, plan)	Comments, Suggested Details (resources, activities, etc.)
(A) Child Abuse Reporting procedures	Include date and plan.	Include board policy and site-specific steps
(B) Disaster procedures, routine and emergency, crisis response plan including adaptations for pupils with disabilities and the following:	Include date and plan.	Use the Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) as detailed in the California Emergency Services Act 8607 and the supporting California Code of Regulations.
<p>(i) Earthquake emergency procedures that include:</p> <p>(I) a school building disaster plan</p> <p>Note: Building disaster plan emergency procedures and drills for the following situations that may be associated with an earthquake or other emergency event should be developed and adapted to each school's needs and circumstances in collaboration with first responders and community partners; these may include but are not limited to:</p> <p>Fire; Relocation/Evacuation; Bomb Threat; Bioterrorism/Hazardous Materials; Earthquake; Flood; Power Failure/Blackout; Intruders/Solicitors; Weapons/Assault/Hostage; Explosion; Gas/Fumes</p> <p>(II) a drop procedure (students and staff take cover) dates/times of drop procedure drills held once each quarter in elementary; once each semester in secondary schools</p> <p>(III) protective measures to be taken before, during, and after an earthquake</p> <p>(IV) a program to ensure that pupils, and certificated and classified staff are aware of and are trained in the procedures</p>	Include date and plan.	<p>Detail response procedures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lock Down • Secure School • Active intruder or other threat(s) <p>Describe information on training and exercise drills:</p>
(ii) Establish procedures to allow a public agency, including the American Red Cross, to use school buildings, grounds, and equipment for mass care and welfare shelters during an emergency.	Include date and plan.	Comments

Section 32282	Mandate Made (date, plan)	Comments, Suggested Details (resources, activities, etc.)
(C) Suspension/Expulsion policies and procedures	Include date and plan.	Refer to board policy, include site-specific steps, if needed.
(D) Procedures to notify teachers of dangerous pupils	Include date and plan.	Refer to board policy, include site-specific steps, if needed.
<p>(E) Discrimination and Harassment Policy. Include hate crime reporting procedures and policies here.</p> <p>Note: The Legislature encourages safety plans to include bullying policies and procedures to the extent that resources are available. Assembly Bill 9 Ch. 723 requires that all schools have an anti-bullying policy and AB 746 covers all types of bullying, including cyber-bullying. While it is not required to place these policies in the school safety plan, they may be placed here.</p>	Include date and plan.	Include complaint and investigation procedure.
(F) Schoolwide Dress Code, if it exists, including prohibition of gang-related apparel	Include date and plan.	Comments
(G) Procedures for safe ingress and egress of pupils, parents, and school employees to and from school site		Reference campus visitor policies. Other items may include: crossing guard program, safe routes to school, pedestrian, vehicle and bicycle policies, traffic safety, etc.
(H) A safe and orderly environment conducive to learning at the school	Include date and plan.	Comments
(I) Rules and procedures on school discipline	Include date and plan.	Comments
(c) Where practical, consult, cooperate and coordinate with other school site councils or school safety planning committees.	Include date and plan.	Comments
(d) Evaluate and amend the plan as needed and at least once each year, to ensure the plan is properly implemented. Keep an updated file of all non-sensitive safety-related plans and materials readily available for inspection by the public.	Review, update and approve by March 1.	Demonstrate annually approved plan with board or district superintendent signature page.

Section 32282	Mandate Made (date, plan)	Comments, Suggested Details (resources, activities, etc.)
(e) The Legislature encourages that policies and procedures aimed at the prevention of bullying be included in the comprehensive school safety plan. See (E) above.	Include date and plan.	Comments

Section 32282.1	Mandate Made (date, plan)	Comments, Suggested Details (resources, activities, etc.)
<p>(a) Schools are <i>encouraged</i> to include clear guidelines for the roles and responsibilities of the positions listed below (if used by the district):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental health professionals, school counselors • Community intervention professionals • School resource officers, police officers on campus 	Include date and plan.	Include school nurses, coaches, athletic directors, and other positions, if used.

Section 32284	Mandate Made (date, plan)	Comments, Suggested Details (resources, activities, etc.)
Plan may include procedures for responding to the release of a pesticide or other toxic substance from properties located within one-quarter mile of a school.	Include date and plan.	Comments

Section 32288	Mandate Made (date, plan)	Comments, Suggested Details (resources, activities, etc.)
(a) Submit the plan to school district office or county office of education for approval.	Include date and plan.	Comments
(b)(1) SSC/Planning Committee communicated the school safety plan to the public at a public meeting at the school site.	Include date and plan.	See notification requirements in Section 32288 (b)(2) and recommendations in Section 32288 (b)(3).

Comprehensive School Safety Plan

Magnolia Science Academy 1
LACOE

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Magnolia Science Academy 1

A meeting for public input was held on 10/25/2018 at MSA-1

Reviewed by Law Enforcement on 10/29/2018

Plan Adopted by School Site Council on 10/25/2018

Plan approved by Magnolia Public Schools Board December

Committee members

Mustafa Sahin, Principal
Jason Mertell, Designee
Teacher representative
Maria Zambrano, Classified employee
Oscar Martin, LAPD, PII Officer
Student

Public Inspection

This document is available for public inspection at Magnolia Science Academy-1 and on website at <https://msa1.magnoliapublicschools.org/>

School Site Mission

Mission and Vision

MPS provides a college preparatory educational program emphasizing science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM) in a safe environment that cultivates respect for self and others.

MPS's vision is that graduates of Magnolia Public Schools are scientific thinkers who contribute to the global community as socially responsible and educated members of society.

MPS has identified the following core values, which are reinforced through the Life Skills curriculum, student learning outcomes (SLOs), and all school activities:

Excellence

Academic Excellence is the desire to pursue knowledge and excellence and to contribute original and provocative ideas in a learning environment, in diverse settings, and as a catalyst to future academic knowledge. We foster academic excellence through project based learning using a constructivist approach, student portfolios, assessments of and for learning and academic discourse and argumentative writing. Scholars learn where and how to access the needed information to advance their academic pursuits and societal contributions.

Innovation

Students will have the freedom to choose how and what they learn. Individualized scheduling, early identification of learning styles, personalities, interest and career plans will support students' college and career readiness. This will include student participation in their four-year plans, after school enrichment programs, STEAM program choice options, adaptive assessments and blended learning strategies, differentiated instruction and differentiated and adaptive assessments.

Connection

School communities are integrated partnerships with the school site staff, families, students and all other stakeholders. This sense of connection creates a safe place for all learners and stakeholders to affirm individual strengths, celebrate character, provide academic support through mentorship and internship, promote unity and better decision making through the implementation of restorative justice practices. Additionally, community cultivates identity and gives each member a sense of belonging and pride. MPS utilizes home visits, student surveys, field trips, life skills classes and coaching to support our overall community-based goals. We work with community partners to establish mentoring relationships and other social capital to support our students' development of personal and academic networks for long-term resilience and connection.

Statement of Purpose

A comprehensive School Safety Plan helps to ensure a safe school environment, thereby enhancing the learning experience and improving student academic achievement. This plan is implemented to protect the safety of students and staff and to provide emergency preparedness and guidelines. This plan addresses the following objectives:

- Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff.
- Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations.
- Protect the school's facilities and property.
- In the case of an emergency, allow the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible.
- Provide for coordination between the school and local emergency services when necessary.

Employee Preparedness

A number of measures are taken on an ongoing basis to ensure that school staff is prepared to respond immediately and appropriately to disasters. These include:

- Review of this Plan and any other emergency policies and procedures;
- Review of an employee's role during an emergency;
- Knowledge of how to conduct and evaluate required drills;
- Familiarity with the layout of buildings, grounds and all emergency procedures;
- Review of the location of all emergency exits, fire extinguishers, fire alarms and emergency equipment and supplies;
- Attend update training in first aid, CPR, use of fire extinguishers and search and rescue as necessary.

Employee Skills

At the beginning of each school year, all instructional and non-instructional staff will be asked by the School Principal, or his/her designee, to identify those with special skills or experience that may be helpful during an emergency. These employees may be asked to fulfill certain emergency management roles (i.e., first aid, CPR, search & rescue and/or fire extinguisher training & certification).

Instructional staff is responsible for the following:

- Present instruction to students about emergency preparedness plans for the site and student responsibilities in case of a major emergency;
- Keep attendance sheets readily accessible at all times in order to check attendance in the event of evacuation;
- Update the contents of classroom emergency kit and keep it in a safe, accessible location;
- Participate fully in fire, earthquake and evacuation drills;
- Have planned activities for students for use during periods of confinement during an emergency situation.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, is responsible for the following:

- Assign employees to roles and responsibilities for an emergency, taking into consideration the skills, abilities and normal functions of employees;

- Ensure that all employees are familiar with the site maps and evacuation plans and are trained in emergency response and preparedness roles and responsibilities;
- Update the list of employees who are trained in first aid, CPR, the use of fire extinguishers, and search and rescue. Arrange for update training as necessary;
- Update as necessary the site floor plan showing evacuation routes and the location of assembly areas, emergency supplies and equipment, fire extinguishers, fire alarm pulls, master electrical panels, and main water and gas shut off valves;
- Ensure that emergency procedures are posted in classrooms, hallways, school office, cafeterias and employee lounges;
- Update the list of any disabled students or employees or those who may need evacuation assistance or other special assistance;
- Test the site warning system and ensure that the system's signal(s) is recognized and understood by employees and students;
- Conduct an inventory of all emergency supplies and equipment and replace used or outdated supplies and equipment;
- Maintain a list of emergency phone numbers in a readily accessible location.

Employee/Student Special Needs

Staff with temporary or permanent impairments of sight, hearing or mobility may self-identify indicating what assistance may be required in the event of an emergency. Students with special needs are identified at the beginning of each school year. Parents are asked to provide written information/instructions concerning specific needs.

Those areas of the school that have employees and/or students with permanent mobility impairments should maintain any necessary evacuation device on each floor where such employees and/or students are located.

Emergency On-Site Personnel

Staff emergency phone contacts will be kept on file at the school office. Staff with specific training in emergency response, safety, CPR, etc. will also be noted on a list kept at the school.

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Assessment of the Current Status of School Crime

1. Data sources the committee reviewed:
 - a. Local law enforcement crime data
 - i. Top three crime violations in our area last year, based on www.crimemapping.com/map/region/lapdWestValleyArea were:
 1. Vehicle break in
 2. Theft/Larceny
 3. Burglary
 - b. Suspension/Expulsion data:
 - i. Student information data was used to identify top suspendable/expellable offenses at our campus. A tremendous decrease in suspensions/expulsions were noted due to the implementation of positive behavior support model.
 - ii. Behavior referrals, Illuminate was used to identify and segregate all behavior referrals.
 - c. School Improvement Plan
 - i. Reviewed current years plan to identify any additional areas of improvement needed.
 - d. Property Damage data
 - i. Reviewed Illuminate behavior data to identify any property damage that has occurred.
 - e. Attendance rates
 - i. Student attendance rates were pulled from Illuminate.
 - ii. Truancy data was pulled from Illuminate

2. The committee reviewed the data and identified the appropriate strategies and programs that provide high-level school safety.
 - a. Parent/Student Handbook
 - b. School Safety Committee
 - c. Discipline Committee
 - d. Administration
 - e. Local School Administration
 - f. School Site Council
 - g. Parent Task Force
 - h. Student Leadership
 - i. Local Law Enforcement Collaboration

3. We will continue to review data in the upcoming academic year to continually revise and identification appropriate strategies and programs that provide/maintain a high level of school safety, both on and off campus.

Child Abuse Reporting Procedures

Child abuse shall be reported in compliance with the procedures set forth in the MPS Employee Handbook and in accordance with California law. The reporting of suspected child abuse is mandatory. Our staff will continue to receive training to establish best practices for school personnel to prevent

abuse, including sexual abuse, of children on school grounds, by school personnel, or in school-sponsored programs, and post on our department's Internet Web site links to existing training resources, in compliance with EC 44691.

Mandated reporters include, but are not limited to, teachers; instructional aides; teacher's aides or assistants; classified employees; certificated pupil personnel employees; administrative officers or supervisors of child attendance; administrators and employees of a licensed day care facility; Head Start teachers; district police or security officers; licensed nurses or health care providers; and administrators, presenters, and counselors of a child abuse prevention program. (Penal Code 11165.7) Reasonable suspicion means that it is objectively reasonable for a person to entertain a suspicion, based upon facts that could cause a reasonable person in a like position, drawing when appropriate on his/her training and experience, to suspect child abuse or neglect. However, reasonable suspicion does not require certainty that child abuse or neglect has occurred nor does it require a specific medical indication of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Reportable Offenses

A mandated reporter shall make a report using the procedures provided below whenever, in his/her professional capacity or within the scope of his/her employment, he/she has knowledge of or observes a child whom the mandated reporter knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Responsibility for Reporting

The reporting duties of mandated reporters are individual and cannot be delegated to another person. (Penal Code 11166)

No supervisor or administrator shall impede or inhibit a mandated reporter from making a report. (Penal Code 11166)

Reporting Procedures

1. Initial Telephone Report

Immediately or as soon as practicable after knowing or observing suspected child abuse or neglect, a mandated reporter shall make an initial report by telephone to any police department (excluding a school district police/security department), sheriff's department, county probation department if designated by the county to receive such reports, or county welfare department. (Penal Code 11165.9, 11166)

Department of Child and Family Services
800-540-4000

2. Written Report

Within 36 hours of knowing or observing the information concerning the incident, the mandated reporter shall then prepare and either send, fax, or electronically submit to the appropriate agency a written follow-up report, which includes a completed Department of Justice form (SS 8572). (Penal Code 11166, 11168)

Victim Interviews by Social Services/Law Enforcement

Whenever a representative from the Department of Social Services or another government agency investigating suspected child abuse or neglect deems it necessary, a suspected victim may be interviewed during school hours, on school premises, concerning a report of suspected child abuse or neglect that occurred within the child's home or out-of-home care facility. The child shall be given the choice of being interviewed in private or in the presence of any adult school employee or volunteer aide selected by the child. (Penal Code 11174.3)

A staff member or volunteer aide selected by a child may decline to be present at the interview. If the selected person accepts, the principal or designee shall inform him/her of the following requirements: (Penal Code 11174.3)

1. The purpose of the selected person's presence at the interview is to lend support to the child and enable him/her to be as comfortable as possible.
2. The selected person shall not participate in the interview.
3. The selected person shall not discuss the facts or circumstances of the case with the child.
4. The selected person is subject to the confidentiality requirements of the Child Abuse and Neglect

Reporting Act, a violation of which is punishable as specified in Penal Code 11167.5.

If a staff member agrees to be present, the interview shall be held at a time during school hours when it does not involve an expense to the school. (Penal Code 11174.3)

Release of Child to Peace Officer

When a child is released to a peace officer and taken into custody as a victim of suspected child abuse or neglect, the designee and/or principal shall not notify the parent/guardian, but rather shall provide the peace officer with the address and telephone number of the child's parent/guardian. It is the responsibility of the peace officer or agent to notify the parent/guardian of the situation. (Education Code 48906)

SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE REPORT

To Be Completed by **Mandated Child Abuse Reporters**
Pursuant to Penal Code Section 11166

CASE NAME: _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

CASE NUMBER: _____

A. REPORTING PARTY	NAME OF MANDATED REPORTER		TITLE		MANDATED REPORTER CATEGORY			
	REPORTER'S BUSINESS/AGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	DID MANDATED REPORTER WITNESS THE INCIDENT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
	REPORTER'S TELEPHONE (DAYTIME) ()		SIGNATURE		TODAY'S DATE			
B. REPORT NOTIFICATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW ENFORCEMENT <input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY PROBATION		AGENCY					
	<input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY WELFARE / CPS (Child Protective Services)							
	ADDRESS		Street	City	Zip	DATE/TIME OF PHONE CALL		
OFFICIAL CONTACTED - TITLE					TELEPHONE ()			
C. VICTIM <small>One report per victim</small>	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)				BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	TELEPHONE ()	
	PRESENT LOCATION OF VICTIM				SCHOOL	CLASS	GRADE	
	PHYSICALLY DISABLED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		OTHER DISABILITY (SPECIFY)			PRIMARY LANGUAGE SPOKEN IN HOME	
	IN FOSTER CARE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	IF VICTIM WAS IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE AT TIME OF INCIDENT, CHECK TYPE OF CARE: <input type="checkbox"/> DAY CARE <input type="checkbox"/> CHILD CARE CENTER <input type="checkbox"/> FOSTER FAMILY HOME <input type="checkbox"/> FAMILY FRIEND <input type="checkbox"/> GROUP HOME OR INSTITUTION <input type="checkbox"/> RELATIVE'S HOME				TYPE OF ABUSE (CHECK ONE OR MORE) <input type="checkbox"/> PHYSICAL <input type="checkbox"/> MENTAL <input type="checkbox"/> SEXUAL <input type="checkbox"/> NEGLECT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
	RELATIONSHIP TO SUSPECT				PHOTOS TAKEN? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	DID THE INCIDENT RESULT IN THIS VICTIM'S DEATH? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNK		
	VICTIM'S SIBLINGS		NAME		BIRTHDATE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
1. _____		3. _____						
2. _____		4. _____						
D. INVOLVED PARTIES	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)				BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	HOME PHONE ()	BUSINESS PHONE ()
	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)				BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	HOME PHONE ()	BUSINESS PHONE ()
	SUSPECT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)				BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	TELEPHONE ()	
OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION								
E. INCIDENT INFORMATION	IF NECESSARY, ATTACH EXTRA SHEET(S) OR OTHER FORM(S) AND CHECK THIS BOX <input type="checkbox"/>				IF MULTIPLE VICTIMS, INDICATE NUMBER: _____			
	DATE / TIME OF INCIDENT			PLACE OF INCIDENT				
	NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (What victim(s) said/what the mandated reporter observed/what person accompanying the victim(s) said/similar or past incidents involving the victim(s) or suspect)							

SS 8572 (Rev. 12/02)

DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE

DO NOT submit a copy of this form to the Department of Justice (DOJ). The investigating agency is required under Penal Code Section 11169 to submit to DOJ a Child Abuse Investigation Report Form SS 8583 if (1) an active investigation was conducted and (2) the incident was not determined to be unfounded.

WHITE COPY-Police or Sheriff's Department; BLUE COPY-County Welfare or Probation; GREEN COPY-District Attorney's Office; YELLOW COPY-Reporting Party

DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF FORM SS 8572

All Penal Code (PC) references are located in Article 2.5 of the PC. This article is known as the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act, also known as CANRA. The Internet site is: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html> (specify Penal Code and search for Sections 11164-11174.3). A mandated reporter must complete and submit the form SS 8572 even if some information is not known. (PC Section 11167(a).)

I. MANDATED CHILD ABUSE REPORTERS

- Mandated child abuse reporters include all those individuals and entities as defined in PC Section 11165.7.

II. TO WHOM REPORTS ARE TO BE MADE (DESIGNATED AGENCIES)

- Reports of suspected child abuse or neglect shall be made by mandated reporters to any police department or sheriff's department (not including a school district police or security department), county probation department (if designated by the county to receive mandated reports) or the county welfare department. (PC Section 11165.9.)

III. REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

- Any mandated reporter who has knowledge of or observes a child, in his or her professional capacity or within the scope of his or her employment, whom he or she knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect shall report such suspected instance of abuse or neglect to a designated agency immediately or as soon as practically possible by telephone and shall prepare and send a written report thereof *within 36 hours* of receiving the information concerning the incident. (PC Section 11166(a).)
- No mandated reporter who reports a suspected instance of child abuse or neglect shall be held civilly or criminally liable for any report required or authorized by the CANRA. Any other person reporting a known or suspected instance of child abuse or neglect shall not incur civil or criminal liability as a result of any report authorized by the CANRA unless it can be proven the report was false and the person knew it was false or make the report with reckless disregard of its truth or falsity. (PC Section 11172(a).)

IV. INSTRUCTIONS

- SECTION A - REPORTING PARTY:** Enter the mandated reporter's name, title, category (from PC Section 11165.7), business (agency) name and address, telephone number, a signature and today's date. Also check yes-no whether you (the mandated reporter) witnessed the incident. The signature area is for either the mandated report or the person taking as telephoned report.

IV. INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

- SECTION B - REPORT NOTIFICATION:** Complete the name and address of the designated agency notified, date of the written report, date/time of the phone call and the name, title and telephone number of the official contacted.
- SECTION C - VICTIM** (One Report per Family, siblings must have same parents/guardians): Enter the victim's name, address, telephone number, birth date or approximate age, sex, ethnicity, present location, and where applicable enter the school, class (indicate the teacher's name or room number), and grade. List the primary language spoken in the victim's home. Check the appropriate yes-no box for: developmentally disabled?, physically disabled? and specify the victim's other disability. To determine if the victim has a disability, ask the victim's parent or care giver. Also check the appropriate yes-no box for in foster care?, indicate type of care if the victim was in out-of-home care, indicate the type of abuse. List the victim's relationship to the suspect, check the appropriate yes-no box for photos taken?, indicate whether the incident resulted in this victim's death.
- SECTION D - INVOLVED PARTIES:** Enter the requested information for: Victim's Siblings, Victim's Parents/Guardians and the Suspect.
- SECTION E - INCIDENT INFORMATION:** If multiple victims, enter the number. Enter date/time and place of the incident. Provide a narrative of the incident. Attach extra sheets if needed.

V. DISTRIBUTION

- Reporting Party:** After completing Form SS 8572, retain the yellow copy for your records and submit the top three copies to the designated agency.
- Designated Agency:** *Within 36 hours* of receipt of Form SS 8572, send **white copy** to police or sheriff, **blue copy** to county welfare or probation, and **green copy** to district attorney.

ETHNICITY CODES

1 Alaskan Native	6 Caribbean	11 Guamanian	16 Korean	22 Polynesian	27 White-Armenian
2 American Indian	7 Central American	12 Hawaiian	17 Laotian	23 Samoan	28 White-Central American
3 Asian Indian	8 Chinese	13 Hispanic	18 Mexican	24 South American	29 White-European
4 Black	9 Ethiopian	14 Hmong	19 Other Asian	25 Vietnamese	30 White-Middle Eastern
5 Cambodian	10 Filipino	15 Japanese	21 Other Pac Islndr	26 White	31 White-Romanian

Disaster Response Procedures

General Policies and Procedures for Handling Safety and Specific Emergency Situations:

The purpose of the safety and emergency sections of this Plan is to provide safety and emergency preparedness and response instructions to protect the safety and well being of students and staff at the time of an emergency. Specific goals include:

1. Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff;
2. Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations;
3. Protect the school's facilities and property;
4. Enable the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible;
5. Provide for interface and coordination between the school and local authorities and resources.

Emergencies

In the case of an emergency, the general policy is that actions should be taken to allow the school to remain in operation to the extent possible. The situation should be addressed to minimize interruption of normal operations at the school, and students will usually be cared for until regular dismissal time. Where an emergency situation poses a serious threat to the safety and well being of students and staff, evacuation will occur until any danger has passed. When necessary, school may be dismissed by the School Principal, or his/her designee.

Fire

In the case of a school fire, the following procedures should be implemented:

- Sound building fire alarm.
- Notify Fire Department by dialing 911. The Fire Department is to be notified of any fires larger in size than a wastebasket. The Fire Department should be given the following information:
 - School name and phone number.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location of the fire within the building.
- Have students and staff evacuate the building in accordance with established procedures.
- Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
- All doors leading to the fire should be closed. Do not re-enter the area for belongings. If the area is full of smoke, students and staff should be instructed to crawl along the floor, close to walls, thus making breathing easier and providing direction. Before opening any door, place a hand one inch from the door near the top to see if it is hot. Be prepared to close the door quickly at the first sign of fire to avoid the spread of fire.
- Clear access routes for emergency vehicles. Remain at a safe distance from the fire and away from firefighting equipment.
- Render first aid as necessary.
- Check attendance. Remain with students.

Medical Emergency

Medical emergencies and accidents can occur at any time and may involve a student or employee. Some emergencies may only require first aid care, while others may require immediate medical attention. When in doubt, it is better to err on the side of caution and dial 911.

- Medical emergencies involving any student or employee must be reported to the School Principal, or his/her designee. Dial 911 or direct someone to do so.
- Provide the following information:
 - School name and phone number.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location within the building.
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Nature of the emergency.
 - Do not hang up until advised to do so by dispatcher.
- Notify the school office that an individual has been injured and an ambulance has been called.
- Ask someone to dispatch a first aid/CPR trained employee to the victim.
- Stay calm. Keep victim warm with a coat or blanket.
- Do not move the victim unless there is danger of further injury. Do not give the victim anything to eat or drink.
- Draft written incident report and submit it to School Principal, or his/her designee, before the end of the next workday.

Earthquakes

Earthquakes strike without warning and the major shock is usually followed by numerous aftershocks, which may last for weeks or months. An earthquake's effect on buildings will vary from building to building.

The major threat of injury during an earthquake is from falling objects and debris, and many injuries are sustained while entering or leaving buildings. Therefore, it is important to remain inside the building and quickly move away from windows, glass, partitions and shelves. In the case of an earthquake, the following procedures should be followed:

- Take cover under a sturdy desk or table, in a doorway, or against an inside wall until the shaking stops. Give DROP AND COVER command.
- After shaking stops, check for injuries, and render first aid.
- If ordered by School Principal or his/her designee, evacuate.
- Do not return to building.
- Do not light any fires.
- Keep a safe distance from any downed power lines.
- Check attendance whether or not evacuation takes place. Report any missing students to School Principal, or his/her designee.
- Stay alert for aftershocks.
- Beware that shaking may activate fire alarm or sprinkler systems.
- Elevators and stairways will need to be inspected for damage before they can be used.
- School principal, or his/her designee, will issue further instructions.
- Certificated and classified school staff are trained annually on emergency earthquake procedures

Assaults

Assaults involve acts of striking or inflicting injury to a person and are regarded as serious matters. Any threat or assault on students or employees should be reported immediately to the School Principal, or his/her designee. The School Principal (or designee) will determine if law enforcement officials should be notified.

If a serious assault occurs:

- Dial 911.
- Seek first aid or medical attention, if indicated.
- Have photographs taken of any injuries.
- Write down a physical description of the assailant (sex, age, height, weight, race, clothing, and any weapon used) as soon as possible after the incident.
- Obtain names and telephone numbers of any witnesses.
- Draft incident report and submit it to the School Principal, or his/her designee.
- School Principal or his /her designee will submit incident report to the local law enforcement if incident is serious.

Hazardous Materials

Hazardous material spills may occur inside a building, such as a spill in a chemistry lab. Incidents of disaster magnitude may occur outside, such as a tank truck accident involving large quantities of toxic material.

Procedures:

- If a spill is minor and inside, notify buildings and grounds personnel immediately for clean up. Open windows for ventilation.
- If a more serious spill occurs inside or outside:
- Call 911. Notify Fire Department, Emergency Response Unit, and/ or Public Health Department.

- Provide the following:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Location of the spill and/or materials released.
 - Characteristics of spill (colors, smells, visible gases).
 - Name of substance, if known.
 - Injuries, if any.
 - Notify buildings and grounds personnel.
 - Close all windows and doors if the spill is outside.

- Request that buildings personnel shut off mechanical ventilating systems if it might spread toxic material.
- Remain inside building unless ordered to evacuate by the Fire Department.
- Fire Department will advise of further actions to be taken.
- Do not eat or drink anything or apply cosmetics.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought.

- The School Principal, or his/her designee, if necessary, will give approval for student release or site evacuation.

Civil Disturbance

A civil disturbance is any situation where a person or group of persons disrupts operations or threatens the safety of individuals. The following precautionary protective measures should be taken:

- Notify local law enforcement authorities-Dial 911.
- If participants enter the building, remain calm and do not provoke aggression. Report disruptive circumstances to school Principal, or his/her designee.
- Do not argue with participant(s).
- Have all students and employees leave the immediate area of disturbance.
- If the disturbance is outside the building, remain inside building, unless instructed otherwise by the School Principal or police officials. Lock all doors. Stay away from windows and exterior doors.
- If the disturbance is inside the building, follow procedures for evacuation of the school site.
- Follow further instructions as police officials and other local law enforcement authorities issue them.
- Draft incident report for School Principal, or his/her designee.

Vandalism

The following procedures should be used in the case of school vandalism:

- Notify school principal, or his/her designee.
- Notify building and ground maintenance personnel.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, will assess the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed, including local law enforcement.
- If possible, identify the parties involved.
- Interview witnesses and obtain written statements.
- Document the incident as soon as possible and give the incident report, with any witness statements, to the School Principal or his/her designee.
- Notify parents or legal guardian.
- Determine what disciplinary measures are appropriate (in-house or police involvement).
- Determine any monetary restitution issues and amounts.

Utility or Power Failure

The following procedures should be used in case of utility or power failure:

- Staff and students should remain in classroom until further instruction.
- Custodial and maintenance personnel should determine cause of incident and seek outside assistance if necessary.
- Staff and students outside of a classroom at the time of the incident should report to main office.
- Building and grounds personnel report to utility company if necessary.
- If situation requires long-term maintenance and repair and prevents class activities, the School Principal, or his/her designee, may take measures to dismiss school for the day.

- Where utility failure presents an emergency, evacuation procedures should be implemented immediately.

Bomb Threat

Person receiving call:

- Listen - Do not interrupt caller.
- If possible, alert other staff by a pre-arranged signal while the caller is on the line.
- In the event that a bomb threat is received, it is important for the person receiving the call to attempt to keep the caller on the telephone as long as possible. It is also important to listen carefully to all information provided by the caller and to make a note of any voice characteristics, accents, or background noises.
- Attempt to ask questions and elicit the information required to determine the severity of the threat.
- Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, immediately.

The School Principal, or his/her designee will:

- Notify Police Department – Dial 911.
- With the assistance of responding law enforcement personnel, conduct a thorough search of the building & surrounding areas:
 - Classrooms and work areas.
 - Public areas - foyers, office bathrooms and stairwells.
 - Lockers and unlocked closets.
 - Exterior areas -- shrubbery, trashcans, debris boxes, gas valves, etc.
 - Power sources -- electric panels, telephone panels, computer rooms, etc.
- With assistance from responding law enforcement personnel and/or Fire Department, the School Principal, or his/her designee, will evaluate the threat and will determine whether to evacuate the building and/or to continue to search the premises.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought. The School Principal, or his/her designee, must grant approval for student release.
- An incident report should be drafted before the end of the workweek.

Explosion

If an explosion occurs at the school, the following procedures should be used:

- Give DROP AND COVER command.
- Sound building fire alarm. This will automatically implement action to leave the building.
- Notify Fire Department – Dial 911.
- Provide the following information:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location within the building.
 - Your name and phone number.
- Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
- Check attendance. Remain with students.

- Render first aid as necessary.
- Notify grounds and building personnel.
- Keep students and staff at a safe distance from the building(s) and away from firefighting equipment.
- Public safety officials will determine when the building is safe for re-entry, and along with School Principal, or his/her designee, whether student release from the school site is necessary.
- Draft incident report by the end of the week.

Fighting or Riot

School staff should follow these guidelines when a fight occurs:

- Send a reliable student to the office to summon assistance.
- Speak loudly and let everyone know that the behavior should stop immediately.
- Obtain help from other teachers if at all possible.
- If students are starting to gather, attempt to get students away from the commotion as quickly as possible.
- Call out the names of the involved students (if known) and let them know they have been identified.
- For the safety of all students, get additional help from law enforcement personnel if confronted with a serious fight, especially one that involves weapons.
- Attempt to separate the involved students by speaking to them in an assertive tone of voice. Consider the age and/or size of the students, as well as personal safety, before stepping between/among those involved in an altercation. If successful in separating the students, try to avoid using further confrontational behavior.
- Remember that no one can "cool down" instantly; give the students time to talk in a calm setting and gradually change the climate of the situation.

Staff should follow these guidelines when a riot occurs:

- The School Principal, or his/her designee, should encourage teachers and staff to be sensitive to the emotional climate of the campus and attempt to defuse any tensions prior to the eruption of problems.
- Notify local law enforcement of the disturbance and meet at a pre-designated site to evaluate the situation.
- Have a law enforcement officer evaluate and call for any necessary resources such as back-up help, emergency medical help, etc.
- Activate needed emergency plans, which may include:
 - Instructing office staff to handle communications and initiate lockdown orders.
 - Notify transportation to bring appropriate numbers of buses for evacuation or transportation if necessary.
- Assign staff a temporary detention facility, such as a gymnasium, to secure students and log information.
- Direct a teacher or designee to initiate lockdown and immobilize the campus.
- Brief a representative to meet the media.
- Assign staff to a pre-designated medical treatment/triage facility.

Hostage Situation

In case there is a hostage situation at the school, staff should attempt to follow these guidelines:

- Stay calm.
- Don't be a hero.
- Follow instructions of captor.
- Cooperate; be friendly if possible; don't argue with or antagonize captor or other hostages.
- Inform captors of medical or other needs.
- Be prepared to wait; elapsed time is a good sign.
- Don't try to escape; don't try to resolve situation by force.
- Be observant and remember everything that is seen or heard.
- If a rescue takes place, lie on the floor and await instructions from rescuers.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should be responsible for the following:

- Immediately notify law enforcement.
- Move other students and teachers completely away from those who are in the hostage situation.
- Keep everyone as calm as possible.
- Be prepared to answer questions from media or family.

Death of a Student

By far, the worst crisis situation is the death of a student. When a student dies, emotional trauma is a natural occurrence for students, faculty, and staff. A student's death, which occurs on campus, particularly as a result of school violence, is admittedly the most extreme case of trauma for family and the school community. There is no procedure that fits every scenario; each case requires individual attention. Certainly, there is no prescribed method for dealing with such tragedy; however, the following are suggestions for a school's response to death, particularly death that occurs as a result of school violence:

- After the initial response, administrators and counselors will meet immediately to review what has happened. Responding to the psychological needs of both staff and students as soon as possible is the best prevention for the development of post-traumatic stress.
- Get as much information as possible from the family and ask their permission to share it with the students, faculty, and staff. Ask if they have any objection to students, faculty, and staff attending the funeral.
- Relay the information to the students in a factual way, careful to avoid breaching the student or family's privacy. The School Principal and a counselor might consider moving from room to room to tell the students what has happened. They should tell the truth, allow for expression of feelings, and affirm any expressions or feelings the students have. Students need to be told that they may visit a counselor's office for special assistance if they need to talk.
- If possible, allow a break after telling the students in order to give them an opportunity to express their grief with other students.
- Upon returning to school, students should be allowed time to discuss their feelings, talk about the deceased, and discuss memories. Give students, faculty, and staff information about the funeral and allow them to attend, provided the family has granted permission.

- Watch for trouble signs among the students. Be prepared to call in extra counselors if necessary.

Intruder or Individual with Deadly Weapon/Active Shooter

If someone enters the school grounds or buildings with a deadly weapon, the staff should follow these guidelines:

- Avoid confronting the student or gunman.
- Notify the School Principal, or his/her designee, or school office immediately.
- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should follow these guidelines:

- Notify law enforcement immediately.
- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.
- Determine the level of threat. If the level of threat is high, call for additional backup.
- Attempt to get the weapon from the gunman or student through negotiation, or take other appropriate action with the aid of local law enforcement.
- If the level of threat is low, call the student to the office and have law enforcement take the appropriate action.

Lock Down

This action is taken when the threat of violence or gunfire is identified or directed by law enforcement and it is necessary to prevent the perpetrator(s) from entering any occupied campus areas. During Lock Down, students are to remain in the classrooms or designated locations at all times.

- The Principal or Admin designee will make an announcement on the P.A. system that the school is going into a Lock Down situation. If P.A. system is not available, other means of communication, i.e., texting or email to staff or sending messengers. The Principal or Admin designee should remain calm and under control and give clear directions.
- Teachers will lock their doors and shut their blinds and instruct students to stay away from the doors and windows.
- If outside, students will continue to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into the nearby classrooms or school buildings.
- Teachers and students will remain in the classroom or secured area until further instructions are given by the Principal/Admin Designee or law enforcement.
- All entrances to the school are to be locked and no visitors other than appropriate law enforcement or emergency personnel are to be allowed on campus.

Use of School Facilities for Mass Care and Welfare Shelters

In the case of disasters or other emergencies, the school will support the emergency procedure systems mandated by all law enforcement, government, or public safety agencies to ensure that pupils, and both certificated and classified staff follow necessary protocols to allow the school to serve as a mass care and welfare shelter.

Evacuation

In the event conditions in the community or within the school itself necessitate a site evacuation, the following steps should be taken:

The School Principal or his/her designee should:

- Notify the school district office, county official or designee.
- Notify local law enforcement authorities.
- Notify school transportation support.
- Note the special needs of students or staff.
- Direct clerical staff to take schools master enrollment list.
- Direct school nurse or designee to prepare emergency medications to be transported.
- Direct all personnel to leave the building and secure the building.
- Notify students' parents or legal guardians as situation permits.

School staff should:

- Plan to evacuate his/her class and ride the bus or walk as situation dictates.
- Take a copy of class enrollment list.
- Take emergency instructional materials and first aid kits in the event the evacuation lasts several hours.
- Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, of any special needs of students and their requirements.

The first choice for a shelter during a building site evacuation is another building designated by the school district, county or other local authority. Once staff and students have arrived at the host site, the following steps should be taken:

- Notify school nurse or local medical personnel of any medical emergencies.
- Consider how students will be fed and restroom needs met.
- Activate crisis intervention team to deal with any emotional trauma.
- Provide area and materials for parents who may arrive to pick up students.
- Provide an area for non-school community evacuees.

Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco

The use or possession of drugs, alcohol or tobacco is strictly prohibited at the school or around school grounds. If a member of staff suspects that a student is in the possession of a controlled substance, he or she should:

- Identify the parties involved.
- Notify the School Principal or his/her designee immediately.
- Follow-up with a written incident report, including any witness statements.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should do the following:

- Assess the situation and determine the level of assistance needed (i.e. school counselor, police)
- Isolate the parties involved for interview/investigation.

- Notify parent or legal guardian.
- Obtain witness statements and document in a written incident report.
- Determine disciplinary consequences. See *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.
- Determine what intervention or follow-up procedures are necessary including counseling.

Floor Plan

A floor plan of the school site buildings and grounds, which indicates the location of all exits, utility shut-offs, fire extinguishers, and emergency equipment and supplies, will be maintained and updated, as necessary. The floor plan should also indicate outdoor assembly area(s) and evacuation route(s) from the site. (This item is stored with the plant manager and also located in the office of the School Principal)

A copy of the floor plan will be posted in each classroom at the school, in the school hallway and at the school's main office. Staff should familiarize themselves with the contents of the floor plan and with evacuation procedures.

Fire Drills

The school shall conduct fire drills on a regular basis to prepare for possible evacuation in case of an emergency. The School Principal, or his/her designee, will specify the date and time of emergency drills. All students and staff are required to participate in these mandated drills.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, will designate an outdoor assembly area(s) where students and staff will gather whenever the building is evacuated. Unless instructed otherwise by public safety officials, students and staff will gather by class and attendance will be taken. The names of any missing individuals will be relayed to search and rescue teams and public safety officials.

School Safety Management Team

Management Organization Chart

The Principal is the overall director of the School Safety Management Team and will appoint those members of the staff necessary to respond to issues of safety at the School and in the case of an emergency. Depending upon the nature of an emergency, additional administrative, teaching and support staff may also be part of the team, but may act only when assigned specific duties by the Principal.

Guidelines for Handling the Media

Whenever a natural disaster or crisis situation occurs, media coverage is a certainty. School staff and administrators are encouraged to follow these guidelines when dealing with the media. The School Principal should assign a school spokesperson to deal directly with the media.

- Develop a written statement for dissemination.
- Get the maximum amount of information out to the media - and thus the public - as rapidly as possible.
- Appoint a spokesperson (usually the principal).
- Keep the staff informed through one person.
- Be proactive with the media.
- Contact the media before they contact the school.

- Set geographic and time limits.
- Explain restrictions.
- Hold the press accountable.
- Create positive relations with the media before an emergency crisis occurs.
- Stress positive actions taken by the school.
- Announce new changes made after the incident has passed.

Annual Inspections

The School Principal, or his/her designee, with the assistance of local support personnel where necessary, will conduct an annual inspection for situations that pose potential hazards. Of particular importance is proper storage of chemicals and correct labeling of all containers. Failure of one or more of the utilities (electricity, gas, water) constitutes a condition that must be dealt with on a situational basis. A walk-through inspection of each area of each building will be conducted using a checklist of the following:

- Classroom
- Corridors
- Cafeteria
- Office
- Teacher's Workroom and Employee Lounge
- Restrooms
- Custodial
- Storage Room
- Yard (or Grounds)

Where multiple rooms of the same type are to be inspected (e.g., classrooms, offices), be sure to note the exact identification (e.g., Room 7; women's restroom). Complete each section of the checklist. Provide a brief description of the problem in the section provided.

Appropriate measures will be taken to correct the problem at the direction of the School Principal.

When possible, personnel at the site (e.g., custodian) will handle corrections or repairs and may provide an estimate of the necessary repairs and corrections. The custodian or other buildings and grounds personnel will advise the School Principal, or his/her designee, of problems that cannot be corrected by site staff.

Parental Notification

In the case of an emergency requiring evacuation of the school site, parents will be notified as soon as possible. At the beginning of each school year, all parents will be asked to provide emergency contact information, sign an emergency medical release form for their child, and designate persons who are authorized to pick-up their child in the event of an emergency.

Classroom Safety Kits

Emergency and first aid supplies are necessary when an emergency or injury occurs at the school. Emergency and first aid supplies should be kept in the school's central office and in individual classrooms as needed. At the beginning of each school year, each classroom will receive a classroom safety kit. Suggested items in case of an emergency:

- Blankets
- Matches
- Pillows
- Bottled Water
- Flashlights
- Paper Towels
- Batteries
- Wet Ones
- Radio (battery operated)
- Sheets
- Candles

Suggested first aid items:

- Assorted Band Aids
- Gauze
- Sterile Water (for burns)
- Tape
- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Bandages
- Instant Ice Packs
- Ace Bandages
- Package of Sewing Needles
- Slings
- Anti-bacterial salve
- Steri-strips or butterfly stitches
- Disposable gloves
- Face masks
- CPR (disposable mouthpieces)
- Current first aid book

In case of an emergency evacuation, staff will take this kit to the evacuation site, along with an attendance sheet.

Suspension and Expulsion Policies

Students with an IEP:

If a student has an IEP, that IEP and any applicable behavior plan shall be followed, accordingly to state and federal law. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team may meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved.

MPS follows state and federal laws regarding discipline, including suspension and expulsion, of students with disabilities. See also Section D: Suspension and Expulsion Procedures for more information.

SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION PROCEDURES

“The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled.” (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(J).)

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Charter School shall provide due process for all students, including adequate and timely notice to parents/guardians and students of the grounds for all suspension and expulsion recommendations and decisions and their due process rights regarding suspension and expulsion, including rights of appeal.

Charter School shall ensure that its policies and procedures regarding suspension and expulsion will be periodically reviewed, and modified as necessary, in order to conform to changes in state law.

Charter School shall ensure that its staff is knowledgeable about and complies with the District’s Discipline Foundation Policy and/or current equivalent policy, as required by the Modified Consent Decree. Charter School shall comply with the terms of the School Discipline Policy and School Climate Bill of Rights resolution adopted by the LAUSD Board of Education on May 6, 2013.

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of Charter School’s student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

Charter School shall document and implement the alternatives to suspension and expulsion that Charter School utilizes in response to attendance-related concerns, e.g. truancy or excessive tardiness.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Charter School shall establish and implement policies and procedures to ensure full compliance with federal and state laws and regulations regarding the discipline of students with disabilities. If a student is recommended for expulsion and the student receives or is eligible for special education, pending the completion of the expulsion process, Charter School shall identify and provide special education programs and services at an appropriate interim educational placement determined in coordination with the LAUSD Division of Special Education.

In the case of a student who has an Individualized Education Program (“IEP”), or a student who has a Section 504 Plan, Charter School shall ensure that it follows correct disciplinary procedures to comply with the mandates of state and federal laws, including IDEA and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Plan of 1973. As set forth in the MOU regarding special education between the District and Charter School, an IEP team will meet to conduct a manifestation determination and to discuss alternative placement utilizing the District’s Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual. Prior to recommending expulsion for a student with a Section 504 Plan, Charter School’s administrator will convene a Link Determination meeting to ask the following two questions:

- A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student’s disability?
- B. Was the misconduct a direct result of the Charter School’s failure to implement Section 504?

NOTIFICATION OF THE DISTRICT

Upon expelling any student, Charter School shall notify the Charter Schools Division by submitting an expulsion packet to the CSD immediately or as soon as practicable, which shall contain:

- Completed “Notification of Charter School Expulsion” [form available from the CSD website or office], including attachments as required on the form
- Documentation of the expulsion proceeding, including statement of specific facts supporting the expulsion and documentation that Charter School’s policies and procedures were followed
- Copy of parental notice of expulsion hearing
- Copy of expulsion notice provided to parent stating reason for expulsion, term of expulsion, rehabilitation plan, reinstatement notice with eligibility date and instructions for providing proof of student’s compliance for reinstatement, appeal process, and options for enrollment
- If the student is eligible for Special Education, documentation related to expulsion in compliance with IDEA and the MCD, including the Expulsion Analysis page of the pre-expulsion IEP
- If the student is eligible for Section 504 accommodations, documentation that Charter School conducted a Link Determination meeting to address two questions:
 - A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student’s disability?
 - B. Was the misconduct a direct result of Charter School’s failure to implement Section 504 Plan?

Notwithstanding and apart from the documentation sent to the Charter Schools Division as indicated above, if the student is a resident of a school district other than LAUSD, Charter School must notify the superintendent of the student’s district of residence within 30 days of the expulsion. Additionally, upon request of the receiving school district, Charter School shall forward student records no later than 10 school days from the date of the request as stated in Education Code section 49068 (a) and (b).

OUTCOME DATA

Charter School shall gather and maintain all data related to placement, tracking, and monitoring of student suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements, and make such outcome data readily available to the District upon request.

REHABILITATION PLANS

Pupils who are expelled from Charter School shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by Charter School’s governing board at the time of the expulsion order, which may include, but is not limited to, periodic review as well as assessment at the time of review for readmission. Terms of expulsion should be reasonable and fair with the weight of the expelling offense taken into consideration when determining the length of expulsion. Therefore, the rehabilitation plan should include a date not later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to Charter School for readmission. Charter School shall inform parents in writing of its processes for reinstatement and applying for expungement of the expulsion record.

READMISSION

Charter School’s governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for the filing and processing of requests for readmission and the process for the required review of all expelled pupils for readmission. Upon completion of the readmission process, Charter School’s governing board shall readmit the pupil, unless Charter School’s governing board makes a finding that the pupil has not met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan or continues to pose a danger to campus safety. A description

of the procedure shall be made available to the pupil and the pupil's parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is entered and the decision of the governing board, including any related findings, must be provided to the pupil and the pupil's parent/guardian within a reasonable time.

REINSTATEMENT

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for processing reinstatements, including the review of documents regarding the rehabilitation plan. Charter School is responsible for reinstating the student upon the conclusion of the expulsion period in a timely manner.

GUN-FREE SCHOOLS ACT

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun-Free Schools Act.

In accordance with E.C. 47605(J)

J) The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled from the Charter School for disciplinary reasons or otherwise involuntarily removed from the Charter School for any reason. These procedures, at a minimum, shall include an explanation of how the Charter School will comply with federal and state constitutional procedural and substantive due process requirements that is consistent with all of the following:

(i) For suspensions of fewer than 10 days, provide oral or written notice of the charges against the pupil and, if the pupil denies the charges, an explanation of the evidence that supports the charges and an opportunity for the pupil to present his or her side of the story.

(ii) For suspensions of 10 days or more and all other expulsions for disciplinary reasons, both of the following:

(I) Provide timely, written notice of the charges against the pupil and an explanation of the pupil's basic rights.

(II) Provide a hearing adjudicated by a neutral officer within a reasonable number of days at which the pupil has a fair opportunity to present testimony, evidence, and witnesses and confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses, and at which the pupil has the right to bring legal counsel or an advocate.

(iii) Contain a clear statement that no pupil shall be involuntarily removed by the Charter School for any reason unless the parent or guardian of the pupil has been provided written notice of intent to remove the pupil no less than five schooldays before the effective date of the action. The written notice shall be in the native language of the pupil or the pupil's parent or guardian or, if the pupil is a foster child or youth or a homeless child or youth, the pupil's educational rights holder, and shall inform him or her of the right to initiate the procedures specified in clause (ii) before the effective date of the action. If the pupil's parent, guardian, or educational rights holder initiates the procedures specified in clause (ii), the pupil shall remain enrolled and shall not be removed until the Charter School issues a final decision. For purposes of this clause, "involuntarily removed" includes disenrolled, dismissed, transferred, or terminated, but does not include suspensions specified in clauses (i) and (ii).

DISCIPLINE FOUNDATION POLICY

The following Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy (Policy) has been established in order to promote learning and protect the safety and well-being of all students at MSA-1. Staff shall enforce disciplinary rules and procedures fairly and consistently among all students. In creating the Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy, the Charter School has reviewed Education Code Section 48900 et seq. which describes the non-Charter Schools' list of offenses and procedures to establish its list of offenses and procedures for suspensions and expulsions. The language that follows closely mirrors the language of Education Code Section 48900 et seq. The Charter School is committed to annual review of policies and procedures surrounding suspensions and expulsions and, as necessary, modification of the lists of offenses for which students are subject to suspension or expulsion.

When the Policy is violated, it may be necessary to suspend or expel a student from regular classroom instruction. This Policy shall serve as MSA-1's policy and procedures for student suspension and expulsion, and it may be amended from time to time without the need to amend the charter so long as the amendments comport with legal requirements and are not material revisions. Suspended or expelled students shall be excluded from all school and school-related activities unless otherwise agreed during the period of suspension or expulsion.

This Policy and its Procedures will clearly describe discipline expectations, and it will be printed, distributed and discussed with students and families as part of the Student/Parent Handbook which is sent to each student at the beginning of the school year and signed by their guardian.

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of or willfully causing the infliction of physical pain on a student. For purposes of the Policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to school property.

Discipline includes but is not limited to advising and counseling students, conferring with parents/guardians, detention during and after school hours, use of alternative educational environments, suspension and expulsion.

Positive Discipline

MSA-1 staff has committed itself to encouraging and supporting the attainment of academic skills as well as social skills, such as listening, friendship-making, problem solving, and alternatives to aggression. To inspire and encourage students to develop their potential in all of these areas, the following reinforcements will be used for positive behavior:

- Individual awards/recognition
- Classroom awards/recognition
- Certificates
- Displays

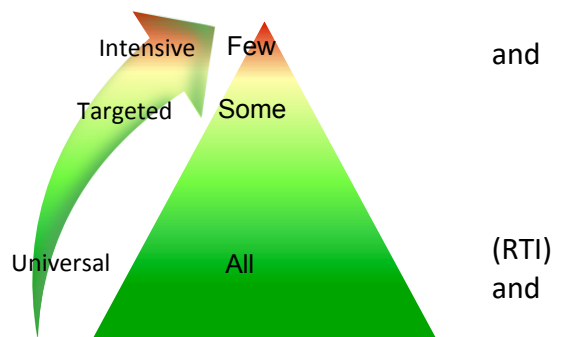
- Positive/Encouraging contact with parent/guardian (certificate, post card, phone message)
- Special activities (instructional field trips, movie nights, picnics, etc.)
- Publications
- Assemblies
- Positive points

Positive student behavior and improvements will be acknowledged and encouraged by the MSA-1 staff. Teachers will not only report discipline issues on the school information system, Illuminate or equivalent, but also positive behaviors and accomplishments. Parents will also be informed of positive behavior and improvements via phone, email, and home visits. Students will receive certificates and/or rewards for outstanding performance and behaviors.

Alternatives to Suspension

To intervene in student behavior, MPS has a progressive discipline plan in place at MSA-1. This plan is published at the beginning of each school year in the Student/Parent handbook. The Student/Parent Handbook also includes a school-parent-student compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the Charter School and parents will develop a partnership to help students achieve high academic and behavioral standards. The discipline plan includes information about student expectations and progression of disciplinary procedures from day-to-day discipline to suspension and expulsion. MSA-1 provides its staff with Professional Development in the area of restorative practices alternatives to suspension, positive behavior supports.

As part of its Multi-tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) framework and Response to Intervention Programs, MSA-1 implements Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) to address student discipline issues including suspension. This tiered approach lists intervention strategies and programs based on the level of fractions.



MSA-1 implements prevention strategies for each tier as presented below:

Tier	Prevention Description
I. Primary (Universal)	Preventing the development of new cases (incidence) of problem behaviors by implementing high quality learning environments for all students and staff and across all settings (i.e., school-wide, classroom, and non- classroom).
II. Secondary (Targeted)	Reducing the number of existing cases (prevalence) of problem behaviors that are presenting high risk behaviors and/or not responsive to primary intervention practices by providing more focused, intensive, and frequent small group-

	oriented responses in situations where problem behavior is likely.
III. Tertiary (Intensive)	Reducing the intensity and/or complexity of existing cases (prevalence) of problem behavior that are resistant to and/or unlikely to be addressed by primary and secondary prevention efforts by providing most individualized responses to situations where problem behavior is likely.

MSA-1 believes that alternatives to suspension align with our schoolwide positive behavior support plan. Following is a list of alternatives to be considered before suspending a student: warning, phone call home, parent conference, teacher/administrative detention, written assignment/research/presentation, loss of privileges, behavior contract, parent shadowing, mentorship (peer/teacher), referral (counseling, SST, Principal/Assistant Principal), assigning volunteer work/community service, Saturday school, and in-school suspension.

Grounds for Suspension

Jurisdiction

A student may be suspended for prohibited misconduct as identified below under the heading, "Enumerated Offenses," if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MSA-1; or (3) a MSA-1 sponsored event. A student may be suspended for acts that are enumerated below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

Enumerated Offenses

Discretionary Suspension Offenses

Students may be suspended for any of the following acts when it is determined the student:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in minor harm.
2. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in minor injury.

3. Unlawfully possessed, used, or otherwise furnished nominal amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully was under the influence of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property resulting in negligible loss.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property.
9. Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including but not limited to cigars, cigarettes, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets and betel. This section does not prohibit the use of his or her own prescription products by a pupil.
10. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
11. Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.
12. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
13. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
14. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
15. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
16. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a pupil organization or body,

whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, “hazing” does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.

17. Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, “terroristic threat” shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family’s safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.
18. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently offensive as to have a negative impact upon the individual’s academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
19. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
20. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
21. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.
 - 1) “Bullying” means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:

- i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.
 - ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
 - iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic performance.
 - iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.
- 2) "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
- i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
 - ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.
 - (b) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.
 - (c) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.
 - iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - (a) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.
 - (b) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic,

educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.

- 3) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.

22. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this section.

23. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee's concurrence.

Mandatory Suspension Offenses

Students shall be suspended when the following occur on school campus or at a school activity off campus, for any of the following reasons:

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
2. Brandishing a knife at another person.
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance.
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committing a sexual battery, as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined in Education Code Section 48915(h).

Suspension Procedures

Suspensions shall be initiated according to the following procedures:

Conference

Suspension shall be preceded, if possible, by a conference conducted by the Principal or the Principal's designee with the student and his or her parent and, whenever practical, the teacher, supervisor or Charter School employee who referred the student to the Principal. The conference may be omitted if the Principal or designee determines that an emergency situation exists. An "emergency situation" involves a clear and present danger to the lives, safety or health of students or Charter School personnel. If a student is suspended, by Principal or Designee, without this

conference, both the parent/guardian and student shall be notified of the student's right to return to school for the purpose of a conference.

At the conference, the student shall be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action and the evidence against him or her and shall be given the opportunity to present his or her version and evidence in his or her defense. This conference shall be held within two (2) school days, unless the student waives this right or is physically unable to attend for any reason including, but not limited to, incarceration or hospitalization. No penalties may be imposed on a student for failure of the student's parent or guardian to attend a conference with Charter School Principal or Designee. Reinstatement of the suspended student shall not be contingent upon attendance by the student's parent or guardian at the conference.

MSA-1 assures that the process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence will be fair and thorough.

As an alternative to out of school suspension, MSA-1 utilizes in-school suspension as a way to redirect student choices and provide an opportunity to reflect in a space that ensures students will also be responsible for completing assigned academic work. The in-school suspension for students will be in a designated working area in the main office with access to a supervising administrator who holds a teaching credential. During in-school suspension, access to instructional materials will be coordinated by the Assistant Principal. The Assistant Principal will reach out to the students' teachers prior to the in-school suspension and the teachers will share the materials and assignments students will be working on while they are serving their in-school suspension. Since students have access to online platforms, students will be provided with a one to one device just like their peers to complete assignments. If the in-school suspension is related to a technology infraction, a hard copy will be provided as an alternative for having access to work and submitting assignments. Office staff will work alongside administrators to determine any accommodations students may need during their in-school suspension. For example, scheduled breaks, as well as providing breakfast and lunch for the student. A restorative justice team consisting of teachers and the Assistant Principal will meet to develop a positive behavioral plan to support the student during and after the in-school suspension. This plan is shared with parent/ guardian when informing them of the in-school suspension and parent/ guardian feedback is also welcomed regarding follow up support for their child. In addition to the meeting, a form will be provided to families regarding the in-school suspension and the parent can sign giving their acknowledgment of the in-school suspension guidelines. A student may be suspended in-school for a maximum of five school days per incident and a maximum of 20 school days per academic year.

During the in-school suspension, the Assistant Principal will work directly with the student and together they will create a plan for how to re-enter the school environment following an incident. There will also be additional support added during this reflection time which may include speaking to a counselor. Every incident is unique and should there be an opportunity to restore the relationship and redirect the student's actions during the in-school suspension, this connection and established trust will be leveraged. In an effort to ensure the safety of all stakeholders, the following offenses may result in in-school suspension:

- Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence,
- Engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation against a pupil or group of pupils or school district personnel,

- Made terrorist threats against school officials or school property, or both.

The above-mentioned offenses are addressed in a serious manner and depending on the details may not be able to be rectified with an in-school suspension. The school administrator will report the incident to the appropriate authorities under the direction of the local authorities who will assess the level of risk and will act in accordance with the recommendations. The authorities will determine whether or not the situation should be handled “administratively” or by the police. The administrative team will then move forward with the appropriate support. In order to comply with Ed Code Section 48900, the school administrator will notify all stakeholders by the end of the school day.

Notice to Parents/Guardians

At the time of the suspension, the Principal or designee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the parent/guardian by telephone or in person. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian shall be notified in writing, by the Principal or Designee, of the suspension and the date of return following suspension. This notice shall state the specific offense committed by the student. In addition, the notice will also state the date and time when the student may return to school and will provide information about the appeal right and process. If Charter School administrators wish to ask the parent/guardian to confer regarding matters pertinent to the suspension, the notice will request that the parent/guardian respond to such requests without delay.

Suspension Time Limits

Suspensions, when not including a recommendation for expulsion, shall not exceed five (5) consecutive school days per suspension. A student may be suspended from school for not more than 20 school days in any school year unless, for purposes of adjustment, the student enrolls in or is transferred another regular school, an opportunity school, or continuation school or class, in which case suspension shall not exceed 30 days in any school year. However, this restriction on the number of days of suspension does not apply when the suspension is extended pending an expulsion. (Education Code Sections 48903, 48911, and 48912) The expulsion process shall not take longer than 30 days from the first day of the initial suspension. Disciplining students with Disabilities is outlined in the section below.

Suspension Appeals

Students and parent/guardian may appeal a suspension within five (5) school days of the suspension. This appeal will be made, verbally or in writing, to the Principal and heard by a Reflection Committee. The Reflection Committee is an advisory committee to the Principal, trained quarterly in restorative practices and PBIS, and will be comprised of at least one school administrator, and at least two teachers, and may also include a non-certificated employee. Current teachers of the student are not eligible to participate as a member of the Reflection Committee. All Reflection Committee hearings on suspensions will be held within two (2) school days of the appeal being made. The decision of the Reflection Committee is final. Based on the information submitted or requested, the Reflection Committee may make one of the following decisions regarding the suspension:

- Uphold the suspension
- Determine that the suspension was not within school guidelines, overturn the suspension, and order that all records and documents regarding the disciplinary proceeding be destroyed. No information regarding the suspension will be placed in the student's permanent record, or shared with anyone not directly involved in the proceedings. The Charter School administrators shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom materials and assignments for the duration of student's absence. Student will be provided the opportunity to make academic progress, make up assignments, and earn credit missed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Charter School will maintain student records in accordance with Education Code Sections 35253 and 49076 and 5 CCR 16024.

Recommendation for Placement/Expulsion

Upon a recommendation of Placement/Expulsion by the Principal, the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative will be invited to a conference with school site administrators to determine if the suspension for the student should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. In such instances when the Principal or Designee has determined a suspension period shall be extended, such extension shall be made only after a conference is held with the student or the student's parent/guardian or representative, unless the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative fail to attend the conference, at which time the school shall proceed with the extension.

This determination will be made by the Principal or designee upon either of the following findings: (1) the student's presence will be disruptive to the education process; or (2) the student poses a threat or danger to others. Upon either determination, the student's suspension will be extended pending the results of an expulsion hearing.

Access to Education

For suspensions that are not pending an expulsion hearing, the Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom material and current assignments to be completed at home during the length of the suspension. For suspensions pending an expulsion hearing, the Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students. Please see "Interim Placement" below for details.

Grounds for EXPULSION

Jurisdiction

A student may be expelled for prohibited misconduct, that are described below under the heading, "Discretionary Expellable Offences and Mandatory Expulsion Offenses," if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MSA-1 or at any other school; or (3) a MSA-1

sponsored event. A student may be expelled for offenses that are described below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

The length of an expulsion is addressed above, under "Rehabilitation Plans."

Discretionary Expellable Offenses

Students may be recommended for expulsion for any of the following acts when it is determined the pupil:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in serious bodily harm.
2. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in serious bodily injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, or otherwise furnished significant amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully under the influence of any controlled substance, as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion in excess of \$1,000.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
9. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.

10. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
11. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
12. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, “hazing” means a method of initiation or pre-initiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, “hazing” does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
13. Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, “terroristic threat” shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family’s safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.
14. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual’s academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
15. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
16. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
17. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.

- i. "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:
 - i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.
 - ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a substantially detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
 - iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience substantial interference with his or her academic performance.
 - iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience substantial interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.

- ii. "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
 - i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
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 - i. Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.
 - ii. Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.
 - iii. Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.

- iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - i. For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to

school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.

- ii. For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.
2. Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.

18. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this section.

19. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee’s concurrence.

Mandatory Expulsion Offenses

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
2. Brandishing a knife at another person.
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance.
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committing a sexual battery, as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined in Education Code 48915(h).

Expulsion Procedures

Authority to Expel

If determined necessary upon the referral by the discipline committee; a student may be expelled by an Administrative Panel following a hearing before it. The Administrative Panel will include three or

more certificated persons, none of whom have been members of the Board or on the staff of the Charter School in which the student is enrolled. It is important for the Administrative Panel members to have experience in education law and student discipline. Typical Administrative Panel members include teachers, school administrators and Home Office Chiefs/Directors. The Home Office will coordinate all administrators and teachers who serve on the Reflection Committee at their school sites to be “on call” for a particular month should their presence be needed at an Administrative Panel hearing. A member who served on the Reflection Committee may not serve on the Administrative Panel for the same student. The Administrative Panel may expel any student found to have committed an expellable offense.

A decision to expel a pupil for an expellable offense shall be based on a finding of one or both of the following:

- (1) Other means of correction are not feasible or have repeatedly failed to bring about proper conduct.
- (2) Due to the nature of the act, the presence of the pupil causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the pupil or others.

The process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence will be fair and thorough.

Expulsion Hearing

Students recommended for expulsion are entitled to a hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled. Unless postponed for good cause, the hearing shall be held within thirty (30) school days after the Principal determines that the Student has committed an expellable offense.

After an Administrative Panel hears the case, it will make a determination whether to expel. The hearing shall be held in closed session (complying with all pupil confidentiality rules under FERPA) unless the pupil makes a written request for a public hearing in open session three (3) days prior to the date of the scheduled hearing.

Written notice of the hearing shall be forwarded to the student and the student’s parent/guardian by the Principal or Designee, at least ten (10) calendar days before the date of the hearing. Upon mailing the notice, it shall be deemed served upon the student. The notice shall include:

1. The date and place of the expulsion hearing;
2. A statement of specific facts, charges and offenses upon which the proposed expulsion is based;
3. A copy of MSA-1’s disciplinary rules which relate to the alleged violation;
4. Notification of the student’s or parent/guardian’s obligation to provide information about the student’s status at the Charter School to any other school district or school to which the student seeks enrollment;
5. The opportunity for the student or the student’s parent/guardian to appear in person or to employ and be represented by counsel or a non-attorney advisor;
6. The right to inspect and obtain copies of all documents to be used at the hearing;

7. The opportunity to confront and question all witnesses who testify at the hearing;
8. The opportunity to question all evidence presented and to present oral and documentary evidence on the student's behalf including witnesses.

Special procedures for Expulsion Hearings Involving Sexual Assault or Battery Offenses

MSA-1 may, upon finding a good cause, determine that the disclosure of either the identity of the witness or the testimony of that witness at the hearing, or both, would subject the complaining witness to an unreasonable risk of psychological or physical harm. Upon this determination, the testimony of the witness may be presented at the hearing in the form of sworn declarations which shall be examined only by the Administrative Panel. Copies of these sworn declarations, edited to delete the name and identity of the complaining witness, shall be made available to the Panel.

1. The complaining witness in any sexual assault or battery case must be provided with a copy of the applicable disciplinary rules and advised of his/her right to (a) receive five (5) days notice of his/her scheduled testimony, (b) have up to two (2) adult support persons of his/her choosing present in the hearing at the time he/she testifies, which may include a parent, guardian, or legal counsel, and (c) elect to have the hearing closed while testifying.
2. MSA-1 administrators must also provide the victim a room separate from the hearing room for the complaining witness' use prior to and during breaks in testimony.
3. At the discretion of the Administrative Panel conducting the hearing, the complaining witness shall be allowed periods of relief from examination and cross-examination during which he or she may leave the hearing room.
4. The Administrative Panel conducting the expulsion hearing may also arrange the seating within the hearing room to facilitate a less intimidating environment for the complaining witness.
5. The Administrative Panel conducting the expulsion hearing may also limit time for taking the testimony of the complaining witness to the hours he/she is normally in school, if there is no good cause to take the testimony during other hours.
6. Prior to a complaining witness testifying, the support persons must be admonished that the hearing is confidential. Nothing in the law precludes the entity presiding over the hearing from removing a support person whom the presiding Administrative Panel finds is disrupting the hearing. The Administrative Panel conducting the hearing may permit any one of the support persons for the complaining witness to accompany him or her to the witness stand.
7. If one or both of the support persons is also a witness, MSA-1 administrators must present evidence that the witness' presence is both desired by the witness and will be helpful to MSA-1. The Administrative Panel presiding over the hearing shall permit the witness to stay unless it is established that there is a substantial risk that the testimony of the complaining witness would be influenced by the support person, in which case the

Administrative Panel shall admonish the support person or persons not to prompt, sway, or influence the witness in any way. Nothing shall preclude the presiding entity from exercising his or her discretion to remove a person from the hearing whom he or she believes is prompting, swaying, or influencing the witness.

8. The testimony of the support person shall be presented before the testimony of the complaining witness and the complaining witness shall be excluded from the hearing during that testimony.
9. Especially for charges involving sexual assault or battery, if the hearing is to be conducted in the public at the request of the student under investigation, the complaining witness shall have the right to have his/her testimony heard in a closed session when testifying at a public meeting would threaten serious psychological harm to the complaining witness and there are no alternative procedures to avoid the threatened harm. The alternative procedures may include videotaped depositions or contemporaneous examination in another place communicated to the hearing by means of closed-circuit television.
10. Evidence of specific instances of a complaining witness' prior sexual conduct is presumed inadmissible and shall not be heard absent a determination by the Administrative Panel conducting the hearing that extraordinary circumstances exist requiring the evidence be heard. Before such a determination regarding extraordinary circumstances can be made, the witness shall be provided notice and an opportunity to present opposition to the introduction of the evidence. In the hearing on the admissibility of the evidence, the complaining witness shall be entitled to be represented by a parent, legal counsel, or other support person. Reputation or opinion evidence regarding the sexual behavior of the complaining witness is not admissible for any purpose.

Record of Expulsion Hearing

A record of the hearing shall be made and may be maintained by any means, including electronic recording, as long as a reasonably accurate and complete written transcription of the proceedings can be made.

Presentation of Evidence

While technical rules of evidence do not apply to expulsion hearings, evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. A determination by the Administrative Panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed an expellable offense. Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. While hearsay evidence is admissible, no decision to expel shall be based solely on hearsay. Sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses of whom the Panel determines that disclosure of their identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to an unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm.

If, due to a written request by the accused student, the hearing is held at a public meeting, and the charge is committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery as

defined in Education Code Section 48900, a complaining witness shall have the right to have his or her testimony heard in a session closed to the public.

The decision of the Administrative Panel shall be in the form of written findings of fact.

If the Administrative Panel decides not to expel, the student shall immediately be returned to his/her educational program.

Written Notice to Expel

The Principal or designee following a decision of the Administrative Panel to expel shall send written notice within 30 days of the decision to expel, including the Administrative Panel's adopted findings of fact, to the student or parent/guardian. This notice shall also include the following:

1. Notice of the specific offense(s) committed by the student
2. Notice of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with MSA-1
3. The reinstatement eligibility review date; a copy of the rehabilitation plan; the type of educational placement during the period of expulsion, and notice of appeal rights/procedures
4. Information regarding rights to, how, timelines, and to whom a student/parent may appeal an expulsion decision

The Principal or designee shall send a copy of the written notice of the decision to expel to the student's district of residence. This notice shall include the following:

1. The student's name
2. The specific expellable offense committed by the student

Disciplinary Records

MSA-1 shall maintain records of all student suspensions and expulsions at MSA-1. Such records shall be made available to the District upon request.

Expulsion Appeals

In order to appeal an expulsion, the student/parent/guardian must submit a written appeal to the CEO of MPS outlining the reason for the appeal, attaching any supporting documentation, within ten (10) calendar days of receiving the written notice of the expulsion.

In response to the written request for an appeal, the CEO of MPS shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors. The Board shall convene a hearing on the appeal within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of a timely written request for an appeal.

At the hearing on the appeal, the student or his/her representative shall have the right to present evidence. The Board will consider the evidence and/or testimony presented to the Administrative Panel as appropriate and will render a contemporaneous written decision, which shall be immediately communicated to the appellant at the conclusion of the hearing, in the best interest of the student and the Charter School. That decision shall be final.

Interim Placement

The Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of the Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students, including, but not limited to, programs within the County or their school district of residence.

The Charter School shall work with the District for an interim placement at a community day school or other alternative program. Should the Charter School determine after the referral that the student will remain at the Charter School pending the expulsion hearing based on the best interest of the student, or if the Charter School secures another alternative interim placement at another Charter School or school within its CMO, if appropriate and aligned with applicable charter petitions, the Charter School will notify the District of such determination.

Readmission/Reinstatement

The decision to readmit a pupil previously expelled from MSA-1 shall be at the discretion of the Governing Board following a meeting with the Principal or designee, the pupil and parent/guardian or representative to determine whether the pupil has successfully completed the rehabilitation plan and to determine whether the pupil continues to pose a threat to others or will be disruptive to the school environment. The Principal or Designee will make a recommendation to the Board following the meeting regarding his/her recommendation. The Board shall then make a final decision regarding reinstatement during closed session of a public meeting, reporting out any actions taken during closed session as required of the Brown Act. The pupil's readmission is also contingent upon MSA-1's capacity at the time the student seeks readmission. These procedures will be made available to the pupil and his/her parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is issued.

Rehabilitation Plans

Pupils who are expelled from MSA-1 shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by the Administrative Panel at the time of the expulsion order. The rehabilitation plan includes improved behavior, attendance, and academic performance and shall include a date no later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to MSA-1 for readmission.

MSA-1 shall mail written notification to parent/guardian within thirty (30) days prior to the end of the expulsion term. This notice will request the parent or guardian to submit written documentation to the school showing that the student has met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan. The board shall review these documents and make a final decision regarding reinstatement. If the student does not meet the requirements of the rehabilitation plan as determined by the board, the board will revisit at a later date not to exceed one (1) year.

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

Bullying

Bullying is listed as an offense for which a student may be suspended or expelled. The Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Safe Place to Learn Act, Education Code Section 234 *et seq.* MPS' policy on bullying prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified in the definition of hate crimes. MPS' process for receiving and investigating complaints includes complaints of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified, and a requirement that Charter School personnel who witness such acts take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so, a timeline to investigate and resolve complaints, and an appeal process.

Procedures for Notifying Teachers about Dangerous Pupils

In order to fulfill the requirements made by Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 that state teachers must be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The teacher can access the suspension by looking at the student's discipline screen. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it.

Pursuant to Welfare & Institution Code 827(b) and Education Code 48267, the Court notifies the Superintendent of the LAUSD regarding students who have engaged in certain criminal conduct. This information is forwarded to the site Principal. The site Principal is responsible for prompt notification of the student's teachers. Per Education Code 49079, this information must be kept confidential. This information is also forwarded to all administrators and the student's counselor.

1. The School Principal will inform teachers and other relevant staff of students who are defined as dangerous as set forth in the California Education Code sec. 48900, including the exceptions to this rule provided therein. The School will provide this information to the teacher based upon any records that the school maintains in its ordinary course of business, or receives from a law enforcement agency, regarding a pupil described in this Section. The School is not civilly or criminally liable for providing information unless it is proven that the information was false and that the School employee knew or should have known that the information was false, or the information was provided with a reckless disregard for its truth or falsity.
2. Any information received by a teacher pursuant to this Section shall be received in confidence for the limited purpose for which it was provided and shall not be further disseminated by the teacher.

This notification will be provided on our school letterhead:

To: ALL CERTIFICATED STAFF

From: **Admin**
Re: Student Suspension Information

*Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 require that teachers be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it. The following are examples of Ed. Code 48900 and 48915 violations that may appear on your report.*

- E.C. 48900**
- (a)(1) Mutual fight
 - (a)(2) Assault/Battery
 - (b) Possessed, sold or furnished dangerous object
 - (c) Controlled substance/alcohol
 - (d) Imitation controlled substance
 - (e) Robbery/extortion
 - (f) Vandalism
 - (g) Theft
 - (h) Tobacco/nicotine products
 - (i) Obscene act, habitual profanity/vulgarity
 - (j) Drug paraphernalia
 - (k) Disruptive/willfully defiant behavior (grades 4-12)
 - (l) Received stolen property
 - (m) Imitation firearm
 - (n) Sexual assault or battery
 - (o) Harassed/threatened witness
 - (p) Sale of soma
 - (q) Hazing
 - (r) Bullying/cyberbullying
 - (t) Aiding and abetting
- E.C. 48900.2** Sexual harassment (gr 4-12)
- E.C. 48900.3** Hate violence (gr 4-12)
- E.C. 48900.4** Severe or pervasive harassment, threats and intimidation (grades 4-12)
- E.C. 48900.7** Terrorist threats against school officials or property
- E.C. 48915**
- (a)(1)(A) Serious physical injury
 - (a)(1)(B) Possession: knife or dangerous object
 - (a)(1)(C) Controlled substance
 - (a)(1)(D) Robbery or extortion
 - (a)(1)(E) Assault/battery of school employee
- E.C. 48915(c)**
- (1) Possessing, selling, furnishing firearm
 - (2) Brandishing a knife at another person
 - (3) Selling a controlled substance
 - (4) Committing or attempting to commit sexual assault or battery
 - (5) Possession of an explosive

If you have any questions or want more information, please see me.

SAMPLE

Confidential
Memorandum

To: _____, Teacher
From: _____, Principal
Date:

Re: Students having committed specified crime

The student named below has been convicted of a penal code violation.

Welfare and Institutions Code 827 requires teachers to be informed when a student has engaged in certain criminal conduct.

NOTE: SUCH INFORMATION IS CONFIDENTIAL AND CANNOT BE FURTHER DISSEMINATED BY THE TEACHER OR OTHERS. UNLAWFUL DISSEMINATION OF THIS INFORMATION IS PUNISHABLE BY A SIGNIFICANT FINE. (EC 49079)

PLEASE DESTROY THIS NOTE IMMEDIATELY AFTER READING.

_____ was found to have committed the following criminal activity:

If you have any questions, please see me.
Principal

Sexual Harassment Policy

Policy Prohibiting Unlawful Harassment

MPS is committed to providing a work and educational atmosphere that is free of unlawful harassment. MPS's policy prohibits sexual harassment and harassment based upon race, color, creed, gender (including gender identity and gender expression), religion, marital status, registered domestic partner status, age, national origin or ancestry, physical or mental disability, medical condition (including cancer and genetic characteristics), genetic information, sexual orientation, military or veteran status, or any other consideration made unlawful by federal, state, or local laws. MPS will not condone or

tolerate harassment of any type by any employee, independent contractor or other person with which the School does business. This policy applies to all employee actions and relationships, regardless of position or gender. MPS will promptly and thoroughly investigate any complaint of harassment and take appropriate corrective action, if warranted.

Prohibited Unlawful Harassment:

- Verbal conduct such as epithets, derogatory jokes or comments or slurs;
- Physical conduct including assault, unwanted touching, intentionally blocking normal movement or interfering with work because of sex, race or any other protected basis;
- Retaliation for reporting or threatening to report harassment; or
- Deferential or preferential treatment based on any of the protected classes above.

Prohibited Unlawful Sexual Harassment:

In accordance with existing discrimination on the basis of gender in education institutions is prohibited. All persons, regardless of the gender, are afforded equal rights and opportunities and freedom from unlawful discrimination in education programs or activities conducted by the School.

MPS is committed to provide a workplace free of sexual harassment and considers such harassment to be a major offense, which may result in disciplinary action, up to, and including dismissal, of the offending employee.

Sexual harassment consist of sexual advances, request for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, regardless of whether or not the conduct is motivated by sexual desire, when: (1) submission of the conduct is either made explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; (2) an employment decision is based upon an individual's acceptance or rejection of that conduct; (3) that conduct interferes with an individual's work performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

It is also unlawful to retaliate in any way against an employee who has articulated a good faith concern about sexual harassment against him or her or against another individual.

All supervisors of staff will receive sexual harassment training within six (6) months of their assumption of a supervisory position and will receive further training once every two (2) years thereafter. All staff will receive sexual harassment training and/or instruction concerning sexual harassment in the workplace as required by law. Each employee has the responsibility to maintain a workplace free from any form of sexual harassment. Consequently, should any individual, in particular those with supervisory responsibilities, become aware of any conduct that may constitute sexual harassment or other prohibited behavior, immediate action should be taken to address such conduct. Employees and students are expected to act in a positive and professional manner and to contribute to a policy, productive School environment that is free from harassing or disruptive activity. Any employee who believes they have been sexually harassed or has witnessed sexual harassment is encouraged to immediately report such harassment to the Principal (or MPSCO Human Services for MPSCO employees).

Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- Physical assaults of a sexual nature, such as:
 - Rape, sexual battery, molestation or attempts to commit these assaults and

- intentional physical conduct that is sexual in nature, such as touching, pinching, patting, grabbing, brushing against another's body, or poking another's body.

Unwanted sexual advances, propositions or other sexual comments, such as:

- Sexually oriented gestures, notices, remarks, jokes, or comments about a person's sexuality or sexual experience.
- Preferential treatment or promises of preferential treatment to an employee for submitting to sexual conduct, including soliciting or attempting to solicit any employee to engage in sexual activity for compensation or reward or deferential treatment for rejecting sexual conduct.
- Subjecting or threats of subjecting an employee to unwelcome sexual attention or conduct or intentionally making performance of the employee's job more difficult because of the employee's sex.

Sexual or discriminatory displays or publications anywhere at the workplace by employees, such as:

- Displaying pictures, cartoons, posters, calendars, graffiti, objections, promotional materials, reading materials, or other materials that are sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic or bringing to work or possessing any such material to read, display or view at work.
- Reading publicly or otherwise publicizing in the work environment materials that are in any way sexually revealing, sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic; and
- Displaying signs or other materials purporting to segregate an employee by sex in an area of the workplace (other than restrooms or similar rooms).

The illustrations of harassment and sexual harassment above are not to be construed as an all-inclusive list of prohibited acts under this policy. Moreover, please note that while in most situations a personal relationship is a private matter, these relationships are not appropriate in a professional setting, particularly where one of the parties has management or supervisory responsibilities. As such, consensual relationships in the workplace may violate MPS Policy.

Complainants and witnesses under these policies will be protected from further harassment and will not be retaliated against in any aspect of their employment due to their participation in an investigation, filing of a complaint or reporting sexual harassment.

MPS will investigate complaints promptly and provide a written report of the investigation and decision as soon as practicable. The investigation will be handled in as confidential a manner as possible consistent with a full, fair, and proper investigation.

Sexual Abuse and Sex Trafficking

MPS will collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in order to ensure that the school site is prepared to address the threat of sexual abuse and sex trafficking in accordance with EC 49380.

Harassment and Discrimination

Harassment and Discrimination are prohibited. They include the following:

- Verbal Threats
- Threatening Behavior
- Hazing
- Intimidation
- Gang Behavior
- Fights

Policies for dealing with harassment and discrimination are described in the *MPS Employee Handbook* and *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.

If harassment or discrimination occurs, school staff should:

1. Evaluate the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed. If intervention is required, contact support staff. Where threats of serious bodily injury and/or weapons are involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved and give specific verbal directions to discuss the situation. Where a physical altercation is occurring, or is about to occur, call for staff support and immediately separate the parties involved.
3. Document the incident, including the names of witnesses and any statements.
4. Give incident reports to the School Principal, or his/her designee, as soon as possible.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should:

1. Assess the seriousness of the incident. If assistance is needed, call necessary support staff. Where a threat of serious bodily injury or weapons is involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved.
3. Seek written documentation from witnesses.
5. Determine disciplinary consequences. See *MPS Employee Handbook* and *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.
6. Determine what intervention or follow-up is necessary, including reference to a school counselor, psychologist, or local law enforcement.
7. Notify parents or legal guardian and appropriate school personnel of incident.
8. Complete a report with a description of the incident and include the names of witnesses and any statements. Summarize the disciplinary procedures used in resolution of the incident.

Internal Complaint Review

The purpose of the “Internal Complaint Review Policy” is to afford all employees of the School the opportunity to seek internal resolution of their work-related concerns. All employees have free access to the CEO or Board of Directors to express their work-related concerns.

Specific complaints of unlawful harassment are addressed under the School’s “Policy Against Unlawful Harassment.”

Internal Complaints:

(Complaints by Employees Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a School employee raises a complaint or concern about a co-worker.

If reasonably possible, internal complaints should be resolved at the lowest possible level, including attempts to discuss/resolve concerns with your direct supervisor. However, in the event an informal resolution may not be achieved or is not appropriate, the following steps will be followed by the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees):

- The complainant will bring the matter to the attention of the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees) as soon as possible after attempts to resolve the complaint with the immediate supervisor have failed or if not appropriate; and
- The complainant will reduce his or her complaint to writing, indicating all known and relevant facts. The Principal (or the CEO for MPSCO employees) (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the Principal, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the CEO (or designee.) The CEO (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the CEO, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the President of the Board of Directors of the School, who will then confer with the Board and may conduct a fact-finding or authorize a third party investigator on behalf of the Board. The Board President or investigator will report his or her findings to the Board for review and action, if necessary.

This policy cannot guarantee that every problem will be resolved to the employee's satisfaction. However, the School values each employee's ability to express concerns and the need for resolution without fear of adverse consequence to employment.

Policy for Complaints Against Employees:

(Complaints by Third Parties Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a nonemployee raises a complaint or concern about a School employee.

If complaints cannot be resolved informally, complainants may file a written complaint with the office of the Principal or the CEO (if the complaint concerns the Principal) or the Board President (if the complaint concerns the CEO) as soon as possible after the events that give rise to the complainant's concerns. The written complaint should set forth in detail the factual basis for the complaint.

In processing the complaint, the Principal (or the CEO (or the Board President)) (or designee) shall abide by the following process:

- The Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) shall use his or her best efforts to talk with the parties identified in the complaint and to ascertain the facts relating to the complaint.
- In the event that the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) finds that a complaint against an employee is valid, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may take appropriate disciplinary action against the employee. As appropriate, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may also simply counsel/reprimand employees as to their conduct without initiating formal disciplinary measures.
- The Principal's (or the CEO's) (or designee's) decision relating to the complaint shall be final unless it is appealed to the Board of Directors of the School. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final.

General Requirements:

- Confidentiality: All complainants will be notified that information obtained from the complainants and thereafter gathered will be maintained in a manner as confidential as possible, but in some circumstances absolute confidentiality cannot be assured.
- Non-Retaliation: All complainants will be advised that they will be protected against retaliation as a result of the filing of any complaints or participation in any complaint process.
- Resolution: The Board (if a complaint is about the CEO) or the CEO (if a complaint is about the Principal or MPSCO employees) or the Principal or designee will investigate complaints appropriately under the circumstances and pursuant to the applicable procedures, and if necessary, take appropriate remedial measures to ensure effective resolution of any complaint.

HARASSMENT COMPLAINT FORM

It is the policy of the School that all of its employees be free from harassment. This form is provided for you to report what you believe to be harassment, so that the School may investigate and take appropriate disciplinary or other action when the facts show that there has been harassment.

If you are an employee of the School, you may file this form with the Principal (or CEO (or Board President.))

Please review the School's policies concerning harassment for a definition of harassment and a description of the types of conduct that are considered to be harassment.

MPS will undertake every effort to handle the investigation of your complaint in a confidential manner. In that regard, the School will disclose the contents of your complaint only to those persons having a need to know. For example, to conduct its investigation, the School will need to disclose portions of your factual allegations to potential witnesses, including anyone you have identified as having knowledge of the facts on which you are basing your complaint, as well as the alleged harasser.

In signing this form below, you authorize the School to disclose to others the information you have provided herein, and information you may provide in the future. Please note that the more detailed information you provide, the more likely it is that the School will be able to address your complaint to your satisfaction.

Charges of harassment are taken very seriously by the School both because of the harm caused to the person harassed, and because of the potential sanctions that may be taken against the harasser. It is therefore very important that you report the facts as accurately and completely as possible and that you cooperate fully with the person or persons designated to investigate your complaint.

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s):

Name of Person(s) you believe sexually harassed you or someone else: _____

List any witnesses that were present: _____

Where did the incident(s) occur? _____

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I acknowledge that I have read and that I understand the above statements. I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation.

I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date: _____ Signature of Complainant _____

Print Name _____

Received by: _____ Date: _____

COMPLAINT FORM

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged
Incident(s): _____

Name of Person(s) you have a complaint
against: _____

List any witnesses that were present:

Where did the incident(s) occur?

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation. I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further understand providing false information in this regard could result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Signature of Complainant Date: _____

Print Name

To be completed by School:

Received by: _____ Date: _____

Staff/Student Interaction Policy

MPS recognizes its responsibility to make and enforce all rules and regulations governing student and employee behavior to bring about the safest and most learning-conducive environment possible.

Corporal Punishment

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain on a student.

For purposes of this policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to property.

For clarification purposes, the following examples are offered for direction and guidance of School personnel:

Examples of PERMITTED actions (NOT corporal punishment):

- Stopping a student from fighting with another student;
- Preventing a pupil from committing an act of vandalism;
- Defending yourself from physical injury or assault by a student;
- Forcing a pupil to give up a weapon or dangerous object;
- Requiring an athletic team to participate in strenuous physical training activities designed to strengthen or condition team members or improve their coordination, agility, or physical skills;
- Engaging in group calisthenics, team drills, or other physical education or voluntary recreational activities.

Examples of PROHIBITED actions (corporal punishment):

- Hitting, shoving, pushing, or physically restraining a student as a means of control;
- Making unruly students do push-ups, run laps, or perform other physical acts that cause pain or discomfort as a form of punishment;
- Paddling, swatting slapping, grabbing, pinching, kicking, or otherwise causing physical pain.

Acceptable and Unacceptable Staff/Student Behavior

This policy is intended to guide all School faculty and staff in conducting themselves in a way that reflects the high standards of behavior and professionalism required of school employees and to specify the boundaries between students and staff.

Although this policy gives specific, clear direction, it is each staff member's obligation to avoid situations that could prompt suspicion by parents, students, colleagues, or school leaders. One viable standard that can be quickly applied, when you are unsure if certain conduct is acceptable, is to ask yourself, "Would I be engaged in this conduct if my family or colleagues were standing next to me?"

For the purposes of this policy, the term "boundaries" is defined as acceptable professional behavior by staff members while interacting with a student. Trespassing the boundaries of a student/teacher relationship is deemed an abuse of power and a betrayal of public trust.

Some activities may seem innocent from a staff member's perspective, but can be perceived as flirtation or sexual insinuation from a student or parent point of view. The objective of the following lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors is not to restrain innocent, positive relationships between staff and students, but to prevent relationships that could lead to, or may be perceived as, sexual misconduct.

Staff must understand their own responsibility for ensuring that they do not cross the boundaries as written in this policy. Disagreeing with the wording or intent of the established boundaries will be considered irrelevant for disciplinary purposes. Thus, it is crucial that all employees learn this policy thoroughly and apply the lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors to their daily activities. Although sincere, competent interaction with students certainly fosters learning, student/staff interactions must have boundaries surrounding potential activities, locations and intentions.

Duty to Report Suspected Misconduct

When any employee becomes aware of another staff member having crossed the boundaries specified in this policy, he or she must speak to this staff member if the violation appears minor, or report the matter to school administrators. If the observed behavior appears significant, it is the duty of every staff member to immediately report it to an administrator. All reports shall be confidential. It is the duty of the administrator to investigate and thoroughly report the situation. Employees must also report to the administration any awareness or concern of student behavior that crosses boundaries or where a student appears to be at risk for sexual abuse.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors (Violations of this Policy)

- Giving gifts to an individual student that are of a personal and intimate nature;
- Kissing of any kind;
- Any type of unnecessary physical contact with a student in a private situation;
- Intentionally being alone with a student away from the school;
- Making or participating in sexually inappropriate comments;
- Sexual jokes;
- Seeking emotional involvement with a student for your benefit;
- Listening to or telling stories that are sexually oriented;

- Discussing inappropriate personal troubles or intimate issues with a student in an attempt to gain their support and understanding;
- Becoming involved with a student so that a reasonable person may suspect inappropriate behavior.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors without Parent and Supervisor Permission

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a staff member has parent and supervisor permission.)

- Giving students a ride to/from school or school activities;
- Being alone in a room with a student at school with the door closed;
- Allowing students in your home.

Cautionary Staff/Student Behaviors

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a reasonable and prudent person, acting as an educator, is prevented from using a better practice or behavior. Staff members should inform their supervisor of the circumstance and occurrence prior to or immediately after the occurrence)

- Remarks about the physical attributes or development of anyone;
 - Excessive attention toward a particular student;
 - Sending emails, text messages or letters to students if the content is not about school activities.
- Acceptable and Recommended Staff/Student Behaviors:
- Getting parents' written consent for any after-school activity;
 - Obtaining formal approval to take students off school property for activities such as field trips or competitions;
 - E-mails, text, phone and instant messages to students must be very professional and pertaining to school activities or classes (Communication should be limited to school technology);
 - Keeping the door open when alone with a student;
 - Keeping reasonable space between you and your students;
 - Stopping and correcting students if they cross your own personal boundaries;
 - Keeping parents informed when a significant issue develops about a student;
 - Keeping after-class discussions with a student professional and brief;
 - Asking for advice from fellow staff or administrators if you find yourself in a difficult situation related to boundaries;
 - Involving your supervisor if conflict arises with the student;
 - Informing the Executive Director about situations that have the potential to become more severe;
 - Making detailed notes about an incident that could evolve into a more serious situation later;
 - Recognizing the responsibility to stop unacceptable behavior of students or coworkers;
 - Asking another staff member to be present if you will be alone with any type of special needs student;
 - Asking another staff member to be present when you must be alone with a student after regular school hours;
 - Giving students praise and recognition without touching them;
 - Pats on the back, high fives and handshakes are acceptable;
 - Keeping your professional conduct a high priority;
 - Asking yourself if your actions are worth your job and career.

School-wide Dress Code Prohibiting Gang-related Apparel

Disruption and/or intimidation caused by the wearing of any type of clothing/jewelry or by writing of any signs identified as or associated with gangs is not permitted on campus at any time. No gang activity or gang association will be permitted at school or school sponsored activities. Gang symbols on notebooks, lockers, book bags, etc. are not permitted and will be documented.

DRESS CODE

MPS has a uniform policy to help create a safe, orderly environment, instill discipline, and eliminate the competition and distractions caused by varied dress styles. Students are expected to arrive in a clean and neat uniform every day. Students will not be allowed to enter the campus if they are not in proper uniform. This uniform policy will be enforced, without exception, from the very first day of school. Please cooperate, display modesty and neatness, and take pride in the MPS uniform. We rely on your understanding and your parents' and/or guardians' support in helping to maintain this uniform policy and follow it daily.

In addition to wearing the school uniform, MPS requires that you follow these additional guidelines in terms of uniform appearance and personal appearance. If you are still unsure about how you should look, or how the uniform should fit, check with administration. Religious head coverings shall be permitted. **If any aspect of the uniform, including clothes, shoes, jewelry, cosmetics, or any type of body adornment, is not explicitly listed as acceptable in this handbook, then that item is not permitted to be worn when the student is at school or representing the school.**

If a student is unable to wear the school uniform to school due to extenuating circumstances, you need to obtain written permission from the school's administration.

MPS STUDENT UNIFORM POLICY

Pants, shorts, skirts, skorts, or capris are acceptable.

Pants/Skirts/Skorts/Shorts:

May not be baggy or tight fitting. May not be rolled at waist. Waist size must be same as student's waist size. Top of garment must be at or above hip bone.

Skorts/shorts should be no shorter than your longest finger when standing with your hands by your sides.

Skirts that are above the top of the kneecap should be worn with leggings/tights, and must be no shorter than the longest fingertip.

Pants may not be made from legging or jegging material.

Pants must touch the top of the shoes when the student is standing, but not be long enough to bunch up around the ankle.

The bottom of the skirt, skort, and/or shorts must be no higher than 1 inch above the middle of the kneecap when the student is standing.

Socks may not be worn over pants.

Rubber bands are not allowed on the bottom of pants or ankles.

No Jean style pants.

No Cargo pants/shorts.
Must have a built in pocket not a sewn on pocket.

Undergarments:

Should not be noticeable through or outside of clothing, tops and bottoms.

Uniform:

Woven Shirt or Polo Shirt must be tucked in neatly at the waist at all times on campus, inside and outside. These shirts may not fit tightly or be baggy.

Undershirts must be short-sleeved if worn.

The student may choose to button, or not button, the top button of the woven shirt. All other buttons of the woven shirt must be buttoned.

Under shirt may not hang out of sleeves.

Shoes:

Acceptable athletic shoes must be low-profile with minimal design. They must be modest and not attract attention. Shoe laces must match shoes and be in solid color.

Jewelry and accessories/Cosmetics:

Should be modest, appropriate for school, and not attract undue attention.

Necklaces: If worn must be underneath uniform. If visible through an open collar, it must be tasteful and formal (no leather or string). Pendants must not be large or attract attention. Must be tucked in collar of shirt.

No “glitter”, decorations, or drawing of any kind should be visible on the skin, hair, body, or uniform.

Facial, tongue, and body piercing are not allowed.

Bracelets: Must be tasteful and not attract undue attention.

Visible tattoos are not acceptable. Permanent visible tattoos must be covered by a flesh-tone bandage while at school or representing the school.

Cosmetics must be appropriate for school and not attract undue attention.

No brightly colored or glitter eye shadow, or blush.

Mascara and eyeliner should be minimal.

Lipstick should be a natural color.

Earrings must be studs or one (1) inch hoops and worn on earlobe.

Skirts, pants, shorts, skorts, or capris must be either khaki color, black or navy blue.

Belts (required for all variations of dress uniform):

Smooth, straight edge, all black, all blue or all brown belts no wider than 1½ inches with a plain, unadorned buckle (no mesh, rope, or all metal).

The buckle may only have one catch.

Belt must be of correct waist size, so that there is minimal excess length (less than five inches).

Any excess length of belt must be tucked through a belt loop and may not hang down.

TOP

White, gray, black or navy blue polo shirts must have the school logo. They may be either short or long sleeved.

Hoods may not be worn at school.

Top of garment must be no lower than the level of the navel when student is standing. Top of garment must be at or above hipbone when student is standing up.

FOOTWEAR

The majority of the shoe must be black, brown, white or gray. Small logos are acceptable. (Shoes must be closed toe.)

“Athletic” shoes for the dress code must be completely black, white or brown.

Plain, unadorned socks or tights (for girls) must always be worn. Color of socks or tights: Black, dark brown, navy blue, or white

No sandals, boots, clogs, mules, slippers, flip flops, high heels, platform shoes or shoes with wheels.

PE UNIFORM

TOP: Students will wear a solid gray t-shirt, preferably with the MPS logo. MPS sweatpants and MPS sweatshirts may also be worn during PE.

BOTTOM: Properly fitting MPS Navy shorts of comfortable length for active participation. Waist size of shorts must be appropriate to student’s waist size. The same rules which apply to the level at which the tops of the dress pants are worn, also apply to PE shorts.

FOOTWEAR: Any athletic shoes suitable for basketball, tennis, and field sports. PE shoes may be the same black athletic shoes discussed in the dress uniform section.

OUTERWEAR

Hats, hoods, caps, and other headgear may not be worn in school buildings, except for religious head coverings. No gloves or finger lacing of any sort are allowed.

For colder weather:

MPS Navy Crew-Neck and zip V-Neck Sweatshirt, and Jackets are recommended and preferred to be worn on campus, inside and outside.

Sweatshirts and jackets must be solid navy blue or gray.

Procedures for Safe Ingress and Egress from School

Maps are available in our front office to facilitate with the safe comings and goings of pupils, parents, visitors and school employees to and from school. In addition, evacuation maps and routes are located in the front office.

***Please see school map at bottom of this Safety Plan**

Visitors and guests are welcome at the school. However, to safeguard students and staff, reasonable precautions should be taken.

Visitors should:

1. Always report and sign in at the office.
2. Be provided with a visitor's badge.
3. Be prepared to provide identification to school personnel.
4. Respect school rules.

School personnel should:

1. Insure all exterior doors are marked with a notice to visitors to first report to the office.
2. Exterior doors should remain locked, except doors near the office area.
3. Staff should receive training on how to greet visitors. The first question is "May I help you?"
4. Someone should greet every visitor.
5. Any intruder found roaming the building should be escorted to the office. Someone can then provide any additional information or directions. (NOTE: An intruder is anyone without a visitor's badge or lacking visible identification stating who they are, i.e., school employee)

Visitors who fail to comply with school procedures:

1. Should verbally be informed they are in violation of school policy. (Example - "Sir, you must report to the office immediately. If you fail to do so, you will be considered a trespasser, and school security will be called.")
2. If this fails:
 - Notify the office of the situation.
 - Follow the person, if possible, and continue to give notice of the violation of school rules.
3. Police should be notified, or call 911.
4. Office should activate building-wide notification plan concerning intruder:
 - PA announcement using pre-determined code phrase.
 - Classroom doors should be closed.
 - Students should remain in current areas.

Procedures to Ensure a Safe and Orderly Environment

The Social Climate and the Physical Environment

The Social Climate and The Physical Environment are two components used to identify our school's strengths, areas of desired change and future plans.

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Core Values

Magnolia Public Schools has identified the following core values which are reinforced through its “Life Skills” curriculum, expected school wide learning results (ESLR), and all school activities.

Value: Scholarship Value: Critical Thinking

Success and Self Discipline
Citizenship and Personal Qualities

Value: Social Responsibility Value: Effective Communication

Respect and Responsible Choices
Conflict Resolution and Human Relations

Effective Communication:

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1. Parents should encourage their child to talk with the teacher.
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3. If the child is reluctant to talk with a teacher or administrator, a parent may offer to accompany their child and talk with the teacher.

It is very important to demonstrate to children how to actively and constructively solve a problem. If the problem is important enough for the child to talk about, it is important for the child to learn how to be a part of the solution.

If parent feels there is a concern they should:

1. Talk with the teacher. Teachers can explain classroom situations from an adult perspective and from a professional perspective, and usually that will resolve misunderstandings.
2. If the problem persists after a reasonable time, talk with the teacher again.
3. If the problem is still not resolved, make an appointment with the related administrator.

For example, if you are unsure of a decision made in the classroom about a consequence given for a behavior, you should discuss the situation with the teacher first. If after this discussion, you feel the situation is unresolved, it should be brought to the attention of the Dean of Students. If it is still not handled to your satisfaction, the Principal should be notified.

If after meeting with the Principal, you still have concerns, MPS Central Office and the MPS Board and, after that, the School District/County/State would be the next avenue of communication.

Teachers, staff, and administration are available through email, phones, in person and by appointment. Due to the busy schedules of the teachers and administration, parents are asked to not "drop in" for appointments, but to set up a meeting in advance. Parents should not talk to teachers, other parents, students, or administrators in a disrespectful or threatening manner.

Students' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of all school rules and regulations.
- To have access to your student account in Illuminate.
- To have a safe and educational environment.
- To attend class regularly and on time.
- To obey school rules and regulations.
- To respect your rights and the rights of your peers.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To be prepared for class with appropriate materials and ready to work.
- To respect all school personnel and their authority (administrators, teachers, office personnel, janitorial staff, security guards, etc.).

Parents' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of the school's rules and regulations.
- To be informed of all school actions related to their child.
- To have access to your personal parent accounts in Illuminate.
- To contact school to participate in conferences pertaining to academic and behavioral status of their child.
- To provide a supportive environment at home making sure their child gets enough sleep and adequate nutrition before coming to school.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To contact teachers directly via phone or email to schedule a conference.
- To be familiar with the handbook, which was signed at the beginning of the school year.
- To monitor your child's academic progress and behavior records on a weekly basis.
- To ensure that your child does his/her homework on a daily basis and to facilitate a home environment conducive to home study.

Teachers' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To expect students to behave in a positive manner that will not interfere with other students' learning.
- To expect parental support related to academic and social progress.
- To expect all students to participate and put forth effort in order to expand their education and earn a passing grade.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To inform parents through progress reports, report cards, and conferences about the academic progress and behavior of their child.
- To conduct a well-planned and effective classroom program.
- To initiate and enforce a set of classroom rules, consistent with the school's behavior policies.
- To keep assignments, grading, and attendance current in Illuminate.
- To have administrative support for reflection in and outside the classroom. To explain the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy to their students.
- To enforce the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy in a consistent manner.
- To function as a positive role model for their students.
- To contact parents as deemed necessary to enforce the Student Code of Conduct and to maintain parent/guardian involvement.

Administrators' Rights and Responsibilities:

- The right to address the Board of Trustees on any issue.
- To hold students to strict accountability for any disorderly conduct in school or around school.
- To take appropriate action in dealing with students who choose not to follow the rules.
- "All students shall comply with the regulations, pursue the required course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers of the school." Education Code, § 48900 et seq.
- To recommend in-school suspension, suspension, or expulsion as the situation demands.
- To provide rich leadership that will establish, encourage and promote effective teaching and learning.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.

- To establish, promote, and enforce school rules that facilitate effective learning and positive habits and attitudes of excellent citizenship among students.

Illuminate provides the following information:

1. Attendance: Each student's attendance (tardy/absence) is recorded daily (by each teacher) in 'real-time.' This is one method our parents can monitor their child's attendance in each class daily.
2. Grades: Our teachers input all academic grades online for each assignment, quiz, and examination.
3. Behavior: Each student receives a 'Behavior' grade that is recorded on Illuminate.
4. Homework/Assignments: Our teachers upload and document all homework assignments on Illuminate. This information is useful for students who were absent from class and also provides a reminder for those who may have forgotten to record their homework assignment for a course.
5. Illuminate Point System: we believe that students should be rewarded for good work, positive behavior and exuding the school's expected school-wide learning results which students earn points and are recorded on Illuminate. The Illuminate point system serves as an incentive program that our teachers use to encourage students to improve.
6. Communication: Illuminate provides another effective method for parents, students and teachers and the school's leadership team to communicate online and leave messages that are documented through a communication log. The types of communications include but are not limited to: informing parents about their child's academic progress, progress reports, mandatory tutoring letters, announcements, articles posted on the school's website, honor roll, behavior, recognition of perfect attendance, upcoming Parent Task Force meetings/events, and upcoming awards for recognition. Also, teachers can post updates, upcoming deadlines and leave messages for students and parents using Illuminate. For parents who do not have access to a computer, the front office has a computer available for their use anytime during school hours and after-school. Illuminate provides yet another way for our parents to become involved in their child's education, and our teachers have the support of the families in doing so.
7. Parent Square: Parent square is another form of communication that allows parents, students, and teachers and the school's leadership team to communicate.

Our Graduates will be:

Critical Thinkers who:

- Apply, analyze, identify, synthesize and evaluate information and experiences.
- Connect the skills and content learned across the curriculum and evaluate multiple points of view.
- Use the Inquiry Process to address a problem, hypothesize, analyze, and draw conclusions as they investigate an issue/problem.
- Utilize Problem-solving techniques during conflict resolution and to compromise.

Effective Communicators who:

- Demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills through the use of Academic Language at school, with peers and in the community.
- Demonstrate Content area and grade level achievement in Reading, Writing, Mathematics, History and Science.

- Collaborate, work effectively, and manage interpersonal relationships within diverse groups and settings.

21st Century Scholars who:

- Use technology effectively to access, organize, research and present information.
- Demonstrate the ability to integrate technology as an effective tool in their daily lives.
- Have developed an academic plan with goals to guide them in their pursuit towards a college degree and career choices (planning).
- Have a clear understanding of college readiness so that in high school, they will be prepared to complete the UC A-G Course Requirements and meet college eligibility requirements.

Socially Responsible Global Citizens who:

- Embrace and respect cultural diversity through the understanding of our Global World.
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of American and World History and the values of different cultures.
- Contribute to the improvement of life in their school and local community through Leadership skills and participation in Community Projects.
- Demonstrate knowledge of proper nutrition, exercise and physical health and its impact on daily life.

Life Skills

Our ESLR's are also integrated and further reinforced in our weekly Life Skills Course, a requirement for all students in grades 6-8. Each year, the Principal will join the other principals from all Magnolia Public Schools to collaborate to discuss and reflect on the impact of the Life Skills Curriculum, the school's mission, vision and school culture. Based on the discussion and feedback, the curriculum is revised to support the school's culture and engage all students while creating a safe and respectful learning environment for all students.

The Life Skills Curriculum addresses the following issues/topics as part of the curriculum:

- Patterns of Success (Essential skills to prepare for College & Academic Success)
- Respect
- Conflict Resolution (Addressing teen issues including Bullying, Cyber bullying, Peer Pressure)
- Making Responsible Choices (Ethics, Drug/Alcohol Awareness/Prevention)
- Citizenship (Democratic Values)
- Human Relations (Social Interactions)
- Personal Qualities (Core Values)
- Self-Reflection (Developing a positive attitude)

Life Skills is an enriching course that provides our students with valuable skills to excel academically and socially in the 21st century. The teacher leads the course, and then students participate in activities/projects to demonstrate their understanding of the material and answer questions posed. In addition, our instructors have guest speakers and utilize various forms of technology to engage students in the course content.

Parent Task Force (PTF)

Our parent association holds annual elections for the following positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Approximately 20% of our parents continuously attend monthly PTF meetings. Our PTF supports our school and students through fundraising, recruiting volunteer for our school, and student outreach/recruitment. The purpose is to support the school staff and students in the school's areas of needs and as family to create a community within our school. Our goal is to increase the percentage of parents attending. We understand that our parents lead hectic lives so we are having parent meetings in the evenings to help facilitate ease of parent participation and coordinate better with work schedules.

Professional Development

Professional development occurs on a regular basis to address the diverse needs of our students and their various learning styles. Prior to the start of the academic school year, teachers receive extensive trainings on school wide academic expectations and how to meet the needs of all learners. Teachers are trained on the rules and regulations students are expected to uphold, including but not limited to illegal substances (drugs, alcohol, and related paraphernalia) and the risks and factors related to this. Also, trainings on bullying awareness and bullying prevention occur throughout the school year to help minimize bullying related altercations. We collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in accordance with EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015

Physical Environment

Our school provides a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment characterized by trust, caring and professionalism. We have adopted and implemented a comprehensive set of health, safety, and risk management policies to create a safe and secure learning environment. These policies comply with all applicable state and local health and safety laws and regulations. It is the responsibility of the on-site school administration to consistently monitor all activities to ensure safety and security of the students. Parents and students are also made aware of these policies as it regards to them in the form of student and parent handbooks. We are dedicated to enforcing school functions as a drug-free, alcohol-free, and tobacco-free zone, as well as a zero-tolerance policy for sexual harassment for all employees, students, and parents. Students are educated about bullying and cyber bullying via school-wide assemblies and individual guest speakers. All staff members are mandated reporters in case of child abuse or violence. Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

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- Objective: Monthly school personnel will complete a campus walk-thru form to identify any areas of need.
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- Resources needed: Walk-thru form, building supplies
- Person(s) responsible for implementation: Plant manager
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3. If the problem is still not resolved, make an appointment with the related administrator.

For example, if you are unsure of a decision made in the classroom about a consequence given for a behavior, you should discuss the situation with the teacher first. If after this discussion, you feel the situation is unresolved, it should be brought to the attention of the Dean of Students. If it is still not handled to your satisfaction, the Principal should be notified.

If after meeting with the Principal, you still have concerns, MPS Central Office and the MPS Board and, after that, the School District/County/State would be the next avenue of communication.

Teachers, staff, and administration are available through email, phones, in person and by appointment. Due to the busy schedules of the teachers and administration, parents are asked to not "drop in" for appointments, but to set up a meeting in advance. Parents should not talk to teachers, other parents, students, or administrators in a disrespectful or threatening manner.

Students' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of all school rules and regulations.
- To have access to your student account in Illuminate.
- To have a safe and educational environment.
- To attend class regularly and on time.
- To obey school rules and regulations.

- To respect your rights and the rights of your peers.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To be prepared for class with appropriate materials and ready to work.
- To respect all school personnel and their authority (administrators, teachers, office personnel, janitorial staff, security guards, etc.).

Parents' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of the school's rules and regulations.
- To be informed of all school actions related to their child.
- To have access to your personal parent accounts in Illuminate.
- To contact school to participate in conferences pertaining to academic and behavioral status of their child.
- To provide a supportive environment at home making sure their child gets enough sleep and adequate nutrition before coming to school.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To contact teachers directly via phone or email to schedule a conference.
- To be familiar with the handbook, which was signed at the beginning of the school year.
- To monitor your child's academic progress and behavior records on a weekly basis.
- To ensure that your child does his/her homework on a daily basis and to facilitate a home environment conducive to home study.

Teachers' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To expect students to behave in a positive manner that will not interfere with other students' learning.
- To expect parental support related to academic and social progress.
- To expect all students to participate and put forth effort in order to expand their education and earn a passing grade.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To inform parents through progress reports, report cards, and conferences about the academic progress and behavior of their child.
- To conduct a well-planned and effective classroom program.
- To initiate and enforce a set of classroom rules, consistent with the school's discipline policies.
- To keep assignments, grading, and attendance current in Illuminate.
- To have administrative support for discipline in and outside the classroom. To explain the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy to their students.
- To enforce the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy in a consistent manner.
- To function as a positive role model for their students.
- To contact parents as deemed necessary to enforce the Student Code of Conduct and to maintain parent/guardian involvement.

Administrators' Rights and Responsibilities:

- The right to address the Board of Trustees on any issue.
- To hold students to strict accountability for any disorderly conduct in school or around school.
- To take appropriate action in dealing with students who choose not to follow the rules.
- "All students shall comply with the regulations, pursue the required course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers of the school." Education Code, § 48900 et seq.
- To recommend in-school suspension, suspension, or expulsion as the situation demands.
- To provide rich leadership that will establish, encourage and promote effective teaching and learning.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To establish, promote, and enforce school rules that facilitate effective learning and positive habits and attitudes of excellent citizenship among students.

Illuminate provides the following information:

1. Attendance: Each student's attendance (tardy/absence) is recorded daily (by each teacher) in 'real-time.' This is one method our parents can monitor their child's attendance in each class daily.
2. Grades: Our teachers input all academic grades online for each assignment, quiz, and examination.
3. Behavior: Each student receives a 'Behavior' grade that is recorded on Illuminate.
4. Homework/Assignments: Our teachers upload and document all homework assignments on Illuminate. This information is useful for students who were absent from class and also

provides a reminder for those who may have forgotten to record their homework assignment for a course.

5. Illuminate Point System: we believe that students should be rewarded for good work, positive behavior and exuding the school's expected school-wide learning results which students earn points and are recorded on Illuminate. The Illuminate point system serves as an incentive program that our teachers use to encourage students to improve.
6. Communication: Parent Square provides another effective method for parents, students and teachers and the school's leadership team to communicate online and leave messages that are documented. The types of communications include but are not limited to: informing parents about their child's academic progress, mandatory tutoring announcements, articles posted on the school's website, honor roll, behavior, recognition of perfect attendance, upcoming Parent Task Force meetings/events, and upcoming awards for recognition. Also, teachers can post updates, upcoming deadlines and leave messages for students and parents using parent square. For parents who do not have access to a computer, the front office has a computer available for their use anytime during school hours and after-school. Parent square provides yet another way for our parents to become involved in their child's education, and our teachers have the support of the families in doing so. Parent square also has an emergency alert that can notify parents of an emergency.

Parent Task Force (PTF)

Our parent association holds annual elections for the following positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Approximately 10% of our parents continuously attend monthly PTF meetings. Our PTF supports our school and students through fundraising, recruiting volunteer for our school, and student outreach/recruitment. The purpose is to support the school staff and students in the school's areas of needs and as family to create a community within our school. Our goal is to increase the percentage of parents attending. We understand that our parents lead hectic lives so we are having parent meetings in the evenings to help facilitate ease of parent participation and coordinate better with work schedules.

Professional Development

Professional development occurs on a regular basis to address the diverse needs of our students and their various learning styles. Prior to the start of the academic school year, teachers receive extensive trainings on school wide academic expectations and how to meet the needs of all learners. Teachers are trained on the rules and regulations students are expected to uphold, including but not limited to illegal substances (drugs, alcohol, and related paraphernalia) and the risks and factors related to this. Also, trainings on bullying awareness and bullying prevention occur throughout the school year to help minimize bullying related altercations.

We collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in accordance with EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015.

Physical Environment

Our school provides a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment characterized by trust, caring and professionalism. We have adopted and implemented a comprehensive set of health, safety, and risk management policies to create a safe and secure learning environment. These policies comply with all

applicable state and local health and safety laws and regulations. It is the responsibility of the on-site school administration to consistently monitor all activities to ensure safety and security of the students. Parents and students are also made aware of these policies as it regards to them in the form of student and parent handbooks. We are dedicated to enforcing school functions as a drug-free, alcohol-free, and tobacco-free zone, as well as a zero-tolerance policy for sexual harassment for all employees, students, and parents. Students are educated about bullying and cyber bullying via school-wide assemblies and individual guest speakers. All staff members are mandated reporters in case of child abuse or violence. Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

Rules and Procedures on School Discipline

Magnolia Public Schools Student Code of Conduct: MPS is committed to excellence in academic instruction and in cooperating with parents/guardians to teach students the behaviors and skills that support social successes throughout life. To accomplish this goal, MPS is taking a proactive approach to teaching social skills as a significant component of the educational program. The curriculum includes teaching of the behaviors necessary for effective and satisfying social interaction in school, on field trips, in the community, and at home.

Expected Student Behavior

Students should always remember that their behavior and actions at school and at school sponsored activities are a reflection not only of themselves, but also of the school. The following is a guideline of what is expected from an MPS student:

Breakfast/Lunch Time:

- Proceed to the eating area as instructed by MPS staff.
- Eat and finish their breakfast/lunch in the assigned area. No food should be eaten outside the designated areas.
- Wait patiently for their food, and follow the direction of the adults on duty.
- Clean up after themselves and dispose of their trash in the appropriate area.
- Remember that they are not allowed in the school building without a pass.

Remember that restroom use is at the discretion of the security guard/supervisor staff. Students must carry a pass that is given to them by security guard/supervisor staff.

On Campus:

- Stay in designated areas on-campus.
- Be courteous and respectful at all times to everyone.
- Not use profanity, lie, fight, gamble, possess inappropriate literature or material, or be involved in the abuse/harassment of others.
- Not use or have cellular phones turned on during school hours; students are allowed to use cellular phones only in the designated area after school. Phones should not be used during after school programs, such as tutoring.
- Remember that any electronic devices seen during class time will be confiscated and returned to the student's parents/guardians at the discretion of administration.

- Remember that gum chewing is not allowed anywhere on campus.
- Never ride bicycles, use roller blades or skateboards on campus nor bring them to class.
- Not leave campus without permission during school hours.
- Not use matches, lighters, or any type of explosive incendiary device on campus.
- Remember that no electronic devices such as CD/MP3/IPOD players may be visible or used on the campus grounds.
- Students are not allowed to loiter in the hallways.

Assemblies:

- Be courteous and quiet during the entire assembly.
- Be respectful to the presenter/speaker.
- Follow all teacher/staff directions.

Field Trips: Students must:

- Be on their best behavior. Pay attention to the directives given by the moderator and trip leader.
- Follow all school rules pertaining to behavior.
- Wear MPS uniform unless authorized by administration.

Public areas: Hallways, Lunchroom & Restrooms: Hallways, Lunchroom and Restrooms are areas used by all members of School.

- Use the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms only as needed and then move on to class.
- Eat only in the cafeteria or other designated area.
- Leave gum at home; chewing gum is strictly prohibited anywhere on campus.
- Maintain orderly conduct always; walk in the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms.
- Keep in mind that profanity and vulgar language at any level is unacceptable and is strictly prohibited in all areas and at school functions at all times.
- Limit excessive noise such as yelling, screaming or banging lockers while in these areas.
- Help keep the school clean by picking up after yourself and putting your belongings in their proper place.
- Respect others personal space and keep your hands to yourself even in play.
- Have a pass to be in the above areas during class time.
- Keep in mind that vandalism, littering, or graffiti in the school is prohibited and should be reported as this reflects poorly on everyone.
- Public displays of affection are prohibited.
- Bring only plastic and paper containers to school; all glass containers are prohibited on campus and will be confiscated.
- Be responsible and report any leaks, spills, or other problems in the bathroom to a teacher or the office.
 - Be responsible for cleaning up after yourself, including the disposing of or the recycling of garbage.
- Have a hall pass if you are outside of the classroom during class time.
- Not visit with friends or interrupt another classroom.
- Not misuse the hall pass as it will result in loss of the hall pass privilege.
- Get a referral from your teacher before you go to the office. Do not use the hall pass.

Emergency Drills: Fire drills, lockdowns, and evacuation drills are conducted periodically for everyone's protection and are required by law. During these drills it is imperative that students remain silent, follow instructions given by the staff, and carry out all directions in an orderly fashion.

Classroom:

- Be seated and ready to begin their assignment when the bell rings.
- Be courteous to all teachers and students.
- Follow all school and classroom rules.
- Bring all necessary materials/supplies ready to work daily.

Classroom Procedures and Consequences: Please check the teacher’s syllabus for specific consequences which may include:

1. In Class Warning
2. Student-Teacher Conference
3. Detention / Parental Notification
4. Parent Conference
5. Office Referral & Administrative Disciplinary Procedures

Illuminate Behavior Points

[For Middle & High School Only: Student behavior will be recorded on Illuminate and students will receive the following rewards or consequences based on their behavior points.

Positive Rewards:

+5 Contact parent/guardian +20 One day free dress (pass will be given) +30 Two day free dress pass (pass will be given) +45 free dress every Friday for one month (pass will be given) +50 VIP lunch and “Race to the top”

Unacceptable types of Behavior

All students at MPS are entitled to the rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights, and their rights will not be knowingly denied by the required code of conduct or by any disciplinary actions taken by the school. Accordingly, after an analysis of each case, any student who exhibits any of the unacceptable student behaviors listed in this handbook may incur consequences. These consequences range from notification of parents, detention, to emergency removal from a school activity, suspension, expulsion, and criminal prosecution. MPS reserves the right to notify the authorities and the Department of Education as required by law relating to disciplinary actions taken. It is to be noted that MPS reserves the right to discipline any act that has a nexus with MPS or the school community. In other words MPS may discipline behavior at school or at a school related or school-sponsored function or any activity or any act that has a negative effect on the school environment or that is performed with/on/by/via school equipment or school property.

Multi-Tiered System of Response to Behavior

Universal

Examples of Classroom, Support and Teacher-Led Responses

These interventions are designed to teach appropriate behavior so that students may contribute to the learning community within the classroom environment. Teachers are encouraged to try a variety of instructional and classroom management strategies to support all learners.

Level 1 Infraction	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invading personal space • Antagonizing others • Violation of school/class rules • Horseplaying • Violating off-limits/restricted area • Habitually tardy and/or not being in assigned location • Disrupting the learning environment/Off task • Littering • Not having proper materials, supplies, and/or equipment for class participation • Inappropriate use of electronic devices • Dress code violation • Inappropriate language/actions (hurtful, vulgar, gossip, etc.) • Passive participation in hurtful acts/words against others • Public display of affection (holding hands, kissing, hugging, etc.) • Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<p style="text-align: center;"> School Wide PBIS Social-Emotional Learning Program Proactive Classroom Management Regular, Preemptive Communication with Families Classroom Incentives Seating, assignment, behavioral accommodations Conferencing with Student(s) and Parents Verbal correction and redirection Reminders, Role-Play, daily progress sheet Loss of Classroom Privileges Written and/or verbal reflection </p>

Selected

Examples of Support, Removal and Administrative Responses

These responses engage the students's support system to ensure successful learning and to alter conditions that are inappropriate or disruptive.

Level 2 Infraction	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using/possessing tobacco and/or lighter • Violating traffic or safety regulations • Encouraging other students to violate school rules • Leaving school and/or school bus without permission • Fighting and/or arranging altercations • Using objects inappropriately (i.e., the use of an object to harm others or damage property) • Physical assault without serious bodily injury (i.e., pushing with intent, kicking, hitting, pinching, spitting) • Defacing and/or vandalism of school property • Plagiarism/academic dishonesty • Leaving school or classroom without permission (truancy) • Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding district filter, etc.) • Stealing and/or possessing stolen property • Failure to attend to/complete assigned restorative action • Gambling or Extortion • Habitual violations of school/class rules • Forgery of signatures • Sexually explicit behavior • Planning and/or arranging actions with malicious intent • Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures • Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) • Bullying/cyberbullying • Violation of personal boundaries • Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<p style="text-align: center;"> Behavioral Contract Self- Monitoring School-home Communication Adult or Peer Mentorship Utilize Check-in and Check-out System Intensive Academic and/or Social Support Reflection (lunch, after school, Saturday, etc.) Refer Student to SSPT Loss of Privileges Counseling Temporary Removal from class Extended school day </p>

Targeted/Intensive

Examples of support, removal and School Site Administrators and Home Office Responses.

These responses address serious behavior and potential implications for future harm. They promote safety of the school community and should be used in a progressive fashion.

See Categorical Offenses

Level 3 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physically assaulting with serious bodily injury • Conduct or habits injurious to others (peers/authority) • Using/possessing controlled and/or dangerous substances and/or paraphernalia • Bullying (harassing, intimidating, cyberbullying) • Fighting and/or arranging altercations • Using/possessing weapons and/or weapon paraphernalia including but not limited to those prohibited under federal law • Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) • Arson, attempting to commit arson and/or possession of explosives/fireworks (i.e., smoke bombs, sink bombs, etc.) • Causing a false fire alarm • Making a bomb/explosive threat • Encouraging other students to violate school rules • Student hazing • Using gang and/or secret society symbols/acts • Inappropriate use of electronic devices • Public displays of sexually explicit behavior • Defacing and/or vandalism of school property • Gambling • Habitual violations of school/class rules • Forgery of signatures • Stealing and/or possessing stolen property 	<p>All Tier 1 and Tier 2 Interventions</p> <p>FBA Based Behavior Intervention Plans</p> <p>Teaching Replacement Behavior</p> <p>Home and Community Supports</p> <p>Self- Management Program</p> <p>Restricted Access</p> <p>In-school reflection and/or suspension</p> <p>Short-term out-of-school suspension</p> <p>Extended out-of-school suspension</p> <p>Request for alternate educational setting</p> <p>Recommendation for Expulsion</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding school filter, etc.) • Sexual explicit behavior, Lewd Conduct, Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures 	
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Assaulting, Fighting and/or Arranging Fights:

School is not a place to arrange fights, whether those fights take place on or off school grounds. Any fight and/or attempting to fight will involve disciplining all students involved.

Bringing / Using Electronic Devices:

CD Players, IPOD, MP3 players, phones, PDA, PSP, Laptops, Electronic Games, and/or similar devices are not allowed to be used at school. They disrupt classes and distract others from learning. If you choose to bring them for use outside of school it is at your own discretion. MPS assumes no liability for any damaged, destroyed, lost, stolen, misplaced or otherwise compromised electronic device brought onto MPS property.

Scholastic Dishonesty:

Scholastic dishonesty includes (but is not limited to) cheating on tests, and/or any other types of deception to obtain credit without effort. Scholastic dishonesty is unacceptable conduct. Each teacher sets their own standards of behavior for their classroom, and students are expected to know the standards and procedures for each of their classes.

Texting/Sexting:

Sexting can be defined as the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photographs electronically, primarily between mobile phones and/or any other communication devices.

Disrupting Learning:

Disrupting learning includes any behavior that prevents other students from learning. It may include but is not limited to inappropriate language, eating or drinking during class against teachers' classroom rules, chewing gum, insubordination and/or selling or trading personal possessions to other students.

Horseplay:

Rough or boisterous play including but not limited to shoving, play fighting, kicking, name calling, teasing, pushing/pulling on a student and shoulder bumps

Possession or Use of Drugs and/or Alcohol and the Sale or Intention to Sell Drugs and/or Alcohol:

Use of drugs or alcohol means a student knowingly possesses, consumes, uses, handles, gives, stores, conceals, offers to sell, sells, transmits, acquires, buys, represents, makes, applies, or is under the influence of any narcotic drug, hallucinogen, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, tranquilizer, non-prescription or prescription drug (except when under the direction of a physician/parent and within school procedure), alcohol, intoxicant, solvent, gas, or any mood-altering chemical, drug of abuse or any counterfeit-controlled substance of any kind including butane lighters. The sale, distribution,

possession, or use of drugs, alcohol, fake drugs, steroids, inhalants, and look-alike drugs is prohibited everywhere on school grounds, at all school activities, and on all school transportation (drug free zone 1000 feet radius). Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by Administration and/or Law Enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

False Fire Alarms:

Issuing a false fire alarm is a violation of State law. Making false 911 calls is also violation of the State Law.

Forgery of Signatures:

Any attempt by a student to sign a teacher's, administrator's, parent/guardian's, and/or another student's name to any school document will be considered forgery.

Vulgarity, Profanity and Obscenity:

Any gesture or material of this nature is not permitted at school or school functions.

Behaving Disrespectfully towards Teachers or Staff:

Disrespect (i.e. arguing, talking back, etc.) and insubordination (failure to comply with directives) toward any member of the faculty or staff will not be tolerated. Profanity, either spoken or written is considered a form of disrespect.

Smoking or Use of Other Tobacco Products:

Possession of tobacco products in any part of the school (drug free zone 1000 feet radius) or on the student is prohibited under this policy. This includes cigarettes, cigars, herbs, and smokeless tobacco. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched if the presence of such items is suspected.

Stealing and/or Vandalizing School/Private Property & Graffiti:

This means to cause or attempt to cause damage to private property, stealing or attempting to steal private property either on school grounds or during school activities, functions or events. Students and their parents or guardians will be held responsible for any theft/vandalism/graffiti (including graffiti tools such as permanent markers) that the student commits. Theft or vandalism of school property carries heavy legal penalties.

Displaying Threatening Behavior:

Threatening behavior includes: verbal threats, both face to face and over electronic media (phone and/or computers), non-verbal threats ("hard" stares, gestures), willfully causing or attempting to cause physical injury to another person, causing or attempt to cause any student, teacher, administrator, or staff member to feel frightened or intimidated.

Bringing Weapon in School:

A weapon includes, but is not limited to, conventional objects like guns, pellet guns, knives, smoke bombs, fireworks, club of any type, mace, tear gas, or other chemicals. This may also include any toy that is presented as a real weapon. It also includes objects converted from their original use to threaten or injure another. The Administration reserves the right to all final decisions regarding the definition of a weapon. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by administration or law enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

Possession or Use of Fireworks:

Using or possessing any amusement device, smoke bomb, stink bomb, etc.

Arson:

Intentionally starting any fire or combustion on school property

Public Display of Affection:

Public displays of affection are not allowed.

Provoking/Intimidating Behavior Encouraging or Urging Other Students to Violate School Rules:

Any student who, by means of provocation, intimidation, encouragement, request, or other means of promotion, induces or attempts to induce another student to violate a MPS school rule shall be subject to the following discipline.

Students with an IEP:

If a student has a behavior plan in his/her IEP, the consequences cited in that plan will be used in the event of specified misbehavior. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team shall meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved. Suspensions of students with disabilities cannot exceed ten days without a "manifestation determination." A student cannot be suspended for more than ten days for misconduct that is a manifestation of their disability. State law defers to federal law for most of the rules governing suspension and expulsion of special education students.

Hate Crime Policies and Procedures

Additional information prohibiting other forms of unlawful discrimination or harassment, inappropriate behavior, and/or hate-motivated incidents/crimes may be found in local District/State policies. It is the intent of MPS that all such policies be reviewed consistently to provide the highest level of protection from unlawful discrimination in the provision of educational services and opportunities.

Bullying Prevention Policies and Procedures

Bullying is not permitted at MPS. In addition MPS will not tolerate unlawful intimidation and bullying due to actual or perceived characteristics such as age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, disability, nationalist, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or a person's association with a person, or group, with or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Each student deserves an equal opportunity to obtain an education without dealing with the negative pressures of peers. Bullying consists of any of the following: pushing, shoving, hitting, and spitting, name calling, picking on, making fun of, laughing at, and excluding someone physically or via social media or electronic communications. Bullying causes pain and stress to those who are victims and is never justified or excusable as "kids being kids", "just teasing", "joking", "playing around" or any other rationalization. This includes the use of social media for wrongful purposes.

Each MPS student agrees to:

- Value student differences and treat others with respect.
- Not become involved in bullying incidents or be a bully.

Harassment of Students, Teachers, Administrators, or Staff:

Harassment means making unwelcome advances or any form of improper physical contact or sexual remark and any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating or offensive learning environment. Harassment can be verbal, physical and visual. (Education Code, § 212.5) Harassment is a violation of Federal Law and is contrary to the School Board's commitment to provide a physically and psychologically safe environment in which to learn.

Student Hazing:

Hazing is defined as doing any act or coercing another person for initiation into any organization that causes or creates a substantial risk or causes mental or physical harm. Permission, consent or assumption of the risk by an individual subjected to hazing does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy. Hazing may carry heavy legal consequences

Safety Goals and Objectives

Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

Component 1 - School Climate

- Goal(s): All employees will uphold and implement all stated policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.
 - Objective 1: Quarterly all employees will review the policies and procedures as noted in the comprehensive safe schools plan.
 - Related Activities: Review regularly during Professional Development, committee meetings and safety meetings.
 - Resources needed: Safety plan,
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Designated administrator, safety committee
 - Budget: None
 - Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

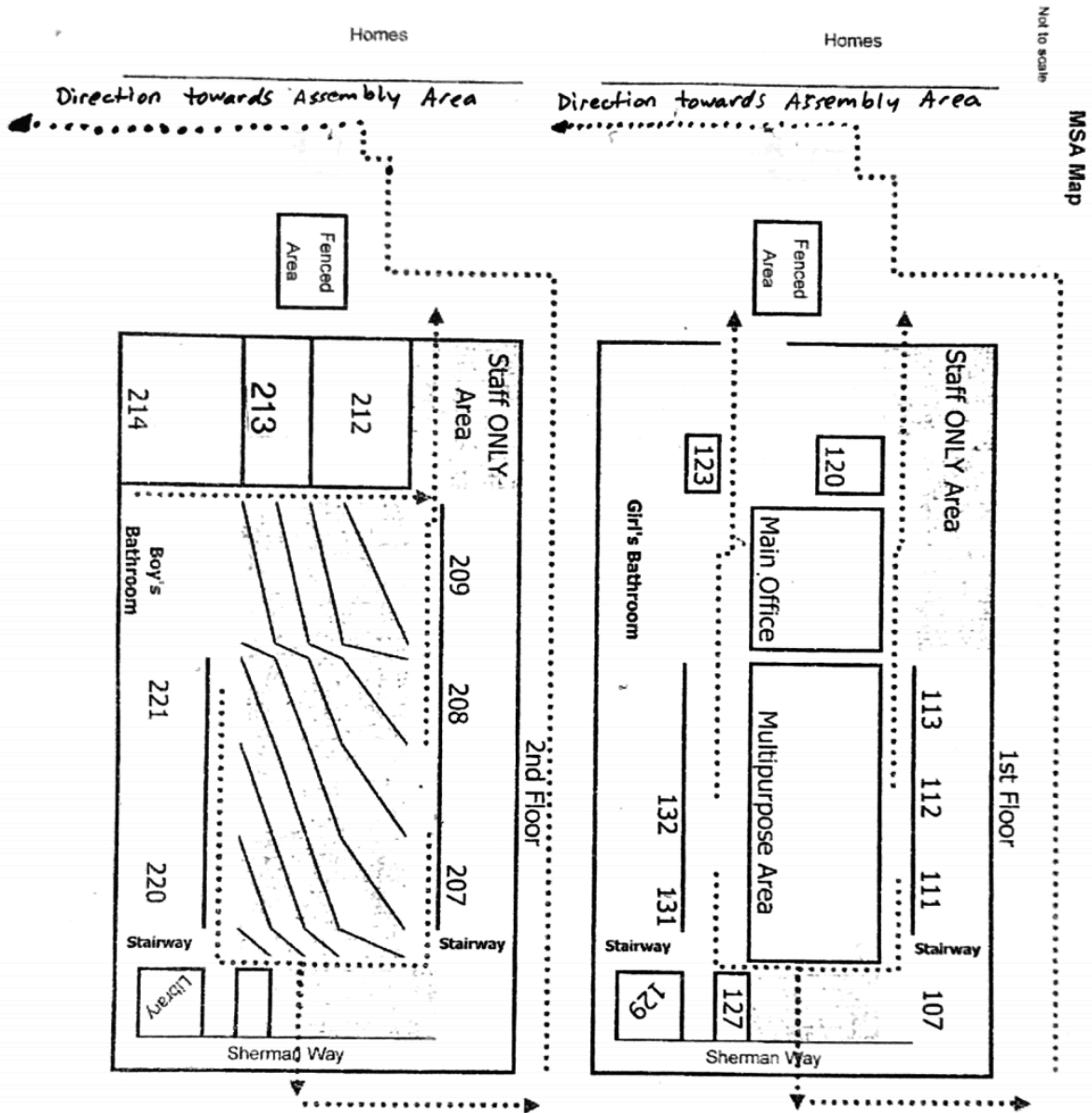
Component 2 - Physical Environment

- Goal(s): Maintain and upkeep a safe school campus
 - Objective: Monthly school personnel will complete a campus walk-thru form to identify any areas of need.
 - Related Activities: Teachers can report concerns during weekly staff meetings.
 - Resources needed: Walk-thru form, building supplies
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Plant manager

- Budget: Refer to schools annual budget
- Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

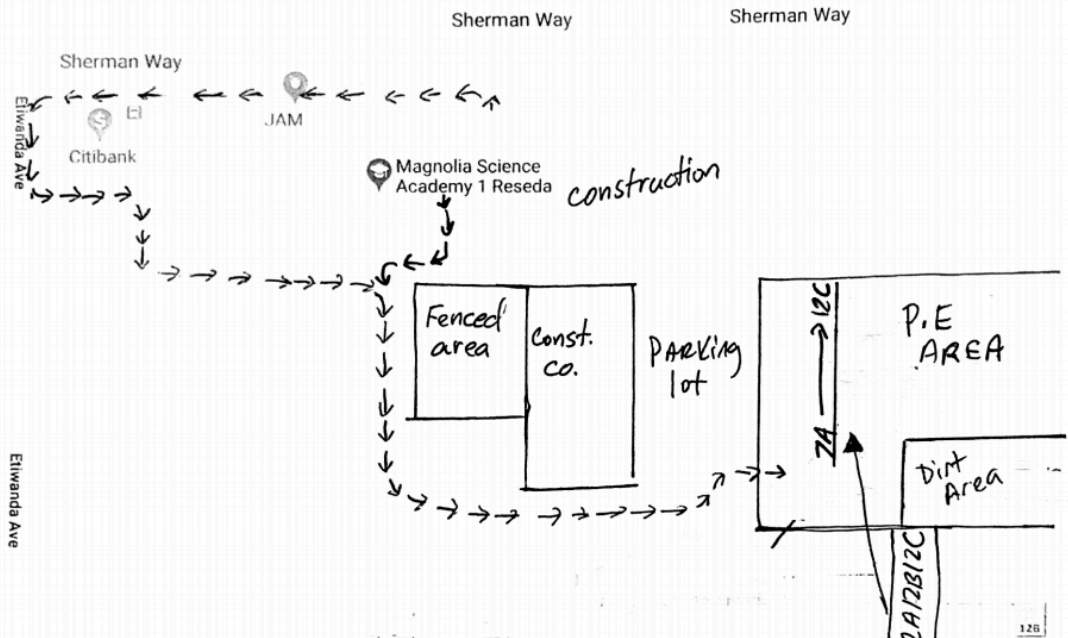
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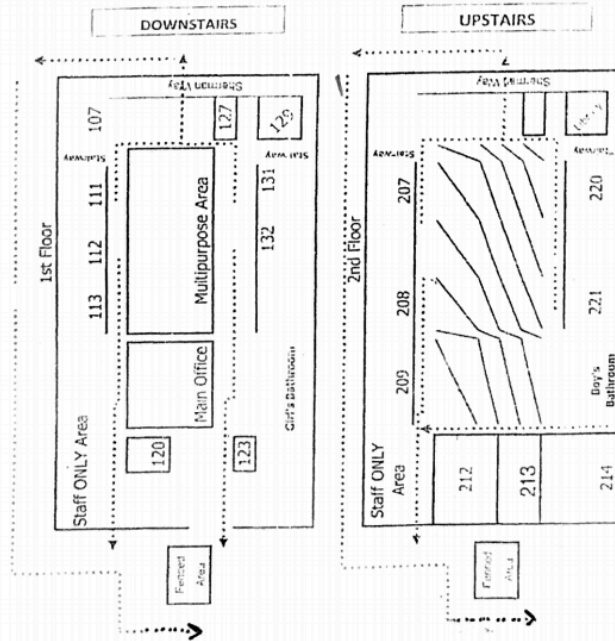
Evacuation Map

Safety Drill Map



Evacuation Map

MSA Emergency Procedures



7A 7B 7C 7D 8A 8B 8C 9A 9B 9C 10A 10B 10C 11A 11B 11C 12A 12B 12C
 Line up students in order of their grade group here

Emergency Drill Status Report

Magnolia Science Academy

DATE: _____

DRILL/EMERGENCY STATUS REPORT

RETURN TO THE ASSEMBLY AREA/INCIDENT COMMAND CENTER

TEACHER'S NAME _____ ROOM _____

TEACHER'S ASSISTANT'S NAME: _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

PARENT VOLUNTEER(S): _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

STUDENT VOLUNTEER(S): _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

TYPE OF EMERGENCY DRILL:

FIRE: _____ DROP/TAKE COVER: _____ EARTHQUAKE: _____ LOCK DOWN: _____

SHELTER IN-PLACE: _____ EVACUATION: _____ OTHER: _____

ALL STUDENTS ACCOUNTED FOR: YES: _____ NO: _____

MISSING OR UNACCOUNTED FOR:



INJURED STUDENTS/PERSONS & LOCATION:

STUDENT(S)	LOCATION

OTHER:

STUDENT WHO ARE ABSENT:	STUDENT WHO LEFT EARLY:

Emergency Drill Data Sheet

MAGNOLIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS EMERGENCY DRILL DATA WORKSHEET

Use this form to record your drill information

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire | <input type="checkbox"/> Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop" |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earthquake drill with evacuation | <input type="checkbox"/> Campus Protection or "Lockdown" |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter in Place | |

Date: ___/___/___

Name: Meagan Alonso Position: Assistant Principal

E-Mail: malonso@magnoliapublicschools.org Location Code: 8014

1. What type of alert system did you use to alert students/staff of the drill?
 Fire Alarm/Bell Voice through Intercom/PA Bull Horn Whistle

(Omit #2 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

2. Time Drill Started: (am / pm) Time Drill Completed: (am / pm)

3. Total number of staff involved in the drill activity?
 4. Total number of students involved in the drill activity?
 5. Did any special needs students participate in the drill? If yes, about how many?
 6. Did you encounter any challenges with the special needs children? (Y/N)
 7. If yes, please describe challenges: _____

(Omit #8 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Shelter-in-Place", "Drop" & "Lockdown")

8. How long did it take to evacuate all buildings? (minutes)
(Time from START of drill to the time when last staff or student arrived at the staging area.)

(Omit #9 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

9. Did you establish an Incident Command Post? (Y/N)
 10. Did staff bring the School Emergency Response Box to the assembly area? (Y/N)
(Omit #11, 12 & 13 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

11. Did you use any supplies during the drill? (Check all that apply)
 Yes, our staff took supplies out their storing area.
 Yes, our staff used the supplies during the drill.
 No, we did not use emergency supplies.

12. Were parents notified either before or after the drill? (Y/N)
 13. How were parents notified? (method)
 14. Did any parents participate in drill? If yes, about how many?
 15. What did parents do? _____

16. Did you encounter any behavioral problems (non-participation, student/staff distractions, etc.) during the drill? If yes, please briefly describe any problems.

17. Did you encounter problems with any of the following?

(Omit # "d, e, & f" for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")
 (Omit # "f" for Campus Protection or "Lockdown")

	Yes	No	Briefly describe these problems:
a. Alert System	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
b. Students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
c. Staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
d. Parents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
e. Supplies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
f. Evacuation Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>

18. Did you debrief after the drill? (Y/N)

19. What were the three top lessons learned?

1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____

20. How can this drill be improved in the future?

 Administrator's Name

 Administrator's Signature

Emergency Drill Calendar 2018-2019 and 2019-2020

September

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)
- Lockdown Drill

October

- Earthquake Drill
- Take Cover Drill

November

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

December

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

January

- Fire Drill
- Lockdown Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

February

- Earthquake Drill
- Fire Drill
- Take Cover Drill

March

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

April

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

May

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

June

- Fire Drill

Insurance Claim Forms

charterSAFE

Liability Incident Call-In Report

(This form is confidential and should NOT be given to parents, guests, or third parties.)

Charter School: _____ Location / Site: _____

School Administrator's name: _____ Title: _____

Address where incident occurred: _____

Type of Incident:

Parent/guest incident _____ Parent/guest complaint/allegation _____ Employee
complaint/allegation _____

Name of person(s) filing complaint: _____

Date of incident: _____ Time: _____ AM _____ PM _____

Legal complaint or attorney letter received? _____ Yes _____ No (if yes, please fax a copy with this report)

Specific location (e.g. *northwest corner of Building G*) where incident occurred: _____

Staff member responsible at the time of this incident: _____

Contact Information: Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Name of person to whom the incident/complaint was reported: _____

Contact Information: Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

If the incident/complaint was not reported immediately, why not? _____

Cause of incident or complaint (check any that apply):

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trip/slip/fall | <input type="checkbox"/> Employment dispute |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Allegation of neglect/unsafe conditions | <input type="checkbox"/> Wrongful termination complaint |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Allegation of discrimination or abuse | <input type="checkbox"/> Special education complaint |

(Please describe in detail): _____

Check any of the following possible causes which may apply:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Failure to follow proper policy | <input type="checkbox"/> Retaliation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inattention | <input type="checkbox"/> Act of other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carelessness | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol/drug use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unreasonable demands | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsafe act |

What steps have been taken or recommended to prevent or reduce the likelihood of a recurrence?

Comments:

WITNESS INFORMATION (use separate sheet for additional witnesses)

Name: _____ Name: _____
Address: _____ Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Phone: _____
Email: _____ Email: _____

**Please call in to hotline to report as a claim.
(877) 263-9904**

Do not fax report; the JPA will receive a copy from the hotline.

Host Crisis Help

Home office support team

Always call 911 first when a life-threatening emergency is in place! You can call the Suat Acar, Chief Operations Officer anytime by skipping the below process to get direct guidance. In case you cannot reach the Chief Operations Officer you may call our CEO Mr. Rubalcava or Assistant Director of Student Services Dr. Brenda Lopez for immediate assistance.

- 1- The principal or the dean (Admin) is informed about an emergency or a crisis situation
- 2- If possible, the admin investigates and provides an incident report to the host@magnolia email. In case of urgency the admin or designee sends an email to host@magnolia immediately then provides the incident report later.
- 3- Suat Acar directs the conversation to the related, appropriate home office staff for further follow-up. Either Suat or related home office staff start a text message conversation for quick, instant communication
- 4- Case follow up report to be provided to host@magnolia by the related home office staff and the school admin.

5- If the case investigation, follow up needs further time the related home office staff will follow up with the admin.

Possible emergency cases, crisis situations:

* Lock downs (Active shooters or etc.)

* Natural Catastrophes, major tragic events that took place on or around the school grounds that may affect the school's schedule or programs

Additionally, the following number is used as the crisis group call in line as necessary

Phone Number: 1 (669) 224-3412

Access Code: 921-759-077

Comprehensive School Safety Plan

Magnolia Science Academy 1 Amigo Campus
LACOE

Mustafa Sahin, Principal
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818-975-8291
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Magnolia Science Academy 1 Amigo Campus

A meeting for public input was held on 10/25/2018 at MSA1

Reviewed by Law Enforcement on 10/29/2018

Plan Adopted by School Site Council on 10/25/2018

Plan approved by Magnolia Public Schools Board _____

Committee members

Mustafa Sahin, Principal
Lori Morley, Designee
Greg Hanson, Teacher Representative
Jessica Gomez, Classified Employee
Oscar Martin, LAPD, PII Officer

Public Inspection

This document is available for public inspection at Magnolia Science Academy-1 and on website at <https://msa1.magnoliapublicschools.org/>

School Site Mission

Mission and Vision

MPS provides a college preparatory educational program emphasizing science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM) in a safe environment that cultivates respect for self and others.

MPS's vision is that graduates of Magnolia Public Schools are scientific thinkers who contribute to the global community as socially responsible and educated members of society.

MPS has identified the following core values, which are reinforced through the Life Skills curriculum, student learning outcomes (SLOs), and all school activities:

Excellence

Academic Excellence is the desire to pursue knowledge and excellence and to contribute original and provocative ideas in a learning environment, in diverse settings, and as a catalyst to future academic knowledge. We foster academic excellence through project based learning using a constructivist approach, student portfolios, assessments of and for learning and academic discourse and argumentative writing. Scholars learn where and how to access the needed information to advance their academic pursuits and societal contributions.

Innovation

Students will have the freedom to choose how and what they learn. Individualized scheduling, early identification of learning styles, personalities, interest and career plans will support students' college and career readiness. This will include student participation in their four-year plans, after school enrichment programs, STEAM program choice options, adaptive assessments and blended learning strategies, differentiated instruction and differentiated and adaptive assessments.

Connection

School communities are integrated partnerships with the school site staff, families, students and all other stakeholders. This sense of connection creates a safe place for all learners and stakeholders to affirm individual strengths, celebrate character, provide academic support through mentorship and internship, promote unity and better decision making through the implementation of restorative justice practices. Additionally, community cultivates identity and gives each member a sense of belonging and pride. MPS utilizes home visits, student surveys, field trips, life skills classes and coaching to support our overall community-based goals. We work with community partners to establish mentoring relationships and other social capital to support our students' development of personal and academic networks for long-term resilience and connection.

Statement of Purpose

A comprehensive School Safety Plan helps to ensure a safe school environment, thereby enhancing the learning experience and improving student academic achievement. This plan is implemented to protect the safety of students and staff and to provide emergency preparedness and guidelines. This plan addresses the following objectives:

- Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff.
- Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations.
- Protect the school's facilities and property.
- In the case of an emergency, allow the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible.
- Provide for coordination between the school and local emergency services when necessary.

Employee Preparedness

A number of measures are taken on an ongoing basis to ensure that school staff is prepared to respond immediately and appropriately to disasters. These include:

- Review of this Plan and any other emergency policies and procedures;
- Review of an employee's role during an emergency;
- Knowledge of how to conduct and evaluate required drills;
- Familiarity with the layout of buildings, grounds and all emergency procedures;
- Review of the location of all emergency exits, fire extinguishers, fire alarms and emergency equipment and supplies;
- Attend update training in first aid, CPR, use of fire extinguishers and search and rescue as necessary.

Employee Skills

At the beginning of each school year, all instructional and non-instructional staff will be asked by the School Principal, or his/her designee, to identify those with special skills or experience that may be helpful during an emergency. These employees may be asked to fulfill certain emergency management roles (i.e., first aid, CPR, search & rescue and/or fire extinguisher training & certification).

Instructional staff is responsible for the following:

- Present instruction to students about emergency preparedness plans for the site and student responsibilities in case of a major emergency;
- Keep attendance sheets readily accessible at all times in order to check attendance in the event of evacuation;
- Update the contents of classroom emergency kit and keep it in a safe, accessible location;
- Participate fully in fire, earthquake and evacuation drills;
- Have planned activities for students for use during periods of confinement during an emergency situation.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, is responsible for the following:

- Assign employees to roles and responsibilities for an emergency, taking into consideration the skills, abilities and normal functions of employees;

- Ensure that all employees are familiar with the site maps and evacuation plans and are trained in emergency response and preparedness roles and responsibilities;
- Update the list of employees who are trained in first aid, CPR, the use of fire extinguishers, and search and rescue. Arrange for update training as necessary;
- Update as necessary the site floor plan showing evacuation routes and the location of assembly areas, emergency supplies and equipment, fire extinguishers, fire alarm pulls, master electrical panels, and main water and gas shut off valves;
- Ensure that emergency procedures are posted in classrooms, hallways, school office, cafeterias and employee lounges;
- Update the list of any disabled students or employees or those who may need evacuation assistance or other special assistance;
- Test the site warning system and ensure that the system's signal(s) is recognized and understood by employees and students;
- Conduct an inventory of all emergency supplies and equipment and replace used or outdated supplies and equipment;
- Maintain a list of emergency phone numbers in a readily accessible location.

Employee/Student Special Needs

Staff with temporary or permanent impairments of sight, hearing or mobility may self-identify indicating what assistance may be required in the event of an emergency. Students with special needs are identified at the beginning of each school year. Parents are asked to provide written information/instructions concerning specific needs.

Those areas of the school that have employees and/or students with permanent mobility impairments should maintain any necessary evacuation device on each floor where such employees and/or students are located.

Emergency On-Site Personnel

Staff emergency phone contacts will be kept on file at the school office. Staff with specific training in emergency response, safety, CPR, etc. will also be noted on a list kept at the school.

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Assessment of the Current Status of School Crime

1. Data sources the committee reviewed:
 - a. Local law enforcement crime data
 - i. Top three crime violations in our area last year, based on www.crimemapping.com/map/region/lapdWestValleyArea were:
 1. Vehicle break in
 2. Theft/Larceny
 3. Burglary
 - b. Suspension/Expulsion data:
 - i. Student information data was used to identify top suspendable/expellable offenses at our campus. A tremendous decrease in suspensions/expulsions were noted due to the implementation of positive behavior support model.
 - ii. Behavior referrals, Illuminate was used to identify and segregate all behavior referrals.
 - c. School Improvement Plan
 - i. Reviewed current years plan to identify any additional areas of improvement needed.
 - d. Property Damage data
 - i. Reviewed Illuminate behavior data to identify any property damage that has occurred.
 - e. Attendance rates
 - i. Student attendance rates were pulled from Illuminate.
 - ii. Truancy data was pulled from Illuminate
2. The committee reviewed the data and identified the appropriate strategies and programs that provide high-level school safety.
 - a. Parent/Student Handbook
 - b. School Safety Committee
 - c. Discipline Committee
 - d. Administration
 - e. Local School Administration
 - f. School Site Council
 - g. Parent Task Force
 - h. Student Leadership
 - i. Local Law Enforcement Collaboration
3. We will continue to review data in the upcoming academic year to continually revise and identification appropriate strategies and programs that provide/maintain a high level of school safety, both on and off campus.

Child Abuse Reporting Procedures

Child abuse shall be reported in compliance with the procedures set forth in the MPS Employee Handbook and in accordance with California law. The reporting of suspected child abuse is mandatory. Our staff will continue to receive training to establish best practices for school personnel to prevent abuse, including sexual abuse, of children on school grounds, by school personnel, or in school-sponsored programs, and post on our department's Internet Web site links to existing training resources, in compliance with EC 44691.

Mandated reporters include, but are not limited to, teachers; instructional aides; teacher's aides or assistants; classified employees; certificated pupil personnel employees; administrative officers or supervisors of child attendance; administrators and employees of a licensed day care facility; Head Start teachers; district police or security officers; licensed nurses or health care providers; and administrators, presenters, and counselors of a child abuse prevention program. (Penal Code 11165.7) Reasonable suspicion means that it is objectively reasonable for a person to entertain a suspicion, based upon facts that could cause a reasonable person in a like position, drawing when appropriate on his/her training and experience, to suspect child abuse or neglect. However, reasonable suspicion does not require certainty that child abuse or neglect has occurred nor does it require a specific medical indication of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Reportable Offenses

A mandated reporter shall make a report using the procedures provided below whenever, in his/her professional capacity or within the scope of his/her employment, he/she has knowledge of or observes a child whom the mandated reporter knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Responsibility for Reporting

The reporting duties of mandated reporters are individual and cannot be delegated to another person. (Penal Code 11166)

No supervisor or administrator shall impede or inhibit a mandated reporter from making a report. (Penal Code 11166)

Reporting Procedures

1. Initial Telephone Report

Immediately or as soon as practicable after knowing or observing suspected child abuse or neglect, a mandated reporter shall make an initial report by telephone to any police department (excluding a school district police/security department), sheriff's department, county probation department if designated by the county to receive such reports, or county welfare department. (Penal Code 11165.9, 11166)

Department of Child and Family Services
800-540-4000

2. Written Report

Within 36 hours of knowing or observing the information concerning the incident, the mandated reporter shall then prepare and either send, fax, or electronically submit to the appropriate agency a written follow-up report, which includes a completed Department of Justice form (SS 8572). (Penal Code 11166, 11168)

Victim Interviews by Social Services/Law Enforcement

Whenever a representative from the Department of Social Services or another government agency investigating suspected child abuse or neglect deems it necessary, a suspected victim may be interviewed during school hours, on school premises, concerning a report of suspected child abuse or neglect that occurred within the child's home or out-of-home care facility. The child shall be given the choice of being interviewed in private or in the presence of any adult school employee or volunteer aide selected by the child. (Penal Code 11174.3)

A staff member or volunteer aide selected by a child may decline to be present at the interview. If the selected person accepts, the principal or designee shall inform him/her of the following requirements: (Penal Code 11174.3)

1. The purpose of the selected person's presence at the interview is to lend support to the child and enable him/her to be as comfortable as possible.
2. The selected person shall not participate in the interview.
3. The selected person shall not discuss the facts or circumstances of the case with the child.
4. The selected person is subject to the confidentiality requirements of the Child Abuse and Neglect

Reporting Act, a violation of which is punishable as specified in Penal Code 11167.5.

If a staff member agrees to be present, the interview shall be held at a time during school hours when it does not involve an expense to the school. (Penal Code 11174.3)

Release of Child to Peace Officer

When a child is released to a peace officer and taken into custody as a victim of suspected child abuse or neglect, the designee and/or principal shall not notify the parent/guardian, but rather shall provide the peace officer with the address and telephone number of the child's parent/guardian. It is the responsibility of the peace officer or agent to notify the parent/guardian of the situation. (Education Code 48906)

SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE REPORT

To Be Completed by **Mandated Child Abuse Reporters**
Pursuant to Penal Code Section 11166

CASE NAME: _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

CASE NUMBER: _____

A. REPORTING PARTY	NAME OF MANDATED REPORTER		TITLE		MANDATED REPORTER CATEGORY						
	REPORTER'S BUSINESS/AGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	DID MANDATED REPORTER WITNESS THE INCIDENT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO				
	REPORTER'S TELEPHONE (DAYTIME) ()		SIGNATURE		TODAY'S DATE						
B. REPORT NOTIFICATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW ENFORCEMENT <input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY PROBATION		AGENCY								
	<input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY WELFARE / CPS (Child Protective Services)										
	ADDRESS		Street	City	Zip	DATE/TIME OF PHONE CALL					
OFFICIAL CONTACTED - TITLE				TELEPHONE ()							
C. VICTIM One report per victim	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)			BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY				
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	TELEPHONE ()				
	PRESENT LOCATION OF VICTIM			SCHOOL		CLASS	GRADE				
	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	OTHER DISABILITY (SPECIFY)		PRIMARY LANGUAGE SPOKEN IN HOME						
	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	IF VICTIM WAS IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE AT TIME OF INCIDENT, CHECK TYPE OF CARE:			TYPE OF ABUSE (CHECK ONE OR MORE)						
	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> DAY CARE	<input type="checkbox"/> CHILD CARE CENTER	<input type="checkbox"/> FOSTER FAMILY HOME	<input type="checkbox"/> FAMILY FRIEND	<input type="checkbox"/> PHYSICAL	<input type="checkbox"/> MENTAL	<input type="checkbox"/> SEXUAL	<input type="checkbox"/> NEGLECT		
	<input type="checkbox"/> GROUP HOME OR INSTITUTION		<input type="checkbox"/> RELATIVE'S HOME		<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)						
RELATIONSHIP TO SUSPECT			PHOTOS TAKEN? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		DID THE INCIDENT RESULT IN THIS VICTIM'S DEATH? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNK						
D. INVOLVED PARTIES	VICTIM'S SIBLINGS										
	NAME		BIRTHDATE	SEX	ETHNICITY	NAME		BIRTHDATE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
	1. _____		3. _____		2. _____		4. _____				
	VICTIM'S PARENTS/GUARDIANS										
	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)			BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY				
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	HOME PHONE ()	BUSINESS PHONE ()			
	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)			BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY				
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	HOME PHONE ()	BUSINESS PHONE ()			
SUSPECT	SUSPECT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)			BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY				
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	TELEPHONE ()				
	OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION										
E. INCIDENT INFORMATION	IF NECESSARY, ATTACH EXTRA SHEET(S) OR OTHER FORM(S) AND CHECK THIS BOX <input type="checkbox"/> IF MULTIPLE VICTIMS, INDICATE NUMBER: _____										
	DATE / TIME OF INCIDENT				PLACE OF INCIDENT						
	NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (What victim(s) said/what the mandated reporter observed/what person accompanying the victim(s) said/similar or past incidents involving the victim(s) or suspect)										

SS 8572 (Rev. 12/02)

DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE

DO NOT submit a copy of this form to the Department of Justice (DOJ). The investigating agency is required under Penal Code Section 11169 to submit to DOJ a Child Abuse Investigation Report Form SS 8583 if (1) an active investigation was conducted and (2) the incident was not determined to be unfounded.

WHITE COPY-Police or Sheriff's Department; BLUE COPY-County Welfare or Probation; GREEN COPY-District Attorney's Office; YELLOW COPY-Reporting Party

DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF FORM SS 8572

All Penal Code (PC) references are located in Article 2.5 of the PC. This article is known as the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act, also known as CANRA. The Internet site is: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html> (specify Penal Code and search for Sections 11164-11174.3). A mandated reporter must complete and submit the form SS 8572 even if some information is not known. (PC Section 11167(a).)

I. MANDATED CHILD ABUSE REPORTERS

- Mandated child abuse reporters include all those individuals and entities as defined in PC Section 11165.7.

II. TO WHOM REPORTS ARE TO BE MADE (DESIGNATED AGENCIES)

- Reports of suspected child abuse or neglect shall be made by mandated reporters to any police department or sheriff's department (not including a school district police or security department), county probation department (if designated by the county to receive mandated reports) or the county welfare department. (PC Section 11165.9.)

III. REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

- Any mandated reporter who has knowledge of or observes a child, in his or her professional capacity or within the scope of his or her employment, whom he or she knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect shall report such suspected instance of abuse or neglect to a designated agency immediately or as soon as practically possible by telephone and shall prepare and send a written report thereof *within 36 hours* of receiving the information concerning the incident. (PC Section 11166(a).)
- No mandated reporter who reports a suspected instance of child abuse or neglect shall be held civilly or criminally liable for any report required or authorized by the CANRA. Any other person reporting a known or suspected instance of child abuse or neglect shall not incur civil or criminal liability as a result of any report authorized by the CANRA unless it can be proven the report was false and the person knew it was false or make the report with reckless disregard of its truth or falsity. (PC Section 11172(a).)

IV. INSTRUCTIONS

- SECTION A - REPORTING PARTY:** Enter the mandated reporter's name, title, category (from PC Section 11165.7), business (agency) name and address, telephone number, a signature and today's date. Also check yes-no whether you (the mandated reporter) witnessed the incident. The signature area is for either the mandated report or the person taking as telephoned report.

IV. INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

- SECTION B - REPORT NOTIFICATION:** Complete the name and address of the designated agency notified, date of the written report, date/time of the phone call and the name, title and telephone number of the official contacted.
- SECTION C - VICTIM** (One Report per Family, siblings must have same parents/guardians): Enter the victim's name, address, telephone number, birth date or approximate age, sex, ethnicity, present location, and where applicable enter the school, class (indicate the teacher's name or room number), and grade. List the primary language spoken in the victim's home. Check the appropriate yes-no box for: developmentally disabled?, physically disabled? and specify the victim's other disability. To determine if the victim has a disability, ask the victim's parent or care giver. Also check the appropriate yes-no box for in foster care?, indicate type of care if the victim was in out-of-home care, indicate the type of abuse. List the victim's relationship to the suspect, check the appropriate yes-no box for photos taken?, indicate whether the incident resulted in this victim's death.
- SECTION D - INVOLVED PARTIES:** Enter the requested information for: Victim's Siblings, Victim's Parents/Guardians and the Suspect.
- SECTION E - INCIDENT INFORMATION:** If multiple victims, enter the number. Enter date/time and place of the incident. Provide a narrative of the incident. Attach extra sheets if needed.

V. DISTRIBUTION

- Reporting Party:** After completing Form SS 8572, retain the yellow copy for your records and submit the top three copies to the designated agency.
- Designated Agency:** *Within 36 hours* of receipt of Form SS 8572, send **white copy** to police or sheriff, **blue copy** to county welfare or probation, and **green copy** to district attorney.

ETHNICITY CODES

1 Alaskan Native	6 Caribbean	11 Guamanian	16 Korean	22 Polynesian	27 White-Armenian
2 American Indian	7 Central American	12 Hawaiian	17 Laotian	23 Samoan	28 White-Central American
3 Asian Indian	8 Chinese	13 Hispanic	18 Mexican	24 South American	29 White-European
4 Black	9 Ethiopian	14 Hmong	19 Other Asian	25 Vietnamese	30 White-Middle Eastern
5 Cambodian	10 Filipino	15 Japanese	21 Other Pac Islndr	26 White	31 White-Romanian

Disaster Response Procedures

General Policies and Procedures for Handling Safety and Specific Emergency Situations:

The purpose of the safety and emergency sections of this Plan is to provide safety and emergency preparedness and response instructions to protect the safety and well being of students and staff at the time of an emergency. Specific goals include:

1. Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff;
2. Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations;
3. Protect the school's facilities and property;
4. Enable the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible;
5. Provide for interface and coordination between the school and local authorities and resources.

Emergencies

In the case of an emergency, the general policy is that actions should be taken to allow the school to remain in operation to the extent possible. The situation should be addressed to minimize interruption of normal operations at the school, and students will usually be cared for until regular dismissal time. Where an emergency situation poses a serious threat to the safety and well being of students and staff, evacuation will occur until any danger has passed. When necessary, school may be dismissed by the School Principal, or his/her designee.

Fire

In the case of a school fire, the following procedures should be implemented:

- Sound building fire alarm.
- Notify Fire Department by dialing 911. The Fire Department is to be notified of any fires larger in size than a wastebasket. The Fire Department should be given the following information:
 - School name and phone number.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location of the fire within the building.
- Have students and staff evacuate the building in accordance with established procedures.
- Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
- All doors leading to the fire should be closed. Do not re-enter the area for belongings. If the area is full of smoke, students and staff should be instructed to crawl along the floor, close to walls, thus making breathing easier and providing direction. Before opening any door, place a hand one inch from the door near the top to see if it is hot. Be prepared to close the door quickly at the first sign of fire to avoid the spread of fire.
- Clear access routes for emergency vehicles. Remain at a safe distance from the fire and away from firefighting equipment.
- Render first aid as necessary.
- Check attendance. Remain with students.

Medical Emergency

Medical emergencies and accidents can occur at any time and may involve a student or employee. Some emergencies may only require first aid care, while others may require immediate medical attention. When in doubt, it is better to err on the side of caution and dial 911.

- Medical emergencies involving any student or employee must be reported to the School Principal, or his/her designee. Dial 911 or direct someone to do so.
- Provide the following information:
 - School name and phone number.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location within the building.
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Nature of the emergency.
 - Do not hang up until advised to do so by dispatcher.
- Notify the school office that an individual has been injured and an ambulance has been called.
- Ask someone to dispatch a first aid/CPR trained employee to the victim.
- Stay calm. Keep victim warm with a coat or blanket.
- Do not move the victim unless there is danger of further injury. Do not give the victim anything to eat or drink.
- Draft written incident report and submit it to School Principal, or his/her designee, before the end of the next workday.

Earthquakes

Earthquakes strike without warning and the major shock is usually followed by numerous aftershocks, which may last for weeks or months. An earthquake's effect on buildings will vary from building to building.

The major threat of injury during an earthquake is from falling objects and debris, and many injuries are sustained while entering or leaving buildings. Therefore, it is important to remain inside the building and quickly move away from windows, glass, partitions and shelves. In the case of an earthquake, the following procedures should be followed:

- Take cover under a sturdy desk or table, in a doorway, or against an inside wall until the shaking stops. Give DROP AND COVER command.
- After shaking stops, check for injuries, and render first aid.
- If ordered by School Principal or his/her designee, evacuate.
- Do not return to building.
- Do not light any fires.
- Keep a safe distance from any downed power lines.
- Check attendance whether or not evacuation takes place. Report any missing students to School Principal, or his/her designee.
- Stay alert for aftershocks.
- Beware that shaking may activate fire alarm or sprinkler systems.
- Elevators and stairways will need to be inspected for damage before they can be used.
- School principal, or his/her designee, will issue further instructions.
- Certificated and classified school staff are trained annually on emergency earthquake procedures

Assaults

Assaults involve acts of striking or inflicting injury to a person and are regarded as serious matters. Any threat or assault on students or employees should be reported immediately to the School Principal, or his/her designee. The School Principal (or designee) will determine if law enforcement officials should be notified.

If a serious assault occurs:

- Dial 911.
- Seek first aid or medical attention, if indicated.
- Have photographs taken of any injuries.
- Write down a physical description of the assailant (sex, age, height, weight, race, clothing, and any weapon used) as soon as possible after the incident.
- Obtain names and telephone numbers of any witnesses.
- Draft incident report and submit it to the School Principal, or his/her designee.
- School Principal or his /her designee will submit incident report to the local law enforcement if incident is serious.

Hazardous Materials

Hazardous material spills may occur inside a building, such as a spill in a chemistry lab. Incidents of disaster magnitude may occur outside, such as a tank truck accident involving large quantities of toxic material.

Procedures:

- If a spill is minor and inside, notify buildings and grounds personnel immediately for clean up. Open windows for ventilation.
- If a more serious spill occurs inside or outside:
- Call 911. Notify Fire Department, Emergency Response Unit, and/ or Public Health Department.

- Provide the following:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Location of the spill and/or materials released.
 - Characteristics of spill (colors, smells, visible gases).
 - Name of substance, if known.
 - Injuries, if any.
 - Notify buildings and grounds personnel.
 - Close all windows and doors if the spill is outside.

- Request that buildings personnel shut off mechanical ventilating systems if it might spread toxic material.
- Remain inside building unless ordered to evacuate by the Fire Department.
- Fire Department will advise of further actions to be taken.
- Do not eat or drink anything or apply cosmetics.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought.

- The School Principal, or his/her designee, if necessary, will give approval for student release or site evacuation.

Civil Disturbance

A civil disturbance is any situation where a person or group of persons disrupts operations or threatens the safety of individuals. The following precautionary protective measures should be taken:

- Notify local law enforcement authorities - Dial 911.
- If participants enter the building, remain calm and do not provoke aggression. Report disruptive circumstances to school Principal, or his/her designee.
- Do not argue with participant(s).
- Have all students and employees leave the immediate area of disturbance.
- If the disturbance is outside the building, remain inside building, unless instructed otherwise by the School Principal or police officials. Lock all doors. Stay away from windows and exterior doors.
- If the disturbance is inside the building, follow procedures for evacuation of the school site.
- Follow further instructions as police officials and other local law enforcement authorities issue them.
- Draft incident report for School Principal, or his/her designee.

Vandalism

The following procedures should be used in the case of school vandalism:

- Notify school principal, or his/her designee.
- Notify building and ground maintenance personnel.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, will assess the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed, including local law enforcement.
- If possible, identify the parties involved.
- Interview witnesses and obtain written statements.
- Document the incident as soon as possible and give the incident report, with any witness statements, to the School Principal or his/her designee.
- Notify parents or legal guardian.
- Determine what disciplinary measures are appropriate (in-house or police involvement).
- Determine any monetary restitution issues and amounts.

Utility or Power Failure

The following procedures should be used in case of utility or power failure:

- Staff and students should remain in classroom until further instruction.
- Custodial and maintenance personnel should determine cause of incident and seek outside assistance if necessary.
- Staff and students outside of a classroom at the time of the incident should report to main office.
- Building and grounds personnel report to utility company if necessary.
- If situation requires long-term maintenance and repair and prevents class activities, the School Principal, or his/her designee, may take measures to dismiss school for the day.

- Where utility failure presents an emergency, evacuation procedures should be implemented immediately.

Bomb Threat

Person receiving call:

- Listen - Do not interrupt caller.
- If possible, alert other staff by a pre-arranged signal while the caller is on the line.
- In the event that a bomb threat is received, it is important for the person receiving the call to attempt to keep the caller on the telephone as long as possible. It is also important to listen carefully to all information provided by the caller and to make a note of any voice characteristics, accents, or background noises.
- Attempt to ask questions and elicit the information required to determine the severity of the threat.
- Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, immediately.

The School Principal, or his/her designee will:

- Notify Police Department – Dial 911.
- With the assistance of responding law enforcement personnel, conduct a thorough search of the building & surrounding areas:
 - Classrooms and work areas.
 - Public areas - foyers, office bathrooms and stairwells.
 - Lockers and unlocked closets.
 - Exterior areas -- shrubbery, trashcans, debris boxes, gas valves, etc.
 - Power sources -- electric panels, telephone panels, computer rooms, etc.
- With assistance from responding law enforcement personnel and/or Fire Department, the School Principal, or his/her designee, will evaluate the threat and will determine whether to evacuate the building and/or to continue to search the premises.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought. The School Principal, or his/her designee, must grant approval for student release.
- An incident report should be drafted before the end of the workweek.

Explosion

If an explosion occurs at the school, the following procedures should be used:

- Give DROP AND COVER command.
- Sound building fire alarm. This will automatically implement action to leave the building.
- Notify Fire Department – Dial 911.
- Provide the following information:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location within the building.
 - Your name and phone number.
- Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
- Check attendance. Remain with students.

- Render first aid as necessary.
- Notify grounds and building personnel.
- Keep students and staff at a safe distance from the building(s) and away from firefighting equipment.
- Public safety officials will determine when the building is safe for re-entry, and along with School Principal, or his/her designee, whether student release from the school site is necessary.
- Draft incident report by the end of the week.

Fighting or Riot

School staff should follow these guidelines when a fight occurs:

- Send a reliable student to the office to summon assistance.
- Speak loudly and let everyone know that the behavior should stop immediately.
- Obtain help from other teachers if at all possible.
- If students are starting to gather, attempt to get students away from the commotion as quickly as possible.
- Call out the names of the involved students (if known) and let them know they have been identified.
- For the safety of all students, get additional help from law enforcement personnel if confronted with a serious fight, especially one that involves weapons.
- Attempt to separate the involved students by speaking to them in an assertive tone of voice. Consider the age and/or size of the students, as well as personal safety, before stepping between/among those involved in an altercation. If successful in separating the students, try to avoid using further confrontational behavior.
- Remember that no one can "cool down" instantly; give the students time to talk in a calm setting and gradually change the climate of the situation.

Staff should follow these guidelines when a riot occurs:

- The School Principal, or his/her designee, should encourage teachers and staff to be sensitive to the emotional climate of the campus and attempt to defuse any tensions prior to the eruption of problems.
- Notify local law enforcement of the disturbance and meet at a pre-designated site to evaluate the situation.
- Have a law enforcement officer evaluate and call for any necessary resources such as back-up help, emergency medical help, etc.
- Activate needed emergency plans, which may include:
 - Instructing office staff to handle communications and initiate lockdown orders.
 - Notify transportation to bring appropriate numbers of buses for evacuation or transportation if necessary.
- Assign staff a temporary detention facility, such as a gymnasium, to secure students and log information.
- Direct a teacher or designee to initiate lockdown and immobilize the campus.
- Brief a representative to meet the media.
- Assign staff to a pre-designated medical treatment/triage facility.

Hostage Situation

In case there is a hostage situation at the school, staff should attempt to follow these guidelines:

- Stay calm.
- Don't be a hero.
- Follow instructions of captor.
- Cooperate; be friendly if possible; don't argue with or antagonize captor or other hostages.
- Inform captors of medical or other needs.
- Be prepared to wait; elapsed time is a good sign.
- Don't try to escape; don't try to resolve situation by force.
- Be observant and remember everything that is seen or heard.
- If a rescue takes place, lie on the floor and await instructions from rescuers.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should be responsible for the following:

- Immediately notify law enforcement.
- Move other students and teachers completely away from those who are in the hostage situation.
- Keep everyone as calm as possible.
- Be prepared to answer questions from media or family.

Death of a Student

By far, the worst crisis situation is the death of a student. When a student dies, emotional trauma is a natural occurrence for students, faculty, and staff. A student's death, which occurs on campus, particularly as a result of school violence, is admittedly the most extreme case of trauma for family and the school community. There is no procedure that fits every scenario; each case requires individual attention. Certainly, there is no prescribed method for dealing with such tragedy; however, the following are suggestions for a school's response to death, particularly death that occurs as a result of school violence:

- After the initial response, administrators and counselors will meet immediately to review what has happened. Responding to the psychological needs of both staff and students as soon as possible is the best prevention for the development of post-traumatic stress.
- Get as much information as possible from the family and ask their permission to share it with the students, faculty, and staff. Ask if they have any objection to students, faculty, and staff attending the funeral.
- Relay the information to the students in a factual way, careful to avoid breaching the student or family's privacy. The School Principal and a counselor might consider moving from room to room to tell the students what has happened. They should tell the truth, allow for expression of feelings, and affirm any expressions or feelings the students have. Students need to be told that they may visit a counselor's office for special assistance if they need to talk.
- If possible, allow a break after telling the students in order to give them an opportunity to express their grief with other students.
- Upon returning to school, students should be allowed time to discuss their feelings, talk about the deceased, and discuss memories. Give students, faculty, and staff information about the funeral and allow them to attend, provided the family has granted permission.

- Watch for trouble signs among the students. Be prepared to call in extra counselors if necessary.

Intruder or Individual with Deadly Weapon/Active Shooter

If someone enters the school grounds or buildings with a deadly weapon, the staff should follow these guidelines:

- Avoid confronting the student or gunman.
- Notify the School Principal, or his/her designee, or school office immediately.
- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should follow these guidelines:

- Notify law enforcement immediately.
- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.
- Determine the level of threat. If the level of threat is high, call for additional backup.
- Attempt to get the weapon from the gunman or student through negotiation, or take other appropriate action with the aid of local law enforcement.
- If the level of threat is low, call the student to the office and have law enforcement take the appropriate action.

Lock Down

This action is taken when the threat of violence or gunfire is identified or directed by law enforcement and it is necessary to prevent the perpetrator(s) from entering any occupied campus areas. During Lock Down, students are to remain in the classrooms or designated locations at all times.

- The Principal or Admin designee will make an announcement on the P.A. system that the school is going into a Lock Down situation. If P.A. system is not available, other means of communication, i.e., texting or email to staff or sending messengers. The Principal or Admin designee should remain calm and under control and give clear directions.
- Teachers will lock their doors and shut their blinds and instruct students to stay away from the doors and windows.
- If outside, students will continue to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into the nearby classrooms or school buildings.
- Teachers and students will remain in the classroom or secured area until further instructions are given by the Principal/Admin Designee or law enforcement.
- All entrances to the school are to be locked and no visitors other than appropriate law enforcement or emergency personnel are to be allowed on campus.

Use of School Facilities for Mass Care and Welfare Shelters

In the case of disasters or other emergencies, the school will support the emergency procedure systems mandated by all law enforcement, government, or public safety agencies to ensure that pupils, and both certificated and classified staff follow necessary protocols to allow the school to serve as a mass care and welfare shelter.

Evacuation

In the event conditions in the community or within the school itself necessitate a site evacuation, the following steps should be taken:

The School Principal or his/her designee should:

- Notify the school district office, county official or designee.
- Notify local law enforcement authorities.
- Notify school transportation support.
- Note the special needs of students or staff.
- Direct clerical staff to take schools master enrollment list.
- Direct school nurse or designee to prepare emergency medications to be transported.
- Direct all personnel to leave the building and secure the building.
- Notify students' parents or legal guardians as situation permits.

School staff should:

- Plan to evacuate his/her class and ride the bus or walk as situation dictates.
- Take a copy of class enrollment list.
- Take emergency instructional materials and first aid kits in the event the evacuation lasts several hours.
- Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, of any special needs of students and their requirements.

The first choice for a shelter during a building site evacuation is another building designated by the school district, county or other local authority. Once staff and students have arrived at the host site, the following steps should be taken:

- Notify school nurse or local medical personnel of any medical emergencies.
- Consider how students will be fed and restroom needs met.
- Activate crisis intervention team to deal with any emotional trauma.
- Provide area and materials for parents who may arrive to pick up students.
- Provide an area for non-school community evacuees.

Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco

The use or possession of drugs, alcohol or tobacco is strictly prohibited at the school or around school grounds. If a member of staff suspects that a student is in the possession of a controlled substance, he or she should:

- Identify the parties involved.
- Notify the School Principal or his/her designee immediately.
- Follow-up with a written incident report, including any witness statements.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should do the following:

- Assess the situation and determine the level of assistance needed (i.e. school counselor, police)
- Isolate the parties involved for interview/investigation.

- Notify parent or legal guardian.
- Obtain witness statements and document in a written incident report.
- Determine disciplinary consequences. See *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.
- Determine what intervention or follow-up procedures are necessary including counseling.

Floor Plan

A floor plan of the school site buildings and grounds, which indicates the location of all exits, utility shut-offs, fire extinguishers, and emergency equipment and supplies, will be maintained and updated, as necessary. The floor plan should also indicate outdoor assembly area(s) and evacuation route(s) from the site. (This item is stored with the plant manager and also located in the office of the School Principal)

A copy of the floor plan will be posted in each classroom at the school, in the school hallway and at the school's main office. Staff should familiarize themselves with the contents of the floor plan and with evacuation procedures.

Fire Drills

The school shall conduct fire drills on a regular basis to prepare for possible evacuation in case of an emergency. The School Principal, or his/her designee, will specify the date and time of emergency drills. All students and staff are required to participate in these mandated drills.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, will designate an outdoor assembly area(s) where students and staff will gather whenever the building is evacuated. Unless instructed otherwise by public safety officials, students and staff will gather by class and attendance will be taken. The names of any missing individuals will be relayed to search and rescue teams and public safety officials.

School Safety Management Team

Management Organization Chart

The Principal is the overall director of the School Safety Management Team and will appoint those members of the staff necessary to respond to issues of safety at the School and in the case of an emergency. Depending upon the nature of an emergency, additional administrative, teaching and support staff may also be part of the team, but may act only when assigned specific duties by the Principal.

Guidelines for Handling the Media

Whenever a natural disaster or crisis situation occurs, media coverage is a certainty. School staff and administrators are encouraged to follow these guidelines when dealing with the media. The School Principal should assign a school spokesperson to deal directly with the media.

- Develop a written statement for dissemination.
- Get the maximum amount of information out to the media - and thus the public - as rapidly as possible.
- Appoint a spokesperson (usually the principal).
- Keep the staff informed through one person.
- Be proactive with the media.

- Contact the media before they contact the school.
- Set geographic and time limits.
- Explain restrictions.
- Hold the press accountable.
- Create positive relations with the media before an emergency crisis occurs.
- Stress positive actions taken by the school.
- Announce new changes made after the incident has passed.

Annual Inspections

The School Principal, or his/her designee, with the assistance of local support personnel where necessary, will conduct an annual inspection for situations that pose potential hazards. Of particular importance is proper storage of chemicals and correct labeling of all containers. Failure of one or more of the utilities (electricity, gas, water) constitutes a condition that must be dealt with on a situational basis. A walk-through inspection of each area of each building will be conducted using a checklist of the following:

- Classroom
- Corridors
- Cafeteria
- Office
- Teacher's Workroom and Employee Lounge
- Restrooms
- Custodial
- Storage Room
- Yard (or Grounds)

Where multiple rooms of the same type are to be inspected (e.g., classrooms, offices), be sure to note the exact identification (e.g., Room 7; women's restroom). Complete each section of the checklist. Provide a brief description of the problem in the section provided.

Appropriate measures will be taken to correct the problem at the direction of the School Principal.

When possible, personnel at the site (e.g., custodian) will handle corrections or repairs and may provide an estimate of the necessary repairs and corrections. The custodian or other buildings and grounds personnel will advise the School Principal, or his/her designee, of problems that cannot be corrected by site staff.

Parental Notification

In the case of an emergency requiring evacuation of the school site, parents will be notified as soon as possible. At the beginning of each school year, all parents will be asked to provide emergency contact information, sign an emergency medical release form for their child, and designate persons who are authorized to pick-up their child in the event of an emergency.

Classroom Safety Kits

Emergency and first aid supplies are necessary when an emergency or injury occurs at the school. Emergency and first aid supplies should be kept in the school's central office and in individual classrooms as needed. At the beginning of each school year, each classroom will receive a classroom safety kit. Suggested items in case of an emergency:

- Blankets
- Matches
- Pillows
- Bottled Water
- Flashlights
- Paper Towels
- Batteries
- Wet Ones
- Radio (battery operated)
- Sheets
- Candles

Suggested first aid items:

- Assorted Band Aids
- Gauze
- Sterile Water (for burns)
- Tape
- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Bandages
- Instant Ice Packs
- Ace Bandages
- Package of Sewing Needles
- Slings
- Anti-bacterial salve
- Steri-strips or butterfly stitches
- Disposable gloves
- Face masks
- CPR (disposable mouthpieces)
- Current first aid book

In case of an emergency evacuation, staff will take this kit to the evacuation site, along with an attendance sheet.

Suspension and Expulsion Policies

Students with an IEP:

If a student has an IEP, that IEP and any applicable behavior plan shall be followed, accordingly to state and federal law. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team may meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved.

MPS follows state and federal laws regarding discipline, including suspension and expulsion, of students with disabilities. See also Section D: Suspension and Expulsion Procedures for more information.

SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION PROCEDURES

“The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled.” (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(J).)

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Charter School shall provide due process for all students, including adequate and timely notice to parents/guardians and students of the grounds for all suspension and expulsion recommendations and decisions and their due process rights regarding suspension and expulsion, including rights of appeal.

Charter School shall ensure that its policies and procedures regarding suspension and expulsion will be periodically reviewed, and modified as necessary, in order to conform to changes in state law.

Charter School shall ensure that its staff is knowledgeable about and complies with the District's Discipline Foundation Policy and/or current equivalent policy, as required by the Modified Consent Decree. Charter School shall comply with the terms of the School Discipline Policy and School Climate Bill of Rights resolution adopted by the LAUSD Board of Education on May 6, 2013.

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

Charter School shall document and implement the alternatives to suspension and expulsion that Charter School utilizes in response to attendance-related concerns, e.g. truancy or excessive tardiness.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Charter School shall establish and implement policies and procedures to ensure full compliance with federal and state laws and regulations regarding the discipline of students with disabilities. If a student is recommended for expulsion and the student receives or is eligible for special education, pending the completion of the expulsion process, Charter School shall identify and provide special education programs and services at an appropriate interim educational placement determined in coordination with the LAUSD Division of Special Education.

In the case of a student who has an Individualized Education Program (“IEP”), or a student who has a Section 504 Plan, Charter School shall ensure that it follows correct disciplinary procedures to comply with the mandates of state and federal laws, including IDEA and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Plan of 1973. As set forth in the MOU regarding special education between the District and Charter School, an IEP team will meet to conduct a manifestation determination and to discuss alternative placement utilizing the District’s Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual. Prior to recommending expulsion for a student with a Section 504 Plan, Charter School’s administrator will convene a Link Determination meeting to ask the following two questions:

- A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student’s disability?
- B. Was the misconduct a direct result of the Charter School’s failure to implement Section 504?

NOTIFICATION OF THE DISTRICT

Upon expelling any student, Charter School shall notify the Charter Schools Division by submitting an expulsion packet to the CSD immediately or as soon as practicable, which shall contain:

- Completed “Notification of Charter School Expulsion” [form available from the CSD website or office], including attachments as required on the form
- Documentation of the expulsion proceeding, including statement of specific facts supporting the expulsion and documentation that Charter School’s policies and procedures were followed
- Copy of parental notice of expulsion hearing
- Copy of expulsion notice provided to parent stating reason for expulsion, term of expulsion, rehabilitation plan, reinstatement notice with eligibility date and instructions for providing proof of student’s compliance for reinstatement, appeal process, and options for enrollment
- If the student is eligible for Special Education, documentation related to expulsion in compliance with IDEA and the MCD, including the Expulsion Analysis page of the pre-expulsion IEP
- If the student is eligible for Section 504 accommodations, documentation that Charter School conducted a Link Determination meeting to address two questions:
 - A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student’s disability?
 - B. Was the misconduct a direct result of Charter School’s failure to implement Section 504 Plan?

Notwithstanding and apart from the documentation sent to the Charter Schools Division as indicated above, if the student is a resident of a school district other than LAUSD, Charter School must notify the superintendent of the student’s district of residence within 30 days of the expulsion. Additionally, upon request of the receiving school district, Charter School shall forward student records no later than 10 school days from the date of the request as stated in Education Code section 49068 (a) and (b).

OUTCOME DATA

Charter School shall gather and maintain all data related to placement, tracking, and monitoring of student suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements, and make such outcome data readily available to the District upon request.

REHABILITATION PLANS

Pupils who are expelled from Charter School shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by Charter School's governing board at the time of the expulsion order, which may include, but is not limited to, periodic review as well as assessment at the time of review for readmission. Terms of expulsion should be reasonable and fair with the weight of the expelling offense taken into consideration when determining the length of expulsion. Therefore, the rehabilitation plan should include a date not later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to Charter School for readmission. Charter School shall inform parents in writing of its processes for reinstatement and applying for expungement of the expulsion record.

READMISSION

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for the filing and processing of requests for readmission and the process for the required review of all expelled pupils for readmission. Upon completion of the readmission process, Charter School's governing board shall readmit the pupil, unless Charter School's governing board makes a finding that the pupil has not met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan or continues to pose a danger to campus safety. A description of the procedure shall be made available to the pupil and the pupil's parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is entered and the decision of the governing board, including any related findings, must be provided to the pupil and the pupil's parent/guardian within a reasonable time.

REINSTATEMENT

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for processing reinstatements, including the review of documents regarding the rehabilitation plan. Charter School is responsible for reinstating the student upon the conclusion of the expulsion period in a timely manner.

GUN-FREE SCHOOLS ACT

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun-Free Schools Act.

In accordance with E.C. 47605(J)

J) The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled from the Charter School for disciplinary reasons or otherwise involuntarily removed from the Charter School for any reason. These procedures, at a minimum, shall include an explanation of how the Charter School will comply with federal and state constitutional procedural and substantive due process requirements that is consistent with all of the following:

(i) For suspensions of fewer than 10 days, provide oral or written notice of the charges against the pupil and, if the pupil denies the charges, an explanation of the evidence that supports the charges and an opportunity for the pupil to present his or her side of the story.

(ii) For suspensions of 10 days or more and all other expulsions for disciplinary reasons, both of the following:

(I) Provide timely, written notice of the charges against the pupil and an explanation of the pupil's basic rights.

(II) Provide a hearing adjudicated by a neutral officer within a reasonable number of days at which the pupil has a fair opportunity to present testimony, evidence, and witnesses and confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses, and at which the pupil has the right to bring legal counsel or an advocate.

(iii) Contain a clear statement that no pupil shall be involuntarily removed by the Charter School for any reason unless the parent or guardian of the pupil has been provided written notice of intent to remove the pupil no less than five schooldays before the effective date of the action. The written notice shall be in the native language of the pupil or the pupil's parent or guardian or, if the pupil is a foster child or youth or a homeless child or youth, the pupil's educational rights holder, and shall inform him or her of the right to initiate the procedures specified in clause (ii) before the effective date of the action. If the pupil's parent, guardian, or educational rights holder initiates the procedures specified in clause (ii), the pupil shall remain enrolled and shall not be removed until the Charter School issues a final decision. For purposes of this clause, "involuntarily removed" includes disenrolled, dismissed, transferred, or terminated, but does not include suspensions specified in clauses (i) and (ii).

DISCIPLINE FOUNDATION POLICY

The following Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy (Policy) has been established in order to promote learning and protect the safety and well-being of all students at MSA-1. Staff shall enforce disciplinary rules and procedures fairly and consistently among all students. In creating the Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy, the Charter School has reviewed Education Code Section 48900 et seq. which describes the non-Charter Schools' list of offenses and procedures to establish its list of offenses and procedures for suspensions and expulsions. The language that follows closely mirrors the language of Education Code Section 48900 et seq. The Charter School is committed to annual review of policies and procedures surrounding suspensions and expulsions and, as necessary, modification of the lists of offenses for which students are subject to suspension or expulsion.

When the Policy is violated, it may be necessary to suspend or expel a student from regular classroom instruction. This Policy shall serve as MSA-1's policy and procedures for student suspension and expulsion, and it may be amended from time to time without the need to amend the charter so long as the amendments comport with legal requirements and are not material revisions. Suspended or expelled students shall be excluded from all school and school-related activities unless otherwise agreed during the period of suspension or expulsion.

This Policy and its Procedures will clearly describe discipline expectations, and it will be printed, distributed and discussed with students and families as part of the Student/Parent Handbook which is sent to each student at the beginning of the school year and signed by their guardian.

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of or willfully causing the infliction of physical pain on a student. For purposes of the Policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of

force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to school property.

Discipline includes but is not limited to advising and counseling students, conferring with parents/guardians, detention during and after school hours, use of alternative educational environments, suspension and expulsion.

Positive Discipline

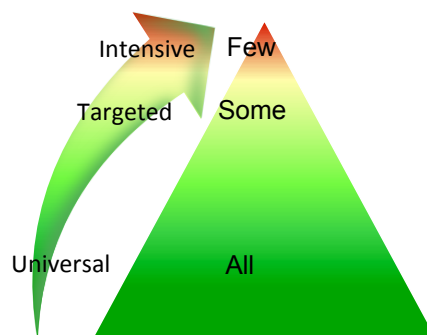
MSA-1 staff has committed itself to encouraging and supporting the attainment of academic skills as well as social skills, such as listening, friendship-making, problem solving, and alternatives to aggression. To inspire and encourage students to develop their potential in all of these areas, the following reinforcements will be used for positive behavior:

- Individual awards/recognition
- Classroom awards/recognition
- Certificates
- Displays
- Positive/Encouraging contact with parent/guardian (certificate, post card, phone message)
- Special activities (instructional field trips, movie nights, picnics, etc.)
- Publications
- Assemblies
- Positive points

Positive student behavior and improvements will be acknowledged and encouraged by the MSA-1 staff. Teachers will not only report discipline issues on the school information system, Illuminate or equivalent, but also positive behaviors and accomplishments. Parents will also be informed of positive behavior and improvements via phone, email, and home visits. Students will receive certificates and/or rewards for outstanding performance and behaviors.

Alternatives to Suspension

To intervene in student behavior, MPS has a progressive discipline plan in place at MSA-1. This plan is published at the beginning of each school year in the Student/Parent handbook. The Student/Parent Handbook also includes a school-parent-student compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the Charter School and parents will develop a partnership to help students achieve high academic and behavioral standards. The discipline plan includes information about student expectations and progression of disciplinary procedures from day-to-day discipline to suspension and expulsion. MSA-1 provides its staff with Professional Development in the area of restorative practices alternatives to suspension, positive behavior supports, and



As part of its Multi-tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) framework and Response to Intervention (RTI) Programs, MSA-1 implements Positive Behavior and Interventions and Supports (PBIS) to address student discipline issues including suspension. This tiered approach lists intervention strategies and programs based on the level of fractions.

MSA-1 implements prevention strategies for each tier as presented below:

Tier	Prevention Description
I. Primary (Universal)	Preventing the development of new cases (incidence) of problem behaviors by implementing high quality learning environments for all students and staff and across all settings (i.e., school-wide, classroom, and non- classroom).
II. Secondary (Targeted)	Reducing the number of existing cases (prevalence) of problem behaviors that are presenting high risk behaviors and/or not responsive to primary intervention practices by providing more focused, intensive, and frequent small group-oriented responses in situations where problem behavior is likely.
III. Tertiary (Intensive)	Reducing the intensity and/or complexity of existing cases (prevalence) of problem behavior that are resistant to and/or unlikely to be addressed by primary and secondary prevention efforts by providing most individualized responses to situations where problem behavior is likely.

MSA-1 believes that alternatives to suspension align with our schoolwide positive behavior support plan. Following is a list of alternatives to be considered before suspending a student: warning, phone call home, parent conference, teacher/administrative detention, written assignment/research/presentation, loss of privileges, behavior contract, parent shadowing, mentorship (peer/teacher), referral (counseling, SST, Principal/Assistant Principal), assigning volunteer work/community service, Saturday school, and in-school suspension.

Grounds for Suspension

Jurisdiction

A student may be suspended for prohibited misconduct as identified below under the heading, “Enumerated Offenses,” if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MSA-1; or (3) a MSA-1 sponsored event. A student may be suspended for acts that are enumerated below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;

- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

Enumerated Offenses

Discretionary Suspension Offenses

Students may be suspended for any of the following acts when it is determined the student:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in minor harm.
2. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in minor injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, or otherwise furnished nominal amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully was under the influence of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property resulting in negligible loss.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property.
9. Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including but not limited to cigars, cigarettes, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets and betel. This section does not prohibit the use of his or her own prescription products by a pupil.
10. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.

11. Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.
12. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
13. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
14. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
15. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
16. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, “hazing” means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, “hazing” does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
17. Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, “terroristic threat” shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family’s safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.
18. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently offensive as to have a negative impact upon the individual’s academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

19. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
20. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
21. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.
 - 1) "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:
 - i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.
 - ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
 - iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic performance.
 - iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.
 - 2) "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
 - i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
 - ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.
 - (b) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that

another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.

- (c) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.
- iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - (a) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.
 - (b) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.
- 3) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.

22. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this section.

23. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee's concurrence.

Mandatory Suspension Offenses

Students shall be suspended when the following occur on school campus or at a school activity off campus, for any of the following reasons:

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
2. Brandishing a knife at another person.
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance.

4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committing a sexual battery, as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined in Education Code Section 48915(h).

Suspension Procedures

Suspensions shall be initiated according to the following procedures:

Conference

Suspension shall be preceded, if possible, by a conference conducted by the Principal or the Principal's designee with the student and his or her parent and, whenever practical, the teacher, supervisor or Charter School employee who referred the student to the Principal. The conference may be omitted if the Principal or designee determines that an emergency situation exists. An "emergency situation" involves a clear and present danger to the lives, safety or health of students or Charter School personnel. If a student is suspended, by Principal or Designee, without this conference, both the parent/guardian and student shall be notified of the student's right to return to school for the purpose of a conference.

At the conference, the student shall be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action and the evidence against him or her and shall be given the opportunity to present his or her version and evidence in his or her defense. This conference shall be held within two (2) school days, unless the student waives this right or is physically unable to attend for any reason including, but not limited to, incarceration or hospitalization. No penalties may be imposed on a student for failure of the student's parent or guardian to attend a conference with Charter School Principal or Designee. Reinstatement of the suspended student shall not be contingent upon attendance by the student's parent or guardian at the conference.

MSA-1 assures that the process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence will be fair and thorough.

As an alternative to out of school suspension, MSA-1 utilizes in-school suspension as a way to redirect student choices and provide an opportunity to reflect in a space that ensures students will also be responsible for completing assigned academic work. The in-school suspension for students will be in a designated working area in the main office with access to a supervising administrator who holds a teaching credential. During in-school suspension, access to instructional materials will be coordinated by the Assistant Principal. The Assistant Principal will reach out to the students' teachers prior to the in-school suspension and the teachers will share the materials and assignments students will be working on while they are serving their in-school suspension. Since students have access to online platforms, students will be provided with a one to one device just like their peers to complete assignments. If the in-school suspension is related to a technology infraction, a hard copy will be provided as an alternative for having access to work and submitting assignments. Office staff will work alongside administrators to determine any accommodations students may need during their in-school

suspension. For example, scheduled breaks, as well as providing breakfast and lunch for the student. A restorative justice team consisting of teachers and the Assistant Principal will meet to develop a positive behavioral plan to support the student during and after the in-school suspension. This plan is shared with parent/ guardian when informing them of the in-school suspension and parent/ guardian feedback is also welcomed regarding follow up support for their child. In addition to the meeting, a form will be provided to families regarding the in-school suspension and the parent can sign giving their acknowledgment of the in-school suspension guidelines. A student may be suspended in-school for a maximum of five school days per incident and a maximum of 20 school days per academic year.

During the in-school suspension, the Assistant Principal will work directly with the student and together they will create a plan for how to re-enter the school environment following an incident. There will also be additional support added during this reflection time which may include speaking to a counselor. Every incident is unique and should there be an opportunity to restore the relationship and redirect the student's actions during the in-school suspension, this connection and established trust will be leveraged. In an effort to ensure the safety of all stakeholders, the following offenses may result in in-school suspension:

- Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence,
- Engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation against a pupil or group of pupils or school district personnel,
- Made terrorist threats against school officials or school property, or both.

The above-mentioned offenses are addressed in a serious manner and depending on the details may not be able to be rectified with an in-school suspension. The school administrator will report the incident to the appropriate authorities under the direction of the local authorities who will assess the level of risk and will act in accordance with the recommendations. The authorities will determine whether or not the situation should be handled “administratively” or by the police. The administrative team will then move forward with the appropriate support. In order to comply with Ed Code Section 48900, the school administrator will notify all stakeholders by the end of the school day.

Notice to Parents/Guardians

At the time of the suspension, the Principal or designee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the parent/guardian by telephone or in person. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian shall be notified in writing, by the Principal or Designee, of the suspension and the date of return following suspension. This notice shall state the specific offense committed by the student. In addition, the notice will also state the date and time when the student may return to school and will provide information about the appeal right and process. If Charter School administrators wish to ask the parent/guardian to confer regarding matters pertinent to the suspension, the notice will request that the parent/guardian respond to such requests without delay.

Suspension Time Limits

Suspensions, when not including a recommendation for expulsion, shall not exceed five (5) consecutive school days per suspension. A student may be suspended from school for not more than 20 school days in any school year unless, for purposes of adjustment, the student enrolls in or is

transferred another regular school, an opportunity school, or continuation school or class, in which case suspension shall not exceed 30 days in any school year. However, this restriction on the number of days of suspension does not apply when the suspension is extended pending an expulsion. (Education Code Sections 48903, 48911, and 48912) The expulsion process shall not take longer than 30 days from the first day of the initial suspension. Disciplining students with Disabilities is outlined in the section below.

Suspension Appeals

Students and parent/guardian may appeal a suspension within five (5) school days of the suspension. This appeal will be made, verbally or in writing, to the Principal and heard by a Reflection Committee. The Reflection Committee is an advisory committee to the Principal, trained quarterly in restorative practices and PBIS, and will be comprised of at least one school administrator, and at least two teachers, and may also include a non-certificated employee. Current teachers of the student are not eligible to participate as a member of the Reflection Committee. All Reflection Committee hearings on suspensions will be held within two (2) school days of the appeal being made. The decision of the Reflection Committee is final. Based on the information submitted or requested, the Reflection Committee may make one of the following decisions regarding the suspension:

- Uphold the suspension
- Determine that the suspension was not within school guidelines, overturn the suspension, and order that all records and documents regarding the disciplinary proceeding be destroyed. No information regarding the suspension will be placed in the student's permanent record, or shared with anyone not directly involved in the proceedings. The Charter School administrators shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom materials and assignments for the duration of student's absence. Student will be provided the opportunity to make academic progress, make up assignments, and earn credit missed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Charter School will maintain student records in accordance with Education Code Sections 35253 and 49076 and 5 CCR 16024.

Recommendation for Placement/Expulsion

Upon a recommendation of Placement/Expulsion by the Principal, the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative will be invited to a conference with school site administrators to determine if the suspension for the student should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. In such instances when the Principal or Designee has determined a suspension period shall be extended, such extension shall be made only after a conference is held with the student or the student's parent/guardian or representative, unless the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative fail to attend the conference, at which time the school shall proceed with the extension.

This determination will be made by the Principal or designee upon either of the following findings: (1) the student's presence will be disruptive to the education process; or (2) the student poses a threat

or danger to others. Upon either determination, the student's suspension will be extended pending the results of an expulsion hearing.

Access to Education

For suspensions that are not pending an expulsion hearing, the Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom material and current assignments to be completed at home during the length of the suspension. For suspensions pending an expulsion hearing, the Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students. Please see "Interim Placement" below for details.

Grounds for EXPULSION

Jurisdiction

A student may be expelled for prohibited misconduct, that are described below under the heading, "Discretionary Expellable Offences and Mandatory Expulsion Offenses," if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MSA-1 or at any other school; or (3) a MSA-1 sponsored event. A student may be expelled for offenses that are described below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

The length of an expulsion is addressed above, under "Rehabilitation Plans."

Discretionary Expellable Offenses

Students may be recommended for expulsion for any of the following acts when it is determined the pupil:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in serious bodily harm.
2. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in serious bodily injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, or otherwise furnished significant amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.

4. Unlawfully under the influence of any controlled substance, as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion in excess of \$1,000.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
9. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
10. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
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12. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or pre-initiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, "hazing" does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
13. Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, "terroristic threat" shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family's safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.

14. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
15. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
16. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
17. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.
 - i. "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:
 - i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.
 - ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a substantially detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
 - iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience substantial interference with his or her academic performance.
 - iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience substantial interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.
 - ii. "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
 - i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.

- ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:
 - i. Posting to or creating a burn page. A “burn page” means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.
 - ii. Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. “Credible impersonation” means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.
 - iii. Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. “False profile” means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.
 - iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - i. For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.
 - ii. For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.
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19. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee’s concurrence.

Mandatory Expulsion Offenses

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
2. Brandishing a knife at another person.
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance.
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committing a sexual battery, as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined in Education Code 48915(h).

Expulsion Procedures

Authority to Expel

If determined necessary upon the referral by the discipline committee; a student may be expelled by an Administrative Panel following a hearing before it. The Administrative Panel will include three or more certificated persons, none of whom have been members of the Board or on the staff of the Charter School in which the student is enrolled. It is important for the Administrative Panel members to have experience in education law and student discipline. Typical Administrative Panel members include teachers, school administrators and Home Office Chiefs/Directors. The Home Office will coordinate all administrators and teachers who serve on the Reflection Committee at their school sites to be “on call” for a particular month should their presence be needed at an Administrative Panel hearing. A member who served on the Reflection Committee may not serve on the Administrative Panel for the same student. The Administrative Panel may expel any student found to have committed an expellable offense.

A decision to expel a pupil for an expellable offense shall be based on a finding of one or both of the following:

- (1) Other means of correction are not feasible or have repeatedly failed to bring about proper conduct.
- (2) Due to the nature of the act, the presence of the pupil causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the pupil or others.

The process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence will be fair and thorough.

Expulsion Hearing

Students recommended for expulsion are entitled to a hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled. Unless postponed for good cause, the hearing shall be held within thirty (30) school days after the Principal determines that the Student has committed an expellable offense.

After an Administrative Panel hears the case, it will make a determination whether to expel. The hearing shall be held in closed session (complying with all pupil confidentiality rules under FERPA) unless the pupil makes a written request for a public hearing in open session three (3) days prior to the date of the scheduled hearing.

Written notice of the hearing shall be forwarded to the student and the student's parent/guardian by the Principal or Designee, at least ten (10) calendar days before the date of the hearing. Upon mailing the notice, it shall be deemed served upon the student. The notice shall include:

1. The date and place of the expulsion hearing;
2. A statement of specific facts, charges and offenses upon which the proposed expulsion is based;
3. A copy of MSA-1's disciplinary rules which relate to the alleged violation;
4. Notification of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to provide information about the student's status at the Charter School to any other school district or school to which the student seeks enrollment;
5. The opportunity for the student or the student's parent/guardian to appear in person or to employ and be represented by counsel or a non-attorney advisor;
6. The right to inspect and obtain copies of all documents to be used at the hearing;
7. The opportunity to confront and question all witnesses who testify at the hearing;
8. The opportunity to question all evidence presented and to present oral and documentary evidence on the student's behalf including witnesses.

Special procedures for Expulsion Hearings Involving Sexual Assault or Battery Offenses

MSA-1 may, upon finding a good cause, determine that the disclosure of either the identity of the witness or the testimony of that witness at the hearing, or both, would subject the complaining witness to an unreasonable risk of psychological or physical harm. Upon this determination, the testimony of the witness may be presented at the hearing in the form of sworn declarations which shall be examined only by the Administrative Panel. Copies of these sworn declarations, edited to delete the name and identity of the complaining witness, shall be made available to the Panel.

1. The complaining witness in any sexual assault or battery case must be provided with a copy of the applicable disciplinary rules and advised of his/her right to (a) receive five (5) days notice of his/her scheduled testimony, (b) have up to two (2) adult support persons of his/her choosing present in the hearing at the time he/she testifies, which may include a parent, guardian, or legal counsel, and (c) elect to have the hearing closed while testifying.
2. MSA-1 administrators must also provide the victim a room separate from the hearing room for the complaining witness' use prior to and during breaks in testimony.

3. At the discretion of the Administrative Panel conducting the hearing, the complaining witness shall be allowed periods of relief from examination and cross-examination during which he or she may leave the hearing room.
4. The Administrative Panel conducting the expulsion hearing may also arrange the seating within the hearing room to facilitate a less intimidating environment for the complaining witness.
5. The Administrative Panel conducting the expulsion hearing may also limit time for taking the testimony of the complaining witness to the hours he/she is normally in school, if there is no good cause to take the testimony during other hours.
6. Prior to a complaining witness testifying, the support persons must be admonished that the hearing is confidential. Nothing in the law precludes the entity presiding over the hearing from removing a support person whom the presiding Administrative Panel finds is disrupting the hearing. The Administrative Panel conducting the hearing may permit any one of the support persons for the complaining witness to accompany him or her to the witness stand.
7. If one or both of the support persons is also a witness, MSA-1 administrators must present evidence that the witness' presence is both desired by the witness and will be helpful to MSA-1. The Administrative Panel presiding over the hearing shall permit the witness to stay unless it is established that there is a substantial risk that the testimony of the complaining witness would be influenced by the support person, in which case the Administrative Panel shall admonish the support person or persons not to prompt, sway, or influence the witness in any way. Nothing shall preclude the presiding entity from exercising his or her discretion to remove a person from the hearing whom he or she believes is prompting, swaying, or influencing the witness.
8. The testimony of the support person shall be presented before the testimony of the complaining witness and the complaining witness shall be excluded from the hearing during that testimony.
9. Especially for charges involving sexual assault or battery, if the hearing is to be conducted in the public at the request of the student under investigation, the complaining witness shall have the right to have his/her testimony heard in a closed session when testifying at a public meeting would threaten serious psychological harm to the complaining witness and there are no alternative procedures to avoid the threatened harm. The alternative procedures may include videotaped depositions or contemporaneous examination in another place communicated to the hearing by means of closed-circuit television.
10. Evidence of specific instances of a complaining witness' prior sexual conduct is presumed inadmissible and shall not be heard absent a determination by the Administrative Panel conducting the hearing that extraordinary circumstances exist requiring the evidence be heard. Before such a determination regarding extraordinary circumstances can be made, the witness shall be provided notice and an opportunity to present opposition to the introduction of the evidence. In the hearing on the admissibility of the evidence, the complaining witness shall be entitled to be represented by a parent, legal counsel, or

other support person. Reputation or opinion evidence regarding the sexual behavior of the complaining witness is not admissible for any purpose.

Record of Expulsion Hearing

A record of the hearing shall be made and may be maintained by any means, including electronic recording, as long as a reasonably accurate and complete written transcription of the proceedings can be made.

Presentation of Evidence

While technical rules of evidence do not apply to expulsion hearings, evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. A determination by the Administrative Panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed an expellable offense. Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. While hearsay evidence is admissible, no decision to expel shall be based solely on hearsay. Sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses of whom the Panel determines that disclosure of their identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to an unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm.

If, due to a written request by the accused student, the hearing is held at a public meeting, and the charge is committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery as defined in Education Code Section 48900, a complaining witness shall have the right to have his or her testimony heard in a session closed to the public.

The decision of the Administrative Panel shall be in the form of written findings of fact.

If the Administrative Panel decides not to expel, the student shall immediately be returned to his/her educational program.

Written Notice to Expel

The Principal or designee following a decision of the Administrative Panel to expel shall send written notice within 30 days of the decision to expel, including the Administrative Panel's adopted findings of fact, to the student or parent/guardian. This notice shall also include the following:

1. Notice of the specific offense(s) committed by the student
2. Notice of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with MSA-1
3. The reinstatement eligibility review date; a copy of the rehabilitation plan; the type of educational placement during the period of expulsion, and notice of appeal rights/procedures
4. Information regarding rights to, how, timelines, and to whom a student/parent may appeal an expulsion decision

The Principal or designee shall send a copy of the written notice of the decision to expel to the student's district of residence. This notice shall include the following:

1. The student's name
2. The specific expellable offense committed by the student

Disciplinary Records

MSA-1 shall maintain records of all student suspensions and expulsions at MSA-1. Such records shall be made available to the District upon request.

Expulsion Appeals

In order to appeal an expulsion, the student/parent/guardian must submit a written appeal to the CEO of MPS outlining the reason for the appeal, attaching any supporting documentation, within ten (10) calendar days of receiving the written notice of the expulsion.

In response to the written request for an appeal, the CEO of MPS shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors. The Board shall convene a hearing on the appeal within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of a timely written request for an appeal.

At the hearing on the appeal, the student or his/her representative shall have the right to present evidence. The Board will consider the evidence and/or testimony presented to the Administrative Panel as appropriate and will render a contemporaneous written decision, which shall be immediately communicated to the appellant at the conclusion of the hearing, in the best interest of the student and the Charter School. That decision shall be final.

Interim Placement

The Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of the Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students, including, but not limited to, programs within the County or their school district of residence.

The Charter School shall work with the District for an interim placement at a community day school or other alternative program. Should the Charter School determine after the referral that the student will remain at the Charter School pending the expulsion hearing based on the best interest of the student, or if the Charter School secures another alternative interim placement at another Charter School or school within its CMO, if appropriate and aligned with applicable charter petitions, the Charter School will notify the District of such determination.

Readmission/Reinstatement

The decision to readmit a pupil previously expelled from MSA-1 shall be at the discretion of the Governing Board following a meeting with the Principal or designee, the pupil and parent/guardian or representative to determine whether the pupil has successfully completed the rehabilitation plan and to determine whether the pupil continues to pose a threat to others or will be disruptive to the school environment. The Principal or Designee will make a recommendation to the Board following the

meeting regarding his/her recommendation. The Board shall then make a final decision regarding reinstatement during closed session of a public meeting, reporting out any actions taken during closed session as required of the Brown Act. The pupil's readmission is also contingent upon MSA-1's capacity at the time the student seeks readmission. These procedures will be made available to the pupil and his/her parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is issued.

Rehabilitation Plans

Pupils who are expelled from MSA-1 shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by the Administrative Panel at the time of the expulsion order. The rehabilitation plan includes improved behavior, attendance, and academic performance and shall include a date no later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to MSA-1 for readmission.

MSA-1 shall mail written notification to parent/guardian within thirty (30) days prior to the end of the expulsion term. This notice will request the parent or guardian to submit written documentation to the school showing that the student has met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan. The board shall review these documents and make a final decision regarding reinstatement. If the student does not meet the requirements of the rehabilitation plan as determined by the board, the board will revisit at a later date not to exceed one (1) year.

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

Bullying

Bullying is listed as an offense for which a student may be suspended or expelled. The Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Safe Place to Learn Act, Education Code Section 234 *et seq.* MPS' policy on bullying prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified in the definition of hate crimes. MPS' process for receiving and investigating complaints includes complaints of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified, and a requirement that Charter School personnel who witness such acts take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so, a timeline to investigate and resolve complaints, and an appeal process.

Procedures for Notifying Teachers about Dangerous Pupils

In order to fulfill the requirements made by Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 that state teachers must be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The teacher can access the suspension by looking at the student's discipline screen. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it.

Pursuant to Welfare & Institution Code 827(b) and Education Code 48267, the Court notifies the Superintendent of the LAUSD regarding students who have engaged in certain criminal conduct. This information is forwarded to the site Principal. The site Principal is responsible for prompt notification of the student's teachers. Per Education Code 49079, this information must be kept confidential..This information is also forwarded to all administrators and the student's counselor.

1. The School Principal will inform teachers and other relevant staff of students who are defined as dangerous as set forth in the California Education Code sec. 48900, including the exceptions to this rule provided therein. The School will provide this information to the teacher based upon any records that the school maintains in its ordinary course of business, or receives from a law enforcement agency, regarding a pupil described in this Section. The School is not civilly or criminally liable for providing information unless it is proven that the information was false and that the School employee knew or should have known that the information was false, or the information was provided with a reckless disregard for its truth or falsity.
2. Any information received by a teacher pursuant to this Section shall be received in confidence for the limited purpose for which it was provided and shall not be further disseminated by the teacher.

This notification will be provided on our school letterhead:

To: ALL CERTIFICATED STAFF
From: **Admin**
Re: Student Suspension Information

*Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 require that teachers be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it. The following are examples of Ed. Code 48900 and 48915 violations that may appear on your report.*

- E.C. 48900**
- (a)(1) Mutual fight
 - (a)(2) Assault/Battery
 - (b) Possessed, sold or furnished dangerous object
 - (c) Controlled substance/alcohol
 - (d) Imitation controlled substance
 - (e) Robbery/extortion
 - (f) Vandalism
 - (g) Theft
 - (h) Tobacco/nicotine products
 - (i) Obscene act, habitual profanity/vulgarity
 - (j) Drug paraphernalia
 - (k) Disruptive/willfully defiant behavior (grades 4-12)
 - (l) Received stolen property
 - (m) Imitation firearm
 - (n) Sexual assault or battery
 - (o) Harassed/threatened witness
 - (p) Sale of soma
 - (q) Hazing
 - (r) Bullying/cyberbullying
 - (t) Aiding and abetting
- E.C. 48900.2** Sexual harassment (gr 4-12)
- E.C. 48900.3** Hate violence (gr 4-12)
- E.C. 48900.4** Severe or pervasive harassment, threats and intimidation (grades 4-12)
- E.C. 48900.7** Terrorist threats against school officials or property
- E.C. 48915**
- (a)(1)(A) Serious physical injury
 - (a)(1)(B) Possession: knife or dangerous object
 - (a)(1)(C) Controlled substance
 - (a)(1)(D) Robbery or extortion
 - (a)(1)(E) Assault/battery of school employee
- E.C. 48915(c)(1)** Possessing, selling, furnishing firearm
- (c)(2) Brandishing a knife at another person

- (c)(3) Selling a controlled substance
- (c)(4) Committing or attempting to commit sexual assault or battery
- (c)(5) Possession of an explosive

If you have any questions or want more information, please see me.

SAMPLE
Confidential
Memorandum

To: _____, Teacher
From: _____, Principal
Date:

Re: Students having committed specified crime

The student named below has been convicted of a penal code violation.

Welfare and Institutions Code 827 requires teachers to be informed when a student has engaged in certain criminal conduct.

NOTE: SUCH INFORMATION IS CONFIDENTIAL AND CANNOT BE FURTHER DISSEMINATED BY THE TEACHER OR OTHERS. UNLAWFUL DISSEMINATION OF THIS INFORMATION IS PUNISHABLE BY A SIGNIFICANT FINE. (EC 49079)

PLEASE DESTROY THIS NOTE IMMEDIATELY AFTER READING.

_____ was found to have committed the following criminal activity:

If you have any questions, please see me.
Principal

Sexual Harassment Policy

Policy Prohibiting Unlawful Harassment

MPS is committed to providing a work and educational atmosphere that is free of unlawful harassment. MPS's policy prohibits sexual harassment and harassment based upon race, color, creed, gender (including gender identity and gender expression), religion, marital status, registered domestic partner status, age, national origin or ancestry, physical or mental disability, medical condition (including cancer and genetic characteristics), genetic information, sexual orientation, military or veteran status, or any other consideration made unlawful by federal, state, or local laws. MPS will not condone or tolerate harassment of any type by any employee, independent contractor or other person with which the School does business. This policy applies to all employee actions and relationships, regardless of position or gender. MPS will promptly and thoroughly investigate any complaint of harassment and take appropriate corrective action, if warranted.

Prohibited Unlawful Harassment:

- Verbal conduct such as epithets, derogatory jokes or comments or slurs;
- Physical conduct including assault, unwanted touching, intentionally blocking normal movement or interfering with work because of sex, race or any other protected basis;
- Retaliation for reporting or threatening to report harassment; or
- Deferential or preferential treatment based on any of the protected classes above.

Prohibited Unlawful Sexual Harassment:

In accordance with existing discrimination on the basis of gender in education institutions is prohibited. All persons, regardless of the gender, are afforded equal rights and opportunities and freedom from unlawful discrimination in education programs or activities conducted by the School.

MPS is committed to provide a workplace free of sexual harassment and considers such harassment to be a major offense, which may result in disciplinary action, up to, and including dismissal, of the offending employee.

Sexual harassment consist of sexual advances, request for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, regardless of whether or not the conduct is motivated by sexual desire, when: (1) submission of the conduct is either made explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; (2) an employment decision is based upon an individual's acceptance or rejection of that conduct; (3) that conduct interferes with an individual's work performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

It is also unlawful to retaliate in any way against an employee who has articulated a good faith concern about sexual harassment against him or her or against another individual.

All supervisors of staff will receive sexual harassment training within six (6) months of their assumption of a supervisory position and will receive further training once every two (2) years

thereafter. All staff will receive sexual harassment training and/or instruction concerning sexual harassment in the workplace as required by law. Each employee has the responsibility to maintain a workplace free from any form of sexual harassment. Consequently, should any individual, in particular those with supervisory responsibilities, become aware of any conduct that may constitute sexual harassment or other prohibited behavior, immediate action should be taken to address such conduct. Employees and students are expected to act in a positive and professional manner and to contribute to a policy, productive School environment that is free from harassing or disruptive activity. Any employee who believes they have been sexually harassed or has witnessed sexual harassment is encouraged to immediately report such harassment to the Principal (or MPSCO Human Services for MPSCO employees).

Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- Physical assaults of a sexual nature, such as:
 - Rape, sexual battery, molestation or attempts to commit these assaults and
 - intentional physical conduct that is sexual in nature, such as touching, pinching, patting, grabbing, brushing against another's body, or poking another's body.

Unwanted sexual advances, propositions or other sexual comments, such as:

- Sexually oriented gestures, notices, remarks, jokes, or comments about a person's sexuality or sexual experience.
- Preferential treatment or promises of preferential treatment to an employee for submitting to sexual conduct, including soliciting or attempting to solicit any employee to engage in sexual activity for compensation or reward or deferential treatment for rejecting sexual conduct.
- Subjecting or threats of subjecting an employee to unwelcome sexual attention or conduct or intentionally making performance of the employee's job more difficult because of the employee's sex.

Sexual or discriminatory displays or publications anywhere at the workplace by employees, such as:

- Displaying pictures, cartoons, posters, calendars, graffiti, objections, promotional materials, reading materials, or other materials that are sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic or bringing to work or possessing any such material to read, display or view at work.
- Reading publicly or otherwise publicizing in the work environment materials that are in any way sexually revealing, sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic; and
- Displaying signs or other materials purporting to segregate an employee by sex in an area of the workplace (other than restrooms or similar rooms).

The illustrations of harassment and sexual harassment above are not to be construed as an all-inclusive list of prohibited acts under this policy. Moreover, please note that while in most situations a personal relationship is a private matter, these relationships are not appropriate in a professional setting, particularly where one of the parties has management or supervisory responsibilities. As such, consensual relationships in the workplace may violate MPS Policy.

Complainants and witnesses under these policies will be protected from further harassment and will not be retaliated against in any aspect of their employment due to their participation in an investigation, filing of a complaint or reporting sexual harassment.

MPS will investigate complaints promptly and provide a written report of the investigation and decision as soon as practicable. The investigation will be handled in as confidential a manner as possible consistent with a full, fair, and proper investigation.

Sexual Abuse and Sex Trafficking

MPS will collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in order to ensure that the school site is prepared to address the threat of sexual abuse and sex trafficking in accordance with EC 49380.

Harassment and Discrimination

Harassment and Discrimination are prohibited. They include the following:

- Verbal Threats
- Threatening Behavior
- Hazing
- Intimidation
- Gang Behavior
- Fights

Policies for dealing with harassment and discrimination are described in the *MPS Employee Handbook* and *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.

If harassment or discrimination occurs, school staff should:

1. Evaluate the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed. If intervention is required, contact support staff. Where threats of serious bodily injury and/or weapons are involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved and give specific verbal directions to discuss the situation. Where a physical altercation is occurring, or is about to occur, call for staff support and immediately separate the parties involved.
3. Document the incident, including the names of witnesses and any statements.
4. Give incident reports to the School Principal, or his/her designee, as soon as possible.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should:

1. Assess the seriousness of the incident. If assistance is needed, call necessary support staff. Where a threat of serious bodily injury or weapons is involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved.
3. Seek written documentation from witnesses.
5. Determine disciplinary consequences. See *MPS Employee Handbook* and *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.
6. Determine what intervention or follow-up is necessary, including reference to a school counselor, psychologist, or local law enforcement.
7. Notify parents or legal guardian and appropriate school personnel of incident.

8. Complete a report with a description of the incident and include the names of witnesses and any statements. Summarize the disciplinary procedures used in resolution of the incident.

Internal Complaint Review

The purpose of the “Internal Complaint Review Policy” is to afford all employees of the School the opportunity to seek internal resolution of their work-related concerns. All employees have free access to the CEO or Board of Directors to express their work-related concerns.

Specific complaints of unlawful harassment are addressed under the School’s “Policy Against Unlawful Harassment.”

Internal Complaints:

(Complaints by Employees Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a School employee raises a complaint or concern about a co-worker.

If reasonably possible, internal complaints should be resolved at the lowest possible level, including attempts to discuss/resolve concerns with your direct supervisor. However, in the event an informal resolution may not be achieved or is not appropriate, the following steps will be followed by the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees):

- The complainant will bring the matter to the attention of the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees) as soon as possible after attempts to resolve the complaint with the immediate supervisor have failed or if not appropriate; and
- The complainant will reduce his or her complaint to writing, indicating all known and relevant facts. The Principal (or the CEO for MPSCO employees) (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the Principal, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the CEO (or designee.) The CEO (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the CEO, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the President of the Board of Directors of the School, who will then confer with the Board and may conduct a fact-finding or authorize a third party investigator on behalf of the Board. The Board President or investigator will report his or her findings to the Board for review and action, if necessary.

This policy cannot guarantee that every problem will be resolved to the employee’s satisfaction. However, the School values each employee’s ability to express concerns and the need for resolution without fear of adverse consequence to employment.

Policy for Complaints Against Employees:

(Complaints by Third Parties Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a nonemployee raises a complaint or concern about a School employee.

If complaints cannot be resolved informally, complainants may file a written complaint with the office of the Principal or the CEO (if the complaint concerns the Principal) or the Board President (if the complaint concerns the CEO) as soon as possible after the events that give rise to the complainant's concerns. The written complaint should set forth in detail the factual basis for the complaint.

In processing the complaint, the Principal (or the CEO (or the Board President)) (or designee) shall abide by the following process:

- The Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) shall use his or her best efforts to talk with the parties identified in the complaint and to ascertain the facts relating to the complaint.
- In the event that the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) finds that a complaint against an employee is valid, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may take appropriate disciplinary action against the employee. As appropriate, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may also simply counsel/reprimand employees as to their conduct without initiating formal disciplinary measures.
- The Principal's (or the CEO's) (or designee's) decision relating to the complaint shall be final unless it is appealed to the Board of Directors of the School. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final.

General Requirements:

- Confidentiality: All complainants will be notified that information obtained from the complainants and thereafter gathered will be maintained in a manner as confidential as possible, but in some circumstances absolute confidentiality cannot be assured.
- Non-Retaliation: All complainants will be advised that they will be protected against retaliation as a result of the filing of any complaints or participation in any complaint process.
- Resolution: The Board (if a complaint is about the CEO) or the CEO (if a complaint is about the Principal or MPSCO employees) or the Principal or designee will investigate complaints appropriately under the circumstances and pursuant to the applicable procedures, and if necessary, take appropriate remedial measures to ensure effective resolution of any complaint.

HARASSMENT COMPLAINT FORM

It is the policy of the School that all of its employees be free from harassment. This form is provided for you to report what you believe to be harassment, so that the School may investigate and take appropriate disciplinary or other action when the facts show that there has been harassment.

If you are an employee of the School, you may file this form with the Principal (or CEO (or Board President.))

Please review the School's policies concerning harassment for a definition of harassment and a description of the types of conduct that are considered to be harassment.

MPS will undertake every effort to handle the investigation of your complaint in a confidential manner. In that regard, the School will disclose the contents of your complaint only to those persons having a need to know. For example, to conduct its investigation, the School will need to disclose portions of your factual allegations to potential witnesses, including anyone you have identified as having knowledge of the facts on which you are basing your complaint, as well as the alleged harasser.

In signing this form below, you authorize the School to disclose to others the information you have provided herein, and information you may provide in the future. Please note that the more detailed information you provide, the more likely it is that the School will be able to address your complaint to your satisfaction.

Charges of harassment are taken very seriously by the School both because of the harm caused to the person harassed, and because of the potential sanctions that may be taken against the harasser. It is therefore very important that you report the facts as accurately and completely as possible and that you cooperate fully with the person or persons designated to investigate your complaint.

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s):

Name of Person(s) you believe sexually harassed you or someone else: _____

List any witnesses that were present: _____

Where did the incident(s) occur? _____

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I acknowledge that I have read and that I understand the above statements. I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation.

I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date: _____ Signature of Complainant _____

Print Name _____

Received by: _____ Date: _____

COMPLAINT FORM

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s): _____

Name of Person(s) you have a complaint against: _____

List any witnesses that were present:

Where did the incident(s) occur?

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation. I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further understand providing false information in this regard could result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Signature of Complainant Date: _____

Print Name

To be completed by School:

Received by: _____ Date: _____

Staff/Student Interaction Policy

MPS recognizes its responsibility to make and enforce all rules and regulations governing student and employee behavior to bring about the safest and most learning-conducive environment possible.

Corporal Punishment

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain on a student.

For purposes of this policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to property.

For clarification purposes, the following examples are offered for direction and guidance of School personnel:

Examples of PERMITTED actions (NOT corporal punishment):

- Stopping a student from fighting with another student;
- Preventing a pupil from committing an act of vandalism;
- Defending yourself from physical injury or assault by a student;
- Forcing a pupil to give up a weapon or dangerous object;
- Requiring an athletic team to participate in strenuous physical training activities designed to strengthen or condition team members or improve their coordination, agility, or physical skills;
- Engaging in group calisthenics, team drills, or other physical education or voluntary recreational activities.

Examples of PROHIBITED actions (corporal punishment):

- Hitting, shoving, pushing, or physically restraining a student as a means of control;
- Making unruly students do push-ups, run laps, or perform other physical acts that cause pain or discomfort as a form of punishment;
- Paddling, swatting slapping, grabbing, pinching, kicking, or otherwise causing physical pain.

Acceptable and Unacceptable Staff/Student Behavior

This policy is intended to guide all School faculty and staff in conducting themselves in a way that reflects the high standards of behavior and professionalism required of school employees and to specify the boundaries between students and staff.

Although this policy gives specific, clear direction, it is each staff member's obligation to avoid situations that could prompt suspicion by parents, students, colleagues, or school leaders. One viable standard that can be quickly applied, when you are unsure if certain conduct is acceptable, is to ask yourself, "Would I be engaged in this conduct if my family or colleagues were standing next to me?"

For the purposes of this policy, the term "boundaries" is defined as acceptable professional behavior by staff members while interacting with a student. Trespassing the boundaries of a student/teacher relationship is deemed an abuse of power and a betrayal of public trust.

Some activities may seem innocent from a staff member's perspective, but can be perceived as flirtation or sexual insinuation from a student or parent point of view. The objective of the following lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors is not to restrain innocent, positive relationships between staff and students, but to prevent relationships that could lead to, or may be perceived as, sexual misconduct.

Staff must understand their own responsibility for ensuring that they do not cross the boundaries as written in this policy. Disagreeing with the wording or intent of the established boundaries will be considered irrelevant for disciplinary purposes. Thus, it is crucial that all employees learn this policy thoroughly and apply the lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors to their daily activities. Although sincere, competent interaction with students certainly fosters learning, student/staff interactions must have boundaries surrounding potential activities, locations and intentions.

Duty to Report Suspected Misconduct

When any employee becomes aware of another staff member having crossed the boundaries specified in this policy, he or she must speak to this staff member if the violation appears minor, or report the matter to school administrators. If the observed behavior appears significant, it is the duty of every staff member to immediately report it to an administrator. All reports shall be confidential. It is the duty of the administrator to investigate and thoroughly report the situation. Employees must also report to the administration any awareness or concern of student behavior that crosses boundaries or where a student appears to be at risk for sexual abuse.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors (Violations of this Policy)

- Giving gifts to an individual student that are of a personal and intimate nature;
- Kissing of any kind;
- Any type of unnecessary physical contact with a student in a private situation;
- Intentionally being alone with a student away from the school;
- Making or participating in sexually inappropriate comments;
- Sexual jokes;
- Seeking emotional involvement with a student for your benefit;
- Listening to or telling stories that are sexually oriented;
- Discussing inappropriate personal troubles or intimate issues with a student in an attempt to gain their support and understanding;
- Becoming involved with a student so that a reasonable person may suspect inappropriate behavior.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors without Parent and Supervisor Permission

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a staff member has parent and supervisor permission.)

- Giving students a ride to/from school or school activities;
- Being alone in a room with a student at school with the door closed;
- Allowing students in your home.

Cautionary Staff/Student Behaviors

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a reasonable and prudent person, acting as an educator, is prevented from using a better practice or behavior. Staff members should inform their supervisor of the circumstance and occurrence prior to or immediately after the occurrence)

- Remarks about the physical attributes or development of anyone;
 - Excessive attention toward a particular student;
 - Sending emails, text messages or letters to students if the content is not about school activities.
- Acceptable and Recommended Staff/Student Behaviors:
- Getting parents' written consent for any after-school activity;
 - Obtaining formal approval to take students off school property for activities such as field trips or competitions;
 - E-mails, text, phone and instant messages to students must be very professional and pertaining to school activities or classes (Communication should be limited to school technology);
 - Keeping the door open when alone with a student;
 - Keeping reasonable space between you and your students;
 - Stopping and correcting students if they cross your own personal boundaries;
 - Keeping parents informed when a significant issue develops about a student;
 - Keeping after-class discussions with a student professional and brief;
 - Asking for advice from fellow staff or administrators if you find yourself in a difficult situation related to boundaries;
 - Involving your supervisor if conflict arises with the student;
 - Informing the Executive Director about situations that have the potential to become more severe;
 - Making detailed notes about an incident that could evolve into a more serious situation later;
 - Recognizing the responsibility to stop unacceptable behavior of students or coworkers;
 - Asking another staff member to be present if you will be alone with any type of special needs student;
 - Asking another staff member to be present when you must be alone with a student after regular school hours;
 - Giving students praise and recognition without touching them;
 - Pats on the back, high fives and handshakes are acceptable;
 - Keeping your professional conduct a high priority;
 - Asking yourself if your actions are worth your job and career.

School–Wide Dress Code Prohibiting Gang-Related Apparel

Disruption and/or intimidation caused by the wearing of any type of clothing/jewelry or by writing of any signs identified as or associated with gangs is not permitted on campus at any time. No gang activity or gang association will be permitted at school or school sponsored activities. Gang symbols on notebooks, lockers, book bags, etc. are not permitted and will be documented.

DRESS CODE

MPS has a uniform policy to help create a safe, orderly environment, instill discipline, and eliminate the competition and distractions caused by varied dress styles. Students are expected to arrive in a clean and neat uniform every day. Students will not be allowed to enter the campus if they are not in proper uniform. This uniform policy will be enforced, without exception, from the very first day of school. Please cooperate, display modesty and neatness, and take pride in the MPS uniform. We rely on your understanding and your parents' and/or guardians' support in helping to maintain this uniform policy and follow it daily.

In addition to wearing the school uniform, MPS requires that you follow these additional guidelines in terms of uniform appearance and personal appearance. If you are still unsure about how you should look, or how the uniform should fit, check with administration. Religious head coverings shall be permitted. **If any aspect of the uniform, including clothes, shoes, jewelry, cosmetics, or any type of body adornment, is not explicitly listed as acceptable in this handbook, then that item is not permitted to be worn when the student is at school or representing the school.**

If a student is unable to wear the school uniform to school due to extenuating circumstances, you need to obtain written permission from the school's administration.

MPS STUDENT UNIFORM POLICY

Pants, shorts, skirts, skorts, or capris are acceptable.

Pants/Skirts/Skorts/Shorts:

May not be baggy or tight fitting. May not be rolled at waist. Waist size must be same as student's waist size. Top of garment must be at or above hip bone.

Skorts/shorts should be no shorter than your longest finger when standing with your hands by your sides.

Skirts that are above the top of the kneecap should be worn with leggings/tights, and must be no shorter than the longest fingertip.

Pants may not be made from legging or jegging material.

Pants must touch the top of the shoes when the student is standing, but not be long enough to bunch up around the ankle.

The bottom of the skirt, skort, and/or shorts must be no higher than 1 inch above the middle of the kneecap when the student is standing.

Socks may not be worn over pants.
Rubber bands are not allowed on the bottom of pants or ankles.
No Jean style pants.
No Cargo pants/shorts.
Must have a built in pocket not a sewn on pocket.

Undergarments:

Should not be noticeable through or outside of clothing, tops and bottoms.

Uniform:

Woven Shirt or Polo Shirt must be tucked in neatly at the waist at all times on campus, inside and outside. These shirts may not fit tightly or be baggy.
Undershirts must be short-sleeved if worn.
The student may choose to button, or not button, the top button of the woven shirt. All other buttons of the woven shirt must be buttoned.
Under shirt may not hang out of sleeves.

Shoes:

Acceptable athletic shoes must be low-profile with minimal design. They must be modest and not attract attention. Shoe laces must match shoes and be in solid color.

Jewelry and accessories/Cosmetics:

Should be modest, appropriate for school, and not attract undue attention.
Necklaces: If worn must be underneath uniform. If visible through an open collar, it must be tasteful and formal (no leather or string). Pendants must not be large or attract attention. Must be tucked in collar of shirt.
No “glitter”, decorations, or drawing of any kind should be visible on the skin, hair, body, or uniform.
Facial, tongue, and body piercing are not allowed.
Bracelets: Must be tasteful and not attract undue attention.
Visible tattoos are not acceptable. Permanent visible tattoos must be covered by a flesh-tone bandage while at school or representing the school.
Cosmetics must be appropriate for school and not attract undue attention.
 No brightly colored or glitter eye shadow, or blush.
 Mascara and eyeliner should be minimal.
 Lipstick should be a natural color.
 Earrings must be studs or one (1) inch hoops and worn on earlobe.

Skirts, pants, shorts, skorts, or capris must be either khaki color, black or navy blue.

Belts (required for all variations of dress uniform):

Smooth, straight edge, all black, all blue or all brown belts no wider than 1½ inches with a plain, unadorned buckle (no mesh, rope, or all metal).
The buckle may only have one catch.
Belt must be of correct waist size, so that there is minimal excess length (less than five inches).
Any excess length of belt must be tucked through a belt loop and may not hang down.

TOP

White, gray, black or navy blue polo shirts must have the school logo. They may be either short or long sleeved.

Hoods may not be worn at school.

Top of garment must be no lower than the level of the navel when student is standing. Top of garment must be at or above hipbone when student is standing up.

FOOTWEAR

The majority of the shoe must be black, brown, white or gray. Small logos are acceptable. (Shoes must be closed toe.)

“Athletic” shoes for the dress code must be completely black, white or brown.

Plain, unadorned socks or tights (for girls) must always be worn. Color of socks or tights: Black, dark brown, navy blue, or white

No sandals, boots, clogs, mules, slippers, flip flops, high heels, platform shoes or shoes with wheels.

PE UNIFORM

TOP: Students will wear a solid gray t-shirt, preferably with the MPS logo. MPS sweatpants and MPS sweatshirts may also be worn during PE.

BOTTOM: Properly fitting MPS Navy shorts of comfortable length for active participation. Waist size of shorts must be appropriate to student’s waist size. The same rules which apply to the level at which the tops of the dress pants are worn, also apply to PE shorts.

FOOTWEAR: Any athletic shoes suitable for basketball, tennis, and field sports. PE shoes may be the same black athletic shoes discussed in the dress uniform section.

OUTERWEAR

Hats, hoods, caps, and other headgear may not be worn in school buildings, except for religious head coverings. No gloves or finger lacing of any sort are allowed.

For colder weather:

MPS Navy Crew-Neck and zip V-Neck Sweatshirt, and Jackets are recommended and preferred to be worn on campus, inside and outside.

Sweatshirts and jackets must be solid navy blue or gray.

Procedures for Safe Ingress and Egress from School

Maps are available in our front office to facilitate with the safe comings and goings of pupils, parents, visitors and school employees to and from school. In addition, evacuation maps and routes are located in the front office.

***Please see school map at bottom of this Safety Plan**

Visitors and guests are welcome at the school. However, to safeguard students and staff, reasonable precautions should be taken.

Visitors should:

1. Always report and sign in at the office.
2. Be provided with a visitor's badge.
3. Be prepared to provide identification to school personnel.
4. Respect school rules.

School personnel should:

1. Insure all exterior doors are marked with a notice to visitors to first report to the office.
2. Exterior doors should remain locked, except doors near the office area.
3. Staff should receive training on how to greet visitors. The first question is "May I help you?"
4. Someone should greet every visitor.
5. Any intruder found roaming the building should be escorted to the office. Someone can then provide any additional information or directions. (NOTE: An intruder is anyone without a visitor's badge or lacking visible identification stating who they are, i.e., school employee.)

Visitors who fail to comply with school procedures:

1. Should verbally be informed they are in violation of school policy. (Example - "Sir, you must report to the office immediately. If you fail to do so, you will be considered a trespasser, and school security will be called.")
2. If this fails:
 - Notify the office of the situation.
 - Follow the person, if possible, and continue to give notice of the violation of school rules.
3. Police should be notified, or call 911.
4. Office should activate building-wide notification plan concerning intruder:
 - PA announcement using pre-determined code phrase.
 - Classroom doors should be closed.
 - Students should remain in current areas.

Procedures to Ensure a Safe and Orderly Environment

The Social Climate and the Physical Environment

The Social Climate and The Physical Environment are two components used to identify our school's strengths, areas of desired change and future plans.

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race, gender, popularity, ability, religion or nationality. Our handbook allows us to share our vision with the students and parents of our team.

MPS is a reflection of all of us. All of our policies are intended to provide a safe and orderly environment that will be conducive to learning. Our faculty and staff look forward to sharing their expertise in academics, special programs, and extracurricular activities. We encourage you to get to know the school, its programs, activities, and schedule. Become an active participant in your education. Get involved through classes, clubs, and activities.

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Core Values

Magnolia Public Schools has identified the following core values which are reinforced through its "Life Skills" curriculum, expected school wide learning results (ESLR), and all school activities.

Value: Scholarship Value: Critical Thinking

Success and Self Discipline Citizenship and Personal Qualities

Value: Social Responsibility Value: Effective Communication

Respect and Responsible Choices Conflict Resolution and Human Relations

Effective Communication:

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3. If the child is reluctant to talk with a teacher or administrator, a parent may offer to accompany their child and talk with the teacher.

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If parent feels there is a concern they should:

1. Talk with the teacher. Teachers can explain classroom situations from an adult perspective and from a professional perspective, and usually that will resolve misunderstandings.
2. If the problem persists after a reasonable time, talk with the teacher again.
3. If the problem is still not resolved, make an appointment with the related administrator.

For example, if you are unsure of a decision made in the classroom about a consequence given for a behavior, you should discuss the situation with the teacher first. If after this discussion, you feel the situation is unresolved, it should be brought to the attention of the Dean of Students. If it is still not handled to your satisfaction, the Principal should be notified.

If after meeting with the Principal, you still have concerns, MPS Central Office and the MPS Board and, after that, the School District/County/State would be the next avenue of communication.

Teachers, staff, and administration are available through email, phones, in person and by appointment. Due to the busy schedules of the teachers and administration, parents are asked to not "drop in" for appointments, but to set up a meeting in advance. Parents should not talk to teachers, other parents, students, or administrators in a disrespectful or threatening manner.

Students' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of all school rules and regulations.
- To have access to your student account in Illuminate.
- To have a safe and educational environment.
- To attend class regularly and on time.
- To obey school rules and regulations.
- To respect your rights and the rights of your peers.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To be prepared for class with appropriate materials and ready to work.
- To respect all school personnel and their authority (administrators, teachers, office personnel, janitorial staff, security guards, etc.).

Parents' Rights and Responsibilities:

To be informed of the school's rules and regulations.

- To be informed of all school actions related to their child.
- To have access to your personal parent accounts in Illuminate.
- To contact school to participate in conferences pertaining to academic and behavioral status of their child.
- To provide a supportive environment at home making sure their child gets enough sleep and adequate nutrition before coming to school.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To contact teachers directly via phone or email to schedule a conference.
- To be familiar with the handbook, which was signed at the beginning of the school year.
- To monitor your child's academic progress and behavior records on a weekly basis.
- To ensure that your child does his/her homework on a daily basis and to facilitate a home environment conducive to home study.

Teachers' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To expect students to behave in a positive manner that will not interfere with other students' learning.
- To expect parental support related to academic and social progress.
- To expect all students to participate and put forth effort in order to expand their education and earn a passing grade.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To inform parents through progress reports, report cards, and conferences about the academic progress and behavior of their child.
- To conduct a well-planned and effective classroom program.
- To initiate and enforce a set of classroom rules, consistent with the school's behavior policies.
- To keep assignments, grading, and attendance current in Illuminate.
- To have administrative support for reflection in and outside the classroom. To explain the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy to their students.
- To enforce the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy in a consistent manner.
- To function as a positive role model for their students.
- To contact parents as deemed necessary to enforce the Student Code of Conduct and to maintain parent/guardian involvement.

Administrators' Rights and Responsibilities:

- The right to address the Board of Trustees on any issue.
- To hold students to strict accountability for any disorderly conduct in school or around school.
- To take appropriate action in dealing with students who choose not to follow the rules.
- "All students shall comply with the regulations, pursue the required course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers of the school." Education Code, § 48900 et seq.
- To recommend in-school suspension, suspension, or expulsion as the situation demands.

- To provide rich leadership that will establish, encourage and promote effective teaching and learning.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To establish, promote, and enforce school rules that facilitate effective learning and positive habits and attitudes of excellent citizenship among students.

Illuminate provides the following information:

1. Attendance: Each student's attendance (tardy/absence) is recorded daily (by each teacher) in 'real-time.' This is one method our parents can monitor their child's attendance in each class daily.
2. Grades: Our teachers input all academic grades online for each assignment, quiz, and examination.
3. Behavior: Each student receives a 'Behavior' grade that is recorded on Illuminate.
4. Homework/Assignments: Our teachers upload and document all homework assignments on Illuminate. This information is useful for students who were absent from class and also provides a reminder for those who may have forgotten to record their homework assignment for a course.
5. Illuminate Point System: we believe that students should be rewarded for good work, positive behavior and exceeding the school's expected school-wide learning results which students earn points and are recorded on Illuminate. The Illuminate point system serves as an incentive program that our teachers use to encourage students to improve.
6. Communication: Illuminate provides another effective method for parents, students and teachers and the school's leadership team to communicate online and leave messages that are documented through a communication log. The types of communications include but are not limited to: informing parents about their child's academic progress, progress reports, mandatory tutoring letters, announcements, articles posted on the school's website, honor roll, behavior, recognition of perfect attendance, upcoming Parent Task Force meetings/events, and upcoming awards for recognition. Also, teachers can post updates, upcoming deadlines and leave messages for students and parents using Illuminate. For parents who do not have access to a computer, the front office has a computer available for their use anytime during school hours and after-school. Illuminate provides yet another way for our parents to become involved in their child's education, and our teachers have the support of the families in doing so.
7. Parent Square: Parent square is another form of communication that allows parents, students, and teachers and the school's leadership team to communicate.

Our Graduates will be:

Critical Thinkers who:

- Apply, analyze, identify, synthesize and evaluate information and experiences.
- Connect the skills and content learned across the curriculum and evaluate multiple points of view.
- Use the Inquiry Process to address a problem, hypothesize, analyze, and draw conclusions as they investigate an issue/problem.
- Utilize Problem-solving techniques during conflict resolution and to compromise.

Effective Communicators who:

- Demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills through the use of Academic Language at school, with peers and in the community.
- Demonstrate Content area and grade level achievement in Reading, Writing, Mathematics, History and Science.
- Collaborate, work effectively, and manage interpersonal relationships within diverse groups and settings.

21st Century Scholars who:

- Use technology effectively to access, organize, research and present information.
- Demonstrate the ability to integrate technology as an effective tool in their daily lives.
- Have developed an academic plan with goals to guide them in their pursuit towards a college degree and career choices (planning).
- Have a clear understanding of college readiness so that in high school, they will be prepared to complete the UC A-G Course Requirements and meet college eligibility requirements.

Socially Responsible Global Citizens who:

- Embrace and respect cultural diversity through the understanding of our Global World.
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of American and World History and the values of different cultures.
- Contribute to the improvement of life in their school and local community through Leadership skills and participation in Community Projects.
- Demonstrate knowledge of proper nutrition, exercise and physical health and its impact on daily life.

Life Skills

Our ESLR's are also integrated and further reinforced in our weekly Life Skills Course, a requirement for all students in grades 6-8. Each year, the Principal will join the other principals from all Magnolia Public Schools to collaborate to discuss and reflect on the impact of the Life Skills Curriculum, the school's mission, vision and school culture. Based on the discussion and feedback, the curriculum is revised to support the school's culture and engage all students while creating a safe and respectful learning environment for all students.

The Life Skills Curriculum addresses the following issues/topics as part of the curriculum:

- Patterns of Success (Essential skills to prepare for College & Academic Success)
- Respect
- Conflict Resolution (Addressing teen issues including Bullying, Cyber bullying, Peer Pressure)
- Making Responsible Choices (Ethics, Drug/Alcohol Awareness/Prevention)
- Citizenship (Democratic Values)
- Human Relations (Social Interactions)
- Personal Qualities (Core Values)
- Self-Reflection (Developing a positive attitude)

Life Skills is an enriching course that provides our students with valuable skills to excel academically and socially in the 21st century. The teacher leads the course, and then students participate in activities/projects to demonstrate their understanding of the material and answer questions posed. In

addition, our instructors have guest speakers and utilize various forms of technology to engage students in the course content.

Parent Task Force (PTF)

Our parent association holds annual elections for the following positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Approximately 20% of our parents continuously attend monthly PTF meetings. Our PTF supports our school and students through fundraising, recruiting volunteer for our school, and student outreach/recruitment. The purpose is to support the school staff and students in the school's areas of needs and as family to create a community within our school. Our goal is to increase the percentage of parents attending. We understand that our parents lead hectic lives so we are having parent meetings in the evenings to help facilitate ease of parent participation and coordinate better with work schedules.

Professional Development

Professional development occurs on a regular basis to address the diverse needs of our students and their various learning styles. Prior to the start of the academic school year, teachers receive extensive trainings on school wide academic expectations and how to meet the needs of all learners. Teachers are trained on the rules and regulations students are expected to uphold, including but not limited to illegal substances (drugs, alcohol, and related paraphernalia) and the risks and factors related to this. Also, trainings on bullying awareness and bullying prevention occur throughout the school year to help minimize bullying related altercations. We collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in accordance with EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015

Physical Environment

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- Objective: Monthly school personnel will complete a campus walk-thru form to identify any areas of need.
- Related Activities: Teachers can report concerns during weekly staff meetings.
- Resources needed: Walk-thru form, building supplies
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- To monitor your child's academic progress and behavior records on a weekly basis.
- To ensure that your child does his/her homework on a daily basis and to facilitate a home environment conducive to home study.

Teachers' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To expect students to behave in a positive manner that will not interfere with other students' learning.
- To expect parental support related to academic and social progress.
- To expect all students to participate and put forth effort in order to expand their education and earn a passing grade.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To inform parents through progress reports, report cards, and conferences about the academic progress and behavior of their child.
- To conduct a well-planned and effective classroom program.
- To initiate and enforce a set of classroom rules, consistent with the school's discipline policies.
- To keep assignments, grading, and attendance current in Illuminate.

- To have administrative support for discipline in and outside the classroom. To explain the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy to their students.
- To enforce the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy in a consistent manner.
- To function as a positive role model for their students.
- To contact parents as deemed necessary to enforce the Student Code of Conduct and to maintain parent/guardian involvement.

Administrators' Rights and Responsibilities:

- The right to address the Board of Trustees on any issue.
- To hold students to strict accountability for any disorderly conduct in school or around school.
- To take appropriate action in dealing with students who choose not to follow the rules.
- “All students shall comply with the regulations, pursue the required course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers of the school.” Education Code, § 48900 et seq.
- To recommend in-school suspension, suspension, or expulsion as the situation demands.
- To provide rich leadership that will establish, encourage and promote effective teaching and learning.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To establish, promote, and enforce school rules that facilitate effective learning and positive habits and attitudes of excellent citizenship among students.

Illuminate provides the following information:

1. Attendance: Each student's attendance (tardy/absence) is recorded daily (by each teacher) in 'real-time.' This is one method our parents can monitor their child's attendance in each class daily.
2. Grades: Our teachers input all academic grades online for each assignment, quiz, and examination.
3. Behavior: Each student receives a 'Behavior' grade that is recorded on Illuminate.
4. Homework/Assignments: Our teachers upload and document all homework assignments on Illuminate. This information is useful for students who were absent from class and also provides a reminder for those who may have forgotten to record their homework assignment for a course.
5. Illuminate Point System: we believe that students should be rewarded for good work, positive behavior and exuding the school's expected school-wide learning results which students earn points and are recorded on Illuminate. The Illuminate point system serves as an incentive program that our teachers use to encourage students to improve.
6. Communication: Parent Square provides another effective method for parents, students and teachers and the school's leadership team to communicate online and leave messages that are documented. The types of communications include but are not limited to: informing parents

about their child's academic progress, mandatory tutoring announcements, articles posted on the school's website, honor roll, behavior, recognition of perfect attendance, upcoming Parent Task Force meetings/events, and upcoming awards for recognition. Also, teachers can post updates, upcoming deadlines and leave messages for students and parents using parent square. For parents who do not have access to a computer, the front office has a computer available for their use anytime during school hours and after-school. Parent square provides yet another way for our parents to become involved in their child's education, and our teachers have the support of the families in doing so. Parent square also has an emergency alert that can notify parents of an emergency.

Parent Task Force (PTF)

Our parent association holds annual elections for the following positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Approximately 10% of our parents continuously attend monthly PTF meetings. Our PTF supports our school and students through fundraising, recruiting volunteer for our school, and student outreach/recruitment. The purpose is to support the school staff and students in the school's areas of needs and as family to create a community within our school. Our goal is to increase the percentage of parents attending. We understand that our parents lead hectic lives so we are having parent meetings in the evenings to help facilitate ease of parent participation and coordinate better with work schedules.

Professional Development

Professional development occurs on a regular basis to address the diverse needs of our students and their various learning styles. Prior to the start of the academic school year, teachers receive extensive trainings on school wide academic expectations and how to meet the needs of all learners. Teachers are trained on the rules and regulations students are expected to uphold, including but not limited to illegal substances (drugs, alcohol, and related paraphernalia) and the risks and factors related to this. Also, trainings on bullying awareness and bullying prevention occur throughout the school year to help minimize bullying related altercations.

We collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in accordance with EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015.

Physical Environment

Our school provides a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment characterized by trust, caring and professionalism. We have adopted and implemented a comprehensive set of health, safety, and risk management policies to create a safe and secure learning environment. These policies comply with all applicable state and local health and safety laws and regulations. It is the responsibility of the on-site school administration to consistently monitor all activities to ensure safety and security of the students. Parents and students are also made aware of these policies as it regards to them in the form of student and parent handbooks. We are dedicated to enforcing school functions as a drug-free, alcohol-free, and tobacco-free zone, as well as a zero-tolerance policy for sexual harassment for all employees, students, and parents. Students are educated about bullying and cyber bullying via school-wide assemblies and individual guest speakers. All staff members are mandated reporters in case of child abuse or violence. Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

Rules and Procedures on School Discipline

Magnolia Public Schools Student Code of Conduct: MPS is committed to excellence in academic instruction and in cooperating with parents/guardians to teach students the behaviors and skills that support social successes throughout life. To accomplish this goal, MPS is taking a proactive approach to teaching social skills as a significant component of the educational program. The curriculum includes teaching of the behaviors necessary for effective and satisfying social interaction in school, on field trips, in the community, and at home.

Expected Student Behavior

Students should always remember that their behavior and actions at school and at school sponsored activities are a reflection not only of themselves, but also of the school. The following is a guideline of what is expected from an MPS student:

Breakfast/Lunch Time:

- Proceed to the eating area as instructed by MPS staff.
- Eat and finish their breakfast/lunch in the assigned area. No food should be eaten outside the designated areas.
- Wait patiently for their food, and follow the direction of the adults on duty.
- Clean up after themselves and dispose of their trash in the appropriate area.
- Remember that they are not allowed in the school building without a pass.

Remember that restroom use is at the discretion of the security guard/supervisor staff. Students must carry a pass that is given to them by security guard/supervisor staff.

On Campus:

- Stay in designated areas on-campus.
- Be courteous and respectful at all times to everyone.
- Not use profanity, lie, fight, gamble, possess inappropriate literature or material, or be involved in the abuse/harassment of others.
- Not use or have cellular phones turned on during school hours; students are allowed to use cellular phones only in the designated area after school. Phones should not be used during after school programs, such as tutoring.
- Remember that any electronic devices seen during class time will be confiscated and returned to the student's parents/guardians at the discretion of administration.
- Remember that gum chewing is not allowed anywhere on campus.
- Never ride bicycles, use roller blades or skateboards on campus nor bring them to class.
- Not leave campus without permission during school hours.
- Not use matches, lighters, or any type of explosive incendiary device on campus.
- Remember that no electronic devices such as CD/MP3/IPOD players may be visible or used on the campus grounds.
 - Students are not allowed to loiter in the hallways.

Assemblies:

- Be courteous and quiet during the entire assembly.
- Be respectful to the presenter/speaker.
- Follow all teacher/staff directions.

Field Trips: Students must:

- Be on their best behavior. Pay attention to the directives given by the moderator and trip leader.
- Follow all school rules pertaining to behavior.
- Wear MPS uniform unless authorized by administration.

Public areas: Hallways, Lunchroom & Restrooms: Hallways, Lunchroom and Restrooms are areas used by all members of School.

- Use the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms only as needed and then move on to class.
- Eat only in the cafeteria or other designated area.
- Leave gum at home; chewing gum is strictly prohibited anywhere on campus.
- Maintain orderly conduct always; walk in the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms.
- Keep in mind that profanity and vulgar language at any level is unacceptable and is strictly prohibited in all areas and at school functions at all times.
- Limit excessive noise such as yelling, screaming or banging lockers while in these areas.
- Help keep the school clean by picking up after yourself and putting your belongings in their proper place.
- Respect others personal space and keep your hands to yourself even in play.
- Have a pass to be in the above areas during class time.
- Keep in mind that vandalism, littering, or graffiti in the school is prohibited and should be reported as this reflects poorly on everyone.
- Public displays of affection are prohibited.
- Bring only plastic and paper containers to school; all glass containers are prohibited on campus and will be confiscated.
- Be responsible and report any leaks, spills, or other problems in the bathroom to a teacher or the office.
 - Be responsible for cleaning up after yourself, including the disposing of or the recycling of garbage.
 - Have a hall pass if you are outside of the classroom during class time.
 - Not visit with friends or interrupt another classroom.
 - Not misuse the hall pass as it will result in loss of the hall pass privilege.
 - Get a referral from your teacher before you go to the office. Do not use the hall pass.

Emergency Drills: Fire drills, lockdowns, and evacuation drills are conducted periodically for everyone's protection and are required by law. During these drills it is imperative that students remain silent, follow instructions given by the staff, and carry out all directions in an orderly fashion.

Classroom:

- Be seated and ready to begin their assignment when the bell rings.
- Be courteous to all teachers and students.
- Follow all school and classroom rules.
- Bring all necessary materials/supplies ready to work daily.

Classroom Procedures and Consequences: Please check the teacher's syllabus for specific consequences which may include:

1. In Class Warning
2. Student-Teacher Conference
3. Detention / Parental Notification
4. Parent Conference
5. Office Referral & Administrative Disciplinary Procedures

Illuminate Behavior Points

[For Middle & High School Only: Student behavior will be recorded on Illuminate and students will receive the following rewards or consequences based on their behavior points.

Positive Rewards:

+5 Contact parent/guardian +20 One day free dress (pass will be given) +30 Two day free dress pass (pass will be given) +45 free dress every Friday for one month (pass will be given) +50 VIP lunch and “Race to the top”

Unacceptable types of Behavior

All students at MPS are entitled to the rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights, and their rights will not be knowingly denied by the required code of conduct or by any disciplinary actions taken by the school. Accordingly, after an analysis of each case, any student who exhibits any of the unacceptable student behaviors listed in this handbook may incur consequences. These consequences range from notification of parents, detention, to emergency removal from a school activity, suspension, expulsion, and criminal prosecution. MPS reserves the right to notify the authorities and the Department of Education as required by law relating to disciplinary actions taken. It is to be noted that MPS reserves the right to discipline any act that has a nexus with MPS or the school community. In other words MPS may discipline behavior at school or at a school related or school-sponsored function or any activity or any act that has a negative effect on the school environment or that is performed with/on/by/via school equipment or school property.

Multi-Tiered System of Response to Behavior

Universal

Examples of Classroom, Support and Teacher-Led Responses

These interventions are designed to teach appropriate behavior so that students may contribute to the learning community within the classroom environment. Teachers are encouraged to try a variety of instructional and classroom management strategies to support all learners.

Level 1 Infraction	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invading personal space • Antagonizing others • Violation of school/class rules • Horseplaying • Violating off-limits/restricted area • Habitually tardy and/or not being in assigned 	School Wide PBIS Social-Emotional Learning Program Proactive Classroom Management Regular, Preemptive Communication with Families Classroom Incentives Seating, assignment, behavioral accommodations Conferencing with Student(s) and Parents

<p>location</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disrupting the learning environment/Off task • Littering • Not having proper materials, supplies, and/or equipment for class participation • Inappropriate use of electronic devices • Dress code violation • Inappropriate language/actions (hurtful, vulgar, gossip, etc.) • Passive participation in hurtful acts/words against others • Public display of affection (holding hands, kissing, hugging, etc.) • Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<p>Verbal correction and redirection Reminders, Role-Play, daily progress sheet Loss of Classroom Privileges Written and/or verbal reflection</p>
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Examples of Support, Removal and Administrative Responses

These responses engage the students's support system to ensure successful learning and to alter conditions that are inappropriate or disruptive.

Level 2 Infraction	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using/possessing tobacco and/or lighter • Violating traffic or safety regulations • Encouraging other students to violate school rules • Leaving school and/or school bus without permission • Fighting and/or arranging altercations • Using objects inappropriately (i.e., the use of an object to harm others or damage property) • Physical assault without serious bodily injury (i.e., pushing with intent, kicking, hitting, pinching, spitting) • Defacing and/or vandalism of school property • Plagiarism/academic dishonesty • Leaving school or classroom without permission (truancy) • Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding district filter, etc.) 	<p>Behavioral Contract Self- Monitoring School-home Communication Adult or Peer Mentorship Utilize Check-in and Check-out System Intensive Academic and/or Social Support Reflection (lunch, after school, Saturday, etc.) Refer Student to SSPT Loss of Privileges Counseling Temporary Removal from class Extended school day</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stealing and/or possessing stolen property • Failure to attend to/complete assigned restorative action • Gambling or Extortion • Habitual violations of school/class rules • Forgery of signatures • Sexually explicit behavior • Planning and/or arranging actions with malicious intent • Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures • Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) • Bullying/cyberbullying • Violation of personal boundaries • Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	
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promote safety of the school community and should be used in a progressive fashion.

See Categorical Offenses

Level 3 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physically assaulting with serious bodily injury • Conduct or habits injurious to others (peers/authority) • Using/possessing controlled and/or dangerous substances and/or paraphernalia • Bullying (harassing, intimidating, cyberbullying) • Fighting and/or arranging altercations • Using/possessing weapons and/or weapon paraphernalia including but not limited to those prohibited under federal law 	<p>All Tier 1 and Tier 2 Interventions FBA Based Behavior Intervention Plans Teaching Replacement Behavior Home and Community Supports Self- Management Program Restricted Access In-school reflection and/or</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) • Arson, attempting to commit arson and/or possession of explosives/fireworks (i.e., smoke bombs, sink bombs, etc.) • Causing a false fire alarm • Making a bomb/explosive threat • Encouraging other students to violate school rules • Student hazing • Using gang and/or secret society symbols/acts • Inappropriate use of electronic devices • Public displays of sexually explicit behavior • Defacing and/or vandalism of school property • Gambling • Habitual violations of school/class rules • Forgery of signatures • Stealing and/or possessing stolen property • Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding school filter, etc.) • Sexual explicit behavior, Lewd Conduct, Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures 	<p>suspension</p> <p>Short-term out-of-school suspension</p> <p>Extended out-of-school suspension</p> <p>Request for alternate educational setting</p> <p>Recommendation for Expulsion</p>
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Assaulting, Fighting and/or Arranging Fights:

School is not a place to arrange fights, whether those fights take place on or off school grounds. Any fight and/or attempting to fight will involve disciplining all students involved.

Bringing / Using Electronic Devices:

CD Players, IPOD, MP3 players, phones, PDA, PSP, Laptops, Electronic Games, and/or similar devices are not allowed to be used at school. They disrupt classes and distract others from learning. If you choose to bring them for use outside of school it is at your own discretion. MPS assumes no liability for any damaged, destroyed, lost, stolen, misplaced or otherwise compromised electronic device brought onto MPS property.

Scholastic Dishonesty:

Scholastic dishonesty includes (but is not limited to) cheating on tests, and/or any other types of deception to obtain credit without effort. Scholastic dishonesty is unacceptable conduct. Each teacher sets their own standards of behavior for their classroom, and students are expected to know the standards and procedures for each of their classes.

Texting/Sexting:

Sexting can be defined as the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photographs electronically, primarily between mobile phones and/or any other communication devices.

Disrupting Learning:

Disrupting learning includes any behavior that prevents other students from learning. It may include but is not limited to inappropriate language, eating or drinking during class against teachers' classroom rules, chewing gum, insubordination and/or selling or trading personal possessions to other students.

Horseplay:

Rough or boisterous play including but not limited to shoving, play fighting, kicking, name calling, teasing, pushing/pulling on a student and shoulder bumps

Possession or Use of Drugs and/or Alcohol and the Sale or Intention to Sell Drugs and/or Alcohol:

Use of drugs or alcohol means a student knowingly possesses, consumes, uses, handles, gives, stores, conceals, offers to sell, sells, transmits, acquires, buys, represents, makes, applies, or is under the influence of any narcotic drug, hallucinogen, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, tranquilizer, non-prescription or prescription drug (except when under the direction of a physician/parent and within school procedure), alcohol, intoxicant, solvent, gas, or any mood-altering chemical, drug of abuse or any counterfeit-controlled substance of any kind including butane lighters. The sale, distribution, possession, or use of drugs, alcohol, fake drugs, steroids, inhalants, and look-alike drugs is prohibited everywhere on school grounds, at all school activities, and on all school transportation (drug free zone 1000 feet radius). Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by Administration and/or Law Enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

False Fire Alarms:

Issuing a false fire alarm is a violation of State law. Making false 911 calls is also violation of the State Law.

Forgery of Signatures:

Any attempt by a student to sign a teacher's, administrator's, parent/guardian's, and/or another student's name to any school document will be considered forgery.

Vulgarity, Profanity and Obscenity:

Any gesture or material of this nature is not permitted at school or school functions.

Behaving Disrespectfully towards Teachers or Staff:

Disrespect (i.e. arguing, talking back, etc.) and insubordination (failure to comply with directives) toward any member of the faculty or staff will not be tolerated. Profanity, either spoken or written is considered a form of disrespect.

Smoking or Use of Other Tobacco Products:

Possession of tobacco products in any part of the school (drug free zone 1000 feet radius) or on the student is prohibited under this policy. This includes cigarettes, cigars, herbs, and smokeless tobacco. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched if the presence of such items is suspected.

Stealing and/or Vandalizing School/Private Property & Graffiti:

This means to cause or attempt to cause damage to private property, stealing or attempting to steal private property either on school grounds or during school activities, functions or events. Students and their parents or guardians will be held responsible for any theft/vandalism/graffiti (including graffiti

tools such as permanent markers) that the student commits. Theft or vandalism of school property carries heavy legal penalties.

Displaying Threatening Behavior:

Threatening behavior includes: verbal threats, both face to face and over electronic media (phone and/or computers), non-verbal threats (“hard” stares, gestures), willfully causing or attempting to cause physical injury to another person, causing or attempt to cause any student, teacher, administrator, or staff member to feel frightened or intimidated.

Bringing Weapon in School:

A weapon includes, but is not limited to, conventional objects like guns, pellet guns, knives, smoke bombs, fireworks, club of any type, mace, tear gas, or other chemicals. This may also include any toy that is presented as a real weapon. It also includes objects converted from their original use to threaten or injure another. The Administration reserves the right to all final decisions regarding the definition of a weapon. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by administration or law enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

Possession or Use of Fireworks:

Using or possessing any amusement device, smoke bomb, stink bomb, etc.

Arson:

Intentionally starting any fire or combustion on school property

Public Display of Affection:

Public displays of affection are not allowed.

Provoking/Intimidating Behavior Encouraging or Urging Other Students to Violate School Rules:

Any student who, by means of provocation, intimidation, encouragement, request, or other means of promotion, induces or attempts to induce another student to violate a MPS school rule shall be subject to the following discipline.

Students with an IEP:

If a student has a behavior plan in his/her IEP, the consequences cited in that plan will be used in the event of specified misbehavior. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student’s IEP team shall meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved. Suspensions of students with disabilities cannot exceed ten days without a “manifestation determination.” A student cannot be suspended for more than ten days for misconduct that is a manifestation of their disability. State law defers to federal law for most of the rules governing suspension and expulsion of special education students.

Hate Crime Policies and Procedures

Additional information prohibiting other forms of unlawful discrimination or harassment, inappropriate behavior, and/or hate-motivated incidents/crimes may be found in local District/State policies. It is the intent of MPS that all such policies be reviewed consistently to provide the highest level of protection from unlawful discrimination in the provision of educational services and opportunities.

Bullying Prevention Policies and Procedures

Bullying is not permitted at MPS. In addition MPS will not tolerate unlawful intimidation and bullying due to actual or perceived characteristics such as age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, disability, nationalist, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or a person's association with a person, or group, with or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Each student deserves an equal opportunity to obtain an education without dealing with the negative pressures of peers. Bullying consists of any of the following: pushing, shoving, hitting, and spitting, name calling, picking on, making fun of, laughing at, and excluding someone physically or via social media or electronic communications. Bullying causes pain and stress to those who are victims and is never justified or excusable as "kids being kids", "just teasing", "joking", "playing around" or any other rationalization. This includes the use of social media for wrongful purposes.

Each MPS student agrees to:

- Value student differences and treat others with respect.
- Not become involved in bullying incidents or be a bully.

Harassment of Students, Teachers, Administrators, or Staff:

Harassment means making unwelcome advances or any form of improper physical contact or sexual remark and any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating or offensive learning environment. Harassment can be verbal, physical and visual. (Education Code, § 212.5) Harassment is a violation of Federal Law and is contrary to the School Board's commitment to provide a physically and psychologically safe environment in which to learn.

Student Hazing:

Hazing is defined as doing any act or coercing another person for initiation into any organization that causes or creates a substantial risk or causes mental or physical harm. Permission, consent or assumption of the risk by an individual subjected to hazing does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy. Hazing may carry heavy legal consequences

Safety Goals and Objectives

Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

Component 1 - School Climate

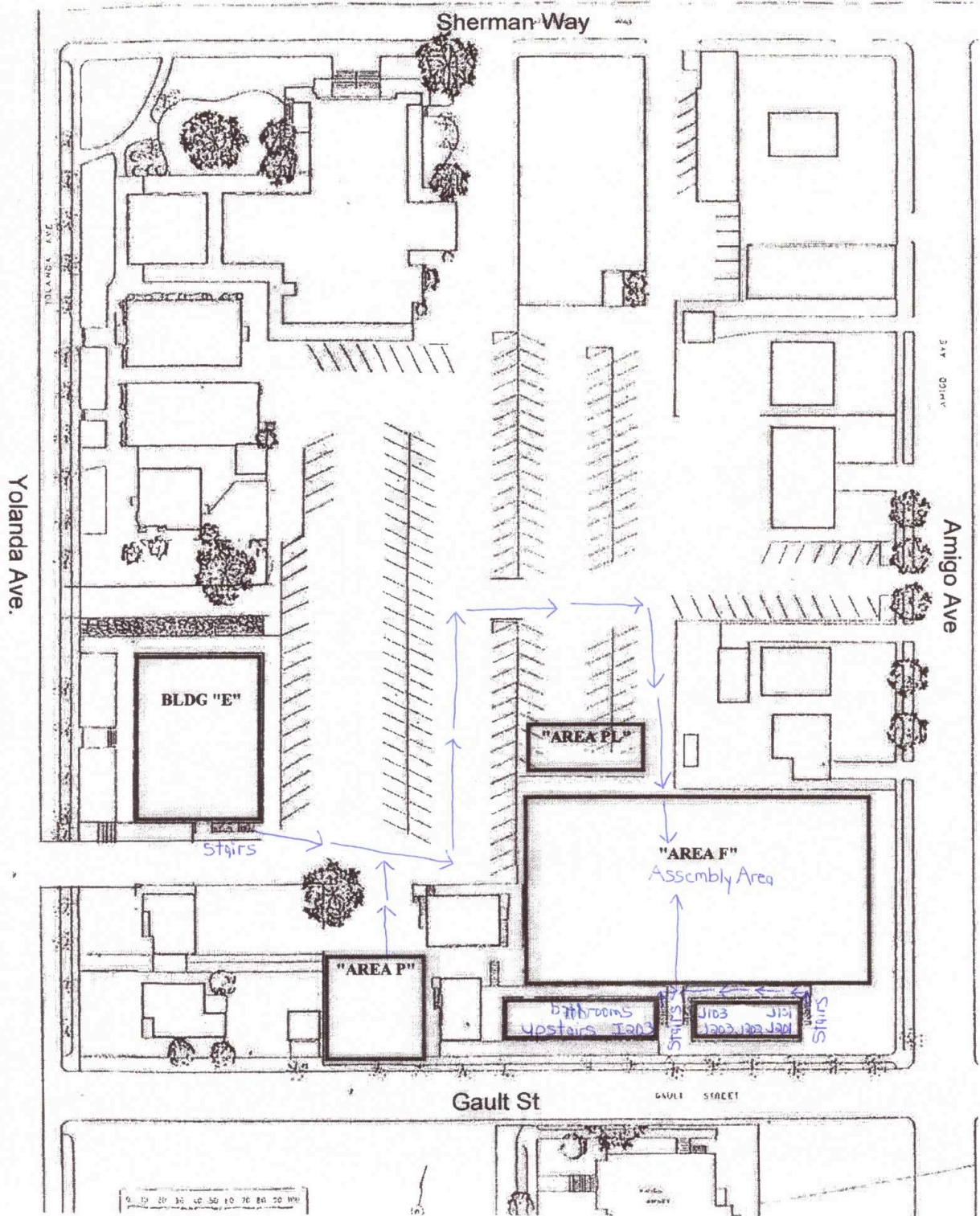
- Goal(s): All employees will uphold and implement all stated policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.
 - Objective 1: Quarterly all employees will review the policies and procedures as noted in the comprehensive safe schools plan.
 - Related Activities: Review regularly during Professional Development, committee meetings and safety meetings.
 - Resources needed: Safety plan,
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Designated administrator, safety committee
 - Budget: None
 - Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

Component 2 - Physical Environment

- Goal(s): Maintain and upkeep a safe school campus
 - Objective: Monthly school personnel will complete a campus walk-thru form to identify any areas of need.
 - Related Activities: Teachers can report concerns during weekly staff meetings.
 - Resources needed: Walk-thru form, building supplies
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Plant manager
 - Budget: Refer to schools annual budget
 - Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

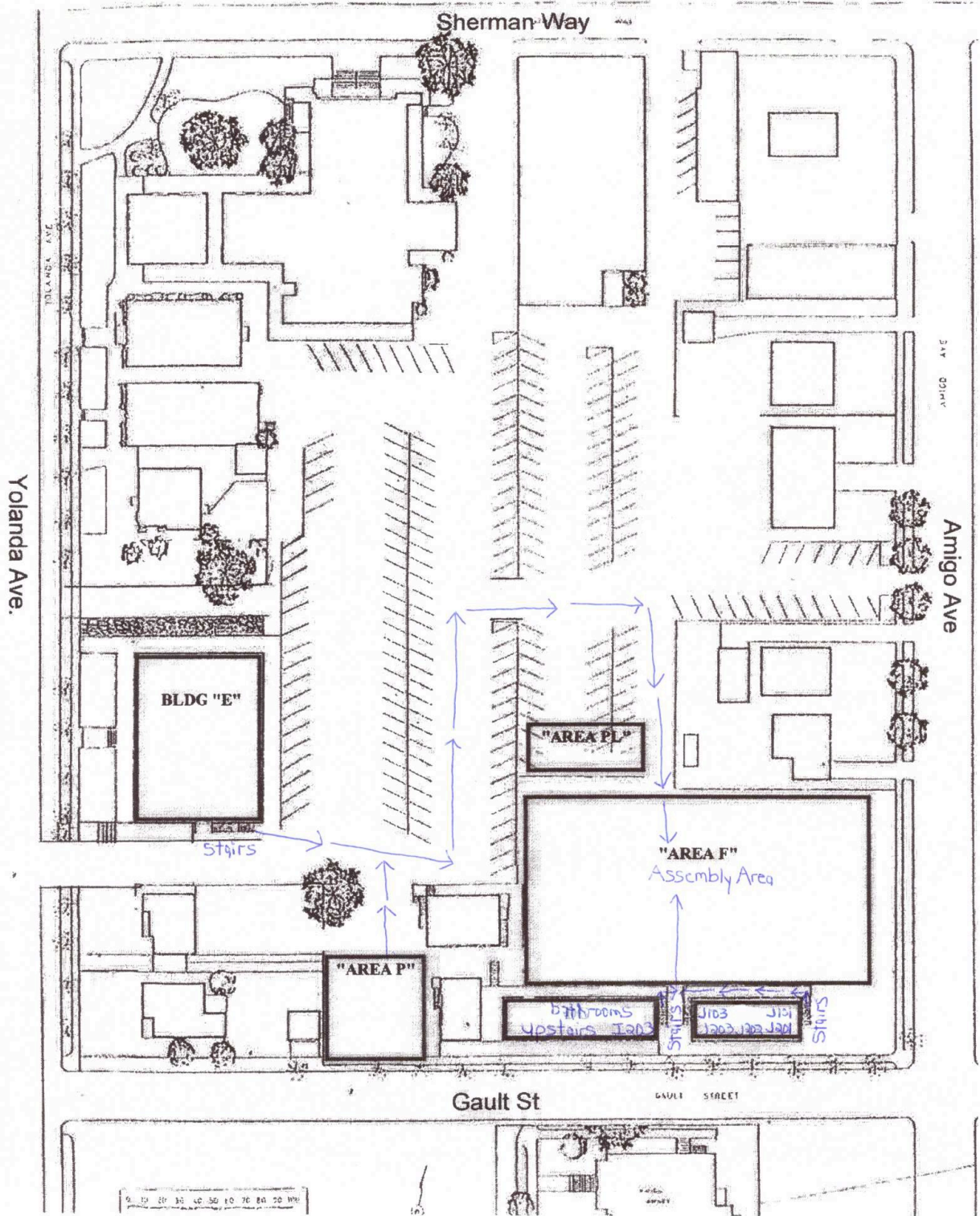
School Map

Amigo Map



Evacuation Map

Amigo Map



Personnel and Responsibilities

Mustafa Sahin	Principal
Lori Morley	Dean/SPED Coordinator
Mariam Budagyan	English Teacher
Asim Cengiz	PE Teacher
Greg Hanson	Science Teacher
Yasmeen Kaplan	Math Teacher
Sinai Shayan	History Teacher
Ergul Acar	Power English Teacher
Matt Atay	Power Math Teacher
Irem Bidak	Computer Literacy Teacher
Meiling Seward	Art Teacher
Jessica Gomez	School Secretary
Jonathan Rodriguez	Campus Aide
Josefina Ochoa	Janitor
Nyeka Artiage	After School Coordinator
Enes Ozdemir	After School Personnel

Emergency Drill Status Report

Magnolia Science Academy

DATE: _____

DRILL/EMERGENCY STATUS REPORT

RETURN TO THE ASSEMBLY AREA/INCIDENT COMMAND CENTER

TEACHER'S NAME _____ ROOM _____

TEACHER'S ASSISTANT'S NAME: _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

PARENT VOLUNTEER(S): _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

STUDENT VOLUNTEER(S): _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

TYPE OF EMERGENCY DRILL:

FIRE: _____ DROP/TAKE COVER: _____ EARTHQUAKE: _____ LOCK DOWN: _____

SHELTER IN-PLACE: _____ EVACUATION: _____ OTHER: _____

ALL STUDENTS ACCOUNTED FOR: YES: _____ NO: _____

MISSING OR UNACCOUNTED FOR:



INJURED STUDENTS/PERSONS & LOCATION:

STUDENT(S)	LOCATION

OTHER:

STUDENT WHO ARE ABSENT:	STUDENT WHO LEFT EARLY:

Emergency Drill Data Sheet

MAGNOLIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS EMERGENCY DRILL DATA WORKSHEET

Use this form to record your drill information

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire | <input type="checkbox"/> Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop" |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earthquake drill with evacuation | <input type="checkbox"/> Campus Protection or "Lockdown" |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter in Place | |

Date: ___/___/___

Name: Meagan Alonso Position: Assistant Principal

E-Mail: malonso@magnoliapublicschools.org Location Code: 8014

1. What type of alert system did you use to alert students/staff of the drill?
 Fire Alarm/Bell Voice through Intercom/PA Bull Horn Whistle

(Omit #2 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

2. Time Drill Started: (am / pm) Time Drill Completed: (am / pm)

3. Total number of staff involved in the drill activity?
 4. Total number of students involved in the drill activity?
 5. Did any special needs students participate in the drill? If yes, about how many?
 6. Did you encounter any challenges with the special needs children? (Y/N)
 7. If yes, please describe challenges: _____

(Omit #8 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Shelter-in-Place", "Drop" & "Lockdown")

8. How long did it take to evacuate all buildings? (minutes)
(Time from START of drill to the time when last staff or student arrived at the staging area.)

(Omit #9 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

9. Did you establish an Incident Command Post? (Y/N)
 10. Did staff bring the School Emergency Response Box to the assembly area? (Y/N)
(Omit #11, 12 & 13 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

11. Did you use any supplies during the drill? (Check all that apply)
 Yes, our staff took supplies out their storing area.
 Yes, our staff used the supplies during the drill.
 No, we did not use emergency supplies.

12. Were parents notified either before or after the drill? (Y/N)
 13. How were parents notified? (method)
 14. Did any parents participate in drill? If yes, about how many?
 15. What did parents do? _____

16. Did you encounter any behavioral problems (non-participation, student/staff distractions, etc.) during the drill? If yes, please briefly describe any problems.

17. Did you encounter problems with any of the following?

(Omit # "d, e, & f" for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")
 (Omit # "f" for Campus Protection or "Lockdown")

	Yes	No	Briefly describe these problems:
a. Alert System	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
b. Students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
c. Staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
d. Parents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
e. Supplies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
f. Evacuation Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>

18. Did you debrief after the drill? (Y/N)

19. What were the three top lessons learned?

1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____

20. How can this drill be improved in the future?

 Administrator's Name

 Administrator's Signature

Emergency Drill Calendar **2018-2019 and 2019-2020**

September

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)
- Lockdown Drill

October

- Earthquake Drill
- Take Cover Drill

November

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

December

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

January

- Fire Drill
- Lockdown Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

February

- Earthquake Drill
- Fire Drill
- Take Cover Drill

March

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

April

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

May

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

June

- Fire Drill

Insurance Claim Forms

charterSAFE

Liability Incident Call-In Report

(This form is confidential and should NOT be given to parents, guests, or third parties.)

Charter School: _____ Location / Site: _____

School Administrator's name: _____ Title: _____

Address where incident occurred: _____

Type of Incident:

Parent/guest incident _____ Parent/guest complaint/allegation _____ Employee
complaint/allegation _____

Name of person(s) filing complaint: _____

Date of incident: _____ Time: _____ AM _____ PM _____

Legal complaint or attorney letter received? _____ Yes _____ No (if yes, please fax a copy with
this report)

Specific location (e.g. *northwest corner of Building G*) where incident occurred: _____

Staff member responsible at the time of this incident: _____

Contact Information: Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Name of person to whom the incident/complaint was reported: _____

Contact Information: Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

If the incident/complaint was not reported immediately, why not? _____

Cause of incident or complaint (check any that apply):

_____ Trip/slip/fall _____ Employment dispute
_____ Allegation of neglect/unsafe conditions _____ Wrongful termination complaint
_____ Allegation of discrimination or abuse _____ Special education complaint

(Please describe in detail): _____

Check any of the following possible causes which may apply:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Failure to follow proper policy | <input type="checkbox"/> Retaliation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inattention | <input type="checkbox"/> Act of other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carelessness | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol/drug use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unreasonable demands | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsafe act |

What steps have been taken or recommended to prevent or reduce the likelihood of a recurrence?

Comments:

WITNESS INFORMATION (use separate sheet for additional witnesses)

Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____	City/State/Zip: _____
Phone: _____	Phone: _____
Email: _____	Email: _____

Please call in to hotline to report as a claim.

(877) 263-9904

Do not fax report; the JPA will receive a copy from the hotline.

Host Crisis Help

Home office support team

Always call 911 first when a life-threatening emergency is in place! You can call the Suat Acar, Chief Operations Officer anytime by skipping the below process to get direct guidance. In case you cannot reach the Chief Operations Officer you may call our CEO Mr. Rubalcava or Assistant Director of Student Services Dr. Brenda Lopez for immediate assistance.

- 1- The principal or the dean (Admin) is informed about an emergency or a crisis situation
- 2- If possible, the admin investigates and provides an incident report to the host@magnolia email. In case of urgency the admin or designee sends an email to host@magnolia immediately then provides the incident report later.
- 3- Suat Acar directs the conversation to the related, appropriate home office staff for further follow-up. Either Suat or related home office staff start a text message conversation for quick, instant communication
- 4- Case follow up report to be provided to host@magnolia by the related home office staff and the school admin.
- 5- If the case investigation, follow up needs further time the related home office staff will follow up with the admin.

Possible emergency cases, crisis situations:

- * Lock downs (Active shooters or etc.)
- * Natural Catastrophes, major tragic events that took place on or around the school grounds that may affect the school's schedule or programs

Additionally, the following number is used as the crisis group call in line as necessary

Phone Number: 1 (669) 224-3412

Access Code: 921-759-077

Comprehensive School Safety Plan

Magnolia Science Academy-2
Magnolia Public Schools School District

Selcuk Keskinturk, Principal
17125 Van Nuys Blvd, Van Nuys, CA 91406
(818) 758-0300
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A meeting for public input was held on 03/15/2018 at MSA-2

Reviewed by Law Enforcement 10/29/2018

Plan Adopted by School Site Council 10/26/2018

Plan approved by Magnolia Public Schools Board _____

Committee Members

Selcuk Keskinturk, Principal
David Garner, Designee
Curtiss Philipsen, Teacher Representative
Cesar Granados, Parent of Attending Student
Wendy Salinas, Classified Employee
SLO Oscar Bocanegra, LAPD
Laura Ruiz, Student

This document is available for public inspection on our school's website at msa2.magnoliapublicschools.org

School Site Mission

Mission

MPS provides a college preparatory educational program emphasizing science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM) in a safe environment that cultivates respect for self and others.

Vision

MPS's vision is that graduates of Magnolia Public Schools are scientific thinkers who contribute to the global community as socially responsible and educated members of society.

Core Values

MPS has identified the following core values, which are reinforced through the Life Skills curriculum, student learning outcomes (SLOs), and all school activities:

Excellence

Academic Excellence is the desire to pursue knowledge and excellence and to contribute original and provocative ideas in a learning environment, in diverse settings, and as a catalyst to future academic knowledge. We foster academic excellence through project based learning using a constructivist approach, student portfolios, assessments of and for learning and academic discourse and argumentative writing. Scholars learn where and how to access the needed information to advance their academic pursuits and societal contributions.

Innovation

Students will have the freedom to choose how and what they learn. Individualized scheduling, early identification of learning styles, personalities, interest and career plans will support students' college and career readiness. This will include student participation in their four-year plans, after school enrichment programs, STEAM program choice options, adaptive assessments and blended learning strategies, differentiated instruction and differentiated and adaptive assessments.

Connection

School communities are integrated partnerships with the school site staff, families, students and all other stakeholders. This sense of connection creates a safe place for all learners and stakeholders to

affirm individual strengths, celebrate character, provide academic support through mentorship and internship, promote unity and better decision making through the implementation of restorative justice practices. Additionally, community cultivates identity and gives each member a sense of belonging and pride. MPS utilizes home visits, student surveys, field trips, life skills classes and coaching to support our overall community-based goals. We work with community partners to establish mentoring relationships and other social capital to support our students' development of personal and academic networks for long-term resilience and connection.

Statement of Purpose

A comprehensive School Safety Plan helps to ensure a safe school environment, thereby enhancing the learning experience and improving student academic achievement. This plan is implemented to protect the safety of students and staff and to provide emergency preparedness and guidelines. This plan addresses the following objectives:

- Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff.
- Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations.
- Protect the school's facilities and property.
- In the case of an emergency, allow the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible.
- Provide for coordination between the school and local emergency services when necessary.

Employee Preparedness

A number of measures are taken on an ongoing basis to ensure that school staff is prepared to respond immediately and appropriately to disasters. These include:

- Review of this Plan and any other emergency policies and procedures;
- Review of an employee's role during an emergency;
- Knowledge of how to conduct and evaluate required drills;
- Familiarity with the layout of buildings, grounds and all emergency procedures;
- Review of the location of all emergency exits, fire extinguishers, fire alarms and emergency equipment and supplies;

- Attend update training in first aid, CPR, use of fire extinguishers and search and rescue as necessary.

Employee Skills

At the beginning of each school year, all instructional and non-instructional staff will be asked by the School Principal, or his/her designee, to identify those with special skills or experience that may be helpful during an emergency. These employees may be asked to fulfill certain emergency management roles (i.e., first aid, CPR, search & rescue and/or fire extinguisher training & certification).

Instructional staff is responsible for the following:

- Present instruction to students about emergency preparedness plans for the site and student responsibilities in case of a major emergency;
- Keep attendance sheets readily accessible at all times in order to check attendance in the event of evacuation;
- Update the contents of classroom emergency kit and keep it in a safe, accessible location;
- Participate fully in fire, earthquake and evacuation drills;
- Have planned activities for students for use during periods of confinement during an emergency situation.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, is responsible for the following:

- Assign employees to roles and responsibilities for an emergency, taking into consideration the skills, abilities and normal functions of employees;
- Ensure that all employees are familiar with the site maps and evacuation plans and are trained in emergency response and preparedness roles and responsibilities;
- Update the list of employees who are trained in first aid, CPR, the use of fire extinguishers, and search and rescue. Arrange for update training as necessary;
- Update as necessary the site floor plan showing evacuation routes and the location of assembly areas, emergency supplies and equipment, fire extinguishers, fire alarm pulls, master electrical panels, and main water and gas shut off valves;
- Ensure that emergency procedures are posted in classrooms, hallways, school office, cafeterias and employee lounges;

- Update the list of any disabled students or employees or those who may need evacuation assistance or other special assistance;
- Test the site warning system and ensure that the system's signal(s) is recognized and understood by employees and students;
- Conduct an inventory of all emergency supplies and equipment and replace used or outdated supplies and equipment;
- Maintain a list of emergency phone numbers in a readily accessible location.

Employee/Student Special Needs

Staff with temporary or permanent impairments of sight, hearing or mobility may self-identify indicating what assistance may be required in the event of an emergency. Students with special needs are identified at the beginning of each school year. Parents are asked to provide written information/instructions concerning specific needs.

Those areas of the school that have employees and/or students with permanent mobility impairments should maintain any necessary evacuation device on each floor where such employees and/or students are located.

Emergency On-Site Personnel

Staff emergency phone contacts will be kept on file at the school office. Staff with specific training in emergency response, safety, CPR, etc. will also be noted on a list kept at the school.

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Assessment of the Current Status of School Crime

1. Data sources the committee reviewed:
 - a. Local law enforcement crime data
 - i. During the most recent 6 month period from 4/29/18 through 10/25/18, there have been 215 reported crimes in a 1-mile radius around the school. The top three crime violations, based on www.crimemapping.com/map/region/lapdWestValleyArea are:
 1. Theft (146) [67.91%]
 2. Assault (30) [13.95%]
 3. Burglary (24) [11.16%]
 - b. Suspension/Expulsion data:
 - i. Student information data was used to identify top suspendable/expellable offenses at our campus. A tremendous decrease in suspensions/expulsions was noted due to the implementation of positive behavior support model.
 - ii. Behavior referrals: Illuminate was used to identify and segregate all behavior referrals.
 - c. School Improvement Plan
 - i. Reviewed current years plan to identify any additional areas of improvement needed.
 - d. Property Damage data
 - i. Reviewed Illuminate behavior data to identify any property damage that has occurred.
 - e. Attendance rates
 - i. Student attendance rates were pulled from Illuminate.
 - ii. Truancy data was pulled from Illuminate
2. The committee reviewed the data and identified the appropriate strategies and programs that provide high-level school safety.
 - a. Parent/Student Handbook
 - b. School Safety Committee
 - c. Discipline Committee
 - d. Administration

- e. Local School Administration
- f. School Site Council
- g. Parent Task Force
- h. Student Leadership
- i. Local Law Enforcement Collaboration

We will continue to review data in the upcoming academic year continually to revise and identify appropriate strategies and programs that provide/maintain a high level of school safety, both on and off campus.

Child Abuse Reporting Procedures

Child abuse shall be reported in compliance with the procedures set forth in the MPS Employee Handbook and in accordance with California law. The reporting of suspected child abuse is mandatory. Our staff will continue to receive training to establish best practices for school personnel to prevent abuse, including sexual abuse, of children on school grounds, by school personnel, or in school-sponsored programs, and post on our department's Internet Web site links to existing training resources.

Mandated reporters include, but are not limited to, teachers; instructional aides; teacher's aides or assistants; classified employees; certificated pupil personnel employees; administrative officers or supervisors of child attendance; administrators and employees of a licensed day care facility; Head Start teachers; district police or security officers; licensed nurses or health care providers; and administrators, presenters, and counselors of a child abuse prevention program. (Penal Code 11165.7) Reasonable suspicion means that it is objectively reasonable for a person to entertain a suspicion, based upon facts that could cause a reasonable person in a like position, drawing when appropriate on his/her training and experience, to suspect child abuse or neglect. However, reasonable suspicion does not require certainty that child abuse or neglect has occurred nor does it require a specific medical indication of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Reportable Offenses

A mandated reporter shall make a report using the procedures provided below whenever, in his/her professional capacity or within the scope of his/her employment, he/she has knowledge of or observes

a child whom the mandated reporter knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Responsibility for Reporting

The reporting duties of mandated reporters are individual and cannot be delegated to another person. (Penal Code 11166)

No supervisor or administrator shall impede or inhibit a mandated reporter from making a report. (Penal Code 11166)

Reporting Procedures

1. Initial Telephone Report

Immediately or as soon as practicable after knowing or observing suspected child abuse or neglect, a mandated reporter shall make an initial report by telephone to any police department (excluding a school district police/security department), sheriff's department, county probation department if designated by the county to receive such reports, or county welfare department. (Penal Code 11165.9, 11166)

Department of Child and Family Services

800-540-4000

2. Written Report

Within 36 hours of knowing or observing the information concerning the incident, the mandated reporter shall then prepare and either mail, fax, or electronically submit to the appropriate agency a written follow-up report, which includes a completed Department of Justice form (SS 8572). (Penal Code 11166, 11168)

Victim Interviews by Social Services/Law Enforcement

Whenever a representative from the Department of Social Services or another government agency investigating suspected child abuse or neglect deems it necessary, a suspected victim may be interviewed during school hours, on school premises, concerning a report of suspected child abuse or neglect that occurred within the child's home or out-of-home care facility. The child shall be given the

choice of being interviewed in private or in the presence of any adult school employee or volunteer aide selected by the child. (Penal Code 11174.3)

A staff member or volunteer aide selected by a child may decline to be present at the interview. If the selected person accepts, the principal or designee shall inform him/her of the following requirements: (Penal Code 11174.3)

1. The purpose of the selected person's presence at the interview is to lend support to the child and enable him/her to be as comfortable as possible.
2. The selected person shall not participate in the interview.
3. The selected person shall not discuss the facts or circumstances of the case with the child.
4. The selected person is subject to the confidentiality requirements of the Child Abuse and Neglect

Reporting Act, a violation of which is punishable as specified in Penal Code 11167.5.

If a staff member agrees to be present, the interview shall be held at a time during school hours when it does not involve an expense to the school. (Penal Code 11174.3)

Release of Child to Peace Officer

When a child is released to a peace officer and taken into custody as a victim of suspected child abuse or neglect, the designee and/or principal shall not notify the parent/guardian, but rather shall provide the peace officer with the address and telephone number of the child's parent/guardian. It is the responsibility of the peace officer or agent to notify the parent/guardian of the situation. (Education Code 48906)

SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE REPORT

To Be Completed by **Mandated Child Abuse Reporters**
Pursuant to Penal Code Section 11166

CASE NAME: _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

CASE NUMBER: _____

A. REPORTING PARTY	NAME OF MANDATED REPORTER		TITLE		MANDATED REPORTER CATEGORY			
	REPORTER'S BUSINESS/AGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	DID MANDATED REPORTER WITNESS THE INCIDENT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
	REPORTER'S TELEPHONE (DAYTIME) ()		SIGNATURE		TODAY'S DATE			
B. REPORT NOTIFICATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW ENFORCEMENT <input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY PROBATION		AGENCY					
	<input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY WELFARE / CPS (Child Protective Services)							
	ADDRESS		Street	City	Zip	DATE/TIME OF PHONE CALL		
OFFICIAL CONTACTED - TITLE					TELEPHONE ()			
C. VICTIM One report per victim	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)				BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	TELEPHONE ()	
	PRESENT LOCATION OF VICTIM				SCHOOL	CLASS	GRADE	
	PHYSICALLY DISABLED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	OTHER DISABILITY (SPECIFY)			PRIMARY LANGUAGE SPOKEN IN HOME		
	IN FOSTER CARE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	IF VICTIM WAS IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE AT TIME OF INCIDENT, CHECK TYPE OF CARE: <input type="checkbox"/> DAY CARE <input type="checkbox"/> CHILD CARE CENTER <input type="checkbox"/> FOSTER FAMILY HOME <input type="checkbox"/> FAMILY FRIEND <input type="checkbox"/> GROUP HOME OR INSTITUTION <input type="checkbox"/> RELATIVE'S HOME				TYPE OF ABUSE (CHECK ONE OR MORE) <input type="checkbox"/> PHYSICAL <input type="checkbox"/> MENTAL <input type="checkbox"/> SEXUAL <input type="checkbox"/> NEGLECT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
	RELATIONSHIP TO SUSPECT				PHOTOS TAKEN? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	DID THE INCIDENT RESULT IN THIS VICTIM'S DEATH? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNK		
	VICTIM'S SIBLINGS		NAME		BIRTHDATE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
1. _____		3. _____						
2. _____		4. _____						
D. INVOLVED PARTIES	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)				BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	HOME PHONE ()	BUSINESS PHONE ()
	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)				BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	HOME PHONE ()	BUSINESS PHONE ()
	SUSPECT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)				BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	TELEPHONE ()	
OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION								
E. INCIDENT INFORMATION	IF NECESSARY, ATTACH EXTRA SHEET(S) OR OTHER FORM(S) AND CHECK THIS BOX <input type="checkbox"/> IF MULTIPLE VICTIMS, INDICATE NUMBER: _____							
	DATE / TIME OF INCIDENT				PLACE OF INCIDENT			
	NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (What victim(s) said/what the mandated reporter observed/what person accompanying the victim(s) said/similar or past incidents involving the victim(s) or suspect)							

SS 8572 (Rev. 12/02)

DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE

DO NOT submit a copy of this form to the Department of Justice (DOJ). The investigating agency is required under Penal Code Section 11169 to submit to DOJ a Child Abuse Investigation Report Form SS 8583 if (1) an active investigation was conducted and (2) the incident was not determined to be unfounded.

WHITE COPY-Police or Sheriff's Department; BLUE COPY-County Welfare or Probation; GREEN COPY- District Attorney's Office; YELLOW COPY-Reporting Party

DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF FORM SS 8572

All Penal Code (PC) references are located in Article 2.5 of the PC. This article is known as the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act, also known as CANRA. The Internet site is: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html> (specify Penal Code and search for Sections 11164-11174.3). A mandated reporter must complete and submit the form SS 8572 even if some information is not known. (PC Section 11167(a).)

I. MANDATED CHILD ABUSE REPORTERS

- Mandated child abuse reporters include all those individuals and entities as defined in PC Section 11165.7.

II. TO WHOM REPORTS ARE TO BE MADE (DESIGNATED AGENCIES)

- Reports of suspected child abuse or neglect shall be made by mandated reporters to any police department or sheriff's department (not including a school district police or security department), county probation department (if designated by the county to receive mandated reports) or the county welfare department. (PC Section 11165.9.)

III. REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

- Any mandated reporter who has knowledge of or observes a child, in his or her professional capacity or within the scope of his or her employment, whom he or she knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect shall report such suspected instance of abuse or neglect to a designated agency immediately or as soon as practically possible by telephone and shall prepare and send a written report thereof *within 36 hours* of receiving the information concerning the incident. (PC Section 11166(a).)
- No mandated reporter who reports a suspected instance of child abuse or neglect shall be held civilly or criminally liable for any report required or authorized by the CANRA. Any other person reporting a known or suspected instance of child abuse or neglect shall not incur civil or criminal liability as a result of any report authorized by the CANRA unless it can be proven the report was false and the person knew it was false or make the report with reckless disregard of its truth or falsity. (PC Section 11172(a).)

IV. INSTRUCTIONS

- SECTION A - REPORTING PARTY:** Enter the mandated reporter's name, title, category (from PC Section 11165.7), business (agency) name and address, telephone number, a signature and today's date. Also check yes-no whether you (the mandated reporter) witnessed the incident. The signature area is for either the mandated report or the person taking as telephoned report.

IV. INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

- SECTION B - REPORT NOTIFICATION:** Complete the name and address of the designated agency notified, date of the written report, date/time of the phone call and the name, title and telephone number of the official contacted.
- SECTION C - VICTIM** (One Report per Family, siblings must have same parents/guardians): Enter the victim's name, address, telephone number, birth date or approximate age, sex, ethnicity, present location, and where applicable enter the school, class (indicate the teacher's name or room number), and grade. List the primary language spoken in the victim's home. Check the appropriate yes-no box for: developmentally disabled?, physically disabled? and specify the victim's other disability. To determine if the victim has a disability, ask the victim's parent or care giver. Also check the appropriate yes-no box for in foster care?, indicate type of care if the victim was in out-of-home care, indicate the type of abuse. List the victim's relationship to the suspect, check the appropriate yes-no box for photos taken?, indicate whether the incident resulted in this victim's death.
- SECTION D - INVOLVED PARTIES:** Enter the requested information for: Victim's Siblings, Victim's Parents/Guardians and the Suspect.
- SECTION E - INCIDENT INFORMATION:** If multiple victims, enter the number. Enter date/time and place of the incident. Provide a narrative of the incident. Attach extra sheets if needed.

V. DISTRIBUTION

- Reporting Party:** After completing Form SS 8572, retain the yellow copy for your records and submit the top three copies to the designated agency.
- Designated Agency:** *Within 36 hours* of receipt of Form SS 8572, send **white copy** to police or sheriff, **blue copy** to county welfare or probation, and **green copy** to district attorney.

ETHNICITY CODES

1 Alaskan Native	6 Caribbean	11 Guamanian	16 Korean	22 Polynesian	27 White-Armenian
2 American Indian	7 Central American	12 Hawaiian	17 Laotian	23 Samoan	28 White-Central American
3 Asian Indian	8 Chinese	13 Hispanic	18 Mexican	24 South American	29 White-European
4 Black	9 Ethiopian	14 Hmong	19 Other Asian	25 Vietnamese	30 White-Middle Eastern
5 Cambodian	10 Filipino	15 Japanese	21 Other Pac Islndr	26 White	31 White-Romanian

Disaster Response Procedures

General Policies and Procedures for Handling Safety and Specific Emergency Situations:

The purpose of the safety and emergency sections of this Plan is to provide safety and emergency preparedness and response instructions to protect the safety and wellbeing of students and staff at the time of an emergency. Specific goals include:

- Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff;
- Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations;
- Protect the school's facilities and property;
- Enable the school to restore normal conditions in the shortest time possible
- Coordination between the school and local authorities and resources.

Emergencies

In the case of an emergency, the general policy is that actions should be taken to allow the school to remain in operation to the extent possible. The situation should be addressed to minimize interruption of normal operations at the school, and students will usually be cared for until regular dismissal time. Where an emergency situation poses a serious threat to the safety and well being of students and staff, evacuation will occur until any danger has passed. When necessary, school may be dismissed by the School Principal, or his/her designee. Home Office will also be informed using the HOST email system (refer to HOST Attachment). In the event of any of the below listed scenarios, the principal or designee will communicate with stakeholders using the school's mass communication system.

Fire:

In the case of a school fire, the following procedures should be implemented:

- Sound building fire alarm.
- Notify Fire Department by dialing 911. The Fire Department is to be notified of any fires larger than a wastebasket. The Fire Department should be given the following information:
 - School name and phone number.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location of the fire within the building.
- Have students and staff evacuate the building in accordance with established procedures.
- Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.

- All doors leading to the fire should be closed. Do not re-enter the area for belongings. If the area is full of smoke, students and staff should be instructed to crawl along the floor, close to walls, thus making breathing easier and providing direction. Before opening any door, place a hand one inch from the door near the top to see if it is hot. Be prepared to close the door quickly at the first sign of fire to avoid the spread of fire.
- Clear access routes for emergency vehicles. Remain at a safe distance from the fire and away from firefighting equipment.
- Render first aid as necessary.
- Check attendance. Remain with students.

Medical Emergency:

Medical emergencies and accidents can occur at any time and may involve a student or employee. Some emergencies may only require first aid care, while others may require immediate medical attention. When in doubt, it is better to err on the side of caution and dial 911.

- Medical emergencies involving any student or employee must be reported to the School Principal, or his/her designee. Dial 911 or direct someone to do so.
Provide the following information:
- School name and phone number.
- Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
- Exact location within the building.
- Your name and phone number.
- Nature of the emergency.
- Do not hang up until advised to do so by dispatcher.
- Notify the school office that an individual has been injured and an ambulance has been called.
- Ask someone to dispatch a first aid/CPR trained employee to the victim.
- Stay calm. Keep victim warm with a coat or blanket.
- Do not move the victim unless there is danger of further injury. Do not give the victim anything to eat or drink.
- Draft written incident report and submit it to School Principal, or his/her designee, before the end of the next workday.

Earthquakes:

Earthquakes strike without warning and the major shock is usually followed by numerous aftershocks, which may last for weeks or months. An earthquake's effect on buildings will vary from building to building.

The major threat of injury during an earthquake is from falling objects and debris, and many injuries are sustained while entering or leaving buildings. Therefore, it is important to remain inside the building and quickly move away from windows, glass, partitions and shelves. In the case of an earthquake, the following procedures should be followed:

- Take cover under a sturdy desk or table, in a doorway, or against an inside wall until the shaking stops. Give DROP AND COVER command.
- After shaking stops, check for injuries, and render first aid.
- If ordered by School Principal or his/her designee, evacuate.
- Do not return to building.
- Do not light any fires.
- Keep a safe distance from any downed power lines.
- Check attendance, whether or not evacuation takes place. Report any missing students to School Principal, or his/her designee.
- Stay alert for aftershocks.
- Beware that shaking may activate fire alarm or sprinkler systems.
- Elevators and stairways will need to be inspected for damage before they can be used.
- School principal, or his/her designee, will issue further instructions.

Certificated and classified school staff are trained annually on emergency earthquake procedures.

Assaults:

Assaults involve acts of striking or inflicting injury to a person and are regarded as serious matters. Any threat or assault on students or employees should be reported immediately to the School Principal,

or his/her designee. The School Principal (or designee) will determine if law enforcement officials should be notified. If a serious assault occurs:

- Dial 911.
- Seek first aid or medical attention, if indicated.
- Have photographs taken of any injuries.
- Write down a physical description of the assailant (sex, age, height, weight, race, clothing, and any weapon used) as soon as possible after the incident.
- Obtain names and telephone numbers of any witnesses.
- Draft incident report and submit it to the School Principal, or his/her designee.
- School Principal or his /her designee will submit incident report to the local law enforcement if incident is serious.

Hazardous Materials:

Hazardous material spills may occur inside a building, such as a spill in a chemistry lab. Incidents of disaster magnitude may occur outside, such as a tank truck accident involving large quantities of toxic material. Procedures:

- If a spill is minor and inside, notify buildings and grounds personnel immediately for clean up. Open windows for ventilation.

If a more serious spill occurs, inside or outside:

- Call 911. Notify Fire Department, Emergency Response Unit, and/ or Public Health Department. Provide the following:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Location of the spill and/or materials released.
 - Characteristics of spill (colors, smells, visible gases).
 - Name of substance, if known. Injuries, if any.
 - Notify buildings and grounds personnel.
 - Close all windows and doors if the spill is outside.
 - Request that buildings personnel shut off mechanical ventilating systems if it might spread toxic material.

- Remain inside building unless ordered to evacuate by the Fire Department. Fire Department will advise of further actions to be taken.
- Do not eat or drink anything or apply cosmetics.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, if necessary, will give approval for student release or site evacuation.

Civil Disturbance:

A civil disturbance is any situation where a person or group of persons disrupts operations or threatens the safety of individuals. The following precautionary protective measures should be taken:

- Notify local law enforcement authorities-Dial 911.
- If participants enter the building, remain calm and do not provoke aggression. Report disruptive circumstances to school Principal, or his/her designee.
- Do not argue with participant(s).
- Have all students and employees leave the immediate area of disturbance.
- If the disturbance is outside the building, remain inside building, unless instructed otherwise by the School Principal or police officials.
- Lock all doors.
- Stay away from windows and exterior doors.
- If the disturbance is inside the building, follow procedures for evacuation of the school site.
- Follow further instructions as police officials and other local law enforcement authorities issue them.
- Draft incident report for School Principal, or his/her designee.

Vandalism:

The following procedures should be used in the case of school vandalism:

- Notify school principal, or his/her designee.
- Notify building and ground maintenance personnel. The School Principal, or his/her designee, will assess the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed, including local law enforcement.
- If possible, identify the parties involved.

- Interview witnesses and obtain written statements.
- Document the incident as soon as possible and give the incident report, with any witness statements, to the School Principal or his/her designee.
- Notify parents or legal guardian.
- Determine what disciplinary measures are appropriate (in-house or police involvement).
- Determine any monetary restitution issues and amounts.

Utility or Power Failure:

The following procedures should be used in case of utility or power failure:

- Staff and students should remain in classroom until further instruction.
- Custodial and maintenance personnel should determine cause of incident and seek outside assistance if necessary.
- Staff and students outside of a classroom at the time of the incident should report to main office.
- Building and grounds personnel report to utility company if necessary.
- If situation requires long-term maintenance and repair and prevents class activities, the School Principal, or his/her designee, may take measures to dismiss school for the day.
- Where utility failure presents an emergency, evacuation procedures should be implemented immediately.

Bomb Threat:

Person receiving call:

- Listen - Do not interrupt caller.
- If possible, alert other staff by a pre-arranged signal while the caller is on the line.
- In the event that a bomb threat is received, it is important for the person receiving the call to attempt to keep the caller on the telephone as long as possible. It is also important to listen carefully to all information provided by the caller and to make a note of any voice characteristics, accents, or background noises.
- Attempt to ask questions and elicit the information required to determine the severity of the threat.
- Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, immediately.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee will:

- Notify Police Department – Dial 911.
- With the assistance of responding law enforcement personnel, conduct a thorough search of the building & surrounding areas:
 - Classrooms and work areas.
 - Public areas - foyers, office bathrooms and stairwells.
 - Lockers and unlocked closets.
 - Exterior areas -- shrubbery, trashcans, debris boxes, gas valves, etc.
 - Power sources -- electric panels, telephone panels, computer rooms, etc.
- With assistance from responding law enforcement personnel and/or Fire Department, the School Principal, or his/her designee, will evaluate the threat and will determine whether to evacuate the building and/or to continue to search the premises.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought. The School Principal, or his/her designee, must grant approval for student release.
- An incident report should be drafted before the end of the workweek.

Explosion:

If an explosion occurs at the school, the following procedures should be used:

- Give DROP AND COVER command.
- Sound building fire alarm. This will automatically implement action to leave the building.
- Notify Fire Department – Dial 911.
- Provide the following information:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location within the building.
 - Your name and phone number.
- Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
- Check attendance. Remain with students.
- Render first aid as necessary.
- Notify grounds and building personnel.
- Keep students and staff at a safe distance from the building(s) and away from firefighting equipment.

- Public safety officials will determine when the building is safe for re-entry, and along with School Principal, or his/her designee, whether student release from the school site is necessary.
- Draft incident report by the end of the week.

Fighting or Riot:

School staff should follow these guidelines when a fight occurs:

- Send a reliable student to the office to summon assistance.
- Speak loudly and let everyone know that the behavior should stop immediately.
- Obtain help from other teachers if at all possible.
- If students are starting to gather, attempt to get students away from the commotion as quickly as possible.
- Call out the names of the involved students (if known) and let them know they have been identified.
- For the safety of all students, get additional help from law enforcement personnel if confronted with a serious fight, especially one that involves weapons.
- Attempt to separate the involved students by speaking to them in an assertive tone of voice. Consider the age and/or size of the students, as well as personal safety, before stepping between/among those involved in an altercation. If successful in separating the students, try to avoid using further confrontational behavior.
- Remember that no one can "cool down" instantly; give the students time to talk in a calm setting and gradually change the climate of the situation.

Staff should follow these guidelines when a riot occurs:

- The School Principal, or his/her designee, should encourage teachers and staff to be sensitive to the emotional climate of the campus and attempt to defuse any tensions prior to the eruption of problems.
- Notify local law enforcement of the disturbance and meet at a pre-designated site to evaluate the situation.
- Have a law enforcement officer evaluate and call for any necessary resources such as back-up help, emergency medical help, etc.
- Activate needed emergency plans, which may include:

- Instructing office staff to handle communications and initiate lockdown orders.
- Notify transportation to bring appropriate numbers of buses for evacuation or transportation if necessary.
- Assign staff a temporary detention facility, such as a gymnasium, to secure students and log information.
- Direct a teacher or designee to initiate lockdown and immobilize the campus.
- Brief a representative to meet the media.
- Assign staff to a pre-designated medical treatment/triage facility.

Hostage Situation:

In case there is a hostage situation at the school, staff should attempt to follow these guidelines:

- Stay calm.
- Don't be a hero.
- Follow instructions of captor.
- Cooperate; be friendly if possible; don't argue with or antagonize captor or other hostages.
- Inform captors of medical or other needs.
- Be prepared to wait; elapsed time is a good sign.
- Don't try to escape; don't try to resolve situation by force.
- Be observant and remember everything that is seen or heard.
- If a rescue takes place, lie on the floor and await instructions from rescuers.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, should be responsible for the following:
 - Immediately notify law enforcement.
 - Move other students and teachers completely away from those who are in the hostage situation.
 - Keep everyone as calm as possible.
 - Be prepared to answer questions from media or family.

Death of a Student:

By far, the worst crisis situation is the death of a student. When a student dies, emotional trauma is a natural occurrence for students, faculty, and staff. A student's death, which occurs on campus, particularly as a result of school violence, is admittedly the most extreme case of trauma for family and the school community. There is no procedure that fits every scenario; each case requires individual

attention. Certainly, there is no prescribed method for dealing with such tragedy; however, the following are suggestions for a school's response to death, particularly death that occurs as a result of school violence:

- After the initial response, administrators and counselors will meet immediately to review what has happened. Responding to the psychological needs of both staff and students as soon as possible is the best prevention for the development of post-traumatic stress.
- Get as much information as possible from the family and ask their permission to share it with the students, faculty, and staff. Ask if they have any objection to students, faculty, and staff attending the funeral.
- Relay the information to the students in a factual way, careful to avoid breaching the student or family's privacy. The School Principal and a counselor might consider moving from room to room to tell the students what has happened. They should tell the truth, allow for expression of feelings, and affirm any expressions or feelings the students have. Students need to be told that they may visit a counselor's office for special assistance if they need to talk.
- If possible, allow a break after telling the students in order to give them an opportunity to express their grief with other students.
- Upon returning to school, students should be allowed time to discuss their feelings, talk about the deceased, and discuss memories. Give students, faculty, and staff information about the funeral and allow them to attend, provided the family has granted permission.
- Watch for trouble signs among the students. Be prepared to call in extra counselors if necessary.

Intruder or Individual with Deadly Weapon/Active Shooter:

If someone enters the school grounds or buildings with a deadly weapon, the staff should follow these guidelines:

- Avoid confronting the student or gunman.
- Notify the School Principal, or his/her designee, or school office immediately.
- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, should follow these guidelines:
- Notify law enforcement immediately.

- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.
- Determine the threat level. If the threat level is high, call for additional backup.
- Attempt to get the weapon from the gunman or student through negotiation, or take other appropriate action with the aid of local law enforcement.
- If the level of threat is low, call the student to the office and have law enforcement take the appropriate action.

Lock Down:

This action is taken when the threat of violence or gunfire is identified or directed by law enforcement and it is necessary to prevent the perpetrator(s) from entering any occupied campus areas. During Lock Down, students are to remain in the classrooms or designated locations at all times.

- The Principal or Admin designee will make an announcement on the P.A. system that the school is going into a Lock Down situation. If P.A. system is not available, other means of communication, i.e., texting or email to staff or sending messengers. The Principal or Admin designee should remain calm and under control and give clear directions.
- Teachers will lock their doors and shut their blinds and instruct students to stay away from the doors and windows.
- If outside, students will continue to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into the nearby classrooms or school buildings.
- Teachers and students will remain in the classroom or secured area until further instructions are given by the Principal/Admin Designee or law enforcement.
- All entrances to the school are to be locked and no visitors other than appropriate law enforcement or emergency personnel are to be allowed on campus.

Use of School Facilities for Mass Care and Welfare Shelters

In the case of disasters or other emergencies, the school will support the emergency procedure systems mandated by all law enforcement, government, or public safety agencies to ensure that pupils, and both certificated and classified staff follow necessary protocols to allow the school to serve as a mass care and welfare shelter.

Evacuation:

In the event conditions in the community or within the school itself necessitate a site evacuation, the following steps should be taken by the School Principal or his/her designee:

- Notify the school district office, county official or designee.
- Notify local law enforcement authorities.
- Notify school transportation support.
- Note the special needs of students or staff.
- Direct clerical staff to take schools master enrollment list.
- Direct school nurse or designee to prepare emergency medications to be transported.
- Direct all personnel to leave the building and secure the building.
- Notify students' parents or legal guardians as situation permits.

School staff should:

- Plan to evacuate his/her class and ride the bus or walk as situation dictates.
- Take a copy of class enrollment list.
- Take emergency instructional materials and first aid kits in the event the evacuation lasts several hours.
- Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, of any special needs of students and their requirements.

The first choice for a shelter during a building site evacuation is another building designated by the school district, county or other local authority. Once staff and students have arrived at the host site, the following steps should be taken:

- Notify school nurse or local medical personnel of any medical emergencies.
- Consider how students will be fed and restroom needs met.
- Activate crisis intervention team to deal with any emotional trauma.
- Provide area and materials for parents who may arrive to pick up students.
- Provide an area for non-school community evacuees.

Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco

The use or possession of drugs, alcohol or tobacco is strictly prohibited at the school or around school grounds. If a member of staff suspects that a student is in the possession of a controlled substance, he or she should:

- Identify the parties involved.
- Notify the School Principal or his/her designee immediately.
- Follow-up with a written incident report, including any witness statements.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should do the following:

- Assess the situation and determine the level of assistance needed (i.e. school counselor, police)
- Isolate the parties involved for interview/investigation.
- Notify parent or legal guardian.
- Obtain witness statements and document in a written incident report.
- Determine disciplinary consequences. See *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.
- Determine what intervention or follow-up procedures are necessary including counseling.

Floor Plan

A floor plan of the school site buildings and grounds, which indicates the location of all exits, utility shut-offs, fire extinguishers, and emergency equipment and supplies, will be maintained and updated, as necessary. The floor plan should also indicate outdoor assembly area(s) and evacuation route(s) from the site. (This item is stored with the plant manager and also located in the office of the School Principal)

A copy of the floor plan will be posted in each classroom at the school, in the school hallway and at the school's main office. Staff should familiarize themselves with the contents of the floor plan and with evacuation procedures.

Fire Drills

The school shall conduct fire drills on a regular basis to prepare for possible evacuation in case of an emergency. The School Principal, or his/her designee, will specify the date and time of emergency drills. All students and staff are required to participate in these mandated drills.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, will designate an outdoor assembly area(s) where students and staff will gather whenever the building is evacuated. Unless instructed otherwise by public safety

officials, students and staff will gather by class and attendance will be taken. The names of any missing individuals will be relayed to search and rescue teams and public safety officials.

School Safety Management Team

Management Organization Chart

The Principal is the overall director of the School Safety Management Team and will appoint those members of the staff necessary to respond to issues of safety at the School and in the case of an emergency. Depending upon the nature of an emergency, additional administrative, teaching and support staff may also be part of the team, but may act only when assigned specific duties by the Principal.

Guidelines for Handling the Media

Whenever a natural disaster or crisis situation occurs, media coverage is a certainty. School staff and administrators are encouraged to follow these guidelines when dealing with the media. The School Principal should assign a school spokesperson to deal directly with the media.

- Develop a written statement for dissemination.
- Get the maximum amount of information out to the media - and thus the public - as rapidly as possible.
- Appoint a spokesperson (usually the principal).
- Keep the staff informed through one person.
- Be proactive with the media.
- Contact the media before they contact the school.
- Set geographic and time limits.
- Explain restrictions.
- Hold the press accountable.
- Create positive relations with the media before an emergency crisis occurs.
- Stress positive actions taken by the school.
- Announce new changes made after the incident has passed.

Annual Inspections

The School Principal, or his/her designee, with the assistance of local support personnel where necessary, will conduct an annual inspection for situations that pose potential hazards. Of particular importance is proper storage of chemicals and correct labeling of all containers. Failure of one or more of the utilities (electricity, gas, water) constitutes a condition that must be dealt with on a situational basis. A walk-through inspection of each area of each building will be conducted using a checklist of the following:

- Classroom
- Corridors
- Cafeteria
- Office
- Teacher's Workroom and Employee Lounge
- Restrooms
- Custodial
- Storage Room
- Yard (or Grounds)

Where multiple rooms of the same type are to be inspected (e.g., classrooms, offices), be sure to note the exact identification (e.g., Room 7; women's restroom). Complete each section of the checklist.

Provide a brief description of the problem in the section provided.

Appropriate measures will be taken to correct the problem at the direction of the School

Principal. When possible, personnel at the site (e.g., custodian) will handle corrections or repairs and may provide an estimate of the necessary repairs and corrections. The custodian or other buildings and grounds personnel will advise the School Principal, or his/her designee, of problems that cannot be corrected by site staff.

Parental Notification

In the case of an emergency requiring evacuation of the school site, parents will be notified as soon as possible. At the beginning of each school year, all parents will be asked to provide emergency contact information, sign an emergency medical release form for their child, and designate persons who are authorized to pick-up their child in the event of an emergency.

Classroom Safety Kits

Emergency and first aid supplies are necessary when an emergency or injury occurs at the school.

Emergency and first aid supplies should be kept in the school's central office and in individual classrooms as needed. At the beginning of each school year, each classroom will receive a classroom safety kit. Suggested items in case of an emergency:

- Blankets
- Matches
- Pillows
- Bottled Water
- Flashlights
- Paper Towels
- Batteries
- Wet Ones
- Radio (battery operated)
- Sheets
- Candles

Suggested first aid items:

- Assorted Band Aids
- Gauze
- Sterile Water (for burns)
- Tape
- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Bandages
- Instant Ice Packs
- Ace Bandages
- Package of Sewing Needles
- Slings
- Anti-bacterial salve
- Steri-strips or butterfly stitches
- Disposable gloves
- Face masks
- CPR (disposable mouthpieces)
- Current first aid book

In case of an emergency evacuation, staff will take this kit to the evacuation site, along with an attendance sheet.

Emergency Drill Report Data Sheet:

EMERGENCY DRILL DATA WORKSHEET

Use this form to record your drill information; then go to <http://emergencydrills.lausd.net> (please note that you must be on the LAUSD network for this address to work); enter the data and receive your certificate.

(Choose one)

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire | <input type="checkbox"/> Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop" |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earthquake drill with evacuation | <input type="checkbox"/> Campus Protection or "Lockdown" |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter in Place | |

Date: ___/___/___

Name: _____ Position: _____

E-Mail: _____ Location Code: _____

1. What type of alert system did you use to alert students/staff of the drill?
 Fire Alarm/Bell Voice through Intercom/PA Bull Horn Whistle

(Omit #2 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

2. Time Drill Started: _____ (am / pm) Time Drill Completed: _____ (am / pm)

3. Total number of staff involved in the drill activity?
4. Total number of students involved in the drill activity?
5. Did any special needs students participate in the drill? If yes, about how many?
6. Did you encounter any challenges with the special needs children? (Y/N)
7. If yes, please describe challenges: _____

(Omit #8 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Shelter-in-Place", "Drop" & "Lockdown")

8. How long did it take to evacuate all buildings? _____ (minutes)
(Time from START of drill to the time when last staff or student arrived at the staging area.)

(Omit #9 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

9. Did you establish an Incident Command Post? (Y/N)
10. Did staff bring the School Emergency Response Box to the assembly area?(Y/N)
11. Did you use the District's Safe School Plan, Volume 2 - Emergency Procedures during:
(Check all that apply)
 Yes, during the planning of the drill. Yes, during the execution of drill.
 Yes, after the drill. No, we did not use the Safe School Plan.

(Omit #12, 13 & 14 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

12. Did you use any supplies during the drill? (Check all that apply)
 Yes, our staff took supplies out their storing area.
 Yes, our staff used the supplies during the drill.
 No, we did not use emergency supplies.
13. Were parents notified either before or after the drill? (Y/N)
14. How were parents notified? (method)
15. Did any parents participate in drill? If yes, about how many?
16. What did parents do? _____
17. Did you encounter any behavioral problems (non-participation, student/staff distractions, etc.) during the drill? If yes, please briefly describe any problems.

ATTACHMENT F

18. Did you encounter problems with any of the following?
(Omit # "d, e, & f" for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")
(Omit # "f" for Campus Protection or "Lockdown")

	Yes	No	Briefly describe these problems:
a. Alert System			
b. Students			
c. Staff			
d. Parents			
e. Supplies			
f. Evacuation Route			

19. Using a grading scale from A through F, please grade the following:
(Omit "a, b, & c" for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")
(Omit "a" for Campus Protection or "Lockdown")

	A	B	C	D	F
a. Student behavior during evacuation procedure					
b. Student accounting					
c. Staff accounting					
d. Performance of alert system					
e. Performance of members of the school safety team					
f. Overall student performance					
g. Overall staff performance					

20. Did you debrief after the drill? (Y/N)

21. What were the three top lessons learned?

1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____

22. How can this drill be improved in the future?

Questions can be directed to emergencyservices@lausd.net or 213-241-3889.

This form may also be downloaded at <http://emergencyservices.lausd.net>

Emergency Drill Report Form:

Magnolia Science Academy

DATE: _____

DRILL/EMERGENCY STATUS REPORT

RETURN TO THE ASSEMBLY AREA/INCIDENT COMMAND CENTER

TEACHER'S NAME _____ ROOM _____

TEACHER'S ASSISTANT'S NAME: _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

PARENT VOLUNTEER(S): _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

STUDENT VOLUNTEER(S): _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

TYPE OF EMERGENCY DRILL:

FIRE: _____ DROP/TAKE COVER: _____ EARTHQUAKE: _____ LOCK DOWN: _____

SHELTER IN-PLACE: _____ EVACUATION: _____ OTHER: _____

ALL STUDENTS ACCOUNTED FOR: YES: _____ NO: _____

MISSING OR UNACCOUNTED FOR:

INJURED STUDENTS/PERSONS & LOCATION:

STUDENT(S)	LOCATION

OTHER:

STUDENT WHO ARE ABSENT:	STUDENT WHO LEFT EARLY:

MSA-2 Emergency Drills Calendar for the 2018-19 Academic Year:

- August 2018 August Fire Drill
- September 2018 September Drop and Cover Drill
- September 2018 Semester Lock Down/Shelter in Place Drill
- October 2018 October Fire Drill
- October 2018 October Drop and Cover - Shake Out Earthquake Drill
- November 2018 November Drop and Cover Drill
- November 2018 November Fire Drill
- December 2018 December Drop and Cover Drill
- December 2018 Semester Take Cover Drill
- December 2018 December Fire Drill
- January 2019 Semester Lock Down/Shelter in Place Drill
- January 2019 January Drop and Cover Drill
- January 2019 Semester Take Cover Drill
- January 2019 January Fire Drill
- February 2019 February Fire Drill
- February 2019 February Drop and Cover - Earthquake Drill
- March 2019 March Drop and Cover Drill
- March 2019 March Fire Drill
- April 2019 April Drop and Cover Drill
- April 2019 April Fire Drill
- May 2019 May Drop and Cover Drill
- May 2019 May Fire Drill
- June 2019 June Drop and Cover Drill
- June 2019 June Fire Drill

Students with an IEP

If a student has an IEP, that IEP and any applicable behavior plan shall be followed, accordingly to state and federal law. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team may meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved.

MPS follows state and federal laws regarding discipline, including suspension and expulsion, of students with disabilities. See also Section D: Suspension and Expulsion Procedures for more information.

SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION Procedures

“The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled.” (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(J).)

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Charter School shall provide due process for all students, including adequate and timely notice to parents/guardians and students of the grounds for all suspension and expulsion recommendations and decisions and their due process rights regarding suspension and expulsion, including rights of appeal.

Charter School shall ensure that its policies and procedures regarding suspension and expulsion will be periodically reviewed, and modified as necessary, in order to conform to changes in state law.

Charter School shall ensure that its staff is knowledgeable about and complies with the District’s Discipline Foundation Policy and/or current equivalent policy, as required by the Modified Consent Decree. Charter School shall comply with the terms of the School Discipline Policy and School Climate Bill of Rights resolution adopted by the LAUSD Board of Education on May 6, 2013.

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of Charter School’s student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

Charter School shall document and implement the alternatives to suspension and expulsion that Charter School utilizes in response to attendance-related concerns, e.g. truancy or excessive tardiness.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Charter School shall establish and implement policies and procedures to ensure full compliance with federal and state laws and regulations regarding the discipline of students with disabilities. If a student is recommended for expulsion and the student receives or is eligible for special education, pending the completion of the expulsion process, Charter School shall identify and provide special education

programs and services at an appropriate interim educational placement determined in coordination with the LAUSD Division of Special Education.

In the case of a student who has an Individualized Education Program (“IEP”), or a student who has a Section 504 Plan, Charter School shall ensure that it follows correct disciplinary procedures to comply with the mandates of state and federal laws, including IDEA and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Plan of 1973. As set forth in the MOU regarding special education between the District and Charter School, an IEP team will meet to conduct a manifestation determination and to discuss alternative placement utilizing the District’s Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual. Prior to recommending expulsion for a student with a Section 504 Plan, Charter School’s administrator will convene a Link Determination meeting to ask the following two questions:

- A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student’s disability?
- B. Was the misconduct a direct result of the Charter School’s failure to implement Section 504?

NOTIFICATION OF THE DISTRICT

Upon expelling any student, Charter School shall notify the Charter Schools Division by submitting an expulsion packet to the CSD immediately or as soon as practicable, which shall contain:

- Completed “Notification of Charter School Expulsion” [form available from the CSD website or office], including attachments as required on the form
- Documentation of the expulsion proceeding, including statement of specific facts supporting the expulsion and documentation that Charter School’s policies and procedures were followed
- Copy of parental notice of expulsion hearing
- Copy of expulsion notice provided to parent stating reason for expulsion, term of expulsion, rehabilitation plan, reinstatement notice with eligibility date and instructions for providing proof of student’s compliance for reinstatement, appeal process, and options for enrollment
- If the student is eligible for Special Education, documentation related to expulsion in compliance with IDEA and the MCD, including the Expulsion Analysis page of the pre-expulsion IEP
- If the student is eligible for Section 504 accommodations, documentation that Charter School conducted a Link Determination meeting to address two questions:
 - A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student’s disability?

B. Was the misconduct a direct result of Charter School's failure to implement Section 504 Plan?

Notwithstanding and apart from the documentation sent to the Charter Schools Division as indicated above, if the student is a resident of a school district other than LAUSD, Charter School must notify the superintendent of the student's district of residence within 30 days of the expulsion. Additionally, upon request of the receiving school district, Charter School shall forward student records no later than 10 school days from the date of the request as stated in Education Code section 49068 (a) and (b).

OUTCOME DATA

Charter School shall gather and maintain all data related to placement, tracking, and monitoring of student suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements, and make such outcome data readily available to the District upon request.

REHABILITATION PLANS

Pupils who are expelled from Charter School shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by Charter School's governing board at the time of the expulsion order, which may include, but is not limited to, periodic review as well as assessment at the time of review for readmission. Terms of expulsion should be reasonable and fair with the weight of the expelling offense taken into consideration when determining the length of expulsion. Therefore, the rehabilitation plan should include a date not later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to Charter School for readmission. Charter School shall inform parents in writing of its processes for reinstatement and applying for expungement of the expulsion record.

READMISSION

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for the filing and processing of requests for readmission and the process for the required review of all expelled pupils for readmission. Upon completion of the readmission process, Charter School's governing board shall readmit the pupil, unless Charter School's governing board makes a finding that the pupil has not met the conditions of the

rehabilitation plan or continues to pose a danger to campus safety. A description of the procedure shall be made available to the pupil and the pupil's parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is entered and the decision of the governing board, including any related findings, must be provided to the pupil and the pupil's parent/guardian within a reasonable time.

REINSTATEMENT

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for processing reinstatements, including the review of documents regarding the rehabilitation plan. Charter School is responsible for reinstating the student upon the conclusion of the expulsion period in a timely manner.

GUN-FREE SCHOOLS ACT

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun-Free Schools Act.

In accordance with E.C. 47605(J)

The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled from the Charter School for disciplinary reasons or otherwise involuntarily removed from the Charter School for any reason. These procedures, at a minimum, shall include an explanation of how the Charter School will comply with federal and state constitutional procedural and substantive due process requirements that is consistent with all of the following:

(i) For suspensions of fewer than 10 days, provide oral or written notice of the charges against the pupil and, if the pupil denies the charges, an explanation of the evidence that supports the charges and an opportunity for the pupil to present his or her side of the story.

(ii) For suspensions of 10 days or more and all other expulsions for disciplinary reasons, both of the following:

(I) Provide timely, written notice of the charges against the pupil and an explanation of the pupil's basic rights.

(II) Provide a hearing adjudicated by a neutral officer within a reasonable number of days at which the pupil has a fair opportunity to present testimony, evidence, and

witnesses and confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses, and at which the pupil has the right to bring legal counsel or an advocate.

(iii) Contain a clear statement that no pupil shall be involuntarily removed by the Charter School for any reason unless the parent or guardian of the pupil has been provided written notice of intent to remove the pupil no less than five schooldays before the effective date of the action. The written notice shall be in the native language of the pupil or the pupil's parent or guardian or, if the pupil is a foster child or youth or a homeless child or youth, the pupil's educational rights holder, and shall inform him or her of the right to initiate the procedures specified in clause (ii) before the effective date of the action. If the pupil's parent, guardian, or educational rights holder initiates the procedures specified in clause (ii), the pupil shall remain enrolled and shall not be removed until the Charter School issues a final decision. For purposes of this clause, "involuntarily removed" includes disenrolled, dismissed, transferred, or terminated, but does not include suspensions specified in clauses (i) and (ii).

DISCIPLINE FOUNDATION POLICY

The following Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy (Policy) has been established in order to promote learning and protect the safety and well-being of all students at MSA-2. Staff shall enforce disciplinary rules and procedures fairly and consistently among all students. In creating the Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy, the Charter School has reviewed Education Code Section 48900 et seq. which describes the non-Charter Schools' list of offenses and procedures to establish its list of offenses and procedures for suspensions and expulsions. The language that follows closely mirrors the language of Education Code Section 48900 et seq. The Charter School is committed to annual review of policies and procedures surrounding suspensions and expulsions and, as necessary, modification of the lists of offenses for which students are subject to suspension or expulsion.

When the Policy is violated, it may be necessary to suspend or expel a student from regular classroom instruction. This Policy shall serve as MSA-2's policy and procedures for student suspension and expulsion, and it may be amended from time to time without the need to amend the charter so long as the amendments comport with legal requirements and are not material revisions. Suspended or expelled students shall be excluded from all school and school-related activities unless otherwise agreed during the period of suspension or expulsion.

This Policy and its Procedures will clearly describe discipline expectations, and it will be printed, distributed and discussed with students and families as part of the Student/Parent Handbook which is sent to each student at the beginning of the school year and signed by their guardian.

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of or willfully causing the infliction of physical pain on a student. For purposes of the Policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to school property.

Discipline includes but is not limited to advising and counseling students, conferring with parents/guardians, detention during and after school hours, use of alternative educational environments, suspension and expulsion.

Positive Discipline

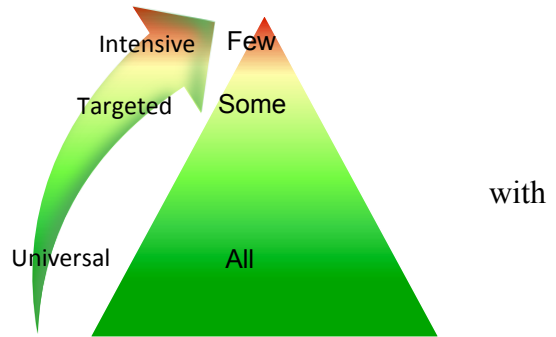
MSA-2 staff has committed itself to encouraging and supporting the attainment of academic skills as well as social skills, such as listening, friendship-making, problem solving, and alternatives to aggression. To inspire and encourage students to develop their potential in all of these areas, the following reinforcements will be used for positive behavior:

- Individual awards/recognition
- Classroom awards/recognition
- Certificates
- Displays
- Positive/Encouraging contact with parent/guardian (certificate, post card, phone message)
- Special activities (instructional field trips, movie nights, picnics, etc.)
- Publications
- Assemblies
- Positive points

Positive student behavior and improvements will be acknowledged and encouraged by the MSA-2 staff. Teachers will not only report discipline issues on the school information system, Illuminate or equivalent, but also positive behaviors and accomplishments. Parents will also be informed of positive behavior and improvements via phone, email, and home visits. Students will receive certificates and/or rewards for outstanding performance and behaviors.

Alternatives to Suspension

To intervene in student behavior, MPS has a progressive discipline plan in place at MSA-2. This plan is published at the beginning of each school year in the Student/Parent handbook. The Student/Parent Handbook also includes a school-parent-student compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the Charter School and parents will develop a partnership to help students achieve high academic and behavioral standards. The discipline plan includes information about student expectations and progression of disciplinary procedures from day-to-day discipline to suspension and expulsion. MSA-2 provides its staff Professional Development in the area of restorative practices alternatives to suspension, and positive behavior supports.



As part of its Multi-tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) framework and Response to Intervention (RTI) Programs, MSA-2 implements Positive Behavior and Interventions and Supports (PBIS) to address student discipline issues including suspension. This tiered approach lists intervention strategies and programs based on the level of fractions.

MSA-2 implements prevention strategies for each tier as presented below:

Tier	Prevention Description
I. Primary (Universal)	Preventing the development of new cases (incidence) of problem behaviors by implementing high quality learning environments for all students and staff and across all settings (i.e., school-wide, classroom, and non- classroom).
II. Secondary (Targeted)	Reducing the number of existing cases (prevalence) of problem behaviors that are presenting high risk behaviors and/or not responsive to primary intervention practices by providing more focused, intensive, and frequent small group-oriented responses in situations where problem behavior is likely.

<p>III. Tertiary (Intensive)</p>	<p>Reducing the intensity and/or complexity of existing cases (prevalence) of problem behavior that are resistant to and/or unlikely to be addressed by primary and secondary prevention efforts by providing most individualized responses to situations where problem behavior is likely.</p>
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MSA-2 believes that alternatives to suspension align with our schoolwide positive behavior support plan. Following is a list of alternatives to be considered before suspending a student: warning, phone call home, parent conference, teacher/administrative detention, written assignment/research/presentation, loss of privileges, behavior contract, parent shadowing, mentorship (peer/teacher), referral (counseling, SST, Principal/Assistant Principal), assigning volunteer work/community service, Saturday school, and in-school suspension.

Grounds for Suspension

Jurisdiction

A student may be suspended for prohibited misconduct as identified below under the heading, “Enumerated Offenses,” if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MSA-2; or (3) a MSA-2 sponsored event. A student may be suspended for acts that are enumerated below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

Enumerated Offenses

Discretionary Suspension Offenses

Students may be suspended for any of the following acts when it is determined the student:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in minor harm.
2. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in minor injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, or otherwise furnished nominal amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully was under the influence of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property resulting in negligible loss.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property.
9. Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including but not limited to cigars, cigarettes, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets and betel. This section does not prohibit the use of his or her own prescription products by a pupil.

10. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
11. Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.
12. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
13. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
14. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
15. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
16. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, “hazing” means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, “hazing” does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
17. Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, “terroristic threat” shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made,

is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family's safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.

18. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently offensive as to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
19. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
20. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
21. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.
 - 1) "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:

- i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.
 - ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
 - iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic performance.
 - iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.
- 2) "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
- i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
 - ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.
 - (b) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.
 - (c) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.

- iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - (a) For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.
 - (b) For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.
 - 3) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.
22. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this section.
23. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee’s concurrence.

Mandatory Suspension Offenses

Students shall be suspended when the following occur on school campus or at a school activity off campus, for any of the following reasons:

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
2. Brandishing a knife at another person.
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance.
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committing a sexual battery, as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined in Education Code Section 48915(h).

Suspension Procedures

Suspensions shall be initiated according to the following procedures:

Conference

Suspension shall be preceded, if possible, by a conference conducted by the Principal or the Principal's designee with the student and his or her parent and, whenever practical, the teacher, supervisor or Charter School employee who referred the student to the Principal. The conference may be omitted if the Principal or designee determines that an emergency situation exists. An "emergency situation" involves a clear and present danger to the lives, safety or health of students or Charter School personnel. If a student is suspended, by Principal or Designee, without this conference, both the parent/guardian and student shall be notified of the student's right to return to school for the purpose of a conference.

At the conference, the student shall be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action and the evidence against him or her and shall be given the opportunity to present his or her version and evidence in his or her defense. This conference shall be held within two (2) school days, unless the student waives this right or is physically unable to attend for any reason including, but not limited to, incarceration or hospitalization. No penalties may be imposed on a student for failure of the student's

parent or guardian to attend a conference with Charter School Principal or Designee. Reinstatement of the suspended student shall not be contingent upon attendance by the student's parent or guardian at the conference.

MSA-2 assures that the process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence will be fair and thorough.

As an alternative to out of school suspension, MSA-2 utilizes in-school suspension as a way to redirect student choices and provide an opportunity to reflect in a space that ensures students will also be responsible for completing assigned academic work. The in-school suspension for students will be in a designated working area in the main office with access to a supervising administrator who holds a teaching credential. During in-school suspension, access to instructional materials will be coordinated by the Assistant Principal. The Assistant Principal will reach out to the students' teachers prior to the in-school suspension and the teachers will share the materials and assignments students will be working on while they are serving their in-school suspension. Since students have access to online platforms, students will be provided with a one to one device just like their peers to complete assignments. If the in-school suspension is related to a technology infraction, a hard copy will be provided as an alternative for having access to work and submitting assignments. Office staff will work alongside administrators to determine any accommodations students may need during their in-school suspension. For example, scheduled breaks, as well as providing breakfast and lunch for the student. A restorative justice team consisting of teachers and the Assistant Principal will meet to develop a positive behavioral plan to support the student during and after the in-school suspension. This plan is shared with parent/ guardian when informing them of the in-school suspension and parent/ guardian feedback is also welcomed regarding follow up support for their child. In addition to the meeting, a form will be provided to families regarding the in-school suspension and the parent can sign giving their acknowledgment of the in-school suspension guidelines. A student may be suspended in-school for a maximum of five school days per incident and a maximum of 20 school days per academic year.

During the in-school suspension, the Assistant Principal will work directly with the student and together they will create a plan for how to re-enter the school environment following an incident. There will also be additional support added during this reflection time which may include speaking to a counselor. Every incident is unique and should there be an opportunity to restore the relationship and

redirect the student's actions during the in-school suspension, this connection and established trust will be leveraged. In an effort to ensure the safety of all stakeholders, the following offenses may result in in-school suspension:

- Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence,
- Engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation against a pupil or group of pupils or school district personnel,
- Made terrorist threats against school officials or school property, or both.

The above-mentioned offenses are addressed in a serious manner and depending on the details may not be able to be rectified with an in-school suspension. The school administrator will report the incident to the appropriate authorities under the direction of the local authorities who will assess the level of risk and will act in accordance with the recommendations. The authorities will determine whether or not the situation should be handled “administratively” or by the police. The administrative team will then move forward with the appropriate support. In order to comply with Ed Code Section 48900, the school administrator will notify all stakeholders by the end of the school day.

Notice to Parents/Guardians

At the time of the suspension, the Principal or designee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the parent/guardian by telephone or in person. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian shall be notified in writing, by the Principal or Designee, of the suspension and the date of return following suspension. This notice shall state the specific offense committed by the student. In addition, the notice will also state the date and time when the student may return to school and will provide information about the appeal right and process. If Charter School administrators wish to ask the parent/guardian to confer regarding matters pertinent to the suspension, the notice will request that the parent/guardian respond to such requests without delay.

Suspension Time Limits

Suspensions, when not including a recommendation for expulsion, shall not exceed five (5) consecutive school days per suspension. A student may be suspended from school for not more than 20

school days in any school year unless, for purposes of adjustment, the student enrolls in or is transferred another regular school, an opportunity school, or continuation school or class, in which case suspension shall not exceed 30 days in any school year. However, this restriction on the number of days of suspension does not apply when the suspension is extended pending an expulsion. (Education Code Sections 48903, 48911, and 48912) The expulsion process shall not take longer than 30 days from the first day of the initial suspension. Disciplining students with Disabilities is outlined in the section below.

Suspension Appeals

Students and parent/guardian may appeal a suspension within five (5) school days of the suspension. This appeal will be made, verbally or in writing, to the Principal and heard by a Reflection Committee. The Reflection Committee is an advisory committee to the Principal, trained quarterly in restorative practices and PBIS, and will be comprised of at least one school administrator, and at least two teachers, and may also include a non-certificated employee. Current teachers of the student are not eligible to participate as a member of the Reflection Committee. All Reflection Committee hearings on suspensions will be held within two (2) school days of the appeal being made. The decision of the Reflection Committee is final. Based on the information submitted or requested, the Reflection Committee may make one of the following decisions regarding the suspension:

- Uphold the suspension
- Determine that the suspension was not within school guidelines, overturn the suspension, and order that all records and documents regarding the disciplinary proceeding be destroyed. No information regarding the suspension will be placed in the student's permanent record, or shared with anyone not directly involved in the proceedings. The Charter School administrators shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom materials and assignments for the duration of student's absence. Student will be provided the opportunity to make academic progress, make up assignments, and earn credit missed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Charter School will maintain student records in accordance with Education Code Sections 35253 and 49076 and 5 CCR 16024.

Recommendation for Placement/Expulsion

Upon a recommendation of Placement/Expulsion by the Principal, the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative will be invited to a conference with school site administrators to determine if the suspension for the student should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. In such instances when the Principal or Designee has determined a suspension period shall be extended, such extension shall be made only after a conference is held with the student or the student's parent/guardian or representative, unless the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative fail to attend the conference, at which time the school shall proceed with the extension.

This determination will be made by the Principal or designee upon either of the following findings: (1) the student's presence will be disruptive to the education process; or (2) the student poses a threat or danger to others. Upon either determination, the student's suspension will be extended pending the results of an expulsion hearing.

Access to Education

For suspensions that are not pending an expulsion hearing, the Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom material and current assignments to be completed at home during the length of the suspension. For suspensions pending an expulsion hearing, the Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students. Please see "Interim Placement" below for details.

Grounds for EXPULSION

Jurisdiction

A student may be expelled for prohibited misconduct, that are described below under the heading, "Discretionary Expellable Offences and Mandatory Expulsion Offenses," if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MSA-2 or at any other school; or (3) a MSA-2

sponsored event. A student may be expelled for offenses that are described below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

The length of an expulsion is addressed above, under “Rehabilitation Plans.”

Discretionary Expellable Offenses

Students may be recommended for expulsion for any of the following acts when it is determined the pupil:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in serious bodily harm.
2. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in serious bodily injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, or otherwise furnished significant amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully under the influence of any controlled substance, as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.

6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion in excess of \$1,000.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
9. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
10. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
11. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
12. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, “hazing” means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, “hazing” does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
13. Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, “terroristic threat” shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes

that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family's safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.

14. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
15. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
16. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
17. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.
 - i. "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:
 - A. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her

age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.

- B. Causing a reasonable student to experience a substantially detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
 - C. Causing a reasonable student to experience substantial interference with his or her academic performance.
 - D. Causing a reasonable student to experience substantial interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.
- ii. "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
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 - iii. Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.

- iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - A. For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.
 - B. For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.

2. Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.

18. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this section.

19. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee’s concurrence.

Mandatory Expulsion Offenses

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
2. Brandishing a knife at another person.
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance.
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committing a sexual battery, as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined in Education Code 48915(h).

Expulsion Procedures

Authority to Expel

If determined necessary upon the referral by the discipline committee; a student may be expelled by an Administrative Panel following a hearing before it. The Administrative Panel will include three or more certificated persons, none of whom have been members of the Board or on the staff of the Charter School in which the student is enrolled. It is important for the Administrative Panel members to have experience in education law and student discipline. Typical Administrative Panel members include teachers, school administrators and Home Office Chiefs/Directors. The Home Office will coordinate all administrators and teachers who serve on the Reflection Committee at their school sites to be “on call” for a particular month should their presence be needed at an Administrative Panel hearing. A member who served on the Reflection Committee may not serve on the Administrative Panel for the same student. The Administrative Panel may expel any student found to have committed an expellable offense.

A decision to expel a pupil for an expellable offense shall be based on a finding of one or both of the following:

- (1) Other means of correction are not feasible or have repeatedly failed to bring about proper conduct.
- (2) Due to the nature of the act, the presence of the pupil causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the pupil or others.

The process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence will be fair and thorough.

Expulsion Hearing

Students recommended for expulsion are entitled to a hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled. Unless postponed for good cause, the hearing shall be held within thirty (30) school days after the Principal determines that the Student has committed an expellable offense.

After an Administrative Panel hears the case, it will make a determination whether to expel. The hearing shall be held in closed session (complying with all pupil confidentiality rules under FERPA) unless the pupil makes a written request for a public hearing in open session three (3) days prior to the date of the scheduled hearing.

Written notice of the hearing shall be forwarded to the student and the student's parent/guardian by the Principal or Designee, at least ten (10) calendar days before the date of the hearing. Upon mailing the notice, it shall be deemed served upon the student. The notice shall include:

1. The date and place of the expulsion hearing;
2. A statement of specific facts, charges and offenses upon which the proposed expulsion is based;
3. A copy of MSA-2's disciplinary rules which relate to the alleged violation;
4. Notification of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to provide information about the student's status at the Charter School to any other school district or school to which the student seeks enrollment;
5. The opportunity for the student or the student's parent/guardian to appear in person or to employ and be represented by counsel or a non-attorney advisor;
6. The right to inspect and obtain copies of all documents to be used at the hearing;
7. The opportunity to confront and question all witnesses who testify at the hearing;
8. The opportunity to question all evidence presented and to present oral and documentary evidence on the student's behalf including witnesses.

Special procedures for Expulsion Hearings Involving Sexual Assault or Battery Offenses

MSA-2 may, upon finding a good cause, determine that the disclosure of either the identity of the witness or the testimony of that witness at the hearing, or both, would subject the complaining witness to an unreasonable risk of psychological or physical harm. Upon this determination, the testimony of the witness may be presented at the hearing in the form of sworn declarations which shall be examined only by the Administrative Panel. Copies of these sworn declarations, edited to delete the name and identity of the complaining witness, shall be made available to the Panel.

1. The complaining witness in any sexual assault or battery case must be provided with a copy of the applicable disciplinary rules and advised of his/her right to (a) receive five (5) days notice of his/her scheduled testimony, (b) have up to two (2) adult support persons of his/her choosing present in the hearing at the time he/she testifies, which may include a parent, guardian, or legal counsel, and (c) elect to have the hearing closed while testifying.
2. MSA-2 administrators must also provide the victim a room separate from the hearing room for the complaining witness' use prior to and during breaks in testimony.
3. At the discretion of the Administrative Panel conducting the hearing, the complaining witness shall be allowed periods of relief from examination and cross-examination during which he or she may leave the hearing room.
4. The Administrative Panel conducting the expulsion hearing may also arrange the seating within the hearing room to facilitate a less intimidating environment for the complaining witness.
5. The Administrative Panel conducting the expulsion hearing may also limit time for taking the testimony of the complaining witness to the hours he/she is normally in school, if there is no good cause to take the testimony during other hours.
6. Prior to a complaining witness testifying, the support persons must be admonished that the hearing is confidential. Nothing in the law precludes the entity presiding over the hearing from removing a support person whom the presiding Administrative Panel finds is disrupting the hearing. The Administrative Panel conducting the hearing may permit any one of the support persons for the complaining witness to accompany him or her to the witness stand.

7. If one or both of the support persons is also a witness, MSA-2 administrators must present evidence that the witness' presence is both desired by the witness and will be helpful to MSA-2. The Administrative Panel presiding over the hearing shall permit the witness to stay unless it is established that there is a substantial risk that the testimony of the complaining witness would be influenced by the support person, in which case the Administrative Panel shall admonish the support person or persons not to prompt, sway, or influence the witness in any way. Nothing shall preclude the presiding entity from exercising his or her discretion to remove a person from the hearing whom he or she believes is prompting, swaying, or influencing the witness.
8. The testimony of the support person shall be presented before the testimony of the complaining witness and the complaining witness shall be excluded from the hearing during that testimony.
9. Especially for charges involving sexual assault or battery, if the hearing is to be conducted in the public at the request of the student under investigation, the complaining witness shall have the right to have his/her testimony heard in a closed session when testifying at a public meeting would threaten serious psychological harm to the complaining witness and there are no alternative procedures to avoid the threatened harm. The alternative procedures may include videotaped depositions or contemporaneous examination in another place communicated to the hearing by means of closed-circuit television.
10. Evidence of specific instances of a complaining witness' prior sexual conduct is presumed inadmissible and shall not be heard absent a determination by the Administrative Panel conducting the hearing that extraordinary circumstances exist requiring the evidence be heard. Before such a determination regarding extraordinary circumstances can be made, the witness shall be provided notice and an opportunity to present opposition to the introduction of the evidence. In the hearing on the admissibility of the evidence, the complaining witness shall be entitled to be represented by a parent, legal counsel, or other support person. Reputation or opinion evidence regarding the sexual behavior of the complaining witness is not admissible for any purpose.

Record of Expulsion Hearing

A record of the hearing shall be made and may be maintained by any means, including electronic recording, as long as a reasonably accurate and complete written transcription of the proceedings can be made.

Presentation of Evidence

While technical rules of evidence do not apply to expulsion hearings, evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. A determination by the Administrative Panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed an expellable offense. Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. While hearsay evidence is admissible, no decision to expel shall be based solely on hearsay. Sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses of whom the Panel determines that disclosure of their identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to an unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm.

If, due to a written request by the accused student, the hearing is held at a public meeting, and the charge is committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery as defined in Education Code Section 48900, a complaining witness shall have the right to have his or her testimony heard in a session closed to the public.

The decision of the Administrative Panel shall be in the form of written findings of fact.

If the Administrative Panel decides not to expel, the student shall immediately be returned to his/her educational program.

Written Notice to Expel

The Principal or designee following a decision of the Administrative Panel to expel shall send written notice within 30 days of the decision to expel, including the Administrative Panel's adopted findings of fact, to the student or parent/guardian. This notice shall also include the following:

1. Notice of the specific offense(s) committed by the student
2. Notice of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with MSA-2
3. The reinstatement eligibility review date; a copy of the rehabilitation plan; the type of educational placement during the period of expulsion, and notice of appeal rights/procedures
4. Information regarding rights to, how, timelines, and to whom a student/parent may appeal an expulsion decision

The Principal or designee shall send a copy of the written notice of the decision to expel to the student's district of residence. This notice shall include the following:

1. The student's name
2. The specific expellable offense committed by the student

Disciplinary Records

MSA-2 shall maintain records of all student suspensions and expulsions at MSA-2. Such records shall be made available to the District upon request.

Expulsion Appeals

In order to appeal an expulsion, the student/parent/guardian must submit a written appeal to the CEO of MPS outlining the reason for the appeal, attaching any supporting documentation, within ten (10) calendar days of receiving the written notice of the expulsion.

In response to the written request for an appeal, the CEO of MPS shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors. The Board shall convene a hearing on the appeal within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of a timely written request for an appeal.

At the hearing on the appeal, the student or his/her representative shall have the right to present evidence. The Board will consider the evidence and/or testimony presented to the Administrative Panel as appropriate and will render a contemporaneous written decision, which shall be immediately communicated to the appellant at the conclusion of the hearing, in the best interest of the student and the Charter School. That decision shall be final.

Interim Placement

The Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of the Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students, including, but not limited to, programs within the County or their school district of residence.

The Charter School shall work with the District for an interim placement at a community day school or other alternative program. Should the Charter School determine after the referral that the student will remain at the Charter School pending the expulsion hearing based on the best interest of the student, or if the Charter School secures another alternative interim placement at another Charter School or school within its CMO, if appropriate and aligned with applicable charter petitions, the Charter School will notify the District of such determination.

Readmission/Reinstatement

The decision to readmit a pupil previously expelled from MSA-2 shall be at the discretion of the Governing Board following a meeting with the Principal or designee, the pupil and parent/guardian or representative to determine whether the pupil has successfully completed the rehabilitation plan and to determine whether the pupil continues to pose a threat to others or will be disruptive to the school environment. The Principal or Designee will make a recommendation to the Board following the meeting regarding his/her recommendation. The Board shall then make a final decision regarding reinstatement during closed session of a public meeting, reporting out any actions taken during closed session as required of the Brown Act. The pupil's readmission is also contingent upon MSA-2's capacity at the time the student seeks readmission. These procedures will be made available to the pupil and his/her parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is issued.

Rehabilitation Plans

Pupils who are expelled from MSA-2 shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by the Administrative Panel at the time of the expulsion order. The rehabilitation plan includes improved behavior, attendance, and academic performance and shall include a date no later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to MSA-2 for readmission.

MSA-2 shall mail written notification to parent/guardian within thirty (30) days prior to the end of the expulsion term. This notice will request the parent or guardian to submit written documentation to the school showing that the student has met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan. The board shall review these documents and make a final decision regarding reinstatement. If the student does not meet the requirements of the rehabilitation plan as determined by the board, the board will revisit at a later date not to exceed one (1) year.

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

Bullying

Bullying is listed as an offense for which a student may be suspended or expelled. The Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Safe Place to Learn Act, Education Code Section 234 *et seq.* MPS' policy on bullying prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified in the definition of hate crimes. MPS' process for receiving and investigating complaints includes complaints of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified, and a requirement that Charter School personnel who witness such acts take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so, a timeline to investigate and resolve complaints, and an appeal process.

Special Procedures for the Consideration of Suspension and Expulsion of Students with Disabilities

Notification of SELPA

The Charter School shall immediately notify the SELPA and coordinate the procedures in this policy with the SELPA of the discipline of any student with a disability or student who the Charter School or SELPA would be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability.

Services During Suspension

Students suspended for more than ten (10) school days in a school year shall continue to receive services so as to enable the student to continue to participate in the general education curriculum, although in another setting, and to progress toward meeting the goals set out in the child's IEP/504 Plan; and receive, as appropriate, a functional behavioral assessment and behavioral intervention services and modifications, that are designed to address the behavior violation so that it does not recur. These services may be provided in an interim alternative educational setting.

Procedural Safeguards/ Manifestation Determination

Within ten (10) school days of a recommendation for expulsion or any decision to change the placement of a child with a disability because of a violation of a code of student conduct, the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team shall review all relevant information in the student's file, including the child's IEP/504 Plan, any teacher observations, and any relevant information provided by the parents to determine:

- If the conduct in question was caused by, or had a direct and substantial relationship to, the child's disability; or
- If the conduct in question was the direct result of the local educational agency's failure to implement the IEP/504 Plan.
- If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team determine that either of the above is applicable for the child, the conduct shall be determined to be a manifestation of the child's disability.
- If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team make the determination that the conduct was a manifestation of the child's disability, the IEP/504 Team shall:
 - Conduct a functional behavioral assessment and implement a behavioral intervention plan for such child, provided that the Charter School had not conducted such assessment prior to such determination before the behavior that resulted in a change in placement;
 - If a behavioral intervention plan has been developed, review the behavioral intervention plan if the child already has such a behavioral intervention plan, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior; and

Return the child to the placement from which the child was removed, unless the parent and the Charter School agree to a change of placement as part of the modification of the behavioral intervention plan.

- If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team determine that the behavior was not a manifestation of the student's disability and that the conduct in question was not a result of the failure to implement the IEP/504 Plan, then the Charter School may apply the relevant disciplinary procedures to children with disabilities in the same manner and for the same duration as the procedures would be applied to students without disabilities.

Due Process Appeals

The parent of a child with a disability who disagrees with any decision regarding placement, or the manifestation determination, or the Charter School believes that maintaining the current placement of the child is substantially likely to result in injury to the child or to others, may request an expedited administrative hearing through the Special Education Unit of the Office of Administrative Hearings or by utilizing the dispute provisions of the 504 Policy and Procedures.

When an appeal relating to the placement of the student or the manifestation determination has been requested by either the parent or the Charter School, the student shall remain in the interim alternative educational setting pending the decision of the hearing officer or until the expiration of the forty-five (45) day time period provided for in an interim alternative educational setting, whichever occurs first, unless the parent and the Charter School agree otherwise.

Special Circumstances

Charter School personnel may consider any unique circumstances on a case-by-case basis when determining whether to order a change in placement for a child with a disability who violates a code of student conduct.

The Principal or designee may remove a student to an interim alternative educational setting for not more than forty-five (45) days without regard to whether the behavior is determined to be a manifestation of the student's disability in cases where a student:

- Carries or possesses a weapon, as defined in 18 USC 930, to or at school, on school premises, or to or at a school function;
- Knowingly possesses or uses illegal drugs, or sells or solicits the sale of a controlled substance, while at school, on school premises, or at a school function; or
- Has inflicted serious bodily injury, as defined by 20 USC 1415(k)(7)(D), upon a person while at school, on school premises, or at a school function.

Interim Alternative Educational Setting

The student's interim alternative educational setting shall be determined by the student's IEP/504 Team.

Procedures for Students Not Yet Eligible for Special Education Services

A student who has not been identified as an individual with disabilities pursuant to IDEIA and who has violated the Charter School's disciplinary procedures may assert the procedural safeguards granted under this administrative regulation only if the Charter School had knowledge that the student was disabled before the behavior occurred.

The Charter School shall be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability if one of the following conditions exists:

- The parent/guardian has expressed concern in writing, or orally if the parent/guardian does not know how to write or has a disability that prevents a written statement, to Charter School supervisory or administrative personnel, or to one of the child's teachers, that the student is in need of special education or related services.
- The parent has requested an evaluation of the child.
- The child's teacher, or other Charter School personnel, has expressed specific concerns about a pattern of behavior demonstrated by the child, directly to the director of special education or to other Charter School supervisory personnel.
- If the Charter School knew or should have known the student had a disability under any of the three (3) circumstances described above, the student may assert any of the protections available to IDEIA-eligible children with disabilities, including the right to stay-put.
- If the Charter School had no basis for knowledge of the student's disability, it shall proceed with the proposed discipline. The Charter School shall conduct an expedited evaluation if

requested by the parents; however the student shall remain in the education placement determined by the Charter School pending the results of the evaluation.

- The Charter School shall not be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability if the parent has not allowed an evaluation, refused services, or if the student has been evaluated and determined to not be eligible.

Required Notification

If a pupil is expelled or leaves the Charter School without graduating or completing the school year for any reason, the Charter School shall notify the superintendent of the school district of the pupil's last known address within 30 days, and shall, upon request, provide that school district with a copy of the cumulative record of the pupil, including a transcript of grades or report card and health information.

Gun Free Schools Act

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun Free Schools Act.

For specific details, refer to LAUSD Board Policy and Administrative Regulations.

Procedure for Notifying Teachers about Dangerous Pupils

In order to fulfill the requirements made by Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 that state teachers must be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. MPS has incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The teacher can access the suspension by looking at the student's discipline screen. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it.

Pursuant to Welfare & Institution Code 827(b) and Education Code 48267, the Court notifies the school regarding students who have engaged in certain criminal conduct. This information is forwarded to the site Principal. The site Principal is responsible for prompt notification of the student's teachers. Per Education Code 49079, this information must be kept confidential. This information is also forwarded to all administrators.

The School Principal will inform teachers and other relevant staff of students who are defined as dangerous as set forth in the California Education Code sec. 48900, including the exceptions to this rule provided therein. The School will provide this information to the teacher based upon any records that the school maintains in its ordinary course of business, or receives from a law enforcement agency, regarding a pupil described in this Section. The School is not civilly or criminally liable for providing information unless it is proven that the information was false and that the School employee knew or should have known that the information was false, or the information was provided with a reckless disregard for its truth or falsity.

Any information received by a teacher pursuant to this Section shall be received in confidence for the limited purpose for which it was provided and shall not be further disseminated by the teacher.

This notification will be provided on our school letterhead:

To: ALL CERTIFICATED STAFF

From: Admin

Re: Student Suspension Information

Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 require that teachers be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing “Attendance Reporting screen”. On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The teacher can access the suspension by looking at the student’s discipline screen. The information provided is for the student’s current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is CONFIDENTIAL, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it.

The following are examples of Ed. Code 48900 and 48915 violations that may appear on your report.

- E.C. 48900**
- (a)(1)** Mutual fight
 - (a)(2)** Assault/Battery
 - (b)** Possessed, sold or furnished dangerous object
 - (c)** Controlled substance/alcohol
 - (d)** Imitation controlled substance
 - (e)** Robbery/extortion
 - (f)** Vandalism
 - (g)** Theft
 - (h)** Tobacco/nicotine products
 - (i)** Obscene act, habitual profanity/vulgarity
 - (j)** Drug paraphernalia
 - (k)** Disruptive/willfully defiant behavior (grades 4-12)
 - (l)** Received stolen property
 - (m)** Imitation firearm
 - (n)** Sexual assault or battery
 - (o)** Harassed/threatened witness
 - (p)** Sale of soma

- (q) Hazing
- (r) Bullying/cyberbullying
- (s) Aiding and abetting

E.C. 48900.2 Sexual harassment (gr 4-12)

E.C. 48900.3 Hate violence(gr 4-12)

E.C. 48900.4 Severe or pervasive harassment, threats and intimidation (grades 4-12)

E.C. 48900.7 Terrorist threats against school officials or property

E.C. 48915 (a)(1)(A)Serious physical injury

(a)(1)(B)Possession: knife or dangerous object

(a)(1)(C) Controlled substance

(a)(1)(D) Robbery or extortion

(a)(1)(E) Assault/battery of school employee

E.C. 48915 (c)(1) Possessing, selling, furnishing firearm

(c)(2) Brandishing a knife at another person

(c)(3) Selling a controlled substance

(c)(4) Committing or attempting to commit sexual assault or battery

(c)(5) Possession of an explosive

If you have any questions or want more information, please see me.

SAMPLE

Confidential Memorandum

To: _____, Teacher
From: _____, Principal/Designee
Date:

Re: Students having committed specified crime

The student named below has been convicted of a penal code violation.

Welfare and Institutions Code 827 requires teachers to be informed when a student has engaged in certain criminal conduct.

NOTE: SUCH INFORMATION IS CONFIDENTIAL AND CANNOT BE FURTHER DISSEMINATED BY THE TEACHER OR OTHERS. UNLAWFUL DISSEMINATION OF THIS INFORMATION IS PUNISHABLE BY A SIGNIFICANT FINE. (EC 49079)

PLEASE DESTROY THIS NOTE IMMEDIATELY AFTER READING.

_____ was found to have committed the following criminal activity:

If you have any questions, please see me.

Principal/Designee

Sexual Harassment Policy

Policy Prohibiting Unlawful Harassment

MPS is committed to providing a work and educational atmosphere that is free of unlawful harassment. MPS's policy prohibits sexual harassment and harassment based upon race, color, creed, gender (including gender identity and gender expression), religion, marital status, registered domestic partner status, age, national origin or ancestry, physical or mental disability, medical condition (including cancer and genetic characteristics), genetic information, sexual orientation, military or veteran status, or any other consideration made unlawful by federal, state, or local laws. MPS will not condone or tolerate harassment of any type by any employee, independent contractor or other person with which the School does business. This policy applies to all employee actions and relationships, regardless of position or gender. MPS will promptly and thoroughly investigate any complaint of harassment and take appropriate corrective action, if warranted.

Prohibited Unlawful Harassment:

- Verbal conduct such as epithets, derogatory jokes or comments or slurs;
- Physical conduct including assault, unwanted touching, intentionally blocking normal movement or interfering with work because of sex, race or any other protected basis;
- Retaliation for reporting or threatening to report harassment; or
- Deferential or preferential treatment based on any of the protected classes above.

Prohibited Unlawful Sexual Harassment:

In accordance with existing policy, discrimination on the basis of gender in education institutions is prohibited. All persons, regardless of the gender, are afforded equal rights and opportunities and freedom from unlawful discrimination in education programs or activities conducted by the School.

MPS is committed to provide a workplace free of sexual harassment and considers such harassment to be a major offense, which may result in disciplinary action, up to, and including dismissal, of the offending employee.

Sexual harassment consist of sexual advances, request for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, regardless of whether or not the conduct is motivated by sexual desire,

when: (1) submission of the conduct is either made explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; (2) an employment decision is based upon an individual's acceptance or rejection of that conduct; (3) that conduct interferes with an individual's work performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

It is also unlawful to retaliate in any way against an employee who has articulated a good faith concern about sexual harassment against him or her or against another individual.

All supervisors of staff will receive sexual harassment training within six (6) months of their assumption of a supervisory position and will receive further training once every two (2) years thereafter. Such training will include the prevention of abusive conduct in the workplace that a reasonable person would find hostile, offensive, and unrelated to an employer's legitimate business interests, including but not limited to repeated infliction of verbal abuse, such as the use of derogatory remarks, insults, and epithets, verbal or physical conduct that a reasonable person would find threatening, intimidating, or humiliating, or the gratuitous sabotage or undermining of a person's work performance. Other staff will receive sexual harassment training and/or instruction concerning sexual harassment in the workplace as required by law. Each employee has the responsibility to maintain a workplace free from any form of sexual harassment. Consequently, should any individual, in particular those with supervisory responsibilities, become aware of any conduct that may constitute sexual harassment or other prohibited behavior, immediate action should be taken to address such conduct. Employees and students are expected to act in a positive and professional manner and to contribute to a productive School environment that is free from harassing or disruptive activity. Any employee who believes they have been sexually harassed or has witnessed sexual harassment is encouraged to immediately report such harassment to the Principal (or MPSCO Human Services for MPSCO employees).

Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- Physical assaults of a sexual nature, such as:
- Rape, sexual battery, molestation or attempts to commit these assaults and
- Intentional physical conduct that is sexual in nature, such as touching, pinching, patting, grabbing, brushing against another's body, or poking another's body.
- Unwanted sexual advances, propositions or other sexual comments, such as:

- Sexually oriented gestures, notices, remarks, jokes, or comments about a person's sexuality or sexual experience.
- Preferential treatment or promises of preferential treatment to an employee for submitting to sexual conduct, including soliciting or attempting to solicit any employee to engage in sexual activity for compensation or reward or deferential treatment for rejecting sexual conduct.
- Subjecting or threats of subjecting an employee to unwelcome sexual attention or conduct or intentionally making performance of the employee's job more difficult because of the employee's sex.
- Sexual or discriminatory displays or publications anywhere at the workplace by employees, such as:
 - Displaying pictures, cartoons, posters, calendars, graffiti, objections, promotional materials, reading materials, or other materials that are sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic or bringing to work or possessing any such material to read, display or view at work.
 - Reading publicly or otherwise publicizing in the work environment materials that are in any way sexually revealing, sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic; and
 - Displaying signs or other materials purporting to segregate an employee by sex in an area of the workplace (other than restrooms or similar rooms).

The illustrations of harassment and sexual harassment above are not to be construed as an all-inclusive list of prohibited acts under this policy. Moreover, please note that while in most situations a personal relationship is a private matter, these relationships are not appropriate in a professional setting, particularly where one of the parties has management or supervisory responsibilities. As such, consensual relationships in the workplace may violate MPS policy.

Complainants and witnesses under these policies will be protected from further harassment and will not be retaliated against in any aspect of their employment due to their participation in an investigation, filing of a complaint or reporting sexual harassment.

MPS will investigate complaints promptly and provide a written report of the investigation and decision as soon as practicable. The investigation will be handled in as confidential a manner as possible consistent with a full, fair, and proper investigation.

Sexual Abuse and Sex Trafficking

MPS will collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in order to ensure that the school site is prepared to address the threat of sexual abuse and sex trafficking in accordance with EC 49380.

Harassment and Discrimination

Harassment and Discrimination are prohibited. They include the following:

- Verbal Threats
- Threatening Behavior
- Hazing
- Intimidation
- Gang Behavior
- Fights

Policies for dealing with harassment and discrimination are described in the MPS Employee Handbook and MPS Student-Parent Handbook.

If harassment or discrimination occurs, school staff should:

1. Evaluate the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed. If intervention is required, contact support staff. Where threats of serious bodily injury and/or weapons are involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved and give specific verbal directions to discuss the situation. Where a physical altercation is occurring, or is about to occur, call for staff support and immediately separate the parties involved.
3. Document the incident, including the names of witnesses and any statements.
4. Give incident reports to the School Principal, or his/her designee, as soon as possible.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should:

1. Assess the seriousness of the incident. If assistance is needed, call necessary support staff. Where a threat of serious bodily injury or weapons is involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved.
3. Seek written documentation from witnesses.

4. Determine disciplinary consequences. See MPS Employee Handbook and MPS Student-Parent Handbook.
5. Determine what intervention or follow-up is necessary, including reference to a school counselor, psychologist, or local law enforcement.
6. Notify parents or legal guardian and appropriate school personnel of incident.
7. Complete a report with a description of the incident and include the names of witnesses and any statements. Summarize the disciplinary procedures used in resolution of the incident.

Internal Complaint Review

The purpose of the “Internal Complaint Review Policy” is to afford all employees of the School the opportunity to seek internal resolution of their work-related concerns. All employees have free access to the CEO or Board of Directors to express their work-related concerns.

Specific complaints of unlawful harassment are addressed under the School’s “Policy Against Unlawful Harassment.”

Internal Complaints:

(Complaints by Employees Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a School employee raises a complaint or concern about a co-worker.

If reasonably possible, internal complaints should be resolved at the lowest possible level, including attempts to discuss/resolve concerns with your direct supervisor. However, in the event an informal resolution may not be achieved or is not appropriate, the following steps will be followed by the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees):

- The complainant will bring the matter to the attention of the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees) as soon as possible after attempts to resolve the complaint with the immediate supervisor have failed or if not appropriate; and
- The complainant will reduce his or her complaint to writing, indicating all known and relevant facts. The Principal (or the CEO for MPSCO employees) (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;

- If the complaint is about the Principal, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the CEO (or designee.) The CEO (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the CEO, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the President of the Board of Directors of the School, who will then confer with the Board and may conduct a fact-finding or authorize a third party investigator on behalf of the Board. The Board President or investigator will report his or her findings to the Board for review and action, if necessary.

This policy cannot guarantee that every problem will be resolved to the employee's satisfaction. However, the School values each employee's ability to express concerns and the need for resolution without fear of adverse consequence to employment.

Policy for Complaints Against Employees:

(Complaints by Third Parties Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a nonemployee raises a complaint or concern about a School employee.

If complaints cannot be resolved informally, complainants may file a written complaint with the office of the Principal or the CEO (if the complaint concerns the Principal) or the Board President (if the complaint concerns the CEO) as soon as possible after the events that give rise to the complainant's concerns. The written complaint should set forth in detail the factual basis for the complaint.

In processing the complaint, the Principal (or the CEO (or the Board President)) (or designee) shall abide by the following process:

- The Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) shall use his or her best efforts to talk with the parties identified in the complaint and to ascertain the facts relating to the complaint.
- In the event that the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) find that a complaint against an employee is valid, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may take suitable disciplinary action against the employee. As appropriate, The Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may also counsel or reprimand employees about their conduct without initiating formal disciplinary measures.

The Principal's (or the CEO's) (or designee's) decision relating to the complaint shall be final unless it is appealed to the Board of Directors of the School. The Board of Directors' decision shall be final.

General Requirements

- Confidentiality: All complainants will be notified that information obtained from the complainants and thereafter gathered will be maintained in a manner as confidential as possible, but in some circumstances absolute confidentiality cannot be assured.
- Non-Retaliation: All complainants will be advised that they will be protected against retaliation as a result of the filing of any complaints or participation in any complaint process.
- Resolution: The Board (if a complaint is about the CEO) or the CEO (if a complaint is about the Principal or MPSCO employees) or the Principal or designee will investigate complaints appropriately under the circumstances and pursuant to the applicable procedures, and if necessary, take appropriate remedial measures to ensure effective resolution of any complaint.

HARASSMENT COMPLAINT FORM

It is the policy of the School that all of its employees be free from harassment. This form is provided for you to report what you believe to be harassment, so that the School may investigate and take appropriate disciplinary or other action when the facts show that there has been harassment.

If you are an employee of the School, you may file this form with the Principal (or CEO (or Board President.))

Please review the School's policies concerning harassment for a definition of harassment and a description of the types of conduct that are considered to be harassment.

MPS will undertake every effort to handle the investigation of your complaint in a confidential manner. In that regard, the School will disclose the contents of your complaint only to those persons having a need to know. For example, to conduct its investigation, the School will need to disclose portions of your factual allegations to potential witnesses, including anyone you have identified as having knowledge of the facts on which you are basing your complaint, as well as the alleged harasser.

In signing this form below, you authorize the School to disclose to others the information you have provided herein, and information you may provide in the future. Please note that the more detailed information you provide, the more likely it is that the School will be able to address your complaint to your satisfaction.

Charges of harassment are taken very seriously by the School both because of the harm caused to the person harassed, and because of the potential sanctions that may be taken against the harasser. It is therefore very important that you report the facts as accurately and completely as possible and that you cooperate fully with the person or persons designated to investigate your complaint.

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s): _____

Name of Person(s) you believe sexually harassed you or someone else: _____

List any witnesses that were present: _____

Where did the incident(s) occur? _____

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I acknowledge that I have read and that I understand the above statements. I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation.

I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date: _____ Signature of Complainant _____

Print Name _____

Received by: _____ Date: _____

COMPLAINT FORM

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s): _____

Name of Person(s) you have a complaint against: _____

List any witnesses that were present: _____

Where did the incident(s) occur? _____

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation. I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further understand providing false information in this regard could result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

_____ Date: _____

Signature of Complainant

Print Name

To be completed by School:

Received by: _____ Date: _____

Staff/Student Interaction Policy

MPS recognizes its responsibility to make and enforce all rules and regulations governing student and employee behavior to bring about the safest and most learning-conducive environment possible.

Corporal Punishment:

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain on a student.

For purposes of this policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to property.

For clarification purposes, the following examples are offered for direction and guidance of School personnel:

Examples of PERMITTED actions (NOT corporal punishment):

- Stopping a student from fighting with another student;
- Preventing a pupil from committing an act of vandalism;
- Defending yourself from physical injury or assault by a student;
- Forcing a pupil to give up a weapon or dangerous object;
- Requiring an athletic team to participate in strenuous physical training activities designed to strengthen or condition team members or improve their coordination, agility, or physical skills;
- Engaging in group calisthenics, team drills, or other physical education or voluntary recreational activities.

Examples of PROHIBITED actions (corporal punishment):

- Hitting, shoving, pushing, or physically restraining a student as a means of control;
- Making unruly students do push-ups, run laps, or perform other physical acts that cause pain or discomfort as a form of punishment;
- Paddling, swatting slapping, grabbing, pinching, kicking, or otherwise causing physical pain.

Acceptable and Unacceptable Staff/Student Behavior:

This policy is intended to guide all School faculty and staff in conducting themselves in a way that reflects the high standards of behavior and professionalism required of school employees and to specify the boundaries between students and staff.

Although this policy gives specific, clear direction, it is each staff member's obligation to avoid situations that could prompt suspicion by parents, students, colleagues, or school leaders. One viable standard that can be quickly applied, when you are unsure if certain conduct is acceptable, is to ask yourself, "Would I be engaged in this conduct if my family or colleagues were standing next to me?"

For the purposes of this policy, the term "boundaries" is defined as acceptable professional behavior by staff members while interacting with a student. Trespassing the boundaries of a student/teacher relationship is deemed an abuse of power and a betrayal of public trust.

Some activities may seem innocent from a staff member's perspective, but can be perceived as flirtation or sexual insinuation from a student or parent point of view. The objective of the following lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors is not to restrain innocent, positive relationships between staff and students, but to prevent relationships that could lead to, or may be perceived as, sexual misconduct.

Staff must understand their own responsibility for ensuring that they do not cross the boundaries as written in this policy. Disagreeing with the wording or intent of the established boundaries will be considered irrelevant for disciplinary purposes. Thus, it is crucial that all employees learn this policy thoroughly and apply the lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors to their daily activities. Although sincere, competent interaction with students certainly fosters learning, student/staff interactions must have boundaries surrounding potential activities, locations and intentions.

Duty to Report Suspected Misconduct

When any employee becomes aware of another staff member having crossed the boundaries specified in this policy, he or she must speak to this staff member if the violation appears minor, or report the matter to school administrators. If the observed behavior appears significant, it is the duty of every staff member to immediately report it to an administrator. All reports shall be confidential. It is the

duty of the administrator to investigate and thoroughly report the situation. Employees must also report to the administration any awareness or concern of student behavior that crosses boundaries or where a student appears to be at risk for sexual abuse.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors (Violations of this Policy):

- Giving gifts to an individual student that are of a personal and intimate nature
- Kissing of any kind
- Any type of unnecessary physical contact with a student in a private situation
- Intentionally being alone with a student away from the school
- Making or participating in sexually inappropriate comments
- Sexual jokes
- Seeking emotional involvement with a student for your benefit
- Listening to or telling stories that are sexually oriented
- Discussing inappropriate personal troubles or intimate issues with a student in an attempt to gain their support and understanding
- Becoming involved with a student so that a reasonable person may suspect inappropriate behavior

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors without Parent and Supervisor Permission:

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a staff member has parent and supervisor permission.)

- Giving students a ride to/from school or school activities;
- Being alone in a room with a student at school with the door closed;
- Allowing students in your home.

Cautionary Staff/Student Behaviors:

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a reasonable and prudent person, acting as an educator, is prevented from using a better practice or behavior. Staff members should inform their supervisor of the circumstance and occurrence prior to or immediately after the occurrence)

- Remarks about the physical attributes or development of anyone
- Excessive attention toward a particular student
- Sending emails, text messages or letters to students if the content is not about school activities

Acceptable and Recommended Staff/Student Behaviors:

- Getting parents' written consent for any after-school activity
- Obtaining formal approval to take students off school property for activities such as field trips or competitions
- E-mails, text, phone and instant messages to students must be very professional and pertaining to school activities or classes (Communication should be limited to school technology)
- Keeping the door open when alone with a student
- Keeping reasonable space between you and your students
- Stopping and correcting students if they cross your own personal boundaries
- Keeping parents informed when a significant issue develops about a student
- Keeping after-class discussions with a student professional and brief
- Asking for advice from fellow staff or administrators if you find yourself in a difficult situation related to boundaries
- Involving your supervisor if conflict arises with the student
- Informing the Executive Director about situations that have the potential to become more severe
- Making detailed notes about an incident that could evolve into a more serious situation later
- Recognizing the responsibility to stop unacceptable behavior of students or coworkers
- Asking another staff member to be present if you will be alone with any type of special needs student
- Asking another staff member to be present when you must be alone with a student after regular school hours
- Giving students praise and recognition without touching them
- Pats on the back, high fives and handshakes are acceptable
- Keeping your professional conduct a high priority
- Asking yourself if your actions are worth your job and career

Dress Code

School-wide Dress Code prohibiting gang-related apparel

Disruption and/or intimidation caused by the wearing of any type of clothing/jewelry or by writing of any signs identified as or associated with gangs is not permitted on campus at any time. No gang activity or gang association will be permitted at school or school sponsored activities. Gang symbols on notebooks, lockers, book bags, etc. are not permitted and will be documented.

Dress Code

MPS has a uniform policy to help create a safe, orderly environment, instill discipline, and eliminate the competition and distractions caused by varied dress styles. Students are expected to arrive in a clean and neat uniform every day. Students will not be allowed to enter the campus if they are not in proper uniform. This uniform policy will be enforced, without exception, from the very first day of school. Please cooperate, display modesty and neatness, and take pride in the MPS uniform. We rely on your understanding and your parents' and/or guardians' support in helping to maintain this uniform policy and follow it daily.

In addition to wearing the school uniform, MPS requires that you follow these additional guidelines in terms of uniform appearance and personal appearance. If you are still unsure about how you should look, or how the uniform should fit, check with administration. Religious head coverings shall be permitted. **If any aspect of the uniform, including clothes, shoes, jewelry, cosmetics, or any type of body adornment, is not explicitly listed as acceptable in this handbook, then that item is not permitted to be worn when the student is at school or representing the school.**

If a student is unable to wear the school uniform to school due to extenuating circumstances, you need to obtain written permission from the school's administration.

MPS Student Uniform Policy

Pants, shorts, skirts, skorts, or capris are acceptable:

- Must be either khaki color, black or navy blue.

- May not be baggy or tight fitting. May not be rolled at waist. Waist size must be same as student's waist size. Top of garment must be at or above hip bone.
- Skorts/shorts should be no shorter than your longest finger when standing with your hands by your sides.
- Skirts that are above the top of the kneecap should be worn with leggings/tights, and must be no shorter than the longest fingertip.
- Pants may not be made from legging or jegging material.
- Pants must touch the top of the shoes when the student is standing, but not be long enough to bunch up around the ankle.
- The bottom of the skirt, skort, and/or shorts must be no higher than 1 inch above the middle of the kneecap when the student is standing.
- Socks may not be worn over pants.
- Rubber bands are not allowed on the bottom of pants or ankles.
- No Jean style pants.
- No Cargo pants/shorts.
- Must have a built in pocket not a sewn on pocket.

Undergarments:

- Should not be noticeable through or outside of clothing, tops and bottoms.

Top:

- Woven Shirt or Polo Shirt must be tucked in neatly at the waist at all times on campus, inside and outside. These shirts may not fit tightly or be baggy.
- Undershirts must be short-sleeved if worn.
- The student may choose to button, or not button, the top button of the woven shirt. All other buttons of the woven shirt must be buttoned.
- Under shirt may not hang out of sleeves.
- White, gray, black or navy blue polo shirts must have the school logo. They may be either short or long sleeved.
- Hoods may not be worn at school.
- Top of garment must be no lower than the level of the navel when student is standing. Top of garment must be at or above hipbone when student is standing up.

Shoes:

- Acceptable athletic shoes must be low-profile with minimal design. They must be modest and not attract attention. Shoe laces must match shoes and be in solid color.

Jewelry and Accessories/Cosmetics:

- Should be modest, appropriate for school, and not attract undue attention.
- Necklaces: If worn must be underneath uniform. If visible through an open collar, it must be tasteful and formal (no leather or string). Pendants must not be large or attract attention. Must be tucked in collar of shirt.
- No “glitter”, decorations, or drawing of any kind should be visible on the skin, hair, body, or uniform.
- Facial, tongue, and body piercing are not allowed.
- Bracelets: Must be tasteful and not attract undue attention.
- Visible tattoos are not acceptable. Permanent visible tattoos must be covered by a flesh-tone bandage while at school or representing the school.
- Cosmetics must be appropriate for school and not attract undue attention.
- No brightly colored or glitter eye shadow, or blush.
- Mascara and eyeliner should be minimal.
- Lipstick should be a natural color.
- Earrings must be studs or one (1) inch hoops and worn on earlobe.

Hair:

- Extreme hairstyles, and hair colors that are not natural for the student, are not permitted. Modest highlights in a shade similar to the student’s natural hair color, done tastefully, are acceptable.
- Colors such as red, blue, purple, green, white, etc. are not permitted.
- Hair must be neat, clean, and well kept.
- If the hair obstructs the student’s sight, then the hair must be pinned or somehow fixed in place, so that it no longer obstructs the student’s sight.
- Excessive “gel” of any kind is not acceptable, and should not be visible.

- Hair may be “spiked” with gel or any similar-acting substance but must be no longer than 1 inch.
- Combs may not be left in hair.
- No shaving the head bald with a razor. Hair must be at least ½ inch on the top and ¼ inch on the sides and back.
- No Mohawks or Fohawks
- For male students, hair must not touch shoulder when down. If hair is longer than shoulder length, it must be tied back.

Belts (required for all variations of dress uniform):

- Smooth, straight edge, all black, all blue or all brown belts no wider than 1½ inches with a plain, unadorned buckle (no mesh, rope, or all metal).
- The buckle may only have one catch.
- Belt must be of correct waist size, so that there is minimal excess length (less than five inches).
- Any excess length of belt must be tucked through a belt loop and may not hang down.

Footwear:

- The majority of the shoe must be black, brown, white or gray. Small logos are acceptable. (Shoes must be closed toe.)
- “Athletic” shoes for the dress code must be completely black, white or brown.
- Plain, unadorned socks or tights (for girls) must always be worn. Color of socks or tights: Black, dark brown, navy blue, or white
- No sandals, boots, clogs, mules, slippers, flip flops, high heels, platform shoes or shoes with wheels.

P.E. Uniform:

- Top: Students will wear a solid gray t-shirt, preferably with the MPS logo. MPS sweatpants and MPS sweatshirts may also be worn during PE.
- Bottom: Properly fitting MPS Navy shorts of comfortable length for active participation. Waist size of shorts must be appropriate to student’s waist size. The same rules which apply to the level at which the tops of the dress pants are worn, also apply to PE shorts.

- Footwear: Any athletic shoes suitable for basketball, tennis, and field sports. PE shoes may be the same black athletic shoes discussed in the dress uniform section.

Outerwear:

Hats, hoods, caps, and other headgear may not be worn in school buildings, except for religious head coverings. No gloves or finger lacing of any sort are allowed.

For colder weather:

MPS Navy Crew-Neck and zip V-Neck Sweatshirt, and Jackets are recommended and preferred to be worn on campus, inside and outside.

Sweatshirts and jackets must be solid navy blue or gray.

Procedures for Safe Ingress and Egress from School

Visitors and guests are welcome at the school. However, to safeguard students and staff, reasonable precautions should be taken.

Visitors should:

- Always report and sign in at the office.
- Be provided with a visitor's badge.
- Be prepared to provide identification to school personnel.
- Respect school rules.

School personnel should:

- Insure all exterior doors are marked with notice to visitors to first report to the office.
- Exterior doors should remain locked, except doors near the office area.
- Staff should receive training on how to greet visitors. The first question is "May I help you?"
- Someone should greet every visitor.
- Any intruder found roaming the building should be escorted to the office. Someone can then provide any additional information or directions. (NOTE: An intruder is anyone without a visitor's badge or lacking visible identification stating who they are, i.e., school employee)

Visitors who fail to comply with school procedures:

- Should verbally be informed they are in violation of school policy. (Example - "Sir, you must report to the office immediately. If you fail to do so, you will be considered a trespasser, and school security will be called.")
- If this fails:
 - Notify the office of the situation.
 - Follow the person, if possible, and continue to give notice of the violation of school rules.
- Police should be notified, or call 911.
- Office should activate building-wide notification plan concerning intruder:
 - PA announcement using pre-determined code phrase.
 - Classroom doors should be closed.
 - Students should remain in current areas.

Procedures to Ensure a Safe and Orderly Environment

Safe and Orderly Social Environment - The Social Climate (Component 1)

Our school creates a caring and connected school climate. We make Students and Staff believe that the school is a caring community in numerous ways. Parents are involved in the following ways at our current school site:

- Home Visit Program
- Parent Task Force Meetings
- Parent Volunteer Opportunities/School-wide Events
- Open House Nights
- Back to School Nights
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Illuminate Communication Logs
- Parent Shadow Days
- Schoolwide Phone Call News Distribution
- Email Newsletters
- School Site Council
- Public Meetings on School Policy Issues
- Parent Trainings and Workshops

Other factors influencing the Social Climate of MSA-2 are:

- Teacher training and PD
- High academic and behavior expectations
- Teachers will provide CCSS aligned instruction using SDAIE strategies.
- Life Skills Curriculum
- Daily Advisory time for students
- Engaging lesson plans that address multiple learning styles
- Create a data driven and research based intervention program
- Implement a PBIS system which will support the Socio-Emotional Learning of all students
- Continue the partnership with CSUN and Mitchell Family Counseling which provides counseling services to our students
- Continue to build increasingly robust programs to effectively support all students, especially English Language Learners, students with IEPs, and high achieving students
- We provide training so staff can meet the unique needs of the student body in the following ways:
 - Implement monthly staff-wide professional development on socio-emotional development issues
 - Provide training to staff on the CSUN Counseling programs we have on site
- Set high academic and behavior goals
 - Teachers and the leadership team will monitor student progress in ELA and Math as measured by in-class/benchmark assessments and technology-based adaptive standardized tests aligned to Common Core State Standards. (2017-18 school year)
 - School staff will continue to implement and improve upon our current Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)
- Improve curriculum and teaching practices
 - Teachers will provide CCSS aligned instruction using SDAIE and GLAD strategies. (2017-18 school year)
- Include health and resiliency curriculum
 - During the 2017-2018 school year, MSA2 will continue to offer Life Skill classes to all students.
 - Students will continue to participate in CSUN Counseling programs as needed.

- Address multiple learning styles
 - The leadership team will place students into appropriate intervention groups and teachers provide targeted ELA & Math support and interventions. (September 2017)
 - Charter School will select a research-based reading intervention program that targets the individual literacy needs of struggling students and English Learners and includes ongoing assessments of student growth. (2017-18 school year)
 - ELA and Math Intervention Teachers will continue to provide small group intervention to targeted students.
 - Charter School will identify and group ELs by proficiency level, provide ELD instruction aligned to the new standards, and monitor student progress in program implementation. (2017-18 school year)
 - Charter School will continue providing services for Special Populations: Building increasingly robust programs to effectively support all students, especially English Language Learners, students with IEPs and our most advanced student
- Promote caring, supportive relationships with students
 - Support the Socio-Emotional Learning of all students.
 - Charter School will implement Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS). (Expanding upon these practices in the 2017-18 school year)
 - Continue employing an onsite school psychologist and counselors from California State University Northridge
 - Charter School will identify immigrant student needs and provide counseling support and necessary resources to meet the needs of immigrant students such as provision of tutorials, mentoring, curricular and instructional materials. (2017-18 school year)
 - Charter School will schedule PD in areas, including but not limited to, Common Core ELA/Literacy, math, ELD Standards and integration of ELD standards into content areas and training in strategies to support ELs with common core ELA/ELD and math curricula, and immigrant education. (2017-18 school year)
- Provide opportunities for student to have meaningful participation in school and community service
- Communicate clear discipline standards
 - Parent meetings, Illuminate online behavior support systems, parent calls, communication logs, posters in the hallway and classrooms all communicate clear discipline standards

- Communicate procedures to report and deal with threats
 - Trainings are provided to deal with threats on and off campus to staff and students in accordance with the above procedures stated in the Emergency section of the plan.
- Train staff on bullying prevention and tolerance
 - Staff will continue to be training on bullying prevention and tolerance, including through PD's at staff meetings as well as online trainings.
- Provide training for student and staff on dangers of drugs and alcohol
 - Staff will continue to receive trainings on dangers of drugs through staff online trainings and in PD's
 - Drug and Alcohol Prevention Workshops conducted by The National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence (NCADD)
 - School will continue to include strategies to create and maintain a positive school climate, promote school safety, and increase pupil achievement, and prioritize mental health and intervention services, restorative and transformative justice programs, and positive behavior interventions and support. In addition, school will take all necessary steps to address mental health care of pupils who have witnessed a violent act at any time, related to school activity, in accordance with the addendum to EC 32281.1
 - School will continue to invite K-9 unit to school

The Physical Environment-Place (Component 2)

Our school creates a physical environment that communicates respect for learning and for individuals and safety in the following ways:

- MSA 2 maintains a clean environment through utilizing custodial staff in the general areas (hallways/ restrooms and other common areas), and the teachers and students also are encouraged to maintain classrooms that are clean, orderly settings that contribute to the learning environment.
- MSA 2 involves itself in the community by participating in numerous community events throughout the school year.
- Make your campus secure from outside criminal activity
 - Our campus is a closed campus and entrance and exit gates are locked at all times

- Monitor and supervise all areas, including via video cameras located throughout our campus and security guard in our entrance
 - Students are limited to certain areas during the morning, lunch and after school to limit students from loitering and to maximize supervision efforts.
 - Administrators supervise campus during lunch as well as before and after school.
 - Teachers and our Campus Aid help supervise students on campus throughout the day
- Provide a pleasant eating area and healthy food
 - Students receive healthy snacks and meals
 - Food choices include options such as salads, yogurt, milk and vegetables
- Maintain clean and safe restrooms
 - We have custodial staff who clean the restrooms daily with disinfectant and restock supplies including toilet paper and soap in each restroom prior to the beginning of the next day. Floors are mopped, and toilets as well as sinks are scrubbed.
- Provide adequate lighting in all areas
 - Lighting is provided throughout outdoor parts of campus and surrounding school area with large lights that help ensure safety
- Provide student with current textbooks and materials
 - Students receive textbooks for all classes that are aligned with the latest Common Core State Standards. In addition, online support resources are provided to supplement learning
- Maintain a variety of sports facilities and equipment
- Deal with vandalism before students return to school
 - Before students return to school, photo documentation is recorded to keep information and proof about the type of vandalism that occurs. When property damage is discovered, students and their families are contacted to discuss a plan to have responsible parties replace damaged goods. Also, community service restorative practices are established to provide an opportunity to resolve issue. Also, if graffiti occurs, gang task experts will be consulted to see if danger is an issue for students as well to see if a student who might be affiliated with gang will have the opportunity to receive support interventions.
- Inventory, Identify and store valuable property
 - Computer Lab and all classrooms are locked nightly. Also, the computers are numbered in the lab and classrooms to be able to keep an inventor. Teachers keep inventory of their valuable

belongings at the beginning of the year in their classroom, as well as at the end of the year on a tracker that is sent to the Admin.

- Provide training for security personnel and staff
 - Training is provided to security and personnel staff during PD's where collaboration takes place. At the district symposium, break-off sessions related to position and responsibility occur.
- Engage students and the community in campus beautification projects
 - Students are invited to volunteer and beautify the school during lunch and after school as well as family days.
- Promote policy that weapons and drugs are not on campus
 - Our school policy prevents weapons and drugs from being on campus.

The Social Climate and the Physical Environment (Continued)

Our staff believes that safety and education is a shared responsibility between parents, teachers and students. The successful operation of this school depends on the cooperation of everyone concerned. Each group is responsible for doing its part to make school a place where we can learn, be safe and play together in harmony. Everyone has the right to feel safe, secure, and accepted regardless of color, race, gender, popularity, ability, religion or nationality. Our handbook allows us to share our vision with the students and parents of our team.

MPS is a reflection of all of us. All of our policies are intended to provide a safe and orderly environment that will be conducive to learning. Our faculty and staff look forward to sharing their expertise in academics, special programs, and extracurricular activities. We encourage you to get to know the school, its programs, activities, and schedule. Become an active participant in your education. Get involved through classes, clubs, and activities.

MPS is aware of the fact that a school environment is viable only with clearly defined and implemented rules. MPS compiled the student-parent handbook, which addresses the schools regulations and policies to set a standard.

Effective Communication is an essential component to creating a positive school climate. When

issues or concerns arise with a teacher, staff member or administrator, students and parents are encouraged to address the situation with the person involved first.

If students express that they are having a problem at school, it is important for parents to understand the best way to address these problems. If the problem involves a classroom situation or a situation with a teacher, the following remedies are recommended:

- Parents should encourage their child to talk with the teacher.
- Parents can encourage their child to talk with an administrator.
- If the child is reluctant to talk with a teacher or administrator, a parent may offer to accompany their child and talk with the teacher.

It is very important to demonstrate to children how to actively and constructively solve a problem. If the problem is important enough for the child to talk about, it is important for the child to learn how to be a part of the solution.

If parent feels there is a concern they should:

1. Talk with the teacher. Teachers can explain classroom situations from an adult perspective and from a professional perspective, and usually that will resolve misunderstanding
2. If the problem persists after a reasonable time, talk with the teacher again.
3. If the problem is still not resolved, make an appointment with the related administrator.

For example, if you are unsure of a decision made in the classroom about a consequence given for a behavior, you should discuss the situation with the teacher first. If after this discussion, you feel the situation is unresolved, it should be brought to the attention of the Dean of Students. If it is still not handled to your satisfaction, the Principal should be notified.

If after meeting with the Principal, you still have concerns, MPS Central Office and the MPS Board and, after that, the School District/County/State would be the next avenue of communication.

Teachers, staff, and administration are available through email, phones, in person and by appointment. Due to the busy schedules of the teachers and administration, parents are asked to not "drop in" for appointments, but to set up a meeting in advance. Parents should not talk to teachers, other parents, students, or administrators in a disrespectful or threatening manner.

Students' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of all school rules and regulations.
- To have access to your student account in Illuminate.
- To have a safe and educational environment.
- To attend class regularly and on time.
- To obey school rules and regulations.
- To respect your rights and the rights of your peers.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To be prepared for class with appropriate materials and ready to work.
- To respect all school personnel and their authority (administrators, teachers, office personnel, janitorial staff, security guards, etc.).

Parents' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of the school's rules and regulations.
- To be informed of all school actions related to their child.
- To have access to your personal parent accounts in Illuminate.
- To contact school to participate in conferences pertaining to academic and behavioral status of their child.
- To provide a supportive environment at home making sure their child gets enough sleep and adequate nutrition before coming to school.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To contact teachers directly via phone or email to schedule a conference.
- To be familiar with the handbook, which was signed at the beginning of the school year.
- To monitor your child's academic progress and behavior records on a weekly basis.
- To ensure that your child does his/her homework on a daily basis and to facilitate a home environment conducive to home study.

Teachers' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To expect students to behave in a positive manner that will not interfere with other students' learning.
- To expect parental support related to academic and social progress.
- To expect all students to participate and put forth effort in order to expand their education and

earn a passing grade.

- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To inform parents through progress reports, report cards, and conferences about the academic progress and behavior of their child.
- To conduct a well-planned and effective classroom program.
- To initiate and enforce a set of classroom rules, consistent with the school's discipline policies.
- To keep assignments, grading, and attendance current in Illuminate.
- To have administrative support for discipline in and outside the classroom. To explain the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy to their students.
- To enforce the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy in a consistent manner.
- To function as a positive role model for their students.
- To contact parents as deemed necessary to enforce the Student Code of Conduct and to maintain parent/guardian involvement.

Administrators' Rights and Responsibilities:

- The right to address the Board of Trustees on any issue.
- To hold students to strict accountability for any disorderly conduct in or around school.
- To take appropriate action in dealing with students who choose not to follow the rules.
- "All students shall comply with the regulations, pursue the required course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers of the school." Education Code, § 48900 et seq.
- To recommend in-school suspension, suspension, or expulsion as the situation demands.
- To provide rich leadership that will establish, encourage and promote effective teaching and learning.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To establish, promote, and enforce school rules that facilitate effective learning and positive habits and attitudes of excellent citizenship among students.

Illuminate provides the following information:

- Attendance: Each student's attendance (tardy/absence) is recorded daily (by each teacher) in 'real-time.' This is one method our parents can monitor their child's attendance in each class daily.

- Grades: Our teachers input all academic grades online for each assignment, quiz, and examination.
- Behavior: Each student receives a ‘Behavior’ grade that is recorded on Illuminate.
- Homework/Assignments: Our teachers upload and document all homework assignments on Illuminate. This information is useful for students who were absent from class and also provides a reminder for those who may have forgotten to record their homework assignment for a course.
- Illuminate Point System: we believe that students should be rewarded for good work, positive behavior and exceeding the school’s expected school-wide learning results which students earn points and are recorded on Illuminate. The Illuminate point system serves as an incentive program that our teachers use to encourage students to improve. However, when students fail to demonstrate positive behavior, and/or the school-wide goals then points are deducted.
- Communication: Illuminate provides another effective method for parents, students and teachers and the school’s leadership team to communicate online and leave messages that are documented through a communication log. The types of communications include but are not limited to: informing parents about their child’s academic progress, progress reports, mandatory tutoring letters, announcements, articles posted on the school’s website, honor roll, behavior, recognition of perfect attendance, upcoming Parent Task Force meetings/events, and upcoming awards for recognition. Also, teachers can post updates, upcoming deadlines and leave messages for students and parents using Illuminate. For parents who do not have access to a computer, the front office has a computer available for their use anytime during school hours and after-school. Illuminate provides yet another way for our parents to become involved in their child’s education, and our teachers have the support of the families in doing so.

Parent Task Force (PTF)

Our parent association holds annual elections for the following positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Our PTF supports our school and students through fundraising, recruiting volunteer for our school, and student outreach/recruitment. The purpose is to support the school staff and students in the school’s areas of needs and as family to create a community within our school. Our goal is to increase the percentage of parents attending. We understand that our parents lead hectic lives

so we are having parent meetings in the evenings to help facilitate ease of parent participation and coordinate better with work schedules.

Professional Development

Professional development occurs on a regular basis to address the diverse needs of our students and their various learning styles. Prior to the start of the academic school year, teachers receive extensive trainings on school wide academic expectations and how to meet the needs of all learners. Teachers are trained on the rules and regulations students are expected to uphold, including but not limited to illegal substances (drugs, alcohol, and related paraphernalia) and the risks and factors related to this. Also, trainings on bullying awareness and bullying prevention occur throughout the school year to help minimize bullying related altercations. We collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in accordance with EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015

Safe and Orderly Physical Environment

Our school provides a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment characterized by trust, caring and professionalism. We have adopted and implemented a comprehensive set of health, safety, and risk management policies to create a safe and secure learning environment. These policies comply with all applicable state and local health and safety laws and regulations. It is the responsibility of the on-site school administration to consistently monitor all activities to ensure safety and security of the students. Parents and students are also made aware of these policies as it regards to them in the form of student and parent handbooks. We are dedicated to enforcing school functions as a drug-free, alcohol-free, and tobacco-free zone, as well as a zero-tolerance policy for sexual harassment for all employees, students, and parents. Students are educated about bullying and cyber bullying via school-wide assemblies and individual guest speakers. All staff members are mandated reporters in case of child abuse or violence. Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

MSA-2 maintains a physical environment that communicates respect for learning and for individuals and safety by:

- MSA-2 has a full time janitor on staff and utilizes the LAUSD custodial staff to keep the school clean. Students and teachers are encouraged to maintain classrooms that are clean, orderly and contribute to the learning environment.
- MSA-2 involves itself in the community through the Community Service Club which helps students find opportunities to volunteer in their community, through community food and charity drives, the School Site Council, the Parent Task Force, providing school representatives to the Balboa Town Council and painting murals in the community

Rules and Procedures on School Discipline

Magnolia Public Schools Student Code of Conduct: MPS is committed to excellence in academic instruction and in cooperating with parents/guardians to teach students the behaviors and skills that support social successes throughout life. To accomplish this goal, MPS is taking a proactive approach to teaching social skills as a significant component of the educational program. The curriculum includes teaching of the behaviors necessary for effective and satisfying social interaction in school, on field trips, in the community, and at home.

Expected Student Behavior

Students should always remember that their behavior and actions at school and at school sponsored activities are a reflection not only of themselves, but also of the school. The following is a guideline of what is expected from an MPS student:

Breakfast/Lunch Time:

- Proceed to the eating area as instructed by MPS staff.
- Eat and finish their breakfast/lunch in the assigned area. No food should be eaten outside the designated areas.
- Wait patiently for their food, and follow the direction of the adults on duty.
- Clean up after themselves and dispose of their trash in the appropriate area.
- Remember that they are not allowed in the school building without a pass.

Remember that restroom use is at the discretion of the security guard/supervisor staff. Students must carry a pass that is given to them by security guard/supervisor staff.

On Campus:

- Stay in designated areas on-campus.

- Be courteous and respectful at all times to everyone.
- Not use profanity, lie, fight, gamble, possess inappropriate literature or material, or be involved in the abuse/harassment of others.
- Not use or have cellular phones turned on during school hours; students are allowed to use cellular phones only in the designated area after school. Phones should not be used during after school programs, such as tutoring.
- Remember that any electronic devices seen during class time will be confiscated and returned to the student's parents/guardians at the discretion of administration.
- Remember that gum chewing is not allowed anywhere on campus.
- Never ride bicycles, use roller blades or skateboards on campus nor bring them to class.
- Not leave campus without permission during school hours.
- Not use matches, lighters, or any type of explosive incendiary device on campus.
- Remember that no electronic devices such as CD/MP3/IPOD players may be visible or used on the campus grounds.
- Students are not allowed to loiter in the hallways.

Assemblies:

- Be courteous and quiet during the entire assembly.
- Be respectful to the presenter/speaker.
- Follow all teacher/staff directions.

Field Trips: Students must:

- Be on their best behavior. Pay attention to the directives given by the moderator and trip leader.
- Follow all school rules pertaining to behavior.
- Wear MPS uniform unless authorized by administration.

Public areas: Hallways, Lunchroom & Restrooms: Hallways, Lunchroom and Restrooms are areas used by all members of School.

- Use the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms only as needed and then move on to class.
- Eat only in the cafeteria or other designated area.
- Leave gum at home; chewing gum is strictly prohibited anywhere on campus.
- Maintain orderly conduct always; walk in the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms.

- Keep in mind that profanity and vulgar language at any level is unacceptable and is strictly prohibited in all areas and at school functions at all times.
- Limit excessive noise such as yelling, screaming or banging lockers while in these areas.
- Help keep the school clean by picking up after yourself and putting your belongings in their proper place.
- Respect others personal space and keep your hands to yourself even in play.
- Have a pass to be in the above areas during class time.
- Keep in mind that vandalism, littering, or graffiti in the school is prohibited and should be reported as this reflects poorly on everyone.
- Public displays of affection are prohibited.
- Bring only plastic and paper containers to school; all glass containers are prohibited on campus and will be confiscated.
- Be responsible and report any leaks, spills, or other problems in the bathroom to a teacher or the office.
- Be responsible for cleaning up after yourself, including the disposing of or the recycling of garbage.
 - Have a hall pass if you are outside of the classroom during class time.
 - Not visit with friends or interrupt another classroom.
- Not misuse the hall pass as it will result in loss of the hall pass privilege.
- Get a referral from your teacher before you go to the office. Do not use the hall pass.

Emergency Drills: Fire drills, lockdowns, and evacuation drills are conducted periodically for everyone's protection and are required by law. During these drills it is imperative that students remain silent, follow instructions given by the staff, and carry out all directions in an orderly fashion.

Classroom:

- Be seated and ready to begin their assignment when the bell rings.
- Be courteous to all teachers and students.
- Follow all school and classroom rules.
- Bring all necessary materials/supplies ready to work daily.

Classroom Procedures and Consequences: Please check the teacher's syllabus for specific consequences which may include some of the following:

1. In Class Warning

2. Time Out from a Situation to reevaluate
3. Student-Teacher Conference
4. Detention / Parental Notification
5. Parent Conference
6. Office Referral & Administrative Disciplinary Procedures

ILLUMINATE Behavior Points

[For Middle & High School Only: Student behavior will be recorded on Illuminate and students will receive the following rewards or consequences based on their behavior points.

Positive Rewards:

- +5 Contact parent/guardian
- +10 Lunch speed pass
- +15 Treat
- +20 One day free dress (pass will be given)
- +25 Extended lunch period
- +30 Two day free dress (pass will be given)
- +35 VIP breakfast
- +40 Entered in a raffle
- +45 Free dress – every Friday for one month (pass will be given)

When a student receives negative twenty or more behavior points recorded on SIS, the MPS administration will arrange a meeting with that student and the parent to develop a behavioral plan. If the student fails to abide by the discipline tracker rules or an agreement between the administration, parents, and student, cannot be reached, the student will be referred to the School Reflection Committee.

BEHAVIORAL EXPECTATIONS		
BE SAFE	BE RESPONSIBLE	BE RESPECTFUL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Keep hands to yourself. ● Ask for permission to use any equipment, resources or materials. ● Use equipment appropriately and for its intended use. ● Walk to and from class during transition periods. ● Report unsafe behaviors (e.g., bullying) ● Remain in assigned areas. ● Solve problems peacefully. ● If you are unsure of something, seek help from or ask an adult. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Arrive to class on time and ready to work. ● Be on task. ● Be prepared each day with school materials. ● Give full effort in all work. ● Raise hand in class. ● Be in proper uniform. ● Follow classroom expectations. ● Throw away waste in proper receptacle. ● Keep campus clean. ● Sit in assigned seat. ● Respect school property and ask before borrowing other's property. ● Use restroom during non-class time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Follow the teacher's directions and use positive language with peers. ● Acknowledge one's mistakes and correct them. ● Be kind to others. ● Respect each other's differences. ● Respect other's property and personal space. ● Use a quiet, conversational voice. ● Use polite language such as thank you, you're welcome, and I'm sorry. ● If in disagreement, voice concerns respectfully and appropriately. ● Cooperate with adults and peers.

Unacceptable Types of Behavior and Consequences

All students at MPS are entitled to the rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution, Bill of Rights, and applicable case law, and their rights will not be knowingly denied by the required code of conduct or by any disciplinary actions taken by the school. Accordingly, after an analysis of each case, any student who exhibits any of the unacceptable student behaviors listed in this handbook may incur consequences. These consequences range from notification of parents, reflection, to emergency removal from a school activity, suspension, expulsion, and referral to appropriate law enforcement agencies.

MPS reserves the right to notify the authorities and the Department of Education as required by law relating to disciplinary actions taken. It is to be noted that MPS reserves the right to discipline any act

that has a nexus with MPS or the school community and causes a substantial disruption to the normal operation of the School. In other words MPS may discipline behavior at school or at a school-related or school-sponsored function or any activity or any act that causes a substantial disruption on the school environment or that is performed with/on/by/via school equipment or school property. MPS respects and observes the rights of student to lawful student expression, as outlined in the MPS Student Expression Policy available in the office of each MPS school.

Multi-Tiered System of Response to Behavior

Universal

Examples of Classroom, Support and Teacher-Led Responses

These interventions are designed to teach appropriate behavior so that students may contribute to the learning community within the classroom environment. Teachers are encouraged to try a variety of instructional and classroom management strategies to support all learners.

Level 1 Infraction	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Invading personal space ● Antagonizing others ● Violation of school/class rules ● Horseplaying ● Violating off-limits/restricted area ● Habitually tardy and/or not being in assigned location ● Disrupting the learning environment/Off task ● Littering ● Not having proper materials, supplies, and/or equipment for class participation ● Inappropriate use of electronic devices ● Dress code violation ● Inappropriate language/actions (hurtful, vulgar, gossip, etc.) ● Passive participation in hurtful acts/words against others ● Public display of affection (holding hands, kissing, hugging, etc.) ● Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<p>School Wide PBIS</p> <p>Social-Emotional Learning Program</p> <p>Proactive Classroom Management</p> <p>Regular, Preemptive Communication with Families</p> <p>Classroom Incentives</p> <p>Seating, assignment, behavioral accommodations</p> <p>Conferencing with Student(s) and Parents</p> <p>Verbal correction and redirection</p> <p>Reminders, Role-Play, daily progress sheet</p> <p>Loss of Classroom Privileges</p> <p>Written and/or verbal reflection</p>

Selected

Examples of Support, Removal and Administrative Responses

These responses engage the students's support system to ensure successful learning and to alter conditions that are inappropriate or disruptive.

Level 2 Infraction	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Using/possessing tobacco and/or lighter ● Violating traffic or safety regulations ● Encouraging other students to violate school rules ● Leaving school and/or school bus without permission ● Fighting and/or arranging altercations ● Using objects inappropriately (i.e., the use of an object to harm others or damage property) ● Physical assault without serious bodily injury (i.e., pushing with intent, kicking, hitting, pinching, spitting) ● Defacing and/or vandalism of school property ● Plagiarism/academic dishonesty ● Leaving school or classroom without permission (truancy) ● Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding district filter, etc.) ● Stealing and/or possessing stolen property ● Failure to attend to/complete assigned restorative action ● Gambling or Extortion ● Habitual violations of school/class rules ● Forgery of signatures ● Sexually explicit behavior ● Planning and/or arranging actions with malicious intent ● Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures ● Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) ● Bullying/cyberbullying ● Violation of personal boundaries ● Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<p>Behavioral Contract</p> <p>Self- Monitoring</p> <p>School-home Communication</p> <p>Adult or Peer Mentorship</p> <p>Utilize Check-in and Check-out System</p> <p>Intensive Academic and/or Social Support</p> <p>Reflection (lunch, after school, Saturday, etc.)</p> <p>Refer Student to SSPT</p> <p>Loss of Privileges</p> <p>Counseling</p> <p>Temporary Removal from class</p> <p>Extended school day</p>

Targeted/Intensive

Examples of support, removal and School Site Administrators and Home Office Responses.

These responses address serious behavior and potential implications for future harm. They promote safety of the school community and should be used in a progressive fashion.

See Categorical Offenses

Level 3 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Physically assaulting with serious bodily injury ● Conduct or habits injurious to others (peers/authority) ● Using/possessing controlled and/or dangerous substances and/or paraphernalia ● Bullying (harassing, intimidating, cyberbullying) ● Fighting and/or arranging altercations ● Using/possessing weapons and/or weapon paraphernalia including but not limited to those prohibited under federal law ● Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) ● Arson, attempting to commit arson and/or possession of explosives/fireworks (i.e., smoke bombs, sink bombs, etc.) ● Causing a false fire alarm ● Making a bomb/explosive threat ● Encouraging other students to violate school rules ● Student hazing ● Using gang and/or secret society symbols/acts ● Inappropriate use of electronic devices ● Public displays of sexually explicit behavior ● Defacing and/or vandalism of school property ● Gambling ● Habitual violations of school/class rules ● Forgery of signatures ● Stealing and/or possessing stolen property ● Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding school filter, etc.) ● Sexual explicit behavior, Lewd Conduct, Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures 	<p style="text-align: center;"> All Tier 1 and Tier 2 Interventions FBA Based Behavior Intervention Plans Teaching Replacement Behavior Home and Community Supports Self- Management Program Restricted Access In-school reflection and/or suspension Short-term out-of-school suspension Extended out-of-school suspension Request for alternate educational setting Recommendation for Expulsion </p>

Infractions Explained:

(See also the Enumerated Offenses and applicable procedures listed in Suspension and Expulsion Procedures)

Assaulting, Fighting and/or Arranging Fights

School is not a place to arrange fights, whether those fights take place on or off school grounds. Any fight and/or attempting to fight will involve disciplining all students involved.

Bringing / Using Electronic Devices

CD players, IPOD, MP3 players, phones, PDA, PSP, laptops, smart watches, electronic games, and/or similar devices are not allowed to be used at school. They disrupt classes and distract others from learning. If you choose to bring them for use outside of school it is at your own discretion. MPS assumes no liability for any damaged, destroyed, lost, stolen, misplaced or otherwise compromised electronic device brought onto MPS property.

Scholastic Dishonesty

Scholastic dishonesty includes (but is not limited to) plagiarism, cheating on tests, and/or any other types of deception to obtain credit without effort. Scholastic dishonesty is unacceptable conduct. As a consequence, student will receive a failing grade on the assignment/test, and all other possible corrective strategies listed under the Behavioral Expectations table will apply as well.

Texting/Sexting

Sexting can be defined as the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photographs electronically, primarily between mobile phones and/or any other communication devices.

Disrupting Learning

Disrupting learning includes any behavior that prevents other students from learning. It may include but is not limited to inappropriate language, eating or drinking during class against teachers' classroom rules, chewing gum, insubordination and/or selling or trading personal possessions to other students.

Horseplay

Rough or boisterous play including but not limited to shoving, play fighting, kicking, name calling, teasing, pushing/pulling on a student and shoulder bumps.

Violating Uniform Policy

A student's dress and appearance shall conform to the specific uniform and appearance limitations described in this handbook.

Possession or Use of Drugs and/or Alcohol and the Sale or Intention to Sell Drugs and/or Alcohol

Use of drugs or alcohol means a student knowingly possesses, consumes, uses, handles, gives, stores, conceals, offers to sell, sells, transmits, acquires, buys, represents, makes, applies, or is under the influence of any narcotic drug, hallucinogen, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, tranquilizer, non-prescription or prescription drug (except when under the direction of a physician/parent and within school procedure), alcohol, intoxicant, solvent, gas, or any mood-altering chemical, drug of abuse or any counterfeit-controlled substance of any kind including butane lighters.

The sale, distribution, possession, or use of drugs, alcohol, fake drugs, steroids, inhalants, and look-alike drugs is prohibited everywhere on school grounds, at all school activities, and on all school transportation (drug free zone 1000 feet radius). Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by Administration and/or Law Enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

False Fire Alarms

Issuing a false fire alarm is a violation of State law. Making false 911 calls is also violation of the State Law.

Forgery of Signatures

Any attempt by a student to sign a teacher's, administrator's, parent/guardian's, and/or another student's name to any school document will be considered forgery.

Vulgarity, Profanity and Obscenity

Any gesture or material of this nature is not permitted at school or school functions.

Bullying & Cyber Bullying

Bullying is not permitted at MPS. In addition MPS will not tolerate unlawful intimidation and bullying due to actual or perceived characteristics such as age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, disability, nationalist, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or a person's association with a person, or group, with or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Each student deserves an equal opportunity to obtain an education without dealing with the comp pressures of peers. Bullying consists of any of the following: pushing, shoving,

hitting, and spitting, name calling, picking on, making fun of, laughing at, and excluding someone physically or via social media or electronic communications.

Bullying causes pain and stress to those who are victims and is never justified or excusable as “kids being kids”, “just teasing”, “joking”, “playing around” or any other rationalization. This includes the use of social media for wrongful purposes.

Each MPS student agrees to:

- Value student differences and treat others with respect.
- Not become involved in bullying incidents or be a bully.

Harassment of Students, Teachers, Administrators, or Staff

Harassment means making unwelcome advances or any form of improper physical contact or sexual remark and any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating or offensive learning environment. See also the MPS Policy Against Unlawful Harassment.

Harassment can be verbal, physical and visual. (Education Code, § 212.5)

Harassment is a violation of Federal Law and is contrary to the School Board’s commitment to provide a physically and psychologically safe environment in which to learn.

Behaving Disrespectfully towards Teachers or Staff

Disrespect (i.e. arguing, talking back, etc.) and insubordination (failure to comply with directives) toward any member of the faculty or staff will not be tolerated. Profanity, either spoken or written is considered a form of disrespect.

Student Hazing

Hazing is defined as doing any act or coercing another person for initiation into any organization that causes or creates a substantial risk or causes mental or physical harm. Permission, consent or assumption of the risk by an individual subjected to hazing does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy. Hazing may carry heavy legal consequences.

Smoking or Use of Other Tobacco Products

Possession of tobacco products in any part of the school (drug free zone 1000 feet radius) or on the student is prohibited under this policy. This includes cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vaporizers, cigars, herbs, and smokeless tobacco. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched if the presence of such items is suspected.

Stealing and/or Vandalizing School/Private Property & Graffiti

This means to cause or attempt to cause damage to private property, stealing or attempting to steal private property either on school grounds or during school activities, functions or events. Students and their parents or guardians will be held responsible for any theft/vandalism/graffiti (including graffiti tools such as permanent markers) that the student commits. Theft or vandalism of school property carries heavy legal penalties.

No Permanent markers or aerosol cans are allowed at school.

Displaying Threatening Behavior

Threatening behavior includes: verbal threats, both face to face and over electronic media (phone and/or computers), non-verbal threats (“hard” stares, gestures), willfully causing or attempting to cause physical injury to another person, causing or attempt to cause any student, teacher, administrator, or staff member to feel frightened or intimidated.

Bringing Weapon in School

A weapon includes, but is not limited to, conventional objects like guns, pellet guns, knives, smoke bombs, fireworks, club of any type, mace, tear gas, or other chemicals. This may also include any toy that is presented as a real weapon. It also includes objects converted from their original use to threaten or injure another. The Administration reserves the right to all final decisions regarding the definition of a weapon. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by administration or law enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

If you are aware of a weapon /drugs/alcohol on campus and do not inform school staff, you will be subject to disciplinary actions and serve consequences.

Possession or Use of Fireworks

Using or possessing any amusement device, smoke bomb, stink bomb, etc.

Gang and Secret Society Symbols

Disruption and/or intimidation caused by the wearing of any type of clothing/jewelry or by writing of any signs identified as or associated with gangs. No gang activity or gang association will be permitted at school or school sponsored activities. Gang symbols on notebooks, lockers, book bags, etc. are not permitted and will be documented. Students may not promise to become or be members of a gang, secret society, illegal club, sorority or fraternity.

Arson

Intentionally starting any fire or combustion on school property

Public Display of Affection

Public displays of affection are not allowed.

Provoking/Intimidating Behavior Encouraging or Urging Other Students to Violate School Rules

Any student who, by means of provocation, intimidation, encouragement, request, or other means of promotion, induces or attempts to induce another student to violate a MPS school rule shall be subject to discipline.

Students with an IEP:

If a student has a behavior plan in his/her IEP, the consequences cited in that plan will be used in the event of specified misbehavior. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team shall meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved. Suspensions of students with disabilities cannot exceed ten days without a "manifestation determination." A student cannot be suspended for more than ten days for misconduct that is a manifestation of their disability. State law defers to federal law for most of the rules governing suspension and expulsion of special education students.

Hate Crime Policies and Procedures

Additional information prohibiting other forms of unlawful discrimination or harassment, inappropriate behavior, and/or hate-motivated incidents/crimes may be found in local District/State policies. It is the intent of MPS that all such policies be reviewed consistently to provide the highest

level of protection from unlawful discrimination in the provision of educational services and opportunities.

Bullying and Cyber Bullying Prevention Policies and Procedures

Bullying is not permitted at MPS. In addition MPS will not tolerate unlawful intimidation and bullying due to actual or perceived characteristics such as age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, disability, national origin, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or a person's association with a person, or group, with or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Each student deserves an equal opportunity to obtain an education without dealing with the negative pressures of peers. Bullying consists of any of the following: pushing, shoving, hitting, and spitting, name calling, picking on, making fun of, laughing at, and excluding someone physically or via social media or electronic communications. Bullying causes pain and stress to those who are victims and is never justified or excusable as "kids being kids", "just teasing", "joking", "playing around" or any other rationalization. This includes the use of social media for wrongful purposes.

Each MPS student agrees to:

- Value student differences and treat others with respect.
- Not become involved in bullying incidents or be a bully.

Harassment of Students, Teachers, Administrators, or Staff:

Harassment means making unwelcome advances or any form of improper physical contact or sexual remark and any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating or offensive learning environment.

Harassment can be verbal, physical and visual. (Education Code, § 212.5) Harassment is a violation of Federal Law and is contrary to the School Board's commitment to provide a physically and psychologically safe environment in which to learn.

Student Hazing:

Hazing is defined as doing any act or coercing another person for initiation into any organization that causes or creates a substantial risk or causes mental or physical harm. Permission, consent or assumption of the risk by an individual subjected to hazing does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy. Hazing may carry heavy legal consequences

Safety Goals and Objectives

Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

Component 1 - School Climate

Goal(s): All employees will uphold and implement all stated policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.

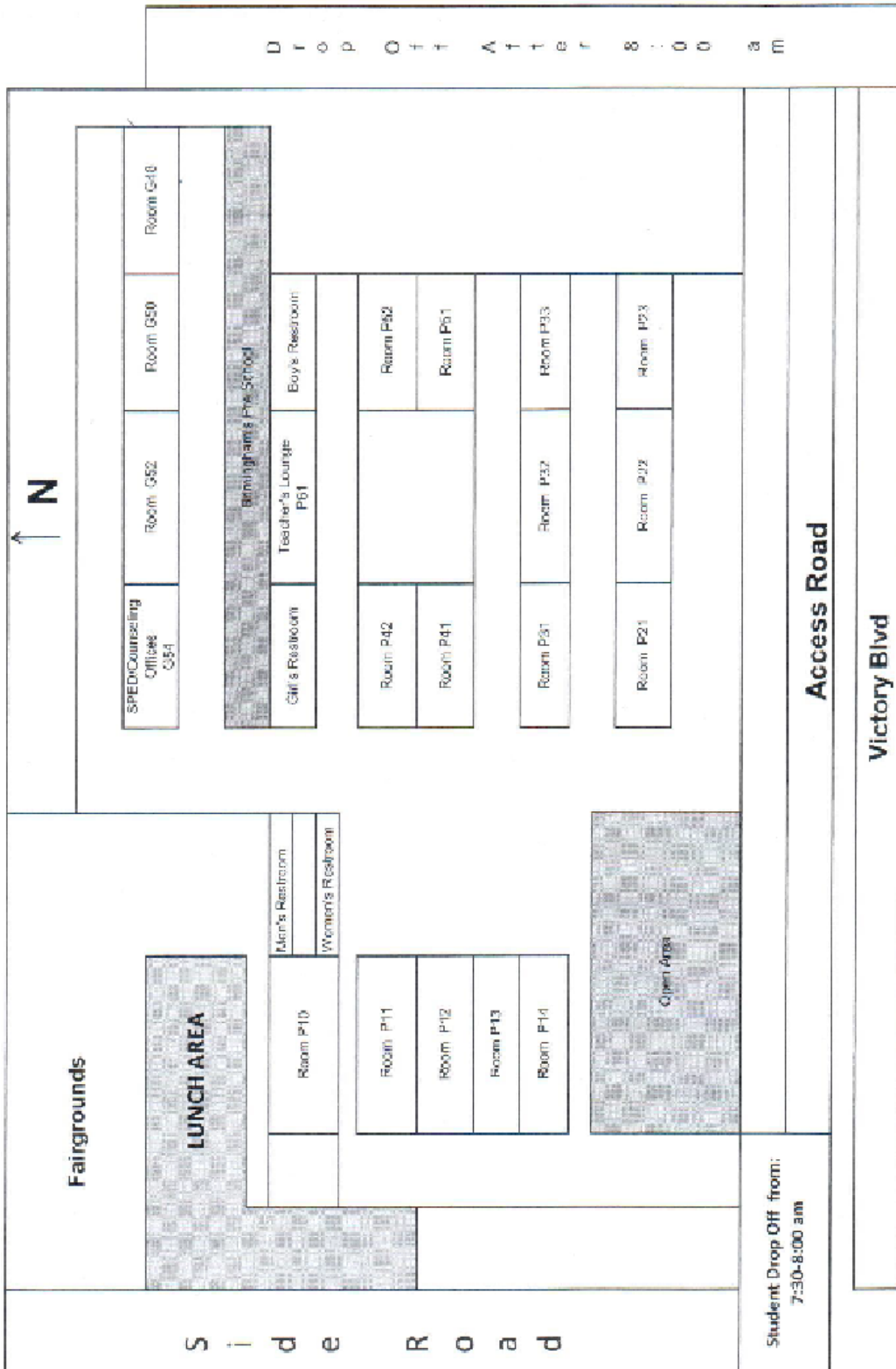
- Objective 1: Quarterly all employees will review the policies and procedures as noted in the comprehensive safe schools plan.
 - Related Activities: Review regularly during Professional Development, committee meetings and safety meetings.
 - Resources needed: Safety plan,
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Designated administrator, safety committee
 - Budget: None
 - Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

Component 2 - Physical Environment

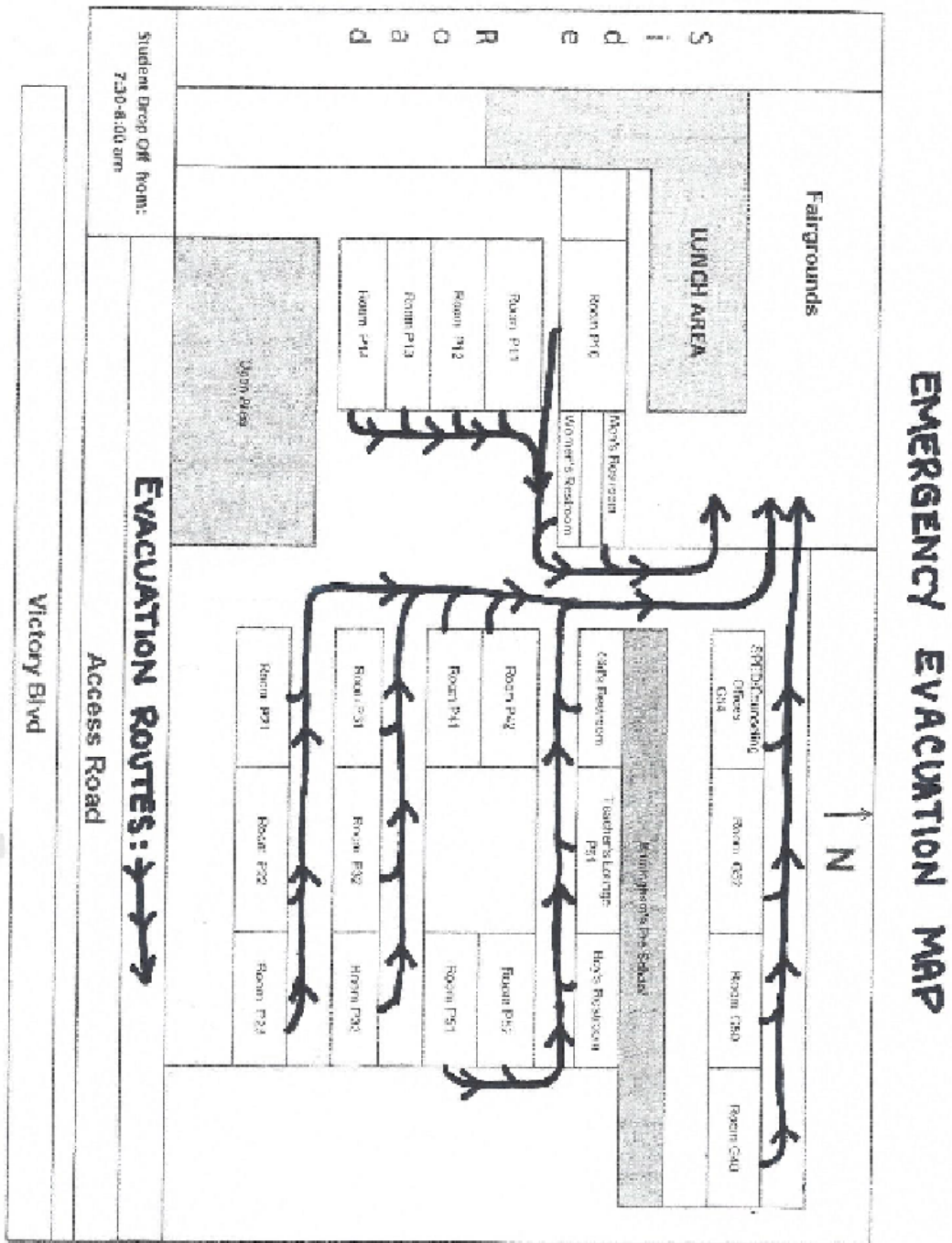
Goal(s): Maintain and upkeep a safe school campus

- Objective: Monthly school personnel will complete a campus walk-thru form to identify any areas of need.
 - Related Activities: Teachers can report concerns during weekly staff meetings.
 - Resources needed: Walk-thru form, building supplies
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Plant manager
 - Budget: Refer to schools annual budget
 - Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

School Campus Map:



School Campus Evacuation Map:





Comprehensive School Safety Plan

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A meeting for public review was held on 10/25/18

Review by Law Enforcement on 10/27/18

Plan approved by School Site Council on 10/29/18

Plan (Submitted for Approval) to Magnolia Public Schools Governing Board on

Shandrea Daniel, Principal
Stefond Johnson, Designee
Olga Mendez, Teacher Representative
Clementeen Aubrey, Parent Representative
Janette Lee, Classified Employee
R. Chacon, Police Officer, LASPD
Keith Wright, Carson Parks & Rec., Community Member

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School Site Mission

Magnolia Public Schools provides a college preparatory educational program emphasizing science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) in a safe environment that cultivates respect for self and others.

Vision

Graduates of Magnolia Public Schools are scientific thinkers who contribute to the global community as socially responsible and educated members of society.

Core Values

MPS has identified the following core values, which are reinforced through its Life Skills curriculum, student learning outcomes (SLOs), and all school activities.

§ Scholarship

Scholarship is the desire to pursue knowledge and excellence and to contribute original and provocative ideas in a learning environment, in diverse settings, and as a catalyst to future academic knowledge. We foster scholarship through project based learning using a constructivist approach, student portfolios, assessments of and for learning and academic discourse and argumentative writing. Scholars learn where and how to access the needed information to advance their academic pursuits and societal contributions.

§ Innovation

Students will have the freedom to choose how and what they learn. Flexible scheduling, early identification of learning styles, personalities, interest and career plans will support students' college and career readiness. This will include student participation in their four-year plans, after school enrichment programs, STEAM program choice options, adaptive assessments and blended learning strategies, differentiated instruction and differentiated and adaptive assessments.

§ Connection

School communities are integrated partnerships with the school site staff, families, students and all other stakeholders. This sense of connection creates a safe place for all learners and stakeholders to affirm individual strengths, celebrate character, provide academic support through mentorship and internship, promote unity and better decision making through the implementation of restorative justice practices. Additionally, community cultivates identity and gives each member a sense of belonging and pride. MPS utilizes home visits, student surveys, field trips, life skills classes and coaching to support our overall community-based goals. We work with community partners to establish mentoring relationships and other social capital to support our students' development of personal and academic networks for long term resilience and connection.



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A comprehensive School Safety Plan helps to ensure a safe school environment, thereby enhancing the learning experience and improving student academic achievement. This plan is implemented to protect the safety of students and staff and to provide emergency preparedness and guidelines. This plan addresses the following objectives:

- Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff.
- Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations.
- Protect the school's facilities and property.
- In the case of an emergency, allow the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible.
- Provide for coordination between the school and local emergency services when necessary.

This Safety Plan consists of the following Sections:

- I. Staffing and ATTACHMENT:
- II. General Policies and Procedures for Handling Safety and Specific Emergency Situations
- III. Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco
- VIII. Incident Report

This plan encompasses a broad range of potential safety issues and major emergencies. Such incidents may include earthquake, hazardous materials, widespread power outage, and similar events affecting normal operations at the school.

A number of measures are taken on an ongoing basis to ensure that school staff is prepared to respond immediately and appropriately to disasters. These include:

1. Review of this Plan and any other emergency policies and procedures;



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2. Review of an employee's role during an emergency;
3. Knowledge of how to conduct and evaluate required drills;
4. Familiarity with the layout of buildings, grounds and all emergency procedures;
5. Review of the location of all emergency exits, fire extinguishers, fire alarms and emergency equipment and supplies;
6. Attend update training in first aid, CPR, use of fire extinguishers and search and rescue as necessary.

At the beginning of each school year, all instructional and non-instructional staff will be asked by the School Principal, or his/her designee, to identify those with special skills or experience that may be helpful during an emergency. These employees may be asked to fulfill certain emergency management roles (i.e., first aid, CPR, search & rescue and/or fire extinguisher training & certification).

Instructional staff is responsible for the following:

1. Present instruction to students about emergency preparedness plans for the site and student responsibilities in case
2. Keep attendance sheets readily accessible at all times in order to check attendance in the event of evacuation;
3. Update the contents of classroom emergency kit and keep it in a safe, accessible location;
4. Participate fully in fire, earthquake and evacuation drills;
5. Have planned activities for students for use during periods of confinement during an emergency situation.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, is responsible for the following:



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1. Assign employees to roles and responsibilities for an emergency, taking into consideration the skills, abilities and normal functions of employees;
2. Ensure that all employees are familiar with the site maps and evacuation plans and are trained in emergency response and preparedness roles and responsibilities;
3. Update the list of employees who are trained in first aid, CPR, the use of fire extinguishers, and search and rescue. Arrange for update training as necessary;
4. Update as necessary the site floor plan showing evacuation routes and the location of assembly areas, emergency supplies and equipment, fire extinguishers, fire alarm pulls, master electrical panels, and main water and gas shut
5. Ensure that emergency procedures are posted in classrooms, hallways, school office, cafeterias and employee
6. Update the list of any disabled students or employees or those who may need evacuation assistance or other
7. Test the site warning system and ensure that the system's signal(s) is recognized and understood by employees and
8. Conduct an inventory of all emergency supplies and equipment and replace used or outdated supplies and
9. Maintain a list of emergency phone numbers in a readily accessible location.

C. Employee/Student Special Needs

Staff with temporary or permanent impairments of sight, hearing or mobility may self-identify indicating what assistance may be required in the event of an emergency. Students with special needs are identified at the beginning of each school year. Parents are asked to provide written information/instructions concerning specific needs.

Those areas of the school that have employees and/or students with permanent mobility impairments should maintain any necessary evacuation device on each floor where such employees and/or students are located.



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D. Emergency On-Site Personnel

Staff emergency phone contacts will be kept on file at the school office. Staff with specific training in emergency response, safety, CPR, etc. will also be noted on a list kept at the school.

E. Notification List



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Assessment of the Current Status of School Crime

1. Data sources the committee reviewed:
 - a. Local law enforcement crime data
 - i. Top three crime violations in our area last six months, based on <http://maps.latimes.com/neighborhoods/neighborhood/carson/crime/#six-months> were:
 1. Theft (371)
 2. Theft from Vehicle (312)
 3. Grand Theft Auto (280)
 - b. Suspension/Expulsion data:
 - i. Student information data was used to identify top suspendable/expellable offenses at our campus. A significant decrease in suspensions/expulsions were noted due to the implementation of Positive Behavior Support and Intervention model
 - ii. Behavior referrals: CoolSIS was used to identify and segregate all behavior referrals.
 - c. School Improvement Plan
 - i. Reviewed current years plan to identify any additional areas of improvement needed.
 - d. Property Damage data
 - i. Reviewed CoolSIS behavior data to identify any property damage that has occurred.
 - e. Attendance rates
 - i. Student attendance rates were pulled from CoolSIS.
 - ii. Truancy data was pulled from CoolSIS
2. The committee reviewed the data and identified the appropriate strategies and programs that provide high-level school safety.
 - a. Parent/Student Handbook
 - b. School Safety Committee
 - c. Discipline Committee
 - d. Administration
 - e. Local School Administration



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- f. School Site Council
- g. Parent Task Force
- h. Student Leadership
- i. Local Law Enforcement Collaboration

Child Abuse Reporting Procedures

Mandated reporters include, but are not limited to, teachers; instructional aides; teacher's aides or assistants; classified employees; certificated pupil personnel employees; administrative officers or supervisors of child attendance; administrators and employees of a licensed day care facility; Head Start teachers; district police or security officers; licensed nurses or health care providers; and administrators, presenters, and counselors of a child abuse prevention program. (Penal Code 11165.7)

Reasonable suspicion means that it is objectively reasonable for a person to entertain a suspicion, based upon facts that could cause a reasonable person in a like position, drawing when appropriate on his/her training and experience, to suspect child abuse or neglect. However, reasonable suspicion does not require certainty that child abuse or neglect has occurred nor does it require a specific medical indication of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Reportable Offenses

A mandated reporter shall make a report using the procedures provided below whenever, in his/her professional capacity or within the scope of his/her employment, he/she has knowledge of or observes a child whom the mandated reporter knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Responsibility for Reporting

The reporting duties of mandated reporters are individual and cannot be delegated to another person. (Penal Code 11166)

No supervisor or administrator shall impede or inhibit a mandated reporter from making a report. (Penal Code 11166)

Reporting Procedures

1. Initial Telephone Report

Immediately or as soon as practicable after knowing or observing suspected child abuse or neglect, a mandated reporter shall make an initial report by telephone to any police department (excluding a school district police/security department), sheriff's department, county probation department if designated by the county to receive such reports, or county welfare department. (Penal Code 11165.9, 11166)



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2. Written Report

Within 36 hours of knowing or observing the information concerning the incident, the mandated reporter shall then prepare and either send, fax, or electronically submit to the appropriate agency a written follow-up report, which includes a completed Department of Justice form (SS 8572). (Penal Code 11166, 11168)

Victim Interviews by Social Services/Law Enforcement

Whenever a representative from the Department of Social Services or another government agency investigating suspected child abuse or neglect deems it necessary, a suspected victim may be interviewed during school hours, on school premises, concerning a report of suspected child abuse or neglect that occurred within the child's home or out-of-home care facility. The child shall be given the choice of being interviewed in private or in the presence of any adult school employee or volunteer aide selected by the child. (Penal Code 11174.3)

A staff member or volunteer aide selected by a child may decline to be present at the interview. If the selected person accepts, the principal or designee shall inform him/her of the following requirements: (Penal Code 11174.3)

1. The purpose of the selected person's presence at the interview is to lend support to the child and enable him/her to be as comfortable as possible.
2. The selected person shall not participate in the interview.
3. The selected person shall not discuss the facts or circumstances of the case with the child.
4. The selected person is subject to the confidentiality requirements of the Child Abuse and Neglect

Reporting Act, a violation of which is punishable as specified in Penal Code 11167.5.

If a staff member agrees to be present, the interview shall be held at a time during school hours when it does not involve an expense to the school. (Penal Code 11174.3)

Release of Child to Peace Officer

When a child is released to a peace officer and taken into custody as a victim of suspected child abuse or neglect, the designee and/or principal shall not notify the parent/guardian, but rather shall provide the peace officer with the address and telephone number of the child's



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parent/guardian. It is the responsibility of the peace officer or agent to notify the parent/guardian of the situation. (Education Code 48906)



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SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE REPORT

To Be Completed by **Mandated Child Abuse Reporters**
 Pursuant to Penal Code Section 11166

CASE NAME: _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

CASE NUMBER: _____

A. REPORTING PARTY	NAME OF MANDATED REPORTER		TITLE		MANDATED REPORTER CATEGORY		
	REPORTER'S BUSINESS/AGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	DID MANDATED REPORTER WITNESS THE INCIDENT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
	REPORTER'S TELEPHONE (DAYTIME) ()		SIGNATURE		TODAY'S DATE		
B. REPORT NOTIFICATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW ENFORCEMENT <input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY PROBATION		AGENCY				
	<input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY WELFARE / CPS (Child Protective Services)						
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	DATE/TIME OF PHONE CALL
OFFICIAL CONTACTED - TITLE					TELEPHONE ()		
C. VICTIM One report per victim	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)			BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	TELEPHONE ()
	PRESENT LOCATION OF VICTIM			SCHOOL	CLASS	GRADE	
	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	OTHER DISABILITY (SPECIFY)		PRIMARY LANGUAGE SPOKEN IN HOME		
	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	IF VICTIM WAS IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE AT TIME OF INCIDENT, CHECK TYPE OF CARE: <input type="checkbox"/> DAY CARE <input type="checkbox"/> CHILD CARE CENTER <input type="checkbox"/> FOSTER FAMILY HOME <input type="checkbox"/> FAMILY FRIEND <input type="checkbox"/> GROUP HOME OR INSTITUTION <input type="checkbox"/> RELATIVE'S HOME			TYPE OF ABUSE (CHECK ONE OR MORE) <input type="checkbox"/> PHYSICAL <input type="checkbox"/> MENTAL <input type="checkbox"/> SEXUAL <input type="checkbox"/> NEGLECT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
	RELATIONSHIP TO SUSPECT			PHOTOS TAKEN? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		DID THE INCIDENT RESULT IN THIS VICTIM'S DEATH? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNK	
	VICTIM'S SIBLINGS		VICTIM'S GUARDIANS		SUSPECT		
1. NAME BIRTHDATE SEX ETHNICITY		3. NAME BIRTHDATE SEX ETHNICITY					
2. _____		4. _____					
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY		
ADDRESS		Street	City	Zip	HOME PHONE ()	BUSINESS PHONE ()	
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY		
ADDRESS		Street	City	Zip	HOME PHONE ()	BUSINESS PHONE ()	
SUSPECT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY		
ADDRESS		Street	City	Zip	TELEPHONE ()		
OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION							
E. INCIDENT INFORMATION	IF NECESSARY, ATTACH EXTRA SHEET(S) OR OTHER FORM(S) AND CHECK THIS BOX <input type="checkbox"/> IF MULTIPLE VICTIMS, INDICATE NUMBER: _____						
	DATE / TIME OF INCIDENT			PLACE OF INCIDENT			
	NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (What victim(s) said/what the mandated reporter observed/what person accompanying the victim(s) said/similar or past incidents involving the victim(s) or suspect)						

DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE

SS 8572 (Rev. 12/02)

DO NOT submit a copy of this form to the Department of Justice (DOJ). The investigating agency is required under Penal Code Section 11169 to submit to DOJ a Child Abuse Investigation Report Form SS 8583 if (1) an active investigation was conducted and (2) the incident was not determined to be unfounded.

WHITE COPY-Police or Sheriff's Department; BLUE COPY-County Welfare or Probation; GREEN COPY-District Attorney's Office; YELLOW COPY-Reporting Party



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DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF FORM SS 8572

All Penal Code (PC) references are located in Article 2.5 of the PC. This article is known as the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act, also known as CANRA. The Internet site is: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html> (specify Penal Code and search for Sections 11164-11174.3). A mandated reporter must complete and submit the form SS 8572 even if some information is not known. (PC Section 11167(a).)

I. MANDATED CHILD ABUSE REPORTERS

- Mandated child abuse reporters include all those individuals and entities as defined in PC Section 11165.7.

II. TO WHOM REPORTS ARE TO BE MADE (DESIGNATED AGENCIES)

- Reports of suspected child abuse or neglect shall be made by mandated reporters to any police department or sheriff's department (not including a school district police or security department), county probation department (if designated by the county to receive mandated reports) or the county welfare department. (PC Section 11165.9.)

III. REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

- Any mandated reporter who has knowledge of or observes a child, in his or her professional capacity or within the scope of his or her employment, whom he or she knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect shall report such suspected instance of abuse or neglect to a designated agency immediately or as soon as practically possible by telephone and shall prepare and send a written report thereof *within 36 hours* of receiving the information concerning the incident. (PC Section 11166(a).)
- No mandated reporter who reports a suspected instance of child abuse or neglect shall be held civilly or criminally liable for any report required or authorized by the CANRA. Any other person reporting a known or suspected instance of child abuse or neglect shall not incur civil or criminal liability as a result of any report authorized by the CANRA unless it can be proven the report was false and the person knew it was false or make the report with reckless disregard of its truth or falsity. (PC Section 11172(a).)

IV. INSTRUCTIONS

- **SECTION A - REPORTING PARTY:** Enter the mandated reporter's name, title, category (from PC Section 11165.7), business (agency) name and address, telephone number, a signature and today's date. Also check yes-no whether you (the mandated reporter) witnessed the incident. The signature area is for either the mandated report or the person taking as telephoned report.

IV. INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

- **SECTION B - REPORT NOTIFICATION:** Complete the name and address of the designated agency notified, date of the written report, date/time of the phone call and the name, title and telephone number of the official contacted.
- **SECTION C - VICTIM** (One Report per Family, siblings must have same parents/guardians): Enter the victim's name, address, telephone number, birth date or approximate age, sex, ethnicity, present location, and where applicable enter the school, class (indicate the teacher's name or room number), and grade. List the primary language spoken in the victim's home. Check the appropriate yes-no box for: developmentally disabled?, physically disabled? and specify the victim's other disability. To determine if the victim has a disability, ask the victim's parent or care giver. Also check the appropriate yes-no box for in foster care?, indicate type of care if the victim was in out-of-home care, indicate the type of abuse. List the victim's relationship to the suspect, check the appropriate yes-no box for photos taken?, indicate whether the incident resulted in this victim's death.
- **SECTION D - INVOLVED PARTIES:** Enter the requested information for: Victim's Siblings, Victim's Parents/Guardians and the Suspect.
- **SECTION E - INCIDENT INFORMATION:** If multiple victims, enter the number. Enter date/time and place of the incident. Provide a narrative of the incident. Attach extra sheets if needed.

V. DISTRIBUTION

- **Reporting Party:** After completing Form SS 8572, retain the yellow copy for your records and submit the top three copies to the designated agency.
- **Designated Agency:** *Within 36 hours* of receipt of Form SS 8572, send **white copy** to police or sheriff, **blue copy** to county welfare or probation, and **green copy** to district attorney.

ETHNICITY CODES

1 Alaskan Native	6 Caribbean	11 Guamanian	16 Korean	22 Polynesian	27 White-Armenian
2 American Indian	7 Central American	12 Hawaiian	17 Laotian	23 Samoan	28 White-Central American
3 Asian Indian	8 Chinese	13 Hispanic	18 Mexican	24 South American	29 White-European
4 Black	9 Ethiopian	14 Hmong	19 Other Asian	25 Vietnamese	30 White-Middle Eastern
5 Cambodian	10 Filipino	15 Japanese	21 Other Pac Islndr	26 White	31 White-Romanian



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Disaster Response Procedures

Emergencies

In the case of an emergency, the general policy is that actions should be taken to allow the school to remain in operation to the extent possible. The situation should be addressed to minimize interruption of normal operations at the school, and students will usually be cared for until regular dismissal time. Where an emergency situation poses a serious threat to the safety and well being of students and staff, evacuation will occur until any danger has passed. When necessary, school may be dismissed by the School Principal, or his/her designee. Home office will also be informed using HOST email system (Refer to HOST Attachment). In the event of any of the following scenarios the principal or his/her designee will communicate with stakeholders using the school's mass communication system.

- **Fire:**

- In the case of a school fire, the following procedures should be implemented:
- Sound building fire alarm.
- Notify Fire Department by dialing 911. The Fire Department is to be notified of any fires larger in size than a wastebasket. The Fire Department should be given the following information:
- School name and phone number.
- Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
- Exact location of the fire within the building.
- Have students and staff evacuate the building in accordance with established procedures.
- Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
- All doors leading to the fire should be closed. Do not re-enter the area for belongings. If the area is full of smoke, students and staff should be instructed to crawl along the floor, close to walls, thus making breathing easier and providing



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direction. Before opening any door, place a hand one inch from the door near the top to see if it is hot. Be prepared to close the door quickly at the first sign of fire to avoid the spread of fire.

- Clear access routes for emergency vehicles. Remain at a safe distance from the fire and away from firefighting equipment.
- Render first aid as necessary.
- Check attendance. Remain with students.

- **Medical Emergency:**

- Medical emergencies and accidents can occur at any time and may involve a student or employee. Some emergencies may only require first aid care, while others may require immediate medical attention. When in doubt, it is better to err on the side of caution and dial 911.

- Medical emergencies involving any student or employee must be reported to the School Principal, or his/her designee. Dial 911 or direct someone to do so.

Provide the following information:

- School name and phone number.
- Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
- Exact location within the building.
- Your name and phone number.
- Nature of the emergency.
- Do not hang up until advised to do so by dispatcher.
- Notify the school office that an individual has been injured and an ambulance has been called.
- Ask someone to dispatch a first aid/CPR trained employee to the victim.
- Stay calm. Keep victim warm with a coat or blanket.
- Do not move the victim unless there is danger of further injury. Do not give the victim anything to eat or drink.



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- Draft written incident report and submit it to School Principal, or his/her designee, before the end of the next workday.
- The incident needs to be entered into CharterSafe and the claim form needs to be emailed to the administration team.

- **Earthquakes:**
 - Earthquakes strike without warning and the major shock is usually followed by numerous aftershocks, which may last for weeks or months. An earthquake's effect on buildings will vary from building to building.
 - The major threat of injury during an earthquake is from falling objects and debris, and many injuries are sustained while entering or leaving buildings. Therefore, it is important to remain inside the building and quickly move away from windows, glass, partitions and shelves. In the case of an earthquake, the following procedures should be followed:
 - Take cover under a sturdy desk or table, in a doorway, or against an inside wall until the shaking stops. Give DROP AND COVER command.
 - After shaking stops, check for injuries, and render first aid.
 - If ordered by School Principal or his/her designee, evacuate.
 - Do not return to building.
 - Do not light any fires.
 - Keep a safe distance from any downed power lines.
 - Check attendance whether or not evacuation takes place. Report any missing students to School Principal, or his/her designee.
 - Stay alert for aftershocks.
 - Beware that shaking may activate fire alarm or sprinkler systems.
 - Elevators and stairways will need to be inspected for damage before they can be used.
 - School principal, or his/her designee, will issue further instructions.



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- **Assaults:**

- Assaults involve acts of striking or inflicting injury to a person and are regarded as serious matters. Any threat or assault on students or employees should be reported immediately to the School Principal, or his/her designee. The School Principal (or designee) will determine if law enforcement officials should be notified.
- If a serious assault occurs:
- Dial 911.
- Seek first aid or medical attention, if indicated.
- Have photographs taken of any injuries.
- Write down a physical description of the assailant (sex, age, height, weight, race, clothing, and any weapon used) as soon as possible after the incident.
- Obtain names and telephone numbers of any witnesses.
- Draft incident report and submit it to the School Principal, or his/her designee.
- School Principal or his /her designee will submit incident report to the local law enforcement if incident is serious.

- **Hazardous Materials:**

- Hazardous material spills may occur inside a building, such as a spill in a chemistry lab. Incidents of disaster magnitude may occur outside, such as a tank truck accident involving large quantities of toxic material. Procedures:
 - If a spill is minor and inside, notify buildings and grounds personnel immediately for clean up. Open windows for ventilation.
 - If a more serious spill occurs inside or outside:
 - Call 911. Notify Fire Department, Emergency Response Unit, and/ or Public Health Department.



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- Provide the following:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Location of the spill and/or materials released.
 - Characteristics of spill (colors, smells, visible gases).
 - Name of substance, if known.
 - Injuries, if any.
 - Notify buildings and grounds personnel.
 - Close all windows and doors if the spill is outside.
 - Request that buildings personnel shut off mechanical ventilating systems if it might spread toxic material.
 - Remain inside building unless ordered to evacuate by the Fire Department.
 - Fire Department will advise of further actions to be taken.
 - Do not eat or drink anything or apply cosmetics.
 - If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought.
 - The School Principal, or his/her designee, if necessary, will give approval for student release or site evacuation.
- **Civil Disturbance:**
 - A civil disturbance is any situation where a person or group of persons disrupts operations or threatens the safety of individuals. The following precautionary protective measures should be taken:
 - Notify local law enforcement authorities-Dial 911.



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- If participants enter the building, remain calm and do not provoke aggression. Report disruptive circumstances to school Principal, or his/her designee.
 - Do not argue with participant(s).
 - Have all students and employees leave the immediate area of disturbance.
 - If the disturbance is outside the building, remain inside building, unless instructed otherwise by the School Principal or police officials. Lock all doors. Stay away from windows and exterior doors.
 - If the disturbance is inside the building, follow procedures for evacuation of the school site.
 - Follow further instructions as police officials and other local law enforcement authorities issue them.
 - Draft incident report for School Principal, or his/her designee.
- **Vandalism:**
 - The following procedures should be used in the case of school vandalism:
 - Notify school principal, or his/her designee.
 - Notify building and ground maintenance personnel.
 - The School Principal, or his/her designee, will assess the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed, including local law enforcement.
 - If possible, identify the parties involved.
 - Interview witnesses and obtain written statements.
 - Document the incident as soon as possible and give the incident report, with any witness statements, to the School Principal or his/her designee.
 - Notify parents or legal guardian.
 - Determine what disciplinary measures are appropriate (in-house or police involvement).



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- Determine any monetary restitution issues and amounts.

- **Utility or Power Failure:**
 - The following procedures should be used in case of utility or power failure:
 - Staff and students should remain in classroom until further instruction.
 - Custodial and maintenance personnel should determine cause of incident and seek outside assistance if necessary.
 - Staff and students outside of a classroom at the time of the incident should report to main office.
 - Building and grounds personnel report to utility company if necessary.
 - If situation requires long-term maintenance and repair and prevents class activities, the School Principal, or his/her designee, may take measures to dismiss school for the day.
 - Where utility failure presents an emergency, evacuation procedures should be implemented immediately.

- **Bomb Threat:**
 - Person receiving call:
 - Listen - Do not interrupt caller.
 - If possible, alert other staff by a pre-arranged signal while the caller is on the line.
 - In the event that a bomb threat is received, it is important for the person receiving the call to attempt to keep the caller on the telephone as long as possible. It is also important to listen carefully to all information provided by the caller and to make a note of any voice characteristics, accents, or background noises.
 - Attempt to ask questions and elicit the information required to determine the severity of the threat.



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- Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, immediately.
 - The School Principal, or his/her designee will:
 - Notify Police Department – Dial 911.
 - With the assistance of responding law enforcement personnel, conduct a thorough search of the building & surrounding areas:
 - Classrooms and work areas.
 - Public areas - foyers, office bathrooms and stairwells.
 - Lockers and unlocked closets.
 - Exterior areas -- shrubbery, trashcans, debris boxes, gas valves, etc.
 - Power sources -- electric panels, telephone panels, computer rooms, etc.
 - With assistance from responding law enforcement personnel and/or Fire Department, the School Principal, or his/her designee, will evaluate the threat and will determine whether to evacuate the building and/or to continue to search the premises.
 - If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought. The School Principal, or his/her designee, must grant approval for student release.
 - An incident report should be drafted before the end of the workweek.
- **Explosion:**
 - If an explosion occurs at the school, the following procedures should be used:
 - Give DROP AND COVER command.
 - Sound building fire alarm. This will automatically implement action to leave the building.
 - Notify Fire Department – Dial 911.
 - Provide the following information:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).



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- Exact location within the building.
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
 - Check attendance. Remain with students.
 - Render first aid as necessary.
 - Notify grounds and building personnel.
 - Keep students and staff at a safe distance from the building(s) and away from firefighting equipment.
 - Public safety officials will determine when the building is safe for re-entry, and along with School Principal, or his/her designee, whether student release from the school site is necessary.
 - Draft incident report by the end of the week.
- **Fighting or Riot:**
 - School staff should follow these guidelines when a fight occurs:
 - Send a reliable student to the office to summon assistance.
 - Speak loudly and let everyone know that the behavior should stop immediately.
 - Obtain help from other teachers if at all possible.
 - If students are starting to gather, attempt to get students away from the commotion as quickly as possible.
 - Call out the names of the involved students (if known) and let them know they have been identified.
 - For the safety of all students, get additional help from law enforcement personnel if confronted with a serious fight, especially one that involves weapons.
 - Attempt to separate the involved students by speaking to them in an assertive tone of voice. Consider the age and/or size of the students, as



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well as personal safety, before stepping between/among those involved in an altercation. If successful in separating the students, try to avoid using further confrontational behavior.

- Remember that no one can "cool down" instantly; give the students time to talk in a calm setting and gradually change the climate of the situation.
- Staff should follow these guidelines when a riot occurs:
 - The School Principal, or his/her designee, should encourage teachers and staff to be sensitive to the emotional climate of the campus and attempt to defuse any tensions prior to the eruption of problems.
 - Notify local law enforcement of the disturbance and meet at a pre-designated site to evaluate the situation.
 - Have a law enforcement officer evaluate and call for any necessary resources such as back-up help, emergency medical help, etc.
 - Activate needed emergency plans, which may include:
 - Instructing office staff to handle communications and initiate lockdown orders.
 - Notify transportation to bring appropriate numbers of buses for evacuation or transportation if necessary.
 - Assign staff a temporary detention facility, such as a gymnasium, to secure students and log information.
 - Direct a teacher or designee to initiate lockdown and immobilize the campus.
 - Brief a representative to meet the media.
 - Assign staff to a pre-designated medical treatment/triage facility.

- **Hostage Situation:**



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- In case there is a hostage situation at the school, staff should attempt to follow these guidelines:
 - Stay calm.
 - Don't be a hero.
 - Follow instructions of captor.
 - Cooperate; be friendly if possible; don't argue with or antagonize captor or other hostages.
 - Inform captors of medical or other needs.
 - Be prepared to wait; elapsed time is a good sign.
 - Don't try to escape; don't try to resolve situation by force.
 - Be observant and remember everything that is seen or heard.
 - If a rescue takes place, lie on the floor and await instructions from rescuers.
 - The School Principal, or his/her designee, should be responsible for the following:
 - Immediately notify law enforcement.
 - Move other students and teachers completely away from those who are in the hostage situation.
 - Keep everyone as calm as possible.
 - Be prepared to answer questions from media or family.
- **Death of a Student:**
 - By far, the worst crisis situation is the death of a student. When a student dies, emotional trauma is a natural occurrence for students, faculty, and staff. A student's death, which occurs on campus, particularly as a result of school violence, is admittedly the most extreme case of trauma for family and the school community. There is no procedure that fits every scenario; each case requires individual attention. Certainly, there is no prescribed method for dealing with such tragedy; however, the following are suggestions for a school's response to death, particularly death that occurs as a result of school violence:
 - After the initial response, administrators and counselors will meet immediately to review what has happened. Responding to the psychological needs of both staff



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and students as soon as possible is the best prevention for the development of post-traumatic stress.

- Get as much information as possible from the family and ask their permission to share it with the students, faculty, and staff. Ask if they have any objection to students, faculty, and staff attending the funeral.
 - Relay the information to the students in a factual way, careful to avoid breaching the student or family's privacy. The School Principal and a counselor might consider moving from room to room to tell the students what has happened. They should tell the truth, allow for expression of feelings, and affirm any expressions or feelings the students have. Students need to be told that they may visit a counselor's office for special assistance if they need to talk.
 - If possible, allow a break after telling the students in order to give them an opportunity to express their grief with other students.
 - Upon returning to school, students should be allowed time to discuss their feelings, talk about the deceased, and discuss memories. Give students, faculty, and staff information about the funeral and allow them to attend, provided the family has granted permission.
 - Watch for trouble signs among the students. Be prepared to call in extra counselors if necessary.
- **Intruder or Individual with Deadly Weapon/Active Shooter:**
 - If someone enters the school grounds or buildings with a deadly weapon, the staff should follow these guidelines:
 - Avoid confronting the student or gunman.
 - Notify the School Principal, or his/her designee, or school office immediately.
 - Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.



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- The School Principal, or his/her designee, should follow these guidelines:
 - Notify law enforcement immediately.
 - Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.
 - Determine the level of threat. If the level of threat is high, call for additional backup.
 - Attempt to get the weapon from the gunman or student through negotiation, or take other appropriate action with the aid of local law enforcement.
 - If the level of threat is low, call the student to the office and have law enforcement take the appropriate action.
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- **Lock Down**
 - This action is taken when the threat of violence or gunfire is identified or directed by law enforcement and it is necessary to prevent the perpetrator(s) from entering any occupied campus areas. During Lock Down, students are to remain in the classrooms or designated locations at all times.
 - The Principal or Admin designee will make an announcement on the P.A. system that the school is going into a Lock Down situation. If P.A. system is not available, other means of communication, i.e., texting or email to staff or sending messengers. The Principal or Admin designee should remain calm and under control and give clear directions.
 - Teachers will lock their doors and shut their blinds and instruct students to stay away from the doors and windows.
 - If outside, students will continue to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into the nearby classrooms or school buildings.



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- Teachers and students will remain in the classroom or secured area until further instructions are given by the Principal/Admin Designee or law enforcement.
- All entrances to the school are to be locked and no visitors other than appropriate law enforcement or emergency personnel are to be allowed on campus.

Suspension and Expulsion Policies

The following Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy has been established in order to promote learning and protect the safety and well being of all students at MPS. In creating this policy, the Charter School has reviewed Education Code Section 48900 et seq. which describes the non-charter schools' list of offenses and procedures to establish its list of offenses and procedures for suspensions and expulsions. The language that follows closely mirrors the language of Education Code Section 48900 et seq.

Staff shall enforce disciplinary rules and procedures fairly and consistently among all students. When the policy is violated, it may be necessary to suspend or expel a student from regular classroom instruction. This policy shall serve as MPS' policy and procedures for student suspension and expulsion. Suspended or expelled students shall be excluded from all school and school-related activities unless otherwise agreed during the period of suspension or expulsion. This Policy and its Procedures will clearly describe discipline expectations, and it will be printed and distributed as part of the Student Handbook, which is sent to each student at the beginning of the school year. The MPS administration shall ensure that students and their parents/guardians are notified in writing upon enrollment of all discipline policies and procedures.

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of or willfully causing the infliction of physical pain on a student. For purposes of the Policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to school property.

Discipline includes but is not limited to advising and counseling students, conferring with parents/guardians, detention during and after school hours, use of alternative educational environments, suspension and expulsion.

Alternatives to Suspension

To intervene in student behavior, MPS has a progressive discipline plan in place at each of its schools. This plan is published at the beginning of each school year in the Parent/Student handbook. The handbook also includes a school-parent-student compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will develop a partnership to help children achieve high academic and behavior standards. The discipline plan includes



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information about student expectations and progression of disciplinary procedures from day-to-day discipline to suspension and expulsion.

MPS believes that alternatives to suspension align with our school-wide positive behavior support plan. Following are list of alternatives to be considered before suspending a student: warning, phone call home, parent conference, teacher/administrative detention, written assignment/research/presentation, loss of privileges, behavior contract, parent shadowing, mentorship (peer/teacher), referral (counseling, SST, Dean of Students/Principal), assigning volunteer work/community service, Saturday school, and in-school suspension.

Alternatives to suspension or expulsion will first be attempted with students who are truant, tardy, or otherwise absent from assigned school activities.

In School Suspension (ISS)

Notice of In School Suspension (ISS) and the reasons for the ISS will be given to the student and the parent in writing. The student will remain on campus during school hours in a designated area not in their regular class setting. The student will have no or limited contact with students and teachers while serving an ISS. Student is expected to complete their classroom assignments and school community service during ISS.

GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION

A student may be suspended for prohibited misconduct if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MPS or at any other school; or (3) a MPS sponsored event. A student may be suspended for acts that are enumerated below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school sponsored activity.

Enumerated Offenses

Students may be suspended for any of the following acts when it is determined the student:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person.
2. Willfully used force of violence upon the person of another, except self-defense.
3. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the students had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Principal or designee's concurrence.



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4. Unlawfully possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished, or was under the influence of any controlled substance, as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053- 11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property.
9. Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including but not limited to cigars, cigarettes, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets and betel. This section does not prohibit the use of his or her own prescription products by a student.
10. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
11. Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.
12. Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, other school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties.
13. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
14. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
15. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committed a sexual battery as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
16. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
17. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
18. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a student organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective student. For purposes of this section, "hazing" does not include athletic events or school sanctioned events.
19. Engaged in an act of bullying, including bullying by means of electronic act, as defined in Education Code Section 48900.
20. Made terrorist threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, "terroristic threat" shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who



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willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family's safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.

21. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 6 to 11, inclusive.

22. Caused, attempted to cause, threaten to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 6 to 11, inclusive.

23. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 6 to 11 inclusive.

24. Engaged in, or aided another in, academic dishonesty, including, but not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, alteration of grades or academic marks, or theft or unpermitted review of tests prior to testing.

25. Intentionally "hacked" or broken into a School or School affiliated computer system.

26. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to subdivision (1).

SUSPENSION PROCEDURES

Suspensions shall be initiated according to the following procedures:

Conference

Suspension shall be preceded, if possible, by a conference conducted by the Principal or the Principal's designee with the student and his or her parent and, whenever practical, the teacher, supervisor or school employee who referred the student to the Principal. The conference may be omitted if the Principal or designee determines that an emergency situation exists. An "emergency situation" involves a clear and present danger to the lives, safety or health of



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students or school personnel. If a student is suspended without this conference, both the parent/guardian and student shall be notified of the student's right to return to school for the purpose of a conference.

At the conference, the student shall be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action and the evidence against him or her and shall be given the opportunity to present his or her version and evidence in his or her defense.

This conference shall be held within two school days, unless the student waives this right or is physically unable to attend for any reason including, but not limited to, incarceration or hospitalization.

No penalties may be imposed on a student for failure of the student's parent or guardian to attend a conference with school officials. Reinstatement of the suspended student shall not be contingent upon attendance by the student's parent or guardian at the conference.

Notice to Parents/Guardians

At the time of suspension, the Principal or designee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the parent/guardian by telephone or in person. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian shall be notified in writing of the suspension and the date of return following suspension. This notice shall state the specific offense committed by the student. In addition, the notice will also state the date and time when the student may return to school. If school officials wish to ask the parent/guardian to confer regarding matters pertinent to the suspension, the notice will request that the parent/guardian respond to such requests without delay.

Suspension Time Limits

Suspensions, when not including a recommendation for expulsion, shall not exceed five (5) consecutive school days per suspension. A student may be suspended from school for not more than 20 school days in any school year unless, for purposes of adjustment, the student enrolls in or is transferred another regular school, an opportunity school, or continuation school or class, in which case suspension shall not exceed 30 days in any school year. However, this restriction on the number of days of suspension does not apply when the suspension is extended pending an expulsion. (Education Code 48903, 48911, 48912)

Suspension Appeals

Students and parent/guardian may appeal a suspension within five (5) school days of the suspension. This appeal will be made to the Principal and heard by a discipline committee. All discipline committee hearings on suspensions will be held within two (2) school days of the appeal being made. The decision of the discipline committee is final. Based on the information submitted or requested, the Discipline Committee may make one of the following decisions regarding the suspension:

- Uphold the suspension



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- Uphold the suspension but clear the student's record of the suspension at the end of the semester, if the student has no additional discipline problems in the school
- Determine that the suspension was not within school guidelines, overturn the suspension, and order that all records and documents regarding the disciplinary proceeding be destroyed. No information regarding the suspension will be placed in the student's permanent record, or shared with anyone not directly involved in the proceedings.

Recommendation for Placement/Expulsion

Upon a recommendation of Placement/ Expulsion by the Principal, the student and the student's guardian or representative will be invited to a conference to determine if the suspension for the student should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. This determination will be made by the Principal upon either of the following determinations: (1) the student's presence will be disruptive to the education process; or (2) the student poses a threat or danger to others. Upon either determination, the student's suspension will be extended pending the results of an expulsion hearing.

Access to Education

Arrangements shall be made to provide the student with classroom material and current assignments to be completed at home during the length of the suspension

GROUND'S FOR EXPULSION

A student may be expelled for prohibited misconduct if the offense is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MPS or at any other school; or (3) a MPS sponsored event. A student may be expelled for offenses that are described below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school sponsored activity.

Expulsion (Mandatory and Discretionary Offenses)

The Principal shall immediately suspend and recommend expulsion when the following occur on school campus or at a school activity off campus, for any of the following reasons:

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(1); 48900(b)
2. Brandishing a knife at another person. E.C. 48915(c)(2); 48900(a)(1) and 48900(b)
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance. E.C. 48915(c)(3); 48900(c)



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4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery, as defined in the enumerated offenses, above. (as defined in 488900[n]). E.C. 488915(c)(4); 48900(c)
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(5); 48900(b)

If it is determined that a student has brought a fire arm or destructive device, as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code, on to campus or to have possessed a firearm or dangerous device on campus, the student shall be expelled for one year, pursuant to the Federal Gun Free Schools Act of 1994.

The term “firearm” means (A) any weapon (including a starter gun) which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive; (B) the frame or receiver of any such weapon; (C) any firearm muffler or firearm silencer; or (D) any destructive device. Such term does not include an antique firearm.

The term “destructive device” means (A) any explosive, incendiary, or poison gas, including but not limited to: (i) bomb, (ii) grenade, (iii) rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces, (iv) missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than one-quarter ounce, (v) mine, or (vi) device similar to any of the devices described in the preceding clauses.

The Principal has limited discretion with Category II student offenses listed below. The Principal must recommend expulsion when any of the following occur at school or at a school activity off campus, unless the Principal determines that expulsion is inappropriate (E.C. 48915[a]):

1. Causing serious physical injury to another person, except in self-defense. E.C. 48915(a)(1); 48900(a)(1), maybe also 48900(a)(2).
2. Possession of a knife or other dangerous object of no reasonable use to the pupil. E.C. 48915(a)(2); 48900(b)
3. Unlawful possession of any controlled substance, except for the first offence of less than an ounce of marijuana. E.C. 48915(a)(3); 48900(c).
4. Robbery or extortion. E.C. 48915(a)(4); 48900(e).
5. Assault or battery upon any school employee. E.C. 48915(a)(5); 48900(a)(1) and 48900(a)(2)

The Principal may recommend expulsion when any of the following Category III offenses occur at any time, including, but not limited to, while on school grounds; while on school grounds; while going to or coming from school; during the lunch period, whether on or off the campus; or during, or while going to or coming from, a school sponsored activity:

1. Category I and II offenses that are related to a school activity or school attendance, but that did not occur on school campus or at a school activity.
2. Caused or attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person, unless the injury is serious, as set forth under the Category II offenses.. (Unless, in the case of “caused,” injury is serious. [See II.1]). E.C. 48900(a)(1); 48915(b)
3. First offense of possession of marijuana of not more than one ounce, or possession of alcohol. E.C. 48900(c); 48915(b)



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4. Sold, furnished, or offered a substitute substance represented as a controlled substance. E.C. 48900(d); 38915(b)
5. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school or private property. E.C. 48900(f); 48915(e)
6. Stole or attempted to steal school or private property. E.C. 48900(g); 48915(e)
7. Possessed or used tobacco. E.C. 48900(h); 48915(e)
8. Committed an obscene act or engage in habitual profanity or vulgarity. E.C. 48900(i); 48915(e)
9. Possessed, offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia. E.C. 48900(j); 48915(e)
10. Disrupted school activities (school-wide activities; issued only by an administrator)
11. Knowingly received stolen school or private property. E.C. 48900(l); 48915(e)
12. Possessed an imitation firearm. E.C. 48900(m); 48915(e)
13. Engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation against a pupil or group of pupils or school district personnel. E.C. 48900.4**; 48915(e)
14. Engaged in sexual harassment (applicable to grades 4 through 12 only). E.C. 48900.2**; 48915(e)
15. Caused or attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence (applicable to grades 4 through 12 only). E.C. 48900.3**; 48915(e)
16. Made terrorist threats against school officials or school property, or both. E.C. 48900.7; 48915(e)
17. Willfully use force or violence upon the person of another, except in self-defense. E.C. 48900(a)(2); 48915(b)
18. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a pupil who is a complaining witness or a witness in a disciplinary action. E.C. 48900(o); 48915(e)
19. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma. E.C. 48900(p); 48915(e)
20. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in, hazing, as defined in Section 32050. E.C. 48900(q); 48915(e)
21. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of electronic act directed specifically toward a pupil or school personnel. E.C. 48900(r); 48915 (e)

Additional Findings

For all Category II and III offenses (Category I offenses do not require additional findings), the student may be expelled only if one or both of the following findings are substantiated:

- a) Other means of correction are not feasible or have repeatedly failed to bring about proper conduct.
- b) Due to the nature of the violation, the presence of the student causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the student or others.

EXPULSION PROCEDURES



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Authority to Expel

A student may be expelled either by the Board following a hearing before it or by the Board upon the recommendation of an Administrative Panel to be assigned by the Board as needed. The Administrative Panel should consist of at least three members who are certificated. Teachers of the student, members of the school's discipline committee, and directors of the Board may not serve on the Administrative Panel. The Administrative Panel may recommend expulsion of any student found to have committed an expellable offense.

Expulsion Hearing

Students recommended for expulsion are entitled to a hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled. The hearing shall be held within thirty (30) school days after the Principal determines that the Student has committed an expellable offense.

After an Administrative Panel hears the case, it will make a recommendation to the Board for a final decision whether to expel. The hearing shall be held in closed session unless the student makes a written request for a public hearing three (3) days prior to the hearing.

Written notice of the hearing shall be forwarded to the student and the student's parent/guardian at least ten (10) calendar days before the date of the hearing. Upon mailing the notice, it shall be deemed served upon the student. The notice shall include:

1. The date and place of the expulsion hearing;
2. A statement of specific facts, charges and offenses upon which the proposed expulsion is based;
3. A copy of MPS' disciplinary rules which relate to the alleged violation;
4. Notification of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to provide information about the student's status at the school to any other school district or school to which the student seeks enrollment;
5. The opportunity for the student or the student's parent/guardian to appear in person or to employ and be represented by counsel or a non-attorney advisor;
6. The right to inspect and obtain copies of all documents to be used at the hearing;
7. The opportunity to confront and question all witnesses who testify at the hearing;
8. The opportunity to question all evidence presented and to present oral and documentary evidence on the student's behalf including witnesses.

Special procedures for Expulsion Hearings Involving Sexual Assault or Battery Offenses

MPS may, upon finding a good cause, determine that the disclosure of either the identity of the witness or the testimony of that witness at the hearing, or both, would subject the witness to an unreasonable risk of psychological or physical harm. Upon this determination, the testimony of



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the witness may be presented at the hearing in the form of sworn declarations which shall be examined only by the Board, administrative panel, or the hearing officer. Copies of these sworn declarations, edited to delete the name and identity of the witness, shall be made available to the student.

1. The complaining witness in any sexual assault or battery case must be provided with a copy of the applicable disciplinary rules and advised of his/her right to (a) receive five days notice of his/her scheduled testimony, (b) have up to two (2) adult support persons of his/her choosing present in the hearing at the time he/she testifies, which may include a parent, guardian, or legal counsel, and (c) elect to have the hearing closed while testifying.
2. MPS must also provide the victim a room separate from the hearing room for the complaining witness' use prior to and during breaks in testimony.
3. At the discretion of the person or panel conducting the hearing, the complaining witness shall be allowed periods of relief from examination and cross-examination during which he or she may leave the hearing room.
4. The person conducting the expulsion hearing may also arrange the seating within the hearing room to facilitate a less intimidating environment for the complaining witness.
5. The person conducting the expulsion hearing may also limit time for taking the testimony of the complaining witness to the hours he/she is normally in school, if there is no good cause to take the testimony during other hours.
6. Prior to a complaining witness testifying, the support persons must be admonished that the hearing is confidential. Nothing in the law precludes the person presiding over the hearing from removing a support person whom the presiding person finds is disrupting the hearing. The person conducting the hearing may permit any one of the support persons for the complaining witness to accompany him or her to the witness stand.
7. If one or both of the support persons is also a witness, MPS must present evidence that the witness' presence is both desired by the witness and will be helpful to MPS. The person presiding over the hearing shall permit the witness to stay unless it is established that there is a substantial risk that the testimony of the complaining witness would be influenced by the support person, in which case the presiding official shall admonish the support person or persons not to prompt, sway, or influence the witness in any way. Nothing shall preclude the presiding officer from exercising his or her discretion to remove a person from the hearing whom he or she believes is prompting, swaying, or influencing the witness.
8. The testimony of the support person shall be presented before the testimony of the complaining witness and the complaining witness shall be excluded from the courtroom during that testimony.
9. Especially for charges involving sexual assault or battery, if the hearing is to be conducted in the public at the request of the student being expelled, the complaining witness shall have the right to have his/her testimony heard in a closed session when testifying at a public meeting would threaten serious psychological harm to the complaining witness and there are not alternative procedures to avoid the threatened harm. The alternative procedures may include



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videotaped depositions or contemporaneous examination in another place communicated to the hearing by means of closed-circuit television.

10. Evidence of specific instances of a complaining witness' prior sexual conduct is presumed inadmissible and shall not be heard absent a determination by the person conducting the hearing that extraordinary circumstances exist requiring the evidence be heard. Before such a determination regarding extraordinary circumstances can be made, the witness shall be provided notice and an opportunity to present opposition to the introduction of the evidence. In the hearing on the admissibility of the evidence, the complaining witness shall be entitled to be represented by a parent, legal counsel, or other support person. Reputation or opinion evidence regarding the sexual behavior of the complaining witness is not admissible for any purpose.

Record of Expulsion Hearing

A record of the hearing shall be made and may be maintained by any means, including electronic recording, as long as a reasonably accurate and complete written transcription of the proceedings can be made.

Presentation of Evidence

While technical rules of evidence do not apply to expulsion hearings, evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. A recommendation by the Administrative Panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed an expellable offense.

Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. While hearsay evidence is admissible, no decision to expel shall be based solely on hearsay and sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses of whom the Board, Panel or designee determines that disclosure of their identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to an unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm.

If, due to a written request by the accused student, the hearing is held at a public meeting, and the charge is committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery as defined in Education Code Section 48900, a complaining witness shall have the right to have his or her testimony heard in a session closed to the public.

The decision of the Administrative Panel shall be in the form of written findings of fact and a written recommendation to the Board, who will make a final determination regarding the expulsion. The final decision by the Board shall be made within ten (10) school days following the conclusion of the hearing.

If the expulsion-hearing panel decides not to recommend expulsion, the student shall immediately be returned to his/her educational program.

Written Notice to Expel

The Principal or designee following a decision of the Board to expel shall send written notice of the decision to expel, including the Board's adopted findings of fact, to the student or parent/guardian. This notice shall also include the following:



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1. Notice of the specific offense committed by the student
2. Notice of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with MPS
3. The reinstatement eligibility review date; a copy of the rehabilitation plan; the type of educational placement during the period of expulsion, and notice of appeal rights/procedures.

The Principal or designee shall send a copy of the written notice of the decision to expel to the student's district of residence. This notice shall include the following:

1. The student's name
2. The specific expellable offense committed by the student

Disciplinary Records

MPS shall maintain records of all student suspensions and expulsions at MPS. Such records shall be made available to the District upon request.

Expulsion Appeals

In order to appeal an expulsion, the student/parent/guardian must submit a written appeal to the CEO of MPS outlining the reason for the appeal, attaching any supporting documentation, within ten (10) calendar days of being informed of the expulsion.

In response to the written request for an appeal, the CEO of MPS shall convene a committee of three: a school Principal and a Dean of Students from other MPS schools, and the CEO of MPS or his/her designee. The committee shall convene a hearing on the appeal within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of a timely written request for an appeal.

At the hearing on the appeal, the student shall have the right to present evidence. The committee will consider evidence and/or testimony as appropriate and will render a written decision that shall be in the best interest of the student and the Charter School. That decision shall be final.

Expelled Students/Alternative Education

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of the Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

LACOE REQUIRED LANGUAGE

General Provisions

Charter School shall provide due process for all students, including adequate and timely notice to parents/guardians and students of the grounds for all suspension and expulsion recommendations and decisions and their due process rights regarding suspension and expulsion, including rights of appeal.



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Charter School shall ensure that its policies and procedures regarding suspension and expulsion will be periodically reviewed, and modified as necessary, in order to conform to changes in state law.

Charter School shall ensure that its staff is knowledgeable about and complies with the District's Discipline Foundation Policy and/or current equivalent policy, as required by the Modified Consent Decree.

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of the Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

Charter School shall document and implement the alternatives to suspension and expulsion that Charter School utilizes in response to attendance-related concerns, e.g. truancy or excessive tardiness.

Students with Disabilities

Charter School shall implement operational and procedural guidelines ensuring compliance with federal and state laws and regulations regarding the discipline of students with disabilities. If a student is recommended for expulsion and the student receives or is eligible for special education, Charter School shall identify and provide special education programs and services at an appropriate interim educational placement, pending the completion of the expulsion process, to be coordinated with the El Dorado CELPA Special Education Service Center.

In the case of a student who has an Individualized Education Program ("IEP"), or a student who has a 504 Plan, Charter School shall ensure that it follows correct disciplinary procedures to comply with the mandates of state and federal laws, including IDEA and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Plan of 1973. As set forth in the MOU regarding special education between the District and Charter School, an IEP team, including a District representative, will meet to conduct a manifestation determination and to discuss alternative placement utilizing the District's Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual. Prior to recommending expulsion for a student with a 504 Plan, Charter School's administrator will convene a Link Determination meeting to ask the following two questions:

- A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student's disability?
- B. Was the misconduct a direct result of the Charter School's failure to implement 504 Plan?

Notification of the District

Upon expelling any student, Charter School shall notify the Charter Schools Division by submitting an expulsion packet to the CSD immediately or as soon as practicable, which shall contain:

- completed "Notification of Charter School Expulsion"
- documentation of the expulsion proceeding, including statement of specific facts supporting the expulsion and documentation that Charter School's policies and procedures were followed copy of parental notice of expulsion hearing



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- copy of expulsion notice provided to parent stating reason for expulsion, term of expulsion, rehabilitation plan, reinstatement notice with eligibility date and instructions for providing proof of student's compliance for reinstatement, appeal process, and options for enrollment
- if the student is eligible for Special Education, documentation related to expulsion in compliance with IDEA and the MCD, including the Expulsion Analysis page of the pre-expulsion IEP
- if the student is eligible for Section 504 accommodations, documentation that Charter School conducted a Link Determination meeting to address two questions:
 - A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student's disability?
 - B. Was the misconduct a direct result of the Charter School's failure to implement 504 Plan?

Notwithstanding the documentation sent to the Charter Schools Division as indicated above, if the student is a resident of a school district other than LAUSD, Charter School must notify the Superintendent of the student's district of residence within 30 days of the expulsion.

Additionally, upon request of the receiving school district, Charter School shall forward student records no later than 10 school days from the date of the request as stated in Education Code 49068 (a) and (b).

Outcome Data

Charter School shall maintain all data involving placement, tracking, and monitoring of student suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements, and make such outcome data readily available to the District upon request.

Rehabilitation Plans

Pupils who are expelled from Charter School shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by Charter School's governing board at the time of the expulsion order, which may include, but is not limited to, periodic review as well as assessment at the time of review for readmission. Terms of expulsion should be reasonable and fair with the weight of the expelling offense taken into consideration when determining the length of expulsion. Therefore, the rehabilitation plan should include a date not later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to Charter School for readmission. Charter School shall inform parents in writing of its processes for reinstatement and applying for expungement of the expulsion record.

Readmission

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for the filing and processing of requests for readmission and the process for the required review of all expelled pupils for readmission. Upon completion of the readmission process, Charter School's governing board shall readmit the pupil; unless Charter School's governing board makes a finding that the



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pupil has not met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan or continues to pose a danger to campus safety. A description of the procedure shall be made available to the pupil and the pupil's parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is entered and the decision of the governing board, including any related findings, must be provided to the pupil and the pupil's parent/guardian within a reasonable time.

Reinstatement

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for processing reinstatements, including the review of documents regarding the rehabilitation plan. Charter School is responsible for reinstating the student upon the conclusion of the expulsion period in a timely manner.

Gun Free Schools Act

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun Free Schools Act.
For specific details, refer to LAUSD Board Policy and Administrative Regulations.

Procedures for Notifying Teachers about Dangerous Pupils

In order to fulfill the requirements made by Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 that state teachers must be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The teacher can access the suspension by looking at the student's discipline screen. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it.

Pursuant to Welfare & Institution Code 827(b) and Education Code 48267, the Court notifies the Superintendent of the LAUSD regarding students who have engaged in certain criminal conduct. This information is forwarded to the site Principal. The site Principal is responsible for prompt notification of the student's teachers. Per Education Code 49079, this information must be kept confidential. This information is also forwarded to all administrators and the student's counselor.

1. The School Principal will inform teachers and other relevant staff of students who are defined as dangerous as set forth in the California Education Code sec. 48900, including the exceptions to this rule provided therein. The School will provide this information to the teacher based upon any records that the school maintains in its ordinary course of business, or receives from a law enforcement agency, regarding a pupil described in this Section. The School is not civilly or criminally liable for providing information unless it is proven that the information was false and that the School employee knew or should



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have known that the information was false, or the information was provided with a reckless disregard for its truth or falsity.

2. Any information received by a teacher pursuant to this Section shall be received in confidence for the limited purpose for which it was provided and shall not be further disseminated by the teacher.

This notification will be provided on our school letterhead:

To: ALL CERTIFICATED STAFF
From: **Admin**
Re: Student Suspension Information

*Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 require that teachers be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuiminate. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it.*

The following are examples of Ed. Code 48900 and 48915 violations that may appear on your report.

E.C. 48900 **(a)(1)** Mutual fight **(a)(2)** Assault/Battery
 (b) Possessed, sold or furnished dangerous object



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- (c) Controlled substance/alcohol
- (d) Imitation controlled substance
- (e) Robbery/extortion
- (f) Vandalism
- (g) Theft
- (h) Tobacco/nicotine products
- (i) Obscene act, habitual profanity/vulgarity
- (j) Drug paraphernalia
- (k) Disruptive/willfully defiant behavior (grades 4-12)
- (l) Received stolen property
- (m) Imitation firearm
- (n) Sexual assault or battery
- (o) Harassed/threatened witness
- (p) Sale of soma
- (q) Hazing
- (r) Bullying/cyberbullying
- (t) Aiding and abetting

E.C. 48900.2 Sexual harassment (gr 4-12)

E.C. 48900.3 Hate violence (gr 4-12)

E.C. 48900.4 Severe or pervasive harassment, threats and intimidation (grades 4-12)

E.C. 48900.7 Terrorist threats against school officials or property

E.C. 48915 (a)(1)(A) Serious physical injury

(a)(1)(B) Possession: knife or dangerous object

(a)(1)(C) Controlled substance

(a)(1)(D) Robbery or extortion

(a)(1)(E) Assault/battery of school employee

E.C. 48915(c)(1) Possessing, selling, furnishing firearm

(c)(2) Brandishing a knife at another person

(c)(3) Selling a controlled substance

(c)(4) Committing or attempting to commit sexual assault or battery

(c)(5) Possession of an explosive

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SAMPLE

Confidential

Memorandum

To: _____, Teacher
From: _____, Principal
Date:

Re: Students having committed specified crime

The student named below has been convicted of a penal code violation.



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Welfare and Institutions Code 827 requires teachers to be informed when a student has engaged in certain criminal conduct.

NOTE: SUCH INFORMATION IS CONFIDENTIAL AND CANNOT BE FURTHER DISSEMINATED BY THE TEACHER OR OTHERS. UNLAWFUL DISSEMINATION OF THIS INFORMATION IS PUNISHABLE BY A SIGNIFICANT FINE. (EC 49079)

PLEASE DESTROY THIS NOTE IMMEDIATELY AFTER READING.

_____ was found to have committed the following criminal activity:

If you have any questions, please see me.
Principal

Sexual Harassment Policy

Policy Prohibiting Unlawful Harassment

MPS is committed to providing a work and educational atmosphere that is free of unlawful harassment. MPS's policy prohibits sexual harassment and harassment based upon race, color, creed, gender (including gender identity and gender expression), religion, marital status, registered domestic partner status, age, national origin or ancestry, physical or mental disability, medical condition (including cancer and genetic characteristics), genetic information, sexual orientation, military or veteran status, or any other consideration made unlawful by federal, state, or local laws. MPS will not condone or tolerate harassment of any type by any employee, independent contractor or other person with which the School does business. This policy applies to all employee actions and relationships, regardless of position or gender. MPS will promptly and thoroughly investigate any complaint of harassment and take appropriate corrective action, if warranted.

Prohibited Unlawful Harassment:



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- Verbal conduct such as epithets, derogatory jokes or comments or slurs;
 - Physical conduct including assault, unwanted touching, intentionally blocking normal movement or interfering with work because of sex, race or any other protected basis;
 - Retaliation for reporting or threatening to report harassment; or
 - Deferential or preferential treatment based on any of the protected classes above.
- Prohibited Unlawful Sexual Harassment:

In accordance with existing discrimination on the basis of gender in education institutions is prohibited. All persons, regardless of the gender, are afforded equal rights and opportunities and freedom from unlawful discrimination in education programs or activities conducted by the School.

MPS is committed to provide a workplace free of sexual harassment and considers such harassment to be a major offense, which may result in disciplinary action, up to, and including dismissal, of the offending employee.

Sexual harassment consist of sexual advances, request for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, regardless of whether or not the conduct is motivated by sexual desire, when: (1) submission of the conduct is either made explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; (2) an employment decision is based upon an individual's acceptance or rejection of that conduct; (3) that conduct interferes with an individual's work performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

It is also unlawful to retaliate in any way against an employee who has articulated a good faith concern about sexual harassment against him or her or against another individual.

All supervisors of staff will receive sexual harassment training within six (6) months of their assumption of a supervisory position and will receive further training once every two (2) years thereafter. All staff will receive sexual harassment training and/or instruction concerning sexual harassment in the workplace as required by law.

Each employee has the responsibility to maintain a workplace free from any form of sexual harassment. Consequently, should any individual, in particular those with supervisory responsibilities, become aware of any conduct that may constitute sexual harassment or other prohibited behavior, immediate action should be taken to address such conduct. Employees and students are expected to act in a positive and professional manner and to contribute to a policy, productive School environment that is free from harassing or disruptive activity. Any employee who believes they have been sexually harassed or has witnessed sexual harassment



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is encouraged to immediately report such harassment to the Principal (or MPSCO Human Services for MPSCO employees). See Appendix A for the “Harassment Complaint Form.” See Appendix B for the general “Complaint Form.”

Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- Physical assaults of a sexual nature, such as:
 - Rape, sexual battery, molestation or attempts to commit these assaults and intentional physical conduct that is sexual in nature, such as touching, pinching, patting, grabbing, brushing against another’s body, or poking another’s body.

Unwanted sexual advances, propositions or other sexual comments, such as:

- Sexually oriented gestures, notices, remarks, jokes, or comments about a person’s sexuality or sexual experience.
- Preferential treatment or promises of preferential treatment to an employee for submitting to sexual conduct, including soliciting or attempting to solicit any employee to engage in sexual activity for compensation or reward or deferential treatment for rejecting sexual conduct.
- Subjecting or threats of subjecting an employee to unwelcome sexual attention or conduct or intentionally making performance of the employee’s job more difficult because of the employee’s sex.

Sexual or discriminatory displays or publications anywhere at the workplace by employees, such as:

- Displaying pictures, cartoons, posters, calendars, graffiti, objections, promotional materials, reading materials, or other materials that are sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic or bringing to work or possessing any such material to read, display or view at work.
- Reading publicly or otherwise publicizing in the work environment materials that are in any way sexually revealing, sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic; and



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- Displaying signs or other materials purporting to segregate an employee by sex in an area of the workplace (other than restrooms or similar rooms). The illustrations of harassment and sexual harassment above are not to be construed as an all-inclusive list of prohibited acts under this policy. Complainants and witnesses under these policies will be protected from further harassment and will not be retaliated against in any aspect of their employment due to their participation, filing of a complaint or reporting sexual harassment. MPS will investigate complaints promptly and provide a written report of the investigation and decision as soon as practicable. The investigation will be handled in as confidential a manner as possible consistent with a full, fair, and proper investigation. While in most situations a personal relationship is a private matter, these relationships are not appropriate in a professional setting, particularly where one of the parties has management or supervisory responsibilities.

Sexual Abuse and Sex Trafficking

- MPS will collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in order to ensure that the school site is prepared to address the threat of sexual abuse and sex trafficking in accordance with EC 49380.

B. Staff/Student Interaction Policy

MPS recognizes its responsibility to make and enforce all rules and regulations governing student and employee behavior to bring about the safest and most learning-conducive environment possible.

Corporal Punishment:

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain on a student.

For purposes of this policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to property.

For clarification purposes, the following examples are offered for direction and guidance of School personnel:

Examples of PERMITTED actions (NOT corporal punishment):

- Stopping a student from fighting with another student;



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- Preventing a pupil from committing an act of vandalism;
- Defending yourself from physical injury or assault by a student;
- Forcing a pupil to give up a weapon or dangerous object;
- Requiring an athletic team to participate in strenuous physical training activities designed to strengthen or condition team members or improve their coordination, agility, or physical skills;
- Engaging in group calisthenics, team drills, or other physical education or voluntary recreational activities.

Examples of PROHIBITED actions (corporal punishment):

- Hitting, shoving, pushing, or physically restraining a student as a means of control;
- Making unruly students do push-ups, run laps, or perform other physical acts that cause pain or discomfort as a form of punishment;
- Paddling, swatting, slapping, grabbing, pinching, kicking, or otherwise causing physical pain.

Harassment and Discrimination

Harassment and Discrimination are prohibited. They include the following:

- Verbal Threats
- Threatening Behavior
- Hazing
- Intimidation
- Gang Behavior
- Fights

Policies for dealing with harassment and discrimination are described in the MPS Employee Handbook and MPS Student-Parent Handbook.

If harassment or discrimination occurs, school staff should:



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1. Evaluate the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed. If intervention is required, contact support staff. Where threats of serious bodily injury and/or weapons are involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved and give specific verbal directions to discuss the situation. Where a physical altercation is occurring, or is about to occur, call for staff support and immediately separate the parties involved.
3. Document the incident, including the names of witnesses and any statements.
4. Give incident reports to the School Principal, or his/her designee, as soon as possible.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should:

1. Assess the seriousness of the incident. If assistance is needed, call necessary support staff. Where a threat of serious bodily injury or weapons is involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved.
3. Seek written documentation from witnesses.
4. Determine disciplinary consequences. See MPS Employee Handbook and MPS Student-Parent Handbook.
5. Determine what intervention or follow-up is necessary, including reference to a school counselor, psychologist, or local law enforcement.
6. Notify parents or legal guardian and appropriate school personnel of incident.
7. Complete a report with a description of the incident and include the names of witnesses and any statements. Summarize the disciplinary procedures used in resolution of the incident.

Internal Complaint Review

The purpose of the “Internal Complaint Review Policy” is to afford all employees of the School the opportunity to seek internal resolution of their work-related concerns. All employees have free access to the CEO or Board of Directors to express their work-related concerns.

Specific complaints of unlawful harassment are addressed under the School’s “Policy Against Unlawful Harassment.”

Internal Complaints:

(Complaints by Employees Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a School employee raises a complaint or concern about a co-worker.



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If reasonably possible, internal complaints should be resolved at the lowest possible level, including attempts to discuss/resolve concerns with your direct supervisor. However, in the event an informal resolution may not be achieved or is not appropriate, the following steps will be followed by the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees):

- The complainant will bring the matter to the attention of the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees) as soon as possible after attempts to resolve the complaint with the immediate supervisor have failed or if not appropriate; and
- The complainant will reduce his or her complaint to writing, indicating all known and relevant facts. The Principal (or the CEO for MPSCO employees) (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the Principal, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the CEO (or designee.) The CEO (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the CEO, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the President of the Board of Directors of the School, who will then confer with the Board and may conduct a fact-finding or authorize a third party investigator on behalf of the Board. The Board President or investigator will report his or her findings to the Board for review and action, if necessary.

This policy cannot guarantee that every problem will be resolved to the employee's satisfaction. However, the School values each employee's ability to express concerns and the need for resolution without fear of adverse consequence to employment.

Policy for Complaints Against Employees:

(Complaints by Third Parties Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a nonemployee raises a complaint or concern about a School employee.

If complaints cannot be resolved informally, complainants may file a written complaint with the office of the Principal or the CEO (if the complaint concerns the Principal) or the Board President (if the complaint concerns the CEO) as soon as possible after the events that give rise to the complainant's concerns. The written complaint should set forth in detail the factual basis for the complaint.



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In processing the complaint, the Principal (or the CEO (or the Board President)) (or designee) shall abide by the following process:

- The Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) shall use his or her best efforts to talk with the parties identified in the complaint and to ascertain the facts relating to the complaint.
- In the event that the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) finds that a complaint against an employee is valid, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may take appropriate disciplinary action against the employee. As appropriate, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may also simply counsel/reprimand employees as to their conduct without initiating formal disciplinary measures.
- The Principal's (or the CEO's) (or designee's) decision relating to the complaint shall be final unless it is appealed to the Board of Directors of the School. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final.

General Requirements:

- Confidentiality: All complainants will be notified that information obtained from the complainants and thereafter gathered will be maintained in a manner as confidential as possible, but in some circumstances absolute confidentiality cannot be assured.
- Non-Retaliation: All complainants will be advised that they will be protected against retaliation as a result of the filing of any complaints or participation in any complaint process.
- Resolution: The Board (if a complaint is about the CEO) or the CEO (if a complaint is about the Principal or MPSCO employees) or the Principal or designee will investigate complaints appropriately under the circumstances and pursuant to the applicable procedures, and if necessary, take appropriate remedial measures to ensure effective resolution of any complaint.

APPENDIX A **HARASSMENT COMPLAINT FORM**

It is the policy of the School that all of its employees be free from harassment. This form is provided for you to report what you believe to be harassment, so that the School may investigate



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and take appropriate disciplinary or other action when the facts show that there has been harassment.

If you are an employee of the School, you may file this form with the Principal (or CEO (or Board President.))

Please review the School's policies concerning harassment for a definition of harassment and a description of the types of conduct that are considered to be harassment.

MPS will undertake every effort to handle the investigation of your complaint in a confidential manner. In that regard, the School will disclose the contents of your complaint only to those persons having a need to know. For example, to conduct its investigation, the School will need to disclose portions of your factual allegations to potential witnesses, including anyone you have identified as having knowledge of the facts on which you are basing your complaint, as well as the alleged harasser.

In signing this form below, you authorize the School to disclose to others the information you have provided herein, and information you may provide in the future. Please note that the more detailed information you provide, the more likely it is that the School will be able to address your complaint to your satisfaction.

Charges of harassment are taken very seriously by the School both because of the harm caused to the person harassed, and because of the potential sanctions that may be taken against the harasser. It is therefore very important that you report the facts as accurately and completely as possible and that you cooperate fully with the person or persons designated to investigate your complaint.

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s):

Name of Person(s) you believe sexually harassed you or someone else:

List any witnesses that were present:



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Where did the incident(s) occur?

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I acknowledge that I have read and that I understand the above statements. I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation.

I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date: _____ Signature of Complainant _____

Print Name _____

Received by: _____ Date: _____

APPENDIX B COMPLAINT FORM

Your Name: _____ Date: _____



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Date of Alleged Incident(s): _____

Name of Person(s) you have a complaint against: _____

List any witnesses that were present:

Where did the incident(s) occur?

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation. I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further understand providing false information in this regard could result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Signature of Complainant Date: _____

Print Name

To be completed by School:



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Received by: _____ Date: _____

Acceptable and Unacceptable Staff/Student Behavior:

This policy is intended to guide all School faculty and staff in conducting themselves in a way that reflects the high standards of behavior and professionalism required of school employees and to specify the boundaries between students and staff.

Although this policy gives specific, clear direction, it is each staff member's obligation to avoid situations that could prompt suspicion by parents, students, colleagues, or school leaders. One viable standard that can be quickly applied, when you are unsure if certain conduct is acceptable, is to ask yourself, "Would I be engaged in this conduct if my family or colleagues were standing next to me?"

For the purposes of this policy, the term "boundaries" is defined as acceptable professional behavior by staff members while interacting with a student. Trespassing the boundaries of a student/teacher relationship is deemed an abuse of power and a betrayal of public trust.

Some activities may seem innocent from a staff member's perspective, but can be perceived as flirtation or sexual insinuation from a student or parent point of view. The objective of the following lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors is not to restrain innocent, positive relationships between staff and students, but to prevent relationships that could lead to, or may be perceived as, sexual misconduct.

Staff must understand their own responsibility for ensuring that they do not cross the boundaries as written in this policy. Disagreeing with the wording or intent of the established boundaries will be considered irrelevant for disciplinary purposes. Thus, it is crucial that all employees learn this policy thoroughly and apply the lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors to their daily activities. Although sincere, competent interaction with students certainly fosters learning, student/staff interactions must have boundaries surrounding potential activities, locations and intentions.

Duty to Report Suspected Misconduct

When any employee becomes aware of another staff member having crossed the boundaries specified in this policy, he or she must speak to this staff member if the violation appears minor, or report the matter to school administrators. If the observed behavior appears significant, it is the duty of every staff member to immediately report it to an administrator. All reports shall be confidential. It is the duty of the administrator to investigate and thoroughly report the situation. Employees must also report to the administration any awareness or concern of student behavior that crosses boundaries or where a student appears



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to be at risk for sexual abuse.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors (Violations of this Policy):

- Giving gifts to an individual student that are of a personal and intimate nature;
- Kissing of any kind;
- Any type of unnecessary physical contact with a student in a private situation;
- Intentionally being alone with a student away from the school;
- Making or participating in sexually inappropriate comments;
- Sexual jokes;
- Seeking emotional involvement with a student for your benefit;
- Listening to or telling stories that are sexually oriented;
- Discussing inappropriate personal troubles or intimate issues with a student in an attempt to gain their support and understanding;
- Becoming involved with a student so that a reasonable person may suspect inappropriate behavior.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors without Parent and Supervisor Permission:

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a staff member has parent and supervisor permission.)

- Giving students a ride to/from school or school activities;
- Being alone in a room with a student at school with the door closed;
- Allowing students in your home.

Cautionary Staff/Student Behaviors:

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a reasonable and prudent person, acting as



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an educator, is prevented from using a better practice or behavior. Staff members should inform their supervisor of the circumstance and occurrence prior to or immediately after the occurrence)

- Remarks about the physical attributes or development of anyone;
- Excessive attention toward a particular student;
- Sending emails, text messages or letters to students if the content is not about school activities.

Acceptable and Recommended Staff/Student Behaviors:

- Getting parents' written consent for any after-school activity;
- Obtaining formal approval to take students off school property for activities such as field trips or competitions;
- E-mails, text, phone and instant messages to students must be very professional and pertaining to school activities or classes (Communication should be limited to school technology);
- Keeping the door open when alone with a student;
- Keeping reasonable space between you and your students;
- Stopping and correcting students if they cross your own personal boundaries;
- Keeping parents informed when a significant issue develops about a student;
- Keeping after-class discussions with a student professional and brief;
- Asking for advice from fellow staff or administrators if you find yourself in a difficult situation related to boundaries;
- Involving your supervisor if conflict arises with the student;
- Informing the Executive Director about situations that have the potential to become more severe;
- Making detailed notes about an incident that could evolve into a more serious



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situation later;

- Recognizing the responsibility to stop unacceptable behavior of students or coworkers;
- Asking another staff member to be present if you will be alone with any type of special needs student;
- Asking another staff member to be present when you must be alone with a student after regular school hours;
- Giving students praise and recognition without touching them;
- Pats on the back, high fives and handshakes are acceptable;
- Keeping your professional conduct a high priority;
- Asking yourself if your actions are worth your job and career.

School-wide Dress Code prohibiting gang-related apparel

Disruption and/or intimidation caused by the wearing of any type of clothing/jewelry or by writing of any signs identified as or associated with gangs. No gang activity or gang association will be permitted at school or school sponsored activities. Gang symbols on notebooks, lockers, book bags, etc. are not permitted and will be documented. Students may not promise to become or be members of a gang, secret society, illegal club, sorority or fraternity.

Procedures for Safe Ingress and Egress from School

***Please see school map at bottom of this Safety Plan**

Visitors and guests are welcome at the school. However, to safeguard students and staff, reasonable precautions should be taken.

Visitors should:

1. Always report and sign in at the office.
2. Be provided with a visitor's badge.
3. Be prepared to provide identification to school personnel.
4. Respect school rules.



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School personnel should:

1. Insure all exterior doors are marked with a notice to visitors to first report to the office.
2. Exterior doors should remain locked, except doors near the office area.
3. Staff should receive training on how to greet visitors. The first question is "May I help you?"
4. Someone should greet every visitor.
5. Any intruder found roaming the building should be escorted to the office. Someone can then provide any additional information or directions. (NOTE: An intruder is anyone without a visitor's badge or lacking visible identification stating who they are, i.e., school employee)

Visitors who fail to comply with school procedures:

1. Should verbally be informed they are in violation of school policy. (Example - "Sir, you must report to the office immediately. If you fail to do so, you will be considered a trespasser, and school security will be called.")
2. If this fails:
 - Notify the office of the situation.
 - Follow the person, if possible, and continue to give notice of the violation of school rules.
3. Police should be notified, or call 911.
4. Office should activate building-wide notification plan concerning intruder:
 - PA announcement using pre-determined code phrase.
 - Classroom doors should be closed.
 - Students should remain in current areas.

Procedures to Ensure a Safe and Orderly Environment

INSTRUCTIONS



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Create a plan, using the below format to make the school safer and more effective. The plan will address two factors, The Social Climate and The Physical Environment to identify your schools strengths, areas of desired change and future plans.

Create a caring and connected school climate-How do you make Students and Staff believe that the school is a caring community?

A. Involve parents:

Goals:

1. Continue Home Visit program, including an increased stipend for teacher home visits.
2. Continue Coffee with the Principal meetings and increase last year's average attendance by 10%.
3. Continue to create volunteer opportunities for parents.
4. Host events such as: Open House Nights, STEAM Gala, College Signing Day, etc. that bring parents to the school.
5. Conduct summer orientation that introduces MSA-3 to parents.
6. Continue Parent-Teacher Conferences.

B. Recognize and build on the cultural richness of your school community

Goals:

1. Dean of Culture will lead participation of school community within our local community through programs and events like the Compton Homeless Count Initiative, Saturday Parenting Classes, hiring of former students to after-school program, etc.
2. Allow student stakeholders to participate in School Site Council to influence direction of MSA-3.

C. Provide training so staff can meet the unique needs of the student body

Goals:

1. Implement monthly staff-wide professional development on socio-emotional development, multiple instruction strategies, and creating classroom culture conducive to student learning.
2. Set high academic and behavior goals
 - a. Teachers will provide CCSS aligned instruction using SDAIE strategies for the 2017-2018 school year.
3. Gain awareness of the needs of staff to provide more targeted, appropriate professional development.
4. Improve curriculum and teaching practices.
5. Ensure teachers are differentiating their instruction so that students at various academic levels can have access to the content.

D. Promote caring, supportive relationships with students

Goals:

1. Support the Socio-Emotional Learning of all students.



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2. Continue implementing the EDGE (executive functions) coaching program in which selected students meet weekly with extensively trained staff members to be coached in setting and achieving goals.
 3. Continue community outreach with can drives to homeless and/or low-income families at the beginning of long breaks
 4. Continue developing and strengthening our Student Government.
 5. Use PBIS as a means to create a sense of excitement and inclusion at MSA-3.
 6. Services for Special Populations: Building increasingly robust programs to effectively support all students, especially English Language Learners, students with IEPs and our most advanced students.
- E. Emphasize critical thinking and respect
Goals:
1. Through instruction, provide students with 21st century skills such as critical thinking.
 2. Use Restorative Justice as an opportunity for students to reflect on their choices.
 3. Create a school-wide culture of mutual respect between administration, teachers, and students.
- F. Communicate clear discipline standards
Goals:
1. Provide all parents and students with a Student/Parent Handbook and ensure they are abreast of the expectations with regards to discipline and behavior at MSA-3.
 2. Use the Student/Parent Handbook as a guide to inform decisions concerning discipline.
 3. Use PBIS to reinforce positive behavior and communicate the type of behavior that is expected at MSA-3.
- G. Communicate procedures to report and deal with threats
Goals:
1. Ensure teachers and classified staff are familiar with procedures and protocols when reporting or dealing with threats at the school.
 2. Hold 2 intruder/lockdown drills per semester to identify strengths and areas of growth.
- H. Empower students to take responsibility for safety
Goals:
1. Have students understand the consequences of fighting (ie. physical harm, legal consequences, etc.)
- I. Train staff on bullying prevention and tolerance
Goals:
1. Create a campus network for victims, where students can feel safe expressing themselves and experiences.



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2. Provide staff with professional development to diminish bullying in their classrooms.
 3. Bring presentations and assemblies to MSA-3 that focus on the effects of bullying and ways to eliminate it.
- J. Provide training for student and staff on dangers of drugs and alcohol
- Goals:
1. Implement a “First Year Experience” course for seniors, that discusses the dangers of drug and alcohol usage in college.
 2. Have an engaging Red Ribbon week that is engaging and current.
- K. Plans encouraged to include guidelines for roles and responsibilities of mental health/intervention professionals, school counselors, and law enforcement, if school uses these people. EC 32281.1 effective January 1, 2104

Goals:

1. Use the EDGE Coach as an on-site counselor, providing students with mental health services, as needed.
 2. Create a relationship with school police and Carson Sheriff’s Department to ease some of the tensions between law enforcement and certain populations of our students.
 3. Law enforcement’s presence will provide additional security and diminish the potential for any situations that are not conducive to learning to take place.
- L. Collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in order to create a plan to address the threat of sexual abuse and sex trafficking. (EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015)

Goals:

1. Establish a relationship with local law enforcement to stay abreast on any increases in sexual abuse or sex trafficking in Carson, CA or surrounding cities.
- 2.

The Physical Environment-place:

Create a physical environment that communicates respect for learning and for individuals and safety

How does your school site:

A. Maintain a clean environment

- Collaboration with our co-located school, through the use of a shared custodial staff
- Encourage students and staff to have an intrinsic drive to keep the school clean, as it is a reflection of them
- Through restorative justice, campus beautification is a strategy used for students in contrast to suspension

B. Involve itself in the community

- Thanksgiving and Christmas can drives



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- Homeless Count Initiative
 - Black College Expo
 - University and College campus visits
 - Provided lunches to homeless residents of Skid Row
- C. Share information about student crime and truancy with law enforcement
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- D. Make your campus secure from outside criminal activity
- Lock the front gate that provides access to the school
 - Lock the front gate that provides access to teacher parking
- E. Limit loitering
- Supervision staff walks the campus ensuring students are in class and persons who do not belong at the school are escorted towards the front of the building.
- F. Dedicated supervision staff, admin, and teachers all support with supervision before, during, and after school
- Supervision staff provides concierge service to students being dropped off by parents in the morning and picked up by parents in the afternoon.
 - Teachers are outside of their classrooms during transition periods, aiding in supervision
 - After school, YPI and ARC (after school programs) aid in supervision of the students
- G. Utilize shared cafeteria and quad area for general times
- Students receive nutrition and lunch in our outdoors cafeteria; they have the option of eating there, on the quad, or on the field.
 - The quad is also used for instruction (ie. Science classes launched rockets on the quad)
- H. Maintain clean and safe restrooms
- Custodial staff cleans the restrooms daily
 - The Dean of Students or members of the supervision staff check the restrooms daily to verify their cleanliness
 - Students are not permitted to access restrooms during first 10 or last 10 minutes for class
- I. Provide adequate lighting in all areas
- All classrooms have adequate lighting
 - Maintenance/Facilities staff is notified if their issue with the lighting in any of the classrooms
 - Restrooms have adequate lighting
- J. Provide student with current textbooks and materials
- The Dean of Academics ensures that textbooks are current and up-to-date.
 - The Dean of Academics ensures that there are enough textbooks for all students at MSA-3



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- K. Maintain a variety of sports facilities and equipment
 - Through our YPI and ARC afterschool programs students are provided with an opportunity to participate in athletics
 - The P.E. department has access to all facilities and equipment need to execute their curriculum
- L. Generate a set of reading books in each classroom
 - Each classroom will be outfitted with a library that contains books that are pertinent to the subject being taught
- M. Communicate procedures for security including NIMS Plan
 - All of our teachers are aware of how to conduct themselves in a crisis situation and are aware of the different actions required by each specific crisis.
 - All classrooms are provided with an evacuation plan, as well as, an intruder drill folder that contains the necessary items for teacher to denote if they and their students are safe or not
- N. Deal with vandalism before students return to school
 - Notify the custodial staff of the vandalism in a timely manner; depending on the severity of the vandalism will determine the speed at which it is handled
- O. Inventory, Identify and store valuable property
 - Teachers, before they leave for the summer are required to inventory all of the textbooks in their classrooms
 - Chromebooks are kept in a secure location during the school year and summer
- P. Provide training for security personnel and staff
 - Supervision staff will receive professional development in de-escalation techniques
 - Supervision staff will receive professional development in restorative justice techniques
- Q. Engage students and the community in campus beautification projects
 - Students who need community service hours will be invited participate in beautification projects in exchange for service hours
- R. Maintain daily random metal detector searches
 - Supervision staff will continue to conduct random searches

The Social Climate and the Physical Environment

Our staff believes that safety and education is a shared responsibility between parents, teachers and students. The successful operation of this school depends on the cooperation of everyone concerned. Each stakeholder group is responsible for doing its part to make school a place where we can learn, be safe and play together in harmony. Everyone has the right to feel safe, secure,



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and accepted regardless of color, race, gender, popularity, ability, religion or nationality. Our handbook allows us to share our vision with the students and parents of our team.

MPS is a reflection of all of us. All of our policies are intended to provide a safe and orderly environment that will be conducive to learning. Our faculty and staff look forward to sharing their expertise in academics, special programs, and extracurricular activities. We encourage you to get to know the school, its programs, activities, and schedule. Become an active participant in your education. Get involved through classes, clubs, and activities.

MPS is aware of the fact that a school environment is viable only with clearly defined and implemented rules. MPS compiled the student-parent handbook, which addresses the schools regulations and policies to set a standard.

Core Values

Magnolia Public Schools has identified the following core values which are reinforced through its Life Skills curriculum, expected school wide learning results (ESLR), and all school activities.

Value: Scholarship Value: Critical Thinking

Success and Self Discipline Citizenship and Personal Qualities

Value: Social Responsibility Value: Effective Communication

Respect and Responsible Choices Conflict Resolution and Human Relations

Effective Communication:

When issues or concerns arise with a teacher, staff member or administrator, students and parents are encouraged to address the situation with the person involved first.

If students express that they are having a problem at school, it is important for parents to understand the best way to address these problems. If the problem involves a classroom situation or a situation with a teacher, the following remedies are recommended:

1. Parents should encourage their child to talk with the teacher.
2. Parents can encourage their child to talk with an administrator.
3. If the child is reluctant to talk with a teacher or administrator, a parent may offer to accompany their child and talk with the teacher.

It is very important to demonstrate to children how to actively and constructively solve a problem. If the problem is important enough for the child to talk about, it is important for the



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child to learn how to be a part of the solution.

If parent feels there is a concern they should:

1. Talk with the teacher. Teachers can explain classroom situations from an adult perspective and from a professional perspective, and usually that will resolve misunderstandings.
2. If the problem persists after a reasonable time, talk with the teacher again.
3. If the problem is still not resolved, make an appointment with the related administrator.

For example, if you are unsure of a decision made in the classroom about a consequence given for a behavior, you should discuss the situation with the teacher first. If after this discussion, you feel the situation is unresolved, it should be brought to the attention of the Dean of Students. If it is still not handled to your satisfaction, the Principal should be notified.

If after meeting with the Principal, you still have concerns, MPS Central Office and the MPS Board and, after that, the School District/County/State would be the next avenue of communication.

Teachers, staff, and administration are available through email, phones, in person and by appointment. Due to the busy schedules of the teachers and administration, parents are asked to not "drop in" for appointments, but to set up a meeting in advance. Parents should not talk to teachers, other parents, students, or administrators in a disrespectful or threatening manner.

Students' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of all school rules and regulations.
- To have access to your student account in Illuminate.
- To have a safe and educational environment.
- To attend class regularly and on time.
- To obey school rules and regulations.
- To respect your rights and the rights of your peers.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.



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- To be prepared for class with appropriate materials and ready to work.
- To respect all school personnel and their authority (administrators, teachers, office personnel, janitorial staff, security guards, etc.).

Parents' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of the school's rules and regulations.
- To be informed of all school actions related to their child.
- To have access to your personal parent accounts in Illuminate.
- To contact school to participate in conferences pertaining to academic and behavioral status of their child.
- To provide a supportive environment at home making sure their child gets enough sleep and adequate nutrition before coming to school.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To contact teachers directly via phone or email to schedule a conference.
- To be familiar with the handbook, which was signed at the beginning of the school year.
- To monitor your child's academic progress and behavior records on a weekly basis.
- To ensure that your child does his/her homework on a daily basis and to facilitate a home environment conducive to home study.

Teachers' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To expect students to behave in a positive manner that will not interfere with other students' learning.
- To expect parental support related to academic and social progress.
- To expect all students to participate and put forth effort in order to expand their education and earn a passing grade.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.



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- To inform parents through progress reports, report cards, and conferences about the academic progress and behavior of their child.
- To conduct a well-planned and effective classroom program.
- To initiate and enforce a set of classroom rules, consistent with the school's discipline policies.
- To keep assignments, grading, and attendance current in Illuminate.
- To have administrative support for discipline in and outside the classroom. To explain the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy to their students.
- To enforce the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy in a consistent manner.
- To function as a positive role model for their students.
- To contact parents as deemed necessary to enforce the Student Code of Conduct and to maintain parent/guardian involvement.

Administrators' Rights and Responsibilities:

- The right to address the Board of Trustees on any issue.
- To hold students to strict accountability for any disorderly conduct in school or around school.
- To take appropriate action in dealing with students who choose not to follow the rules.
- "All students shall comply with the regulations, pursue the required course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers of the school." Education Code, § 48900 et seq.
- To recommend in-school suspension, suspension, or expulsion as the situation demands.
- To provide rich leadership that will establish, encourage and promote effective teaching and learning.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.

To establish, promote, and enforce school rules that facilitate effective learning and positive habits and attitudes of excellent citizenship among students.



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Illuminate provides the following information:

1. Attendance: Each student's attendance (tardy/absence) is recorded daily (by each teacher) in 'real-time.' This is one method our parents can monitor their child's attendance in each class daily.
2. Grades: Our teachers input all academic grades online for each assignment, quiz, and examination.
3. Behavior: Illuminate will provide information on behavioral incidents for each student.
4. Homework/Assignments: Our teachers upload and document all homework assignments on Google Classroom. This information is useful for students who were absent from class and also provides a reminder for those who may have forgotten to record their homework assignment for a course.
5. Illuminate Point System: We believe that students should be rewarded for good work, positive behavior and exuding the school's expected school-wide learning results which students earn points and are recorded on Illuminate. The Illuminate point system serves as an incentive program that our teachers use to encourage students to improve. However, when students fail to demonstrate positive behavior, and/or the school-wide goals then those incidents will be noted in Illuminate.
6. Communication: Illuminate does not allow for communication directly to parents. The school will utilize school-wide communication system, along with email and phone to communicate with parents.

Our Graduates will be:

Critical Thinkers who:

- Apply, analyze, identify, synthesize and evaluate information and experiences and use these 21st century skills, not only in the classroom, but in their everyday lives.
- Connect the skills and content learned across the curriculum and evaluate multiple points of view.
- Use the **Inquiry Process** to address a problem, hypothesize, analyze, and draw conclusions as they investigate an issue/problem.
- Utilize Problem-solving techniques during conflict resolution and to compromise.

Effective Communicators who:



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- Demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills through the use of Academic Language at school, with peers and in the community.
- Demonstrate content area and grade level achievement in Reading, Writing, Mathematics, History and Science.
- Collaborate, work effectively, and manage interpersonal relationships within diverse groups and settings.

21st Century Scholars who:

- Use technology effectively to access, organize, research and present information.
- Demonstrate the ability to integrate technology as an effective tool in their daily lives.
- Have developed an academic plan with goals to guide them in their pursuit towards a college degree and career choices (planning).
- Have a clear understanding of the UC A-G Course Requirements and meet college eligibility requirements.

Socially Responsible Global Citizens who:

- Embrace and respect cultural diversity through the understanding of our Global World.
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of American and World History and the values of different cultures.
- Contribute to the improvement of life in their school and local community through Leadership skills and participation in Community Projects.
- Demonstrate knowledge of proper nutrition, exercise and physical health and its impact on daily life.

Life Skills

Our ESLR's are also integrated and further reinforced in our daily Life Skills Course, a requirement for all students in grades 6-8. Each year, the Principal will join the other 10 from all Magnolia Public Schools to collaborate to discuss and reflect on the impact of the Life Skills Curriculum, the school's mission, vision and school culture. Based on the discussion and feedback, the curriculum is revised to support the school's culture and engage all students while creating a safe and respectful learning environment for all students.

The 2017-2018 Life Skills Curriculum addresses the following issues/topics as part of the curriculum:

- Patterns of Success (Essential skills to prepare for College & Academic Success)
- Respect
- Conflict Resolution (Addressing teen issues including Bullying, Cyberbullying, Peer Pressure)
- Making Responsible Choices (Ethics, Drug/Alcohol Awareness/Prevention)
- Citizenship (Democratic Values)



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- Human Relations (Social Interactions)
- Personal Qualities (Core Values)
- Self-Discipline (Developing a positive attitude)

Life Skills is an enriching course that provides our students with valuable skills to excel academically and socially in the 21st century. The teacher leads the course, and then students participate in activities/projects to demonstrate their understanding of the material and answer questions posed. In addition, our instructors have guest speakers and utilize various forms of technology to engage students in the course content.

Parent Association

Our parent association holds annual elections for the following positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Approximately 10% of our parents continuously attend monthly PTSC meetings. Our PTSC supports our school and students through fundraising, recruiting volunteer for our school, and student outreach/recruitment. The purpose is to support the school staff and students in the school's areas of needs and as family to create a community within our school. Our goal is to increase the percentage of parents attending. We understand that our parents lead hectic lives so we are having parent meetings in the mornings and evenings as a pilot program to assess if this move will increase parent participation.

Professional Development

Professional development occurs on a regular basis to address the diverse needs of our students and their various learning styles. Prior to the start of the academic school year, teachers receive extensive trainings on school wide academic expectations and how to meet the needs of all learners. Teachers are trained on the rules and regulations students are expected to uphold, including but not limited to illegal substances (drugs, alcohol, and related paraphernalia) and the risks and factors related to this. Also, trainings on bullying awareness and bullying prevention occur throughout the school year to help minimize bullying related altercations.

We collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in accordance with EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015

Physical Environment

Our school provides a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment characterized by trust, caring and professionalism. We have adopted and implemented a comprehensive set of health, safety, and risk management policies to create a safe and secure learning environment. These policies



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comply with all applicable state and local health and safety laws and regulations. It is the responsibility of the on-site school administration to consistently monitor all activities to ensure safety and security of the students. Parents and students are also made aware of these policies as it regards to them in the form of student and parent handbooks. We are dedicated to enforcing school functions as a drug-free, alcohol-free, and tobacco-free zone, as well as a zero-tolerance policy for sexual harassment for all employees, students, and parents. Students are educated about bullying and cyber bullying via school-wide assemblies and individual guest speakers. All staff members are mandated reporters in case of child abuse or violence. Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

- Goal(s): All employees will uphold and implement all stated policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.
- Objective 1: Quarterly all employees will review the policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.
 - Related Activities: Review regularly during Professional Development, committee meetings and safety meetings.
 - Resources needed: Safety plan,
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Designated administrator, safety committee
 - Timeline for implementation: August 2017
 - Budget: None
 - Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders, Formative and Summative Assessment
- Goal(s): Maintain a safe and aesthetically pleasing school campus
- Objective: Monthly school personnel will complete a campus walk-thru form to identify any areas of need.
 - Related Activities: Teachers can report concerns during weekly staff meetings. Administration can notify Facilities of issues
 - Resources needed: Walk-thru form, building supplies
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Plant Manager
 - Timeline for implementation: August 2017
 - Budget: Refer to schools annual budget
 - Evaluation guidelines: Observations, checklists

Rules and Procedures on School Discipline



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Magnolia Public Schools Student Code of Conduct: MPS is committed to excellence in academic instruction and in cooperating with parents/guardians to teach students the behaviors and skills that support social successes throughout life. To accomplish this goal, MPS is taking a proactive approach to teaching social skills as a significant component of the educational program. The curriculum includes teaching of the behaviors necessary for effective and satisfying social interaction in school, on field trips, in the community, and at home.

Expected Student Behavior

Students should always remember that their behavior and actions at school and at school sponsored activities are a reflection not only of themselves, but also of the school. The following is a guideline of what is expected from an MPS student:

Nutrition/Lunch Time:

- Proceed to the eating area as instructed by MPS staff.
- Eat and finish their nutrition/lunch in the assigned area. No food should be eaten outside the designated areas.
- Wait patiently for their food, and follow the direction of the adults on duty.
- Clean up after themselves and dispose of their trash in the appropriate area.
- No students should be in any classroom without a pass.

Remember that restroom use is at the discretion of the security guard/supervisor staff. Students must carry a pass that is given to them by security guard/supervisor staff.

On Campus:

- Stay in designated areas on-campus.
- Be courteous and respectful at all times to everyone.
- Do not use profanity, lie, fight, gamble, possess inappropriate literature or material, or be involved in the abuse/harassment of others.
- Do not use or have cellular phones turned on during school hours; students are allowed to use cellular phones only in the designated area after school. Phones should not be used during after school programs, such as tutoring.
- Remember that any electronic devices seen during class time will be confiscated and returned to the student's parents/guardians at the discretion of administration.
- Remember that gum chewing is not allowed anywhere on campus.
- Never ride bicycles, use roller blades or skateboards on campus nor bring them to class.
- Do not leave campus without permission during school hours.
- Do not use matches, lighters, or any type of explosive incendiary device on campus.
- Remember that no electronic devices such as CD/MP3/IPOD players may be visible or used on the campus grounds.



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- Students are not allowed to loiter in the quad or common areas.

Assemblies:

- Be courteous and quiet during the entire assembly.
- Be respectful to the presenter/speaker.
- Follow all teacher/staff directions.

Field Trips:

- Be on their best behavior. Pay attention to the directives given by the moderator and trip leader.
- Follow all school rules pertaining to behavior.
- Wear MPS uniform unless authorized by administration.

Public areas: Hallways, Lunchroom & Restrooms:

- Use the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms only as needed and then move on to class.
- Eat only in the cafeteria or other designated area.
- Leave gum at home; chewing gum is strictly prohibited anywhere on campus.
- Maintain orderly conduct always; walk in the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms.
- Keep in mind that profanity and vulgar language at any level is unacceptable and is strictly prohibited in all areas and at school functions at all times.
- Limit excessive noise such as yelling, screaming or banging lockers while in these areas.
- Help keep the school clean by picking up after yourself and putting your belongings in their proper place.
- Respect others personal space and keep your hands to yourself even in play.
- Have a pass to be in the above areas during class time.
- Keep in mind that vandalism, littering, or graffiti in the school is prohibited and should be reported as this reflects poorly on everyone.
- Public displays of affection are prohibited.
- Bring only plastic and paper containers to school; all glass containers are prohibited on campus and will be confiscated.
- Be responsible and report any leaks, spills, or other problems in the bathroom to a teacher or the office.
 - Be responsible for cleaning up after yourself, including the disposing of or the recycling of garbage.
 - Have a hall pass if you are outside of the classroom during class time.
- Not visit with friends or interrupt another classroom.
- Not misuse the hall pass as it will result in loss of the hall pass privilege.
- Get a referral from your teacher before you go to the office. Do not use the hall pass.

Emergency Drills: Fire drills, lockdowns, and evacuation drills are conducted periodically for everyone's protection and are required by law. During these drills it is imperative that students remain silent, follow instructions given by the staff, and carry out all directions in an orderly fashion.



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Classroom:

- Be seated and ready to begin their assignment when the bell rings.
- Be courteous to all teachers and students.
- Follow all school and classroom rules.
- Bring all necessary materials/supplies ready to work daily.

Classroom Procedures and Consequences: Please check the teacher's syllabus for specific consequences which may include:

1. In Class Warning
2. Student-Teacher Conference
3. Detention / Parental Notification
4. Parent Conference
5. Office Referral & Administrative Disciplinary Procedures

Illuminate Behavior Points

[For Middle & High School Only: Student behavior will be recorded on Illuminate and students will receive the following rewards or consequences based on their behavior points.

Positive Rewards:

+5 Contact parent/guardian; +10 Lunch speed pass; +15 Treat; +20 One day free dress (pass will be given); +25 Extended lunch period; +30 Two day free dress (pass will be given); +35 VIP breakfast; +40 Entered in a raffle; +45 Free dress – every Friday for one month (pass will be given); +50 VIP lunch and “Race to the top”

Minor/Major Behavior Entries:

-5 Contact parent/guardian; -10 Loss of privileges; -15 Parent conference / Red slip*; -20 Behavior plan and lunch detention; -25 Shadowed by parent for a day and one hour after school detention; -30 Student improvement team; -35 Pending discipline committee outcome; -40 Pending discipline committee outcome; -45 Pending discipline committee outcome; -50 Discipline hearing with discipline committee, parent and student

Students earn a positive **Illuminate** point for receiving all acceptable marks and a signature on their red slip. When a student receives negative twenty or more discipline entries recorded on **Illuminate**, the MPS administration will arrange a meeting with that student and the parent to develop a behavioral plan. If the student fails to abide by the discipline tracker rules or an agreement between the administration, parents, and student, cannot be reached, the student will be referred to the School Discipline Committee.

C. Unacceptable types of Behavior

All students at MPS are entitled to the rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights, and their rights will not be knowingly denied by the required code of conduct or by any disciplinary actions taken by the school. Accordingly, after an analysis of each case, any student who exhibits any of the unacceptable student behaviors listed in this handbook may incur consequences. These consequences range from notification of parents, detention, to emergency



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removal from a school activity, suspension, expulsion, and criminal prosecution. MPS reserves the right to notify the authorities and the Department of Education as required by law relating to disciplinary actions taken. It is to be noted that MPS reserves the right to discipline any act that has a nexus with MPS or the school community. In other words MPS may discipline behavior at school or at a school related or school-sponsored function or any activity or any act that has a negative effect on the school environment or that is performed with/on/by/via school equipment or school property. The following tables delineate unacceptable types of behavior and possible consequences.

Behavior	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
		◆ Frequent repeat of level 1 behavior	◆ Frequent repeat of level 1 or 2 behavior
Verbal Misuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hurtful words (stupid/shut up) ○ Divisiveness (clique/gossip) ○ Excessive talking at inappropriate time ○ Isolated incident of inappropriate language ○ Excessive inappropriate noises ○ Excessive tattling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Disrespectful of adults ○ Arguing with adults ○ Crying and yelling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vulgar language ○ Ethnic, religious or hateful slurs
Physical/Contact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Impulsive touching ○ Playful contact ○ Irritating others ○ Aggressive play in context of recess games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pushing with intent ○ Hitting ○ Kicking ○ Pinching ○ Throwing objects randomly ○ Spitting (random) ○ Misuse of property 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Violent outburst ○ Fighting ○ Throwing object with intent to injure ○ Spitting at a person ○ Biting ○ Self-inflicting wound
Defiance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rolling eyes ○ Situational refusal to follow directions ○ Posturing with body in an act of defiance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Refusing to follow directions on a regular basis ○ Passive-aggressive behavior 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Refusing to leave/enter a room, move to a different seat ○ Walking/running out of the classroom or away from adult supervision
Gestures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Poor manners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Giving the finger in isolated incident 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Graffiti/vandalism ○ Opening/touching own private ○ Touching another student inappropriately ○ Gestures involving any sexual behavior
Impulsiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Off task ○ Shouting out in class ○ Disruptive ○ Out of seat ○ Noise making 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Outbursts ○ Lack of personal boundaries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Violent outbursts/tantrums ○ Explosive behavior ○ Running from designated area
Harassment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Teasing ○ Repeating 3rd party information ○ Passive participation in hurtful acts/words against others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bullying ○ Hurtful acts/words against others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sexual harassment ○ Cyber bullying/harassment



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Assaulting, Fighting and/or Arranging Fights:

School is not a place to arrange fights, whether those fights take place on or off school grounds. Any fight and/or attempting to fight will involve disciplining all students involved.

Bringing / Using Electronic Devices:

CD Players, IPOD, MP3 players, phones, PDA, PSP, Laptops, Electronic Games, and/or similar devices are not allowed to be used at school. They disrupt classes and distract others from learning. If you choose to bring them for use outside of school it is at your own discretion. MPS assumes no liability for any damaged, destroyed, lost, stolen, misplaced or otherwise compromised electronic device brought onto MPS property.

Scholastic Dishonesty:

Scholastic dishonesty includes (but is not limited to) cheating on tests, and/or any other types of deception to obtain credit without effort. Scholastic dishonesty is unacceptable conduct. Each teacher sets their own standards of behavior for their classroom, and students are expected to know the standards and procedures for each of their classes.

Texting/Sexting:

Sexting can be defined as the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photographs electronically, primarily between mobile phones and/or any other communication devices.

Disrupting Learning:

Disrupting learning includes any behavior that prevents other students from learning. It may include but is not limited to inappropriate language, eating or drinking during class against teachers' classroom rules, chewing gum, insubordination and/or selling or trading personal possessions to other students.

Horseplay:

Rough or boisterous play including but not limited to shoving, play fighting, kicking, name calling, teasing, pushing/pulling on a student and shoulder bumps

Possession or Use of Drugs and/or Alcohol and the Sale or Intention to Sell Drugs and/or Alcohol:

Use of drugs or alcohol means a student knowingly possesses, consumes, uses, handles, gives, stores, conceals, offers to sell, sells, transmits, acquires, buys, represents, makes, applies, or is under the influence of any narcotic drug, hallucinogen, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, tranquilizer, non-prescription or prescription drug (except when under the direction of a physician/parent and within school procedure), alcohol, intoxicant, solvent, gas, or any mood-altering chemical, drug of abuse or any counterfeit-controlled substance of any kind including butane lighters. The sale, distribution, possession, or use of drugs, alcohol, fake drugs, steroids, inhalants, and look-alike drugs is prohibited everywhere on school grounds, at all school activities, and on all school transportation (drug free zone 1000 feet radius). Backpacks, gym



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bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by Administration and/or Law Enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

False Fire Alarms:

Issuing a false fire alarm is a violation of State law. Making false 911 calls is also violation of the State Law.

Forgery of Signatures:

Any attempt by a student to sign a teacher's, administrator's, parent/guardian's, and/or another student's name to any school document will be considered forgery.

Vulgarity, Profanity and Obscenity:

Any gesture or material of this nature is not permitted at school or school functions.

Behaving Disrespectfully towards Teachers or Staff:

Disrespect (i.e. arguing, talking back, etc.) and insubordination (failure to comply with directives) toward any member of the faculty or staff will not be tolerated. Profanity, either spoken or written is considered a form of disrespect.

Smoking or Use of Other Tobacco Products:

Possession of tobacco products in any part of the school (drug free zone 1000 feet radius) or on the student is prohibited under this policy. This includes cigarettes, cigars, herbs, and smokeless tobacco. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched if the presence of such items is suspected.

Stealing and/or Vandalizing School/Private Property & Graffiti:

This means to cause or attempt to cause damage to private property, stealing or attempting to steal private property either on school grounds or during school activities, functions or events. Students and their parents or guardians will be held responsible for any theft/vandalism/graffiti (including graffiti tools such as permanent markers) that the student commits. Theft or vandalism of school property carries heavy legal penalties.

Displaying Threatening Behavior:

Threatening behavior includes: verbal threats, both face to face and over electronic media (phone and/or computers), non-verbal threats ("hard" stares, gestures), willfully causing or attempting to cause physical injury to another person, causing or attempt to cause any student, teacher, administrator, or staff member to feel frightened or intimidated.

Bringing Weapon in School:

A weapon includes, but is not limited to, conventional objects like guns, pellet guns, knives, smoke bombs, fireworks, club of any type, mace, tear gas, or other chemicals. This may also include any toy that is presented as a real weapon. It also includes objects converted from their



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original use to threaten or injure another. The Administration reserves the right to all final decisions regarding the definition of a weapon. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by administration or law enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

Possession or Use of Fireworks:

Using or possessing any amusement device, smoke bomb, stink bomb, etc.

Arson:

Intentionally starting any fire or combustion on school property

Public Display of Affection:

Public displays of affection are not allowed.

Provoking/Intimidating Behavior Encouraging or Urging Other Students to Violate School Rules:

Any student who, by means of provocation, intimidation, encouragement, request, or other means of promotion, induces or attempts to induce another student to violate a MPS school rule shall be subject to the following discipline.

Students with an IEP:

If a student has a behavior plan in his/her IEP, the consequences cited in that plan will be used in the event of specified misbehavior. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team shall meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved. Suspensions of students with disabilities cannot exceed ten days without a "manifestation determination." A student cannot be suspended for more than ten days for misconduct that is a manifestation of their disability. State law defers to federal law for most of the rules governing suspension and expulsion of special education students.

Hate Crime Policies and Procedures

Additional information prohibiting other forms of unlawful discrimination or harassment, inappropriate behavior, and/or hate-motivated incidents/crimes may be found in local District/State policies. It is the intent of MPS that all such policies be reviewed consistently to provide the highest level of protection from unlawful discrimination in the provision of educational services and opportunities.

Bullying Prevention Policies and Procedures



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Bullying is not permitted at MPS. In addition MPS will not tolerate unlawful intimidation and bullying due to actual or perceived characteristics such as age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, disability, nationalist, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or a person's association with a person, or group, with or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Each student deserves an equal opportunity to obtain an education without dealing with the negative pressures of peers. Bullying consists of any of the following: pushing, shoving, hitting, and spitting, name calling, picking on, making fun of, laughing at, and excluding someone physically or via social media or electronic communications. Bullying causes pain and stress to those who are victims and is never justified or excusable as "kids being kids", "just teasing", "joking", "playing around" or any other rationalization. This includes the use of social media for wrongful purposes.

Each MPS student agrees to:

- Value student differences and treat others with respect.
- Not become involved in bullying incidents or be a bully.

Harassment of Students, Teachers, Administrators, or Staff:

Harassment means making unwelcome advances or any form of improper physical contact or sexual remark and any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating or offensive learning environment.

Harassment can be verbal, physical and visual. (Education Code, § 212.5) Harassment is a violation of Federal Law and is contrary to the School Board's commitment to provide a physically and psychologically safe environment in which to learn.

Student Hazing:

Hazing is defined as doing any act or coercing another person for initiation into any organization that causes or creates a substantial risk or causes mental or physical harm. Permission, consent or assumption of the risk by an individual subjected to hazing does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy. Hazing may carry heavy legal consequences.

Safety Goals for 2018-2019:

Goal 1: All employees will uphold and implement all stated policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.

- Objective 1: Quarterly all employees will review the policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.
 - Related Activities: Review regularly during Professional Development, committee meetings and safety meetings.
 - Resources needed: Safety plan,



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- Person(s) responsible for implementation: Designated administrator, safety committee
- Timeline for implementation: August 2019
- Budget: None
- Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

Goal 2: Maintain and upkeep a safe school campus

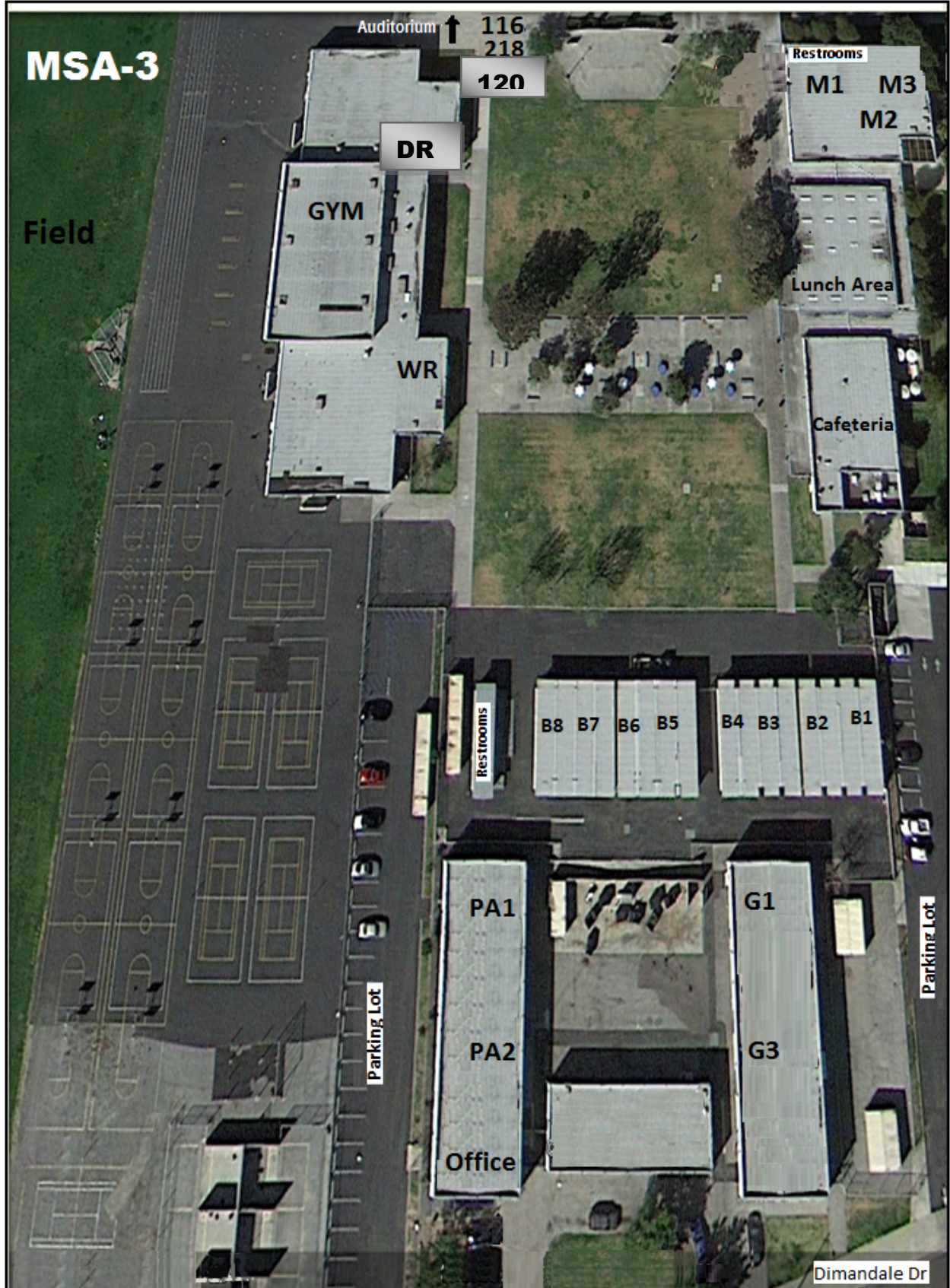
- Objective: Monthly school personnel will complete a campus walk-thru form to identify any areas of need.
 - Related Activities: Teachers can report concerns during weekly staff meetings.
 - Resources needed: Walk-thru form, building supplies
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Plant manager
 - Timeline for implementation: August 2018
 - Budget: Refer to schools annual budget

Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders



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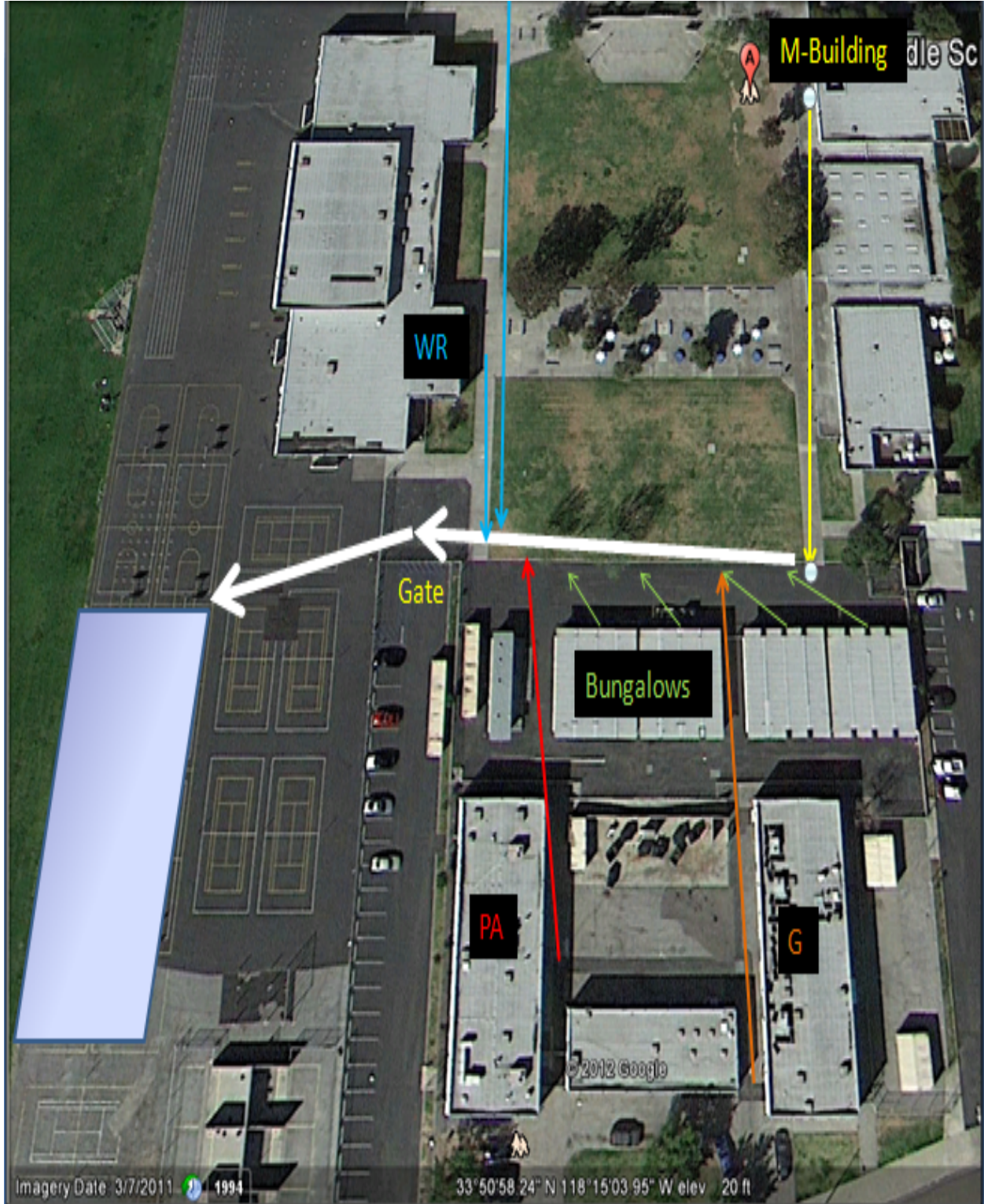
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HOST Crisis Help

Home Office Support Team

Always call 911 first when a life-threatening emergency is in place! You can call the Suat Acar, Chief Operations Officer anytime by skipping the below process to get direct guidance. In case you cannot reach the Chief Operations Officer you may call our CEO Mr. Rubalcava or Assistant Director of Student Services Dr. Brenda Lopez for immediate assistance.

- 1- The principal or the dean (Admin) is informed about an emergency or a crisis situation
- 2- If possible, the admin investigates and provides an incident report to the host@magnolia email. In case of urgency the admin or designee sends an email to host@magnolia immediately then provides the incident report later.
- 3- Suat Acar directs the conversation to the related, appropriate home office staff for further follow-up. Either Suat or related home office staff start a text message conversation for quick, instant communication
- 4- Case follow up report to be provided to host@magnolia by the related home office staff and the school admin.
- 5- If the case investigation, follow up needs further time the related home office staff will follow up with the admin.

Possible emergency cases, crisis situations:

- * Lock downs (Active shooters or etc.)
- * Natural Catastrophes, major tragic events that took place on or around the school grounds that may affect the school's schedule or programs

Additionally, the following number is used as the crisis group call in line as necessary

Phone Number: 1 (669) 224-3412
Access Code: 921-759-077



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SITE-SPECIFIC AMENDMENTS TO THE MPS STUDENT/PARENT HANDBOOK

The following are site-specific amendments to the general MPS Student/Parent Handbook upon recommendation by the MSA-3 school site leadership team and approval by the MPS Home Office. Your signature on the "Receipt of and agreement to the MPS Handbook, Technology Use Policy-Acceptable Use Agreement, and School-Parent-Student Compact Form" indicates you have also read, understood, and agreed to the following site-specific amendments.

YONDR

All MSA-3 students will receive an individual YONDR pouch that will be used to store their cell phone. Students will place their phones in their assigned Yondr cell-phone pouch. Students lock their pouch and **students keep their pouch with them at all times**. Students maintain possession of their cell-phones throughout the school day, should students need to use their cell phone they will be able to unlock their pouch only during the lunch break. As students return from lunch break they will again lock their phones inside the YONDR pouch; staying locked in the pouch until the end of the day.

Lead with the why, this section move up We want to take a proactive approach to ensure that our students and teachers maximize learning time in the classroom, without the daily confrontations and distractions between teachers/staff/admin and students regarding cell phone usage. We want to establish a norm here at MSA-3 where all stakeholders understand that once they enter campus, learning is the #1 priority. That is why we are piloting the Yondr program at our school for the 2018-2019 school year.

The Yondr program is an amendment to campus expectations listed on pg. 23 and Rule: Letter F, Bullet Point 2 on pg. 46.

The Yondr program will be evaluated at the end of the fall semester to determine effectiveness and reflect on implementation.

Yondr Procedures

- Students will place their phone in Yondr Pouch prior to entering school
 - Mr. Phillips will ensure each student has their phone in their pouch
 - Students will show Mr. Phillips their respective pouch, with the phone in it

Two Types of Infractions

- Willing Submit (5 infractions=Meeting with Parent; need to determine if the pouch has been lost)
 - Student forgot pouch
 - Student informs Mr. Phillips, as soon as they arrive
 - Turns Phone into Phillips; gets back at End Of Day (No parent)
- Unwilling Submit (2 infractions=Saturday School & MWP)
 - Student is discovered with phone out of Yondr Pouch during instructional time
 - Parent must retrieve phone



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IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, IN WHICH STUDENTS WOULD NEED TO CONTACT THEIR PARENTS, EACH CLASSROOM IS EQUIPPED WITH ITS OWN UNLOCKING STATION THAT TEACHERS CAN ACCESS.

Insurance Claim Forms

charterSAFE

Liability Incident Call-In Report

*(This form is confidential and should **NOT** be given to parents, guests, or third parties.)*

Charter School: _____ Location / Site: _____

School Administrator's name: _____

Title: _____

Address where incident occurred: _____

Type of Incident:

Parent/guest incident ____ Parent/guest complaint/allegation ____ Employee
complaint/allegation ____

Name of person(s) filing complaint: _____

Date of incident: _____ Time: _____ AM _____ PM _____

Legal complaint or attorney letter received? ____ Yes ____ No (if yes, please fax a copy with this report)

Specific location (e.g. *northwest corner of Building G*) where incident occurred: _____

Staff member responsible at the time of this incident: _____

Contact Information: Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Name of person to whom the incident/complaint was reported: _____

Contact Information: Phone: _____ Email Address: _____



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If the incident/complaint was not reported immediately, why not?

Cause of incident or complaint (check any that apply):

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trip/slip/fall | <input type="checkbox"/> Employment dispute |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Allegation of neglect/unsafe conditions | <input type="checkbox"/> Wrongful termination complaint |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Allegation of discrimination or abuse | <input type="checkbox"/> Special education complaint |

(Please describe in detail): _____

Check any of the following possible causes which may apply:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Failure to follow proper policy | <input type="checkbox"/> Retaliation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inattention | <input type="checkbox"/> Act of other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carelessness | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol/drug use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unreasonable demands | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsafe act |

What steps have been taken or recommended to prevent or reduce the likelihood of a recurrence?

Comments:

WITNESS INFORMATION (use separate sheet for additional witnesses)

Name: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____



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Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

**Please call in to hotline to report as a claim.
(877) 263-9904
Do not fax report; the JPA will receive a copy from the hotline.**

Comprehensive School Safety Plan

Magnolia Science Academy-4
LAUSD

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A meeting for public input was held on September 22nd, 2018 at
Magnolia Science Academy-4

Reviewed by Law Enforcement 10/29/2018

Plan Adopted by School Site Council 10/29/2018

Plan approved by Magnolia Public Schools Board on _____

Committee members

Lisa Ross, Principal
Sam Fagnoli, Dean
David Betshmuell, Teacher representative
Sophia Aquino, Parent of attending student
Crystal Pena, Classified employee
LASPD Officer Kim

This document is available for public inspection on our school's
website at msa4.magnoliapublicschools.org

School Site Mission

The Mission

Magnolia Public Schools provides a college preparatory educational program emphasizing science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) in a safe environment that cultivates respect for self and others.

Magnolia Science Academy-4's mission is to provide all students with the opportunity to engage in an enriched educational experience. A comprehensive Safety Plan helps to ensure a safe school environment, thereby enhancing the learning experience and improving student academic achievement. This plan is implemented to protect the safety of students and staff and to provide emergency preparedness and guidelines. This plan addresses the following objectives:

- ❖ Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff.
- ❖ Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations.
- ❖ Protect the school's facilities and property.
- ❖ In the case of an emergency, allow the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible.
- ❖ Provide for coordination between the school and local emergency services when necessary.

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Assessment of the Current Status of School Crime

1. Data sources the committee reviewed:
 - a. Local law enforcement crime data
 - i. Top three crime violations in our area last year, based on <https://www.crimemapping.com/Share/6a9f8f15010a4b51a38f37d0d58a1852>
 1. Theft / Larceny
 2. Vehicle Break-In /Theft
 3. Burglary
 - b. Suspension/Expulsion data:
 - i. Student information data was used to identify top suspendable / expellable offenses at our campus. A tremendous decrease in suspensions/expulsions were noted due to the implementation of positive behavior support model (PBIS) and the multi tiered system of supports (MTSS)
 - ii. Behavior referral, Illuminate was used to identify and segregate all behavior referrals.
 - c. School Improvement Plan
 - i. Reviewed current years plan to identify any additional areas of improvement needed.
 - d. Property Damage data
 - i. Reviewed Illuminate / Coolsis behavior data to identify any property damage that has occurred.
 - e. Attendance rates
 - i. Student attendance rates were pulled from Illuminate.
 - ii. Truancy data was pulled from Illuminate

2. The committee reviewed the data and identified the appropriate strategies and programs that provide high-level school safety.
 - a. Parent/Student Handbook
 - b. School Safety Committee
 - c. Discipline Committee (Justice League)
 - d. Administration
 - e. Local School Administration
 - f. School Site Council
 - g. Parent Task Force
 - h. Student Leadership
 - i. Local Law Enforcement Collaboration

Child Abuse Reporting Procedures

Verify policy is compliant with EC 44691, mandated reporter training-effective January-1-2015. For specific details, refer to Los Angeles County Office of Education Board Policy and Administrative Regulations 5141.4 Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting

Mandated reporters include, but are not limited to, teachers; instructional aides; teacher's aides or assistants; classified employees; certificated pupil personnel employees; administrative officers or supervisors of child attendance; administrators and employees of a licensed day care facility; Head Start teachers; district police or security officers; licensed nurses or health care providers; and administrators, presenters, and counselors of a child abuse prevention program. (Penal Code 11165.7) Reasonable suspicion means that it is objectively reasonable for a person to entertain a suspicion, based upon facts that could cause a reasonable person in a like position, drawing when appropriate on his/her training and experience, to suspect child abuse or neglect. However, reasonable suspicion does not require certainty that child abuse or neglect has occurred nor does it require a specific medical indication of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Reportable Offenses

A mandated reporter shall make a report using the procedures provided below whenever, in his/her professional capacity or within the scope of his/her employment, he/she has knowledge of or observes a child whom the mandated reporter knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Responsibility for Reporting

The reporting duties of mandated reporters are individual and cannot be delegated to another person. (Penal Code 11166)

No supervisor or administrator shall impede or inhibit a mandated reporter from making a report. (Penal Code 11166)

Reporting Procedures

1. Initial Telephone Report

Immediately or as soon as practicable after knowing or observing suspected child abuse or neglect, a mandated reporter shall make an initial report by telephone to any police department (excluding a school district police/security department), sheriff's department, county probation department if designated by the county to receive such reports, or county welfare department. (Penal Code 11165.9, 11166)

Department of Child and Family Services
800-540-4000

2. Written Report

Within 36 hours of knowing or observing the information concerning the incident, the mandated reporter shall then prepare and either send, fax, or electronically submit to the appropriate agency a written follow-up report, which includes a completed Department of Justice form (SS 8572). (Penal Code 11166, 11168)

Victim Interviews by Social Services/Law Enforcement

Whenever a representative from the Department of Social Services or another government agency investigating suspected child abuse or neglect deems it necessary, a suspected victim may be interviewed during school hours, on school premises, concerning a report of suspected child abuse or neglect that occurred within the child's home or out-of-home care facility. The child shall be given the choice of being interviewed in private or in the presence of any adult school employee or volunteer aide selected by the child. (Penal Code 11174.3)

A staff member or volunteer aide selected by a child may decline to be present at the interview. If the selected person accepts, the principal or designee shall inform him/her of the following requirements: (Penal Code 11174.3)

1. The purpose of the selected person's presence at the interview is to lend support to the child and enable him/her to be as comfortable as possible.
2. The selected person shall not participate in the interview.
3. The selected person shall not discuss the facts or circumstances of the case with the child.
4. The selected person is subject to the confidentiality requirements of the Child Abuse and Neglect

Reporting Act, a violation of which is punishable as specified in Penal Code 11167.5.

If a staff member agrees to be present, the interview shall be held at a time during school hours when it does not involve an expense to the school. (Penal Code 11174.3)

Release of Child to Peace Officer

When a child is released to a peace officer and taken into custody as a victim of suspected child abuse or neglect, the designee and/or principal shall not notify the parent/guardian, but rather shall provide the peace officer with the address and telephone number of the child's parent/guardian. It is the responsibility of the peace officer or agent to notify the parent/guardian of the situation. (Education Code 48906)

SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE REPORT

To Be Completed by **Mandated Child Abuse Reporters**
Pursuant to Penal Code Section 11166

CASE NAME: _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

CASE NUMBER: _____

A. REPORTING PARTY	NAME OF MANDATED REPORTER		TITLE		MANDATED REPORTER CATEGORY			
	REPORTER'S BUSINESS/AGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	DID MANDATED REPORTER WITNESS THE INCIDENT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
	REPORTER'S TELEPHONE (DAYTIME) ()		SIGNATURE		TODAY'S DATE			
B. REPORT NOTIFICATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW ENFORCEMENT <input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY PROBATION		AGENCY					
	<input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY WELFARE / CPS (Child Protective Services)							
	ADDRESS		Street	City	Zip	DATE/TIME OF PHONE CALL		
OFFICIAL CONTACTED - TITLE				TELEPHONE ()				
C. VICTIM One report per victim	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)			BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	TELEPHONE ()	
	PRESENT LOCATION OF VICTIM			SCHOOL		CLASS	GRADE	
	PHYSICALLY DISABLED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	OTHER DISABILITY (SPECIFY)			PRIMARY LANGUAGE SPOKEN IN HOME		
	IN FOSTER CARE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	IF VICTIM WAS IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE AT TIME OF INCIDENT, CHECK TYPE OF CARE: <input type="checkbox"/> DAY CARE <input type="checkbox"/> CHILD CARE CENTER <input type="checkbox"/> FOSTER FAMILY HOME <input type="checkbox"/> FAMILY FRIEND <input type="checkbox"/> GROUP HOME OR INSTITUTION <input type="checkbox"/> RELATIVE'S HOME			TYPE OF ABUSE (CHECK ONE OR MORE) <input type="checkbox"/> PHYSICAL <input type="checkbox"/> MENTAL <input type="checkbox"/> SEXUAL <input type="checkbox"/> NEGLECT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)			
	RELATIONSHIP TO SUSPECT			PHOTOS TAKEN? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		DID THE INCIDENT RESULT IN THIS VICTIM'S DEATH? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNK		
	VICTIM'S SIBLINGS		NAME		BIRTHDATE	SEX	ETHNICITY	
1. _____		3. _____						
2. _____		4. _____						
D. INVOLVED PARTIES	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)			BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	HOME PHONE ()	
	VICTIM'S PARENTS/GUARDIANS			BUSINESS PHONE ()				
	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)			BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	HOME PHONE ()	
	BUSINESS PHONE ()							
SUSPECT	SUSPECT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)			BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY	
	ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	TELEPHONE ()	
	OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION							
E. INCIDENT INFORMATION	IF NECESSARY, ATTACH EXTRA SHEET(S) OR OTHER FORM(S) AND CHECK THIS BOX <input type="checkbox"/> IF MULTIPLE VICTIMS, INDICATE NUMBER: _____							
	DATE / TIME OF INCIDENT			PLACE OF INCIDENT				
	NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (What victim(s) said/what the mandated reporter observed/what person accompanying the victim(s) said/similar or past incidents involving the victim(s) or suspect)							

SS 8572 (Rev. 12/02)

DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE

DO NOT submit a copy of this form to the Department of Justice (DOJ). The investigating agency is required under Penal Code Section 11169 to submit to DOJ a Child Abuse Investigation Report Form SS 8583 if (1) an active investigation was conducted and (2) the incident was not determined to be unfounded.

WHITE COPY-Police or Sheriff's Department; BLUE COPY-County Welfare or Probation; GREEN COPY- District Attorney's Office; YELLOW COPY-Reporting Party

Disaster Response Procedures

Emergencies

In the case of an emergency, the general policy is that actions should be taken to allow the school to remain in operation to the extent possible. The situation should be addressed to minimize interruption of normal operations at the school, and students will usually be cared for until regular dismissal time. Where an emergency situation poses a serious threat to the safety and well being of students and staff, evacuation will occur until any danger has passed. When necessary, school may be dismissed by the School Principal, or his/her designee. The home office will be informed using HOST email system (refer to HOST attachment). In the event of the following scenarios, the principal or designee will communicate with stakeholders using the schools mass communication system.

- **Fire:**

- In the case of a school fire, the following procedures should be implemented:
- Sound building fire alarm.
- Notify Fire Department by dialing 911. The Fire Department is to be notified of any fires larger in size than a wastebasket. The Fire Department should be given the following information:
 - School name and phone number.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location of the fire within the building.
- Have students and staff evacuate the building in accordance with established procedures.
- Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
- All doors leading to the fire should be closed. Do not re-enter the area for belongings. If the area is full of smoke, students and staff should be instructed to crawl along the floor, close to walls, thus making breathing easier and providing direction. Before opening any door, place a hand one inch from the door near the top to see if it is hot. Be prepared to close the door quickly at the first sign of fire to avoid the spread of fire.
- Clear access routes for emergency vehicles. Remain at a safe distance from the fire and away from firefighting equipment.
- Render first aid as necessary.
- Check attendance. Remain with students.

- **Medical Emergency:**

- Medical emergencies and accidents can occur at any time and may involve a student or employee. Some emergencies may only require first aid care, while others may require immediate medical attention. When in doubt, it is better to err on the side of caution and dial 911.

- Medical emergencies involving any student or employee must be reported to the School Principal, or his/her designee. Dial 911 or direct someone to do so.

Provide the following information:

- School name and phone number.

- Building address, including nearest cross street(s).

- Exact location within the building.

- Your name and phone number.

- Nature of the emergency.

- Do not hang up until advised to do so by dispatcher.

- Notify the school office that an individual has been injured and an ambulance has been called.

- Ask someone to dispatch a first aid/CPR trained employee to the victim.

- Stay calm. Keep victim warm with a coat or blanket.

- Do not move the victim unless there is danger of further injury. Do not give the victim anything to eat or drink.

- Draft written incident report and submit it to School Principal, or his/her designee, before the end of the next workday. If applicable, a Charter Safe Claim form will be filed (Charter safe is our insurance provider).

- **Earthquakes:**

- Earthquakes strike without warning and the major shock is usually followed by numerous aftershocks, which may last for weeks or months. An earthquake's effect on buildings will vary from building to building.

- The major threat of injury during an earthquake is from falling objects and debris, and many injuries are sustained while entering or leaving buildings. Therefore, it is important to remain inside the building and quickly move away from windows, glass,

partitions and shelves. In the case of an earthquake, the following procedures should be followed:

- Take cover under a sturdy desk or table, in a doorway, or against an inside wall until the shaking stops. Give DROP AND COVER command.
- After shaking stops, check for injuries, and render first aid.
- If ordered by School Principal or his/her designee, evacuate.
- Do not return to building.
- Do not light any fires.
- Keep a safe distance from any downed power lines.
- Check attendance whether or not evacuation takes place. Report any missing students to School Principal, or his/her designee.
- Stay alert for aftershocks.
- Beware that shaking may activate fire alarm or sprinkler systems.
- Elevators and stairways will need to be inspected for damage before they can be used.
- School principal, or his/her designee, will issue further instructions.

Assaults:

- Assaults involve acts of striking or inflicting injury to a person and are regarded as serious matters. Any threat or assault on students or employees should be reported immediately to the School Principal, or his/her designee. The School Principal (or designee) will determine if law enforcement officials should be notified.
- If a serious assault occurs:
 - Dial 911.
 - Seek first aid or medical attention, if indicated.
 - Have photographs taken of any injuries.
 - Write down a physical description of the assailant (sex, age, height, weight, race, clothing, and any weapon used) as soon as possible after the incident.
 - Obtain names and telephone numbers of any witnesses.
 - Draft incident report and submit it to the School Principal, or his/her designee.
 - School Principal or his /her designee will submit incident report to the local law enforcement if incident is serious.

- **Hazardous Materials:**

- Hazardous material spills may occur inside a building, such as a spill in a chemistry lab. Incidents of disaster magnitude may occur outside, such as a tank truck accident involving large quantities of toxic material. Procedures:
 - If a spill is minor and inside, notify buildings and grounds personnel immediately for clean up. Open windows for ventilation.
 - If a more serious spill occurs inside or outside:
 - Call 911. Notify Fire Department, Emergency Response Unit, and/ or Public Health Department.
 - Provide the following:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Location of the spill and/or materials released.
 - Characteristics of spill (colors, smells, visible gases).
 - Name of substance, if known.
 - Injuries, if any.
 - Notify buildings and grounds personnel.
 - Close all windows and doors if the spill is outside.
 - Request that buildings personnel shut off mechanical ventilating systems if it might spread toxic material.
 - Remain inside building unless ordered to evacuate by the Fire Department.
 - Fire Department will advise of further actions to be taken.
 - Do not eat or drink anything or apply cosmetics.
 - If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought.
 - The School Principal, or his/her designee, if necessary, will give approval for student release or site evacuation.

- **Civil Disturbance:**

- A civil disturbance is any situation where a person or group of persons disrupts operations or threatens the safety of individuals. The following precautionary protective measures should be taken:
 - Notify local law enforcement authorities-Dial 911.
 - If participants enter the building, remain calm and do not provoke aggression. Report disruptive circumstances to school Principal, or his/her designee.
 - Do not argue with participant(s).
 - Have all students and employees leave the immediate area of disturbance.
 - If the disturbance is outside the building, remain inside building, unless instructed otherwise by the School Principal or police officials. Lock all doors. Stay away from windows and exterior doors.
 - If the disturbance is inside the building, follow procedures for evacuation of the school site.
 - Follow further instructions as police officials and other local law enforcement authorities issue them.
 - Draft incident report for School Principal, or his/her designee.

- **Vandalism:**

- The following procedures should be used in the case of school vandalism:
 - Notify school principal, or his/her designee.
 - Notify building and ground maintenance personnel.
 - The School Principal, or his/her designee, will assess the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed, including local law enforcement.
 - If possible, identify the parties involved.
 - Interview witnesses and obtain written statements.
 - Document the incident as soon as possible and give the incident report, with any witness statements, to the School Principal or his/her designee.
 - Notify parents or legal guardian.

- Determine what disciplinary measures are appropriate (in-house or police involvement).
- Determine any monetary restitution issues and amounts.

- **Utility or Power Failure:**
 - The following procedures should be used in case of utility or power failure:
 - Staff and students should remain in classroom until further instruction.
 - Custodial and maintenance personnel should determine cause of incident and seek outside assistance if necessary.
 - Staff and students outside of a classroom at the time of the incident should report to main office.
 - Building and grounds personnel report to utility company if necessary.
 - If situation requires long-term maintenance and repair and prevents class activities, the School Principal, or his/her designee, may take measures to dismiss school for the day.
 - Where utility failure presents an emergency, evacuation procedures should be implemented immediately.

- **Bomb Threat:**
 - Person receiving call:
 - Listen - Do not interrupt caller.
 - If possible, alert other staff by a pre-arranged signal while the caller is on the line.
 - In the event that a bomb threat is received, it is important for the person receiving the call to attempt to keep the caller on the telephone as long as possible. It is also important to listen carefully to all information provided by the caller and to make a note of any voice characteristics, accents, or background noises.
 - Attempt to ask questions and elicit the information required to determine the severity of the threat.
 - Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, immediately.
 - The School Principal, or his/her designee will:
 - Notify Police Department – Dial 911.

- With the assistance of responding law enforcement personnel, conduct a thorough search of the building & surrounding areas:
 - Classrooms and work areas.
 - Public areas - foyers, office bathrooms and stairwells.
 - Lockers and unlocked closets.
 - Exterior areas -- shrubbery, trashcans, debris boxes, gas valves, etc.
 - Power sources -- electric panels, telephone panels, computer rooms, etc.
- With assistance from responding law enforcement personnel and/or Fire Department, the School Principal, or his/her designee, will evaluate the threat and will determine whether to evacuate the building and/or to continue to search the premises.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought. The School Principal, or his/her designee, must grant approval for student release.
- An incident report should be drafted before the end of the workweek.
- **Explosion:**
 - If an explosion occurs at the school, the following procedures should be used:
 - Give DROP AND COVER command.
 - Sound building fire alarm. This will automatically implement action to leave the building.
 - Notify Fire Department – Dial 911.
 - Provide the following information:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location within the building.
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
 - Check attendance. Remain with students.
 - Render first aid as necessary.
 - Notify grounds and building personnel.
 - Keep students and staff at a safe distance from the building(s) and away from firefighting equipment.

- Public safety officials will determine when the building is safe for re-entry, and along with School Principal, or his/her designee, whether student release from the school site is necessary.
- Draft incident report by the end of the week.
- **Fighting or Riot:**
 - School staff should follow these guidelines when a fight occurs:
 - Send a reliable student to the office to summon assistance.
 - Speak loudly and let everyone know that the behavior should stop immediately.
 - Obtain help from other teachers if at all possible.
 - If students are starting to gather, attempt to get students away from the commotion as quickly as possible.
 - Call out the names of the involved students (if known) and let them know they have been identified.
 - For the safety of all students, get additional help from law enforcement personnel if confronted with a serious fight, especially one that involves weapons.
 - Attempt to separate the involved students by speaking to them in an assertive tone of voice. Consider the age and/or size of the students, as well as personal safety, before stepping between/among those involved in an altercation. If successful in separating the students, try to avoid using further confrontational behavior.
 - Remember that no one can "cool down" instantly; give the students time to talk in a calm setting and gradually change the climate of the situation.
 - Staff should follow these guidelines when a riot occurs:
 - The School Principal, or his/her designee, should encourage teachers and staff to be sensitive to the emotional climate of the campus and attempt to defuse any tensions prior to the eruption of problems.
 - Notify local law enforcement of the disturbance and meet at a pre-designated site to evaluate the situation.
 - Have a law enforcement officer evaluate and call for any necessary resources such as back-up help, emergency medical help, etc.

- Activate needed emergency plans, which may include:
- Instructing office staff to handle communications and initiate lockdown orders.
- Notify transportation to bring appropriate numbers of buses for evacuation or transportation if necessary.
- Assign staff a temporary detention facility, such as a gymnasium, to secure students and log information.
- Direct a teacher or designee to initiate lockdown and immobilize the campus.
- Brief a representative to meet the media.
- Assign staff to a pre-designated medical treatment/triage facility.

- **Hostage Situation:**

- In case there is a hostage situation at the school, staff should attempt to follow these guidelines:
 - Stay calm.
 - Don't be a hero.
 - Follow instructions of captor.
 - Cooperate; be friendly if possible; don't argue with or antagonize captor or other hostages.
 - Inform captors of medical or other needs.
 - Be prepared to wait; elapsed time is a good sign.
 - Don't try to escape; don't try to resolve situation by force.
 - Be observant and remember everything that is seen or heard.
 - If a rescue takes place, lie on the floor and await instructions from rescuers.
 - The School Principal, or his/her designee, should be responsible for the following:
 - Immediately notify law enforcement.
 - Move other students and teachers completely away from those who are in the hostage situation.
 - Keep everyone as calm as possible.
 - Be prepared to answer questions from media or family.

- **Death of a Student:**

- By far, the worst crisis situation is the death of a student. When a student dies, emotional trauma is a natural occurrence for students, faculty, and staff. A student's death, which occurs on campus, particularly as a result of school violence, is admittedly

the most extreme case of trauma for family and the school community. There is no procedure that fits every scenario; each case requires individual attention. Certainly, there is no prescribed method for dealing with such tragedy; however, the following are suggestions for a school's response to death, particularly death that occurs as a result of school violence:

- After the initial response, administrators and counselors will meet immediately to review what has happened. Responding to the psychological needs of both staff and students as soon as possible is the best prevention for the development of post-traumatic stress.
 - Get as much information as possible from the family and ask their permission to share it with the students, faculty, and staff. Ask if they have any objection to students, faculty, and staff attending the funeral.
 - Relay the information to the students in a factual way, careful to avoid breaching the student or family's privacy. The School Principal and a counselor might consider moving from room to room to tell the students what has happened. They should tell the truth, allow for expression of feelings, and affirm any expressions or feelings the students have. Students need to be told that they may visit a counselor's office for special assistance if they need to talk.
 - If possible, allow a break after telling the students in order to give them an opportunity to express their grief with other students.
 - Upon returning to school, students should be allowed time to discuss their feelings, talk about the deceased, and discuss memories. Give students, faculty, and staff information about the funeral and allow them to attend, provided the family has granted permission.
 - Watch for trouble signs among the students. Be prepared to call in extra counselors if necessary.
- **Intruder or Individual with Deadly Weapon / Active Shooter:**
 - If someone enters the school grounds or buildings with a deadly weapon, the staff should follow these guidelines:
 - Avoid confronting the student or gunman.
 - Notify the School Principal, or his/her designee, or school office immediately.
 - Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.

- The School Principal, or his/her designee, should follow these guidelines:
- Notify law enforcement immediately.
- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.
- Determine the level of threat. If the level of threat is high, call for additional backup.
- Attempt to get the weapon from the gunman or student through negotiation, or take other appropriate action with the aid of local law enforcement.
- If the level of threat is low, call the student to the office and have law enforcement take the appropriate action.

- **Lock Down**

- This action is taken when the threat of violence or gunfire is identified or directed by law enforcement and it is necessary to prevent the perpetrator(s) from entering any occupied campus areas. During Lock Down, students are to remain in the classrooms or designated locations at all times.
- The Principal or Admin designee will make an announcement on the P.A. system that the school is going into a Lock Down situation. If P.A. system is not available, other means of communication, i.e., texting or email to staff or sending messengers. The Principal or Admin designee should remain calm and under control and give clear directions.
- Teachers will lock their doors and shut their blinds and instruct students to stay away from the doors and windows.
- If outside, students will continue to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into the nearby classrooms or school buildings.
- Teachers and students will remain in the classroom or secured area until the Principal/Admin Designee or law enforcement gives further instructions.
- All entrances to the school are to be locked and no visitors other than appropriate law enforcement or emergency personnel are to be allowed on campus.

Suspension and Expulsion Policies

“The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled.” (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(J).)

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Charter School shall provide due process for all students, including adequate and timely notice to parents/guardians and students of the grounds for all suspension and expulsion recommendations and decisions and their due process rights regarding suspension and expulsion, including rights of appeal.

Charter School shall ensure that its policies and procedures regarding suspension and expulsion will be periodically reviewed, and modified as necessary, in order to conform to changes in state law.

Charter School shall ensure that its staff is knowledgeable about and complies with the District’s Discipline Foundation Policy and/or current equivalent policy, as required by the Modified Consent Decree. Charter School shall comply with the terms of the School Discipline Policy and School Climate Bill of Rights resolution adopted by the LAUSD Board of Education on May 6, 2013.

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of Charter School’s student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

Charter School shall document and implement the alternatives to suspension and expulsion that Charter School utilizes in response to attendance-related concerns, e.g. truancy or excessive tardiness.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Charter School shall establish and implement policies and procedures to ensure full compliance with federal and state laws and regulations regarding the discipline of students with disabilities. If a student is recommended for expulsion and the student receives or is eligible for special education, pending the completion of the expulsion process, Charter School shall identify and provide special education programs and services at an appropriate interim educational placement determined in coordination with the LAUSD Division of Special Education.

In the case of a student who has an Individualized Education Program (“IEP”), or a student who has a Section 504 Plan, Charter School shall ensure that it follows correct disciplinary procedures to comply with the mandates of state and federal laws, including IDEA and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Plan of 1973. As set forth in the MOU regarding special education between the District and Charter School, an IEP team will meet to conduct a manifestation determination and to discuss alternative placement utilizing the District’s Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual. Prior to recommending expulsion for a student with a Section 504 Plan, Charter School’s administrator will convene a Link Determination meeting to ask the following two questions:

- A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student’s disability?
- B. Was the misconduct a direct result of the Charter School’s failure to implement Section 504?

NOTIFICATION OF THE DISTRICT

Upon expelling any student, Charter School shall notify the Charter Schools Division by submitting an expulsion packet to the CSD immediately or as soon as practicable, which shall contain:

- Completed “Notification of Charter School Expulsion” [form available from the CSD website or office], including attachments as required on the form
- Documentation of the expulsion proceeding, including statement of specific facts supporting the expulsion and documentation that Charter School’s policies and procedures were followed
- Copy of parental notice of expulsion hearing
- Copy of expulsion notice provided to parent stating reason for expulsion, term of expulsion, rehabilitation plan, reinstatement notice with eligibility date and instructions for providing proof of student’s compliance for reinstatement, appeal process, and options for enrollment
- If the student is eligible for Special Education, documentation related to expulsion in compliance with IDEA and the MCD, including the Expulsion Analysis page of the pre-expulsion IEP
- If the student is eligible for Section 504 accommodations, documentation that Charter School conducted a Link Determination meeting to address two questions:
 - A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student’s disability?
 - B. Was the misconduct a direct result of Charter School’s failure to implement Section 504 Plan?

Notwithstanding and apart from the documentation sent to the Charter Schools Division as indicated above, if the student is a resident of a school district other than LAUSD, Charter School must notify the superintendent of the student’s district of residence within 30 days of the expulsion. Additionally, upon request of the receiving school district, Charter School shall forward student records no later than 10 school days from the date of the request as stated in Education Code section 49068 (a) and (b).

OUTCOME DATA

Charter School shall gather and maintain all data related to placement, tracking, and monitoring of student suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements, and make such outcome data readily available to the District upon request.

REHABILITATION PLANS

Pupils who are expelled from Charter School shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by the principal based on the decisions made by the admin panel at the time of the expulsion order, which may include, but is not limited to, periodic review as well as assessment at the time of review for readmission. Terms of expulsion should be reasonable and fair with the weight of the expelling offense taken into consideration when determining the length of expulsion. Therefore, the rehabilitation plan should include a date not later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to Charter School for readmission. Charter School shall inform parents in writing of its processes for reinstatement and applying for expungement of the expulsion record.

READMISSION

Charter School’s governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for the filing and processing of requests for readmission and the process for the required review of all expelled pupils for readmission. Upon completion of the readmission process, Charter School’s governing board shall readmit the pupil, unless Charter School’s governing board makes a finding that the pupil has not met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan or continues to pose a danger to campus safety. A description of the procedure shall be made available to the pupil and the pupil’s parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is entered and the decision of the governing board, including any related findings, must be provided to the pupil and the pupil’s parent/guardian within a reasonable time.

REINSTATEMENT

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for processing reinstatements, including the review of documents regarding the rehabilitation plan. Charter School is responsible for reinstating the student upon the conclusion of the expulsion period in a timely manner.

GUN-FREE SCHOOLS ACT

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun-Free Schools Act.

In accordance with E.C. 47605(J)

J) The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled from the Charter School for disciplinary reasons or otherwise involuntarily removed from the Charter School for any reason. These procedures, at a minimum, shall include an explanation of how the Charter School will comply with federal and state constitutional procedural and substantive due process requirements that is consistent with all of the following:

(i) For suspensions of fewer than 10 days, provide oral or written notice of the charges against the pupil and, if the pupil denies the charges, an explanation of the evidence that supports the charges and an opportunity for the pupil to present his or her side of the story.

(ii) For suspensions of 10 days or more and all other expulsions for disciplinary reasons, both of the following:

(I) Provide timely, written notice of the charges against the pupil and an explanation of the pupil's basic rights.

(II) Provide a hearing adjudicated by a neutral officer within a reasonable number of days at which the pupil has a fair opportunity to present testimony, evidence, and witnesses and confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses, and at which the pupil has the right to bring legal counsel or an advocate.

(iii) Contain a clear statement that no pupil shall be involuntarily removed by the Charter School for any reason unless the parent or guardian of the pupil has been provided written notice of intent to remove the pupil no less than five schooldays before the effective date of the action. The written notice shall be in the native language of the pupil or the pupil's parent or guardian or, if the pupil is a foster child or youth or a homeless child or youth, the pupil's educational rights holder, and shall inform him or her of the right to initiate the procedures specified in clause (ii) before the effective date of the action. If the pupil's parent, guardian, or educational rights holder initiates the procedures specified in clause (ii), the pupil shall remain enrolled and shall not be removed until the Charter School issues a final decision. For purposes of this clause, "involuntarily removed" includes disenrolled, dismissed, transferred, or terminated, but does not include suspensions specified in clauses (i) and (ii).

DISCIPLINE FOUNDATION POLICY

The following Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy (Policy) has been established in order to promote learning and protect the safety and well-being of all students at MSA-4. Staff shall enforce

disciplinary rules and procedures fairly and consistently among all students. In creating the Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy, the Charter School has reviewed Education Code Section 48900 et seq. which describes the non-Charter Schools' list of offenses and procedures to establish its list of offenses and procedures for suspensions and expulsions. The language that follows closely mirrors the language of Education Code Section 48900 et seq. The Charter School is committed to annual review of policies and procedures surrounding suspensions and expulsions and, as necessary, modification of the lists of offenses for which students are subject to suspension or expulsion.

When the Policy is violated, it may be necessary to suspend or expel a student from regular classroom instruction. This Policy shall serve as MSA-4's policy and procedures for student suspension and expulsion, and it may be amended from time to time without the need to amend the charter so long as the amendments comport with legal requirements and are not material revisions. Suspended or expelled students shall be excluded from all school and school-related activities unless otherwise agreed during the period of suspension or expulsion.

This Policy and its Procedures will clearly describe discipline expectations, and it will be printed, distributed and discussed with students and families as part of the Student/Parent Handbook which is sent to each student at the beginning of the school year and signed by their guardian.

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of or willfully causing the infliction of physical pain on a student. For purposes of the Policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to school property.

Discipline includes but is not limited to advising and counseling students, conferring with parents/guardians, detention during and after school hours, use of alternative educational environments, suspension and expulsion.

Positive Discipline

MSA-4 staff has committed itself to encouraging and supporting the attainment of academic skills as well as social skills, such as listening, friendship-making, problem solving, and alternatives to aggression. To inspire and encourage students to develop their potential in all of these areas, the following reinforcements will be used for positive behavior:

- Individual awards/recognition
- Classroom awards/recognition
- Certificates
- Displays
- Positive/Encouraging contact with parent/guardian (certificate, post card, phone message)
- Special activities (instructional field trips, movie nights, picnics, etc.)
- Publications
- Assemblies
- Positive points

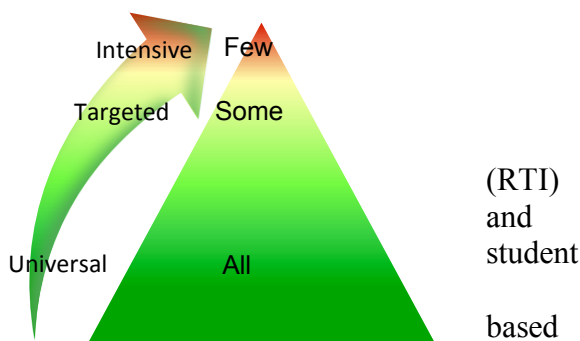
Positive student behavior and improvements will be acknowledged and encouraged by the MSA-4 staff. Teachers will not only report discipline issues on the school information system, Illuminate or equivalent, but also positive behaviors and accomplishments. Parents will also be informed of positive

behavior and improvements via phone, email, and home visits. Students will receive certificates and/or rewards for outstanding performance and behaviors.

Alternatives to Suspension

To intervene in student behavior, MPS has a progressive discipline plan in place at MSA-4. This plan is published at the beginning of each school year in the Student/Parent handbook. The Student/Parent Handbook also includes a school-parent-student compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the Charter School and parents will develop a partnership to help students achieve high academic and behavioral standards. The discipline plan includes information about student expectations and progression of disciplinary procedures from day-to-day discipline to suspension and expulsion. MSA-4 provides its staff with Professional Development in the area of restorative practices alternatives to suspension, and positive behavior supports.

As part of its Multi-tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) framework and Response to Intervention Programs, MSA-4 implements Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) to address discipline issues including suspension. This tiered approach lists intervention strategies and programs on the level of fractions.



MSA-4 implements prevention strategies for each tier as presented below:

Tier	Prevention Description
I. Primary (Universal)	Preventing the development of new cases (incidence) of problem behaviors by implementing high quality learning environments for all students and staff and across all settings (i.e., school-wide, classroom, and non- classroom).
II. Secondary (Targeted)	Reducing the number of existing cases (prevalence) of problem behaviors that are presenting high risk behaviors and/or not responsive to primary intervention practices by providing more focused, intensive, and frequent small group-oriented responses in situations where problem behavior is likely.
III. Tertiary (Intensive)	Reducing the intensity and/or complexity of existing cases (prevalence) of problem behavior that are resistant to and/or unlikely to be addressed by primary and secondary prevention efforts by providing most individualized responses to situations where problem behavior is likely.

MSA-4 believes that alternatives to suspension align with our schoolwide positive behavior support plan. Following is a list of alternatives to be considered before suspending a student: warning, phone call home, parent conference, teacher/administrative detention, written assignment/research/presentation, loss of privileges, behavior contract, parent shadowing, mentorship (peer/teacher), referral (counseling, SST, Principal/Assistant Principal), assigning volunteer work/community service, Saturday school, and in-school suspension.

Grounds for Suspension

Jurisdiction

A student may be suspended for prohibited misconduct as identified below under the heading, “Enumerated Offenses,” if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MSA-4; or (3) a MSA-4 sponsored event. A student may be suspended for acts that are enumerated below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

Enumerated Offenses

Discretionary Suspension Offenses

Students may be suspended for any of the following acts when it is determined the student:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in minor harm.
2. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in minor injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, or otherwise furnished nominal amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully was under the influence of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property resulting in negligible loss.

8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property.
9. Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including but not limited to cigars, cigarettes, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets and betel. This section does not prohibit the use of his or her own prescription products by a pupil.
10. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
11. Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.
12. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
13. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
14. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
15. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
16. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, “hazing” means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, “hazing” does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
17. Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, “terroristic threat” shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family’s safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.
18. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently offensive as to have a

negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

19. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
20. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
21. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.
 - 1) "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:
 - i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.
 - ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
 - iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic performance.
 - iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.
 - 2) "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
 - i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
 - ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.
 - (b) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a

pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.

- (c) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.
- iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - (a) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.
 - (b) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.
- 3) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.

22. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this section.

23. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee's concurrence.

Mandatory Suspension Offenses

Students shall be suspended when the following occur on school campus or at a school activity off campus, for any of the following reasons:

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
2. Brandishing a knife at another person.
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance.
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committing a sexual battery, as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined in Education Code Section 48915(h).

Suspension Procedures

Suspensions shall be initiated according to the following procedures:

Conference

Suspension shall be preceded, if possible, by a conference conducted by the Principal or the Principal's designee with the student and his or her parent and, whenever practical, the teacher, supervisor or Charter School employee who referred the student to the Principal. The conference may be omitted if the Principal or designee determines that an emergency situation exists. An "emergency situation" involves a clear and present danger to the lives, safety or health of students or Charter School personnel. If a student is suspended, by Principal or Designee, without this conference, both the parent/guardian and student shall be notified of the student's right to return to school for the purpose of a conference.

At the conference, the student shall be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action and the evidence against him or her and shall be given the opportunity to present his or her version and evidence in his or her defense. This conference shall be held within two (2) school days, unless the student waives this right or is physically unable to attend for any reason including, but not limited to, incarceration or hospitalization. No penalties may be imposed on a student for failure of the student's parent or guardian to attend a conference with Charter School Principal or Designee. Reinstatement of the suspended student shall not be contingent upon attendance by the student's parent or guardian at the conference.

MSA-4 assures that the process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence will be fair and thorough.

As an alternative to out of school suspension, MSA-4 utilizes in-school suspension as a way to redirect student choices and provide an opportunity to reflect in a space that ensures students will also be responsible for completing assigned academic work. The in-school suspension for students will be in a designated working area in the main office with access to a supervising administrator who holds a teaching credential. During in-school suspension, access to instructional materials will be coordinated by the Assistant Principal. The Assistant Principal will reach out to the students' teachers prior to the in-school suspension and the teachers will share the materials and assignments students will be working on while they are serving their in-school suspension. Since students have access to online platforms, students will be provided with a one to one device just like their peers to complete assignments. If the in-school suspension is related to a technology infraction, a hard copy will be provided as an alternative for having access to work and submitting assignments. Office staff will work alongside administrators to determine any accommodations students may need during their in-school suspension. For example, scheduled breaks, as well as providing breakfast and lunch for the student. A restorative justice team consisting of teachers and the Assistant Principal will meet to develop a positive behavioral plan to support the student during and after the in-school suspension. This plan is shared with parent/ guardian when informing them of the in-school suspension and parent/ guardian feedback is also welcomed regarding follow up support for their child. In addition to the meeting, a form will be provided to families regarding the in-school suspension and the parent can sign giving

their acknowledgment of the in-school suspension guidelines. A student may be suspended in-school for a maximum of five school days per incident and a maximum of 20 school days per academic year.

During the in-school suspension, the Assistant Principal will work directly with the student and together they will create a plan for how to re-enter the school environment following an incident. There will also be additional support added during this reflection time which may include speaking to a counselor. Every incident is unique and should there be an opportunity to restore the relationship and redirect the student's actions during the in-school suspension, this connection and established trust will be leveraged. In an effort to ensure the safety of all stakeholders, the following offenses may result in in-school suspension:

- Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence,
- Engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation against a pupil or group of pupils or school district personnel,
- Made terrorist threats against school officials or school property, or both.

The above-mentioned offenses are addressed in a serious manner and depending on the details may not be able to be rectified with an in-school suspension. The school administrator will report the incident to the appropriate authorities under the direction of the local authorities who will assess the level of risk and will act in accordance with the recommendations. The authorities will determine whether or not the situation should be handled “administratively” or by the police. The administrative team will then move forward with the appropriate support. In order to comply with Ed Code Section 48900, the school administrator will notify all stakeholders by the end of the school day.

Notice to Parents/Guardians

At the time of the suspension, the Principal or designee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the parent/guardian by telephone or in person. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian shall be notified in writing, by the Principal or Designee, of the suspension and the date of return following suspension. This notice shall state the specific offense committed by the student. In addition, the notice will also state the date and time when the student may return to school and will provide information about the appeal right and process. If Charter School administrators wish to ask the parent/guardian to confer regarding matters pertinent to the suspension, the notice will request that the parent/guardian respond to such requests without delay.

Suspension Time Limits

Suspensions, when not including a recommendation for expulsion, shall not exceed five (5) consecutive school days per suspension. A student may be suspended from school for not more than 20 school days in any school year unless, for purposes of adjustment, the student enrolls in or is transferred another regular school, an opportunity school, or continuation school or class, in which case suspension shall not exceed 30 days in any school year. However, this restriction on the number of days of suspension does not apply when the suspension is extended pending an expulsion. (Education Code Sections 48903, 48911, and 48912) The expulsion process shall not take longer than 30 days from the first day of the initial suspension. Disciplining students with Disabilities is outlined in the section below.

Suspension Appeals

Students and parent/guardian may appeal a suspension within five (5) school days of the suspension. This appeal will be made, verbally or in writing, to the Principal and heard by a Reflection Committee. The Reflection Committee is an advisory committee to the Principal, trained quarterly in restorative practices and PBIS, and will be comprised of at least one school administrator, and at least two teachers, and may also include a non-certificated employee. Current teachers of the student are not eligible to participate as a member of the Reflection Committee. All Reflection Committee hearings on suspensions will be held within two (2) school days of the appeal being made. The decision of the Reflection Committee is final. Based on the information submitted or requested, the Reflection Committee may make one of the following decisions regarding the suspension:

- Uphold the suspension
- Determine that the suspension was not within school guidelines, overturn the suspension, and order that all records and documents regarding the disciplinary proceeding be destroyed. No information regarding the suspension will be placed in the student's permanent record, or shared with anyone not directly involved in the proceedings. The Charter School administrators shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom materials and assignments for the duration of student's absence. Student will be provided the opportunity to make academic progress, make up assignments, and earn credit missed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Charter School will maintain student records in accordance with Education Code Sections 35253 and 49076 and 5 CCR 16024.

Recommendation for Placement/Expulsion

Upon a recommendation of Placement/Expulsion by the Principal, the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative will be invited to a conference with school site administrators to determine if the suspension for the student should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. In such instances when the Principal or Designee has determined a suspension period shall be extended, such extension shall be made only after a conference is held with the student or the student's parent/guardian or representative, unless the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative fail to attend the conference, at which time the school shall proceed with the extension.

This determination will be made by the Principal or designee upon either of the following findings: (1) the student's presence will be disruptive to the education process; or (2) the student poses a threat or danger to others. Upon either determination, the student's suspension will be extended pending the results of an expulsion hearing.

Access to Education

For suspensions that are not pending an expulsion hearing, the Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom material and current assignments to be completed at home during the length of the suspension. For suspensions pending an expulsion hearing, the Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students. Please see "Interim Placement" below for details.

Grounds for EXPULSION

Jurisdiction

A student may be expelled for prohibited misconduct, that are described below under the heading, “Discretionary Expellable Offences and Mandatory Expulsion Offenses,” if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MSA-4 or at any other school; or (3) a MSA-4 sponsored event. A student may be expelled for offenses that are described below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

The length of an expulsion is addressed above, under “Rehabilitation Plans.”

Discretionary Expellable Offenses

Students may be recommended for expulsion for any of the following acts when it is determined the pupil:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in serious bodily harm.
2. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in serious bodily injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, or otherwise furnished significant amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully under the influence of any controlled substance, as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion in excess of \$1,000.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.

9. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
10. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
11. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
12. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, “hazing” means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, “hazing” does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
13. Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, “terroristic threat” shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family’s safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.
14. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual’s academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
15. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
16. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
17. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.

- i. “Bullying” means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:
 - i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student’s or those students’ person or property.
 - ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a substantially detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
 - iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience substantial interference with his or her academic performance.
 - iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience substantial interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.

- ii. “Electronic Act” means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
 - i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
 - ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:
 - i. Posting to or creating a burn page. A “burn page” means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.
 - ii. Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. “Credible impersonation” means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.
 - iii. Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. “False profile” means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.

- iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - i. For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of

- a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.
- ii. For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.
2. Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.
18. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this section.
19. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee’s concurrence.

Mandatory Expulsion Offenses

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
2. Brandishing a knife at another person.
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance.
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committing a sexual battery, as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined in Education Code 48915(h).

Expulsion Procedures

Authority to Expel

If determined necessary upon the referral by the discipline committee; a student may be expelled by an Administrative Panel following a hearing before it. The Administrative Panel will include three or more certificated persons, none of whom have been members of the Board or on the staff of the Charter School in which the student is enrolled. It is important for the Administrative Panel members to have experience in education law and student discipline. Typical Administrative Panel members include teachers, school administrators and Home Office Chiefs/Directors. The Home Office will coordinate all administrators and teachers who serve on the Reflection Committee at their school sites to be “on call” for a particular month should their presence be needed at an Administrative Panel hearing. A member who served on the Reflection Committee may not serve on the Administrative Panel for the same student. The Administrative Panel may expel any student found to have committed an expellable offense.

A decision to expel a pupil for an expellable offense shall be based on a finding of one or both of the following:

- (1) Other means of correction are not feasible or have repeatedly failed to bring about proper conduct.
- (2) Due to the nature of the act, the presence of the pupil causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the pupil or others.

The process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence will be fair and thorough.

Expulsion Hearing

Students recommended for expulsion are entitled to a hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled. Unless postponed for good cause, the hearing shall be held within thirty (30) school days after the Principal determines that the Student has committed an expellable offense.

After an Administrative Panel hears the case, it will make a determination whether to expel. The hearing shall be held in closed session (complying with all pupil confidentiality rules under FERPA) unless the pupil makes a written request for a public hearing in open session three (3) days prior to the date of the scheduled hearing.

Written notice of the hearing shall be forwarded to the student and the student's parent/guardian by the Principal or Designee, at least ten (10) calendar days before the date of the hearing. Upon mailing the notice, it shall be deemed served upon the student. The notice shall include:

1. The date and place of the expulsion hearing;
2. A statement of specific facts, charges and offenses upon which the proposed expulsion is based;
3. A copy of MSA-4's disciplinary rules which relate to the alleged violation;
4. Notification of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to provide information about the student's status at the Charter School to any other school district or school to which the student seeks enrollment;
5. The opportunity for the student or the student's parent/guardian to appear in person or to employ and be represented by counsel or a non-attorney advisor;
6. The right to inspect and obtain copies of all documents to be used at the hearing;
7. The opportunity to confront and question all witnesses who testify at the hearing;
8. The opportunity to question all evidence presented and to present oral and documentary evidence on the student's behalf including witnesses.

Special procedures for Expulsion Hearings Involving Sexual Assault or Battery Offenses

MSA-4 may, upon finding a good cause, determine that the disclosure of either the identity of the witness or the testimony of that witness at the hearing, or both, would subject the complaining witness to an unreasonable risk of psychological or physical harm. Upon this determination, the testimony of

the witness may be presented at the hearing in the form of sworn declarations which shall be examined only by the Administrative Panel. Copies of these sworn declarations, edited to delete the name and identity of the complaining witness, shall be made available to the Panel.

1. The complaining witness in any sexual assault or battery case must be provided with a copy of the applicable disciplinary rules and advised of his/her right to (a) receive five (5) days notice of his/her scheduled testimony, (b) have up to two (2) adult support persons of his/her choosing present in the hearing at the time he/she testifies, which may include a parent, guardian, or legal counsel, and (c) elect to have the hearing closed while testifying.
2. MSA-4 administrators must also provide the victim a room separate from the hearing room for the complaining witness' use prior to and during breaks in testimony.
3. At the discretion of the Administrative Panel conducting the hearing, the complaining witness shall be allowed periods of relief from examination and cross-examination during which he or she may leave the hearing room.
4. The Administrative Panel conducting the expulsion hearing may also arrange the seating within the hearing room to facilitate a less intimidating environment for the complaining witness.
5. The Administrative Panel conducting the expulsion hearing may also limit time for taking the testimony of the complaining witness to the hours he/she is normally in school, if there is no good cause to take the testimony during other hours.
6. Prior to a complaining witness testifying, the support persons must be admonished that the hearing is confidential. Nothing in the law precludes the entity presiding over the hearing from removing a support person whom the presiding Administrative Panel finds is disrupting the hearing. The Administrative Panel conducting the hearing may permit any one of the support persons for the complaining witness to accompany him or her to the witness stand.
7. If one or both of the support persons is also a witness, MSA-4 administrators must present evidence that the witness' presence is both desired by the witness and will be helpful to MSA-4. The Administrative Panel presiding over the hearing shall permit the witness to stay unless it is established that there is a substantial risk that the testimony of the complaining witness would be influenced by the support person, in which case the Administrative Panel shall admonish the support person or persons not to prompt, sway, or influence the witness in any way. Nothing shall preclude the presiding entity from exercising his or her discretion to remove a person from the hearing whom he or she believes is prompting, swaying, or influencing the witness.
8. The testimony of the support person shall be presented before the testimony of the complaining witness and the complaining witness shall be excluded from the hearing during that testimony.
9. Especially for charges involving sexual assault or battery, if the hearing is to be conducted in the public at the request of the student under investigation, the complaining witness shall have the right to have his/her testimony heard in a closed session when testifying at a public meeting would threaten serious psychological harm to the complaining witness and there are no alternative procedures to avoid the threatened harm. The alternative procedures may include videotaped depositions or contemporaneous examination in another place communicated to the hearing by means of closed-circuit television.

10. Evidence of specific instances of a complaining witness' prior sexual conduct is presumed inadmissible and shall not be heard absent a determination by the Administrative Panel conducting the hearing that extraordinary circumstances exist requiring the evidence be heard. Before such a determination regarding extraordinary circumstances can be made, the witness shall be provided notice and an opportunity to present opposition to the introduction of the evidence. In the hearing on the admissibility of the evidence, the complaining witness shall be entitled to be represented by a parent, legal counsel, or other support person. Reputation or opinion evidence regarding the sexual behavior of the complaining witness is not admissible for any purpose.

Record of Expulsion Hearing

A record of the hearing shall be made and may be maintained by any means, including electronic recording, as long as a reasonably accurate and complete written transcription of the proceedings can be made.

Presentation of Evidence

While technical rules of evidence do not apply to expulsion hearings, evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. A determination by the Administrative Panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed an expellable offense. Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. While hearsay evidence is admissible, no decision to expel shall be based solely on hearsay. Sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses of whom the Panel determines that disclosure of their identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to an unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm.

If, due to a written request by the accused student, the hearing is held at a public meeting, and the charge is committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery as defined in Education Code Section 48900, a complaining witness shall have the right to have his or her testimony heard in a session closed to the public.

The decision of the Administrative Panel shall be in the form of written findings of fact.

If the Administrative Panel decides not to expel, the student shall immediately be returned to his/her educational program.

Written Notice to Expel

The Principal or designee following a decision of the Administrative Panel to expel shall send written notice within 30 days of the decision to expel, including the Administrative Panel's adopted findings of fact, to the student or parent/guardian. This notice shall also include the following:

1. Notice of the specific offense(s) committed by the student
2. Notice of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with MSA-4
3. The reinstatement eligibility review date; a copy of the rehabilitation plan; the type of educational placement during the period of expulsion, and notice of appeal rights/procedures

4. Information regarding rights to, how, timelines, and to whom a student/parent may appeal an expulsion decision

The Principal or designee shall send a copy of the written notice of the decision to expel to the student's district of residence. This notice shall include the following:

1. The student's name
2. The specific expellable offense committed by the student

Disciplinary Records

MSA-4 shall maintain records of all student suspensions and expulsions at MSA-4. Such records shall be made available to the District upon request.

Expulsion Appeals

In order to appeal an expulsion, the student/parent/guardian must submit a written appeal to the CEO of MPS outlining the reason for the appeal, attaching any supporting documentation, within ten (10) calendar days of receiving the written notice of the expulsion.

In response to the written request for an appeal, the CEO of MPS shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors. The Board shall convene a hearing on the appeal within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of a timely written request for an appeal.

At the hearing on the appeal, the student or his/her representative shall have the right to present evidence. The Board will consider the evidence and/or testimony presented to the Administrative Panel as appropriate and will render a contemporaneous written decision, which shall be immediately communicated to the appellant at the conclusion of the hearing, in the best interest of the student and the Charter School. That decision shall be final.

Interim Placement

The Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of the Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students, including, but not limited to, programs within the County or their school district of residence.

The Charter School shall work with the District for an interim placement at a community day school or other alternative program. Should the Charter School determine after the referral that the student will remain at the Charter School pending the expulsion hearing based on the best interest of the student, or if the Charter School secures another alternative interim placement at another Charter School or school within its CMO, if appropriate and aligned with applicable charter petitions, the Charter School will notify the District of such determination.

Readmission/Reinstatement

The decision to readmit a pupil previously expelled from MSA-4 shall be at the discretion of the Governing Board following a meeting with the Principal or designee, the pupil and parent/guardian or representative to determine whether the pupil has successfully completed the rehabilitation plan and to determine whether the pupil continues to pose a threat to others or will be disruptive to the school environment. The Principal or Designee will make a recommendation to the Board following the meeting regarding his/her recommendation. The Board shall then make a final decision regarding reinstatement during closed session of a public meeting, reporting out any actions taken during closed session as required of the Brown Act. The pupil's readmission is also contingent upon MSA-4's capacity at the time the student seeks readmission. These procedures will be made available to the pupil and his/her parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is issued.

Rehabilitation Plans

Pupils who are expelled from MSA-4 shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by the Administrative Panel at the time of the expulsion order. The rehabilitation plan includes improved behavior, attendance, and academic performance and shall include a date no later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to MSA-4 for readmission.

MSA-4 shall mail written notification to parent/guardian within thirty (30) days prior to the end of the expulsion term. This notice will request the parent or guardian to submit written documentation to the school showing that the student has met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan. The board shall review these documents and make a final decision regarding reinstatement. If the student does not meet the requirements of the rehabilitation plan as determined by the board, the board will revisit at a later date not to exceed one (1) year.

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

Bullying

Bullying is listed as an offense for which a student may be suspended or expelled. The Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Safe Place to Learn Act, Education Code Section 234 *et seq.* MPS' policy on bullying prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified in the definition of hate crimes. MPS' process for receiving and investigating complaints includes complaints of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified, and a requirement that Charter School personnel who witness such acts take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so, a timeline to investigate and resolve complaints, and an appeal process.

Procedures for Notifying Teachers about Dangerous Pupils

In order to fulfill the requirements made by Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 that state teachers must be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The teacher can access the suspension by looking at the student's discipline screen. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be

shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it.

Pursuant to Welfare & Institution Code 827(b) and Education Code 48267, the Court notifies the Superintendent of the LAUSD regarding students who have engaged in certain criminal conduct. This information is forwarded to the site Principal. The site Principal is responsible for prompt notification of the student's teachers. Per Education Code 49079, this information must be kept confidential. This information is also forwarded to all administrators and the student's counselor.

This notification will be provided on our school letterhead:

To: ALL CERTIFICATED STAFF
From: **Admin**
Re: Student Suspension Information

*Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 require that teachers be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it. The following are examples of Ed. Code 48900 and 48915 violations that may appear on your report.*

- E.C. 48900**
- (a)(1)** Mutual fight
 - (a)(2)** Assault/Battery
 - (b)** Possessed, sold or furnished dangerous object
 - (c)** Controlled substance/alcohol
 - (d)** Imitation controlled substance
 - (e)** Robbery/extortion
 - (f)** Vandalism
 - (g)** Theft
 - (h)** Tobacco/nicotine products
 - (i)** Obscene act, habitual profanity/vulgarity
 - (j)** Drug paraphernalia
 - (k)** Disruptive/willfully defiant behavior (grades 4-12)
 - (l)** Received stolen property
 - (m)** Imitation firearm
 - (n)** Sexual assault or battery
 - (o)** Harassed/threatened witness
 - (p)** Sale of soma
 - (q)** Hazing
 - (r)** Bullying/cyber bullying
 - (t)** Aiding and abetting
- E.C. 48900.2** Sexual harassment (gr 4-12)
E.C. 48900.3 Hate violence (gr 4-12)
E.C. 48900.4 Severe or pervasive harassment, threats and intimidation (grades 4-12)
E.C. 48900.7 Terrorist threats against school officials or property
E.C. 48915
- (a)(1)(A)** Serious physical injury
 - (a)(1)(B)** Possession: knife or dangerous object
 - (a)(1)(C)** Controlled substance

- (a)(1)(D) Robbery or extortion
- (a)(1)(E) Assault/battery of school employee
- E.C. 48915(c)(1) Possessing, selling, furnishing firearm
- (c)(2) Brandishing a knife at another person
- (c)(3) Selling a controlled substance
- (c)(4) Committing or attempting to commit sexual assault or battery
- (c)(5) Possession of an explosive

If you have any questions or want more information, please see me.

Sexual Harassment Policy

Policy Prohibiting Unlawful Harassment

MPS is committed to providing a work and educational atmosphere that is free of unlawful harassment. MPS's policy prohibits sexual harassment and harassment based upon race, color, creed, gender (including gender identity and gender expression), religion, marital status, registered domestic partner status, age, national origin or ancestry, physical or mental disability, medical condition (including cancer and genetic characteristics), genetic information, sexual orientation, military or veteran status, or any other consideration made unlawful by federal, state, or local laws. MPS will not condone or tolerate harassment of any type by any employee, independent contractor or other person with which the School does business. This policy applies to all employee actions and relationships, regardless of position or gender. MPS will promptly and thoroughly investigate any complaint of harassment and take appropriate corrective action, if warranted.

Prohibited Unlawful Harassment:

- Verbal conduct such as epithets, derogatory jokes or comments or slurs;
- Physical conduct including assault, unwanted touching, intentionally blocking normal movement or interfering with work because of sex, race or any other protected basis;
- Retaliation for reporting or threatening to report harassment; or
- Deferential or preferential treatment based on any of the protected classes above. Prohibited Unlawful Sexual Harassment:

In accordance with existing discrimination on the basis of gender in education institutions is prohibited. All persons, regardless of the gender, are afforded equal rights and opportunities and freedom from unlawful discrimination in education programs or activities conducted by the School.

MPS is committed to provide a workplace free of sexual harassment and considers such harassment to be a major offense, which may result in disciplinary action, up to, and including dismissal, of the offending employee.

Sexual harassment consist of sexual advances, request for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, regardless of whether or not the conduct is motivated by sexual desire, when: (1) submission of the conduct is either made explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; (2) an employment decision is based upon an

individual's acceptance or rejection of that conduct; (3) that conduct interferes with an individual's work performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

It is also unlawful to retaliate in any way against an employee who has articulated a good faith concern about sexual harassment against him or her or against another individual.

All supervisors of staff will receive sexual harassment training within six (6) months of their assumption of a supervisory position and will receive further training once every two (2) years thereafter. All staff will receive sexual harassment training and/or instruction concerning sexual harassment in the workplace as required by law.

Each employee has the responsibility to maintain a workplace free from any form of sexual harassment. Consequently, should any individual, in particular those with supervisory responsibilities, become aware of any conduct that may constitute sexual harassment or other prohibited behavior, immediate action should be taken to address such conduct. Employees and students are expected to act in a positive and professional manner and to contribute to a policy, productive School environment that is free from harassing or disruptive activity. Any employee who believes they have been sexually harassed or has witnessed sexual harassment is encouraged to immediately report such harassment to the Principal (or MPSCO Human Services for MPSCO employees). See Appendix A for the "Harassment Complaint Form." See Appendix B for the general "Complaint Form."

Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- Physical assaults of a sexual nature, such as:
 - Rape, sexual battery, molestation or attempts to commit these assaults and intentional physical conduct that is sexual in nature, such as touching, pinching, patting, grabbing, brushing against another's body, or poking another's body.

Unwanted sexual advances, propositions or other sexual comments, such as:

- Sexually oriented gestures, notices, remarks, jokes, or comments about a person's sexuality or sexual experience.
- Preferential treatment or promises of preferential treatment to an employee for submitting to sexual conduct, including soliciting or attempting to solicit any employee to engage in sexual activity for compensation or reward or deferential treatment for rejecting sexual conduct.
- Subjecting or threats of subjecting an employee to unwelcome sexual attention or conduct or intentionally making performance of the employee's job more difficult because of the employee's sex.

Sexual or discriminatory displays or publications anywhere at the workplace by employees, such as:

- Displaying pictures, cartoons, posters, calendars, graffiti, objections, promotional materials, reading materials, or other materials that are sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic or bringing to work or possessing any such material to read, display or view at work.
- Reading publicly or otherwise publicizing in the work environment materials that are in any way sexually revealing, sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic; and
- Displaying signs or other materials purporting to segregate an employee by sex in an area of the workplace (other than restrooms or similar rooms). The illustrations of harassment and sexual harassment above are not to be construed as an all-inclusive list of prohibited acts under this policy. Complainants and witnesses under these policies will be protected from further harassment and will not be retaliated against in any aspect of their employment due to their participation, filing of a complaint or reporting sexual harassment. MPS will investigate complaints promptly and provide a written report of the investigation and decision as soon as practicable. The investigation will be handled in as confidential a manner as possible consistent with a full, fair, and proper investigation. While in most situations a personal relationship is a private matter, these relationships are not appropriate in a professional setting, particularly where one of the parties has management or supervisory responsibilities.

B. Staff/Student Interaction Policy

MPS recognizes its responsibility to make and enforce all rules and regulations governing student and employee behavior to bring about the safest and most learning-conducive environment possible.

Corporal Punishment:

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain on a student.

For purposes of this policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to property.

For clarification purposes, the following examples are offered for direction and guidance of School personnel:

Examples of PERMITTED actions (NOT corporal punishment):

- Stopping a student from fighting with another student;
- Preventing a pupil from committing an act of vandalism;
- Defending yourself from physical injury or assault by a student;
- Forcing a pupil to give up a weapon or dangerous object;

- Requiring an athletic team to participate in strenuous physical training activities designed to strengthen or condition team members or improve their coordination, agility, or physical skills;
- Engaging in group calisthenics, team drills, or other physical education or voluntary recreational activities.

Examples of PROHIBITED actions (corporal punishment):

- Hitting, shoving, pushing, or physically restraining a student as a means of control;
- Making unruly students do push-ups, run laps, or perform other physical acts that cause pain or discomfort as a form of punishment;
- Paddling, swatting slapping, grabbing, pinching, kicking, or otherwise causing physical pain.

Acceptable and Unacceptable Staff/Student Behavior:

This policy is intended to guide all School faculty and staff in conducting themselves in a way that reflects the high standards of behavior and professionalism required of school employees and to specify the boundaries between students and staff.

Although this policy gives specific, clear direction, it is each staff member’s obligation to avoid situations that could prompt suspicion by parents, students, colleagues, or school leaders. One viable standard that can be quickly applied, when you are unsure if certain conduct is acceptable, is to ask yourself, “Would I be engaged in this conduct if my family or colleagues were standing next to me?”

For the purposes of this policy, the term “boundaries” is defined as acceptable professional behavior by staff members while interacting with a student. Trespassing the boundaries of a student/teacher relationship is deemed an abuse of power and a betrayal of public trust.

Some activities may seem innocent from a staff member’s perspective, but can be perceived as flirtation or sexual insinuation from a student or parent point of view. The objective of the following lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors is not to restrain innocent, positive relationships between staff and students, but to prevent relationships that could lead to, or may be perceived as, sexual misconduct.

Staff must understand their own responsibility for ensuring that they do not cross the boundaries as written in this policy. Disagreeing with the wording or intent of the established boundaries will be considered irrelevant for disciplinary purposes. Thus, it is crucial that all employees learn this policy thoroughly and apply the lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors to their daily activities. Although sincere, competent interaction with students certainly fosters learning, student/staff interactions must have boundaries surrounding potential activities, locations and intentions.

Duty to Report Suspected Misconduct

When any employee becomes aware of another staff member having crossed the boundaries specified in this policy, he or she must speak to this staff member if the violation appears minor, or report the matter to school administrators. If the observed behavior appears significant, it is the duty of every staff member to immediately report it to an administrator. All reports shall be confidential. It is the duty of the administrator to investigate and thoroughly report the situation. Employees must also report to the administration any awareness or concern of student behavior that crosses boundaries or where a student appears to be at risk for sexual abuse.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors (Violations of this Policy):

- Giving gifts to an individual student that are of a personal and intimate nature;
- Kissing of any kind;
- Any type of unnecessary physical contact with a student in a private situation;
- Intentionally being alone with a student away from the school;
- Making or participating in sexually inappropriate comments;
- Sexual jokes;
- Seeking emotional involvement with a student for your benefit;
- Listening to or telling stories that are sexually oriented;
- Discussing inappropriate personal troubles or intimate issues with a student in an attempt to gain their support and understanding;
- Becoming involved with a student so that a reasonable person may suspect inappropriate behavior.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors without Parent and Supervisor Permission:

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a staff member has parent and supervisor permission.)

- Giving students a ride to/from school or school activities;
- Being alone in a room with a student at school with the door closed;
- Allowing students in your home.

Cautionary Staff/Student Behaviors:

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a reasonable and prudent person, acting as an educator, is prevented from using a better practice or behavior. Staff members should inform their supervisor of the circumstance and occurrence prior to or immediately after the occurrence)

- Remarks about the physical attributes or development of anyone;
- Excessive attention toward a particular student;
- Sending emails, text messages or letters to students if the content is not about school activities. Acceptable and Recommended Staff/Student Behaviors:
- Getting parents' written consent for any after-school activity;
- Obtaining formal approval to take students off school property for activities such as field trips or competitions;
- E-mails, text, phone and instant messages to students must be very professional and pertaining to school activities or classes (Communication should be limited to school technology);
- Keeping the door open when alone with a student;
- Keeping reasonable space between you and your students;
- Stopping and correcting students if they cross your own personal boundaries;
- Keeping parents informed when a significant issue develops about a student;
- Keeping after-class discussions with a student professional and brief;
- Asking for advice from fellow staff or administrators if you find yourself in a difficult situation related to boundaries;
- Involving your supervisor if conflict arises with the student;
- Informing the Executive Director about situations that have the potential to become more severe;
- Making detailed notes about an incident that could evolve into a more serious situation later;
- Recognizing the responsibility to stop unacceptable behavior of students or coworkers;
- Asking another staff member to be present if you will be alone with any type of special needs student;
- Asking another staff member to be present when you must be alone with a student after regular school hours;
- Giving students praise and recognition without touching them;
- Pats on the back, high fives and handshakes are acceptable;

- Keeping your professional conduct a high priority;
- Asking yourself if your actions are worth your job and career.

School-wide Dress Code prohibiting gang-related apparel

Disruption and/or intimidation caused by the wearing of any type of clothing/jewelry or by writing of any signs identified as or associated with gangs. No gang activity or gang association will be permitted at school or school sponsored activities. Gang symbols on notebooks, lockers, book bags, etc. are not permitted and will be documented. Students may not promise to become or be members of a gang, secret society, illegal club, sorority or fraternity.

Procedures for Safe Ingress and Egress from School

***Please see school map at bottom of this Safety Plan**

Visitors and guests are welcome at the school. However, to safeguard students and staff, reasonable precautions should be taken.

Visitors should:

1. Always report and sign in at the office.
2. Be provided with a visitor's badge.
3. Be prepared to provide identification to school personnel.
4. Respect school rules.

School personnel should:

1. Insure all exterior doors are marked with a notice to visitors to first report to the office.
2. Exterior doors should remain locked, except doors near the office area.
3. Staff should receive training on how to greet visitors. The first question is "May I help you?"
4. Someone should greet every visitor.
5. Any intruder found roaming the building should be escorted to the office. Someone can then provide any additional information or directions. (NOTE: An intruder is anyone without a visitor's badge or lacking visible identification stating who they are, i.e., school employee)

Visitors who fail to comply with school procedures:

1. Should verbally be informed they are in violation of school policy. (Example - "Sir, you must report to the office immediately. If you fail to do so, you will be considered a trespasser, and school security will be called.")

2. If this fails:
 - Notify the office of the situation.
 - Follow the person, if possible, and continue to give notice of the violation of school rules.
3. Police should be notified, or call 911.
4. Office should activate building-wide notification plan concerning intruder:
 - PA announcement using pre-determined code phrase.
 - Classroom doors should be closed.
 - Students should remain in current areas.

Procedures to Ensure a Safe and Orderly Environment

The Social Climate and the Physical Environment

Our staff believes that safety and education is a shared responsibility between parents, teachers and students. The successful operation of this school depends on the cooperation of everyone concerned. Each group is responsible for doing its part to make school a place where we can learn, be safe and play together in harmony. Everyone has the right to feel safe, secure, and accepted regardless of color, race, gender, popularity, ability, religion or nationality. Our handbook allows us to share our vision with the students and parents of our team.

MPS is a reflection of all of us. All of our policies are intended to provide a safe and orderly environment that will be conducive to learning. Our faculty and staff look forward to sharing their expertise in academics, special programs, and extracurricular activities. We encourage you to get to know the school, its programs, activities, and schedule. Become an active participant in your education. Get involved through classes, clubs, and activities.

MPS is aware of the fact that a school environment is viable only with clearly defined and implemented rules. MPS compiled the student-parent handbook, which addresses the schools regulations and policies to set a standard.

Core Values

Magnolia Public Schools has identified the following core values which are reinforced through its “Life Skills” curriculum, expected school wide learning results (ESLR), and all school activities.

Value: Scholarship Value: Critical Thinking

Success and Self Discipline Citizenship and Personal Qualities

Value: Social Responsibility Value: Effective Communication

Respect and Responsible Choices Conflict Resolution and Human Relations

Effective Communication:

When issues or concerns arise with a teacher, staff member or administrator, students and parents are encouraged to address the situation with the person involved first.

If students express that they are having a problem at school, it is important for parents to understand the best way to address these problems. If the problem involves a classroom situation or a situation with a teacher, the following remedies are recommended:

1. Parents should encourage their child to talk with the teacher.
2. Parents can encourage their child to talk with an administrator.
3. If the child is reluctant to talk with a teacher or administrator, a parent may offer to accompany their child and talk with the teacher.

It is very important to demonstrate to children how to actively and constructively solve a problem. If the problem is important enough for the child to talk about, it is important for the child to learn how to be a part of the solution.

If parent feels there is a concern they should:

1. Talk with the teacher. Teachers can explain classroom situations from an adult perspective and from a professional perspective, and usually that will resolve misunderstandings.
2. If the problem persists after a reasonable time, talk with the teacher again.
3. If the problem is still not resolved, make an appointment with the related administrator.

For example, if you are unsure of a decision made in the classroom about a consequence given for a behavior, you should discuss the situation with the teacher first. If after this discussion, you feel the situation is unresolved, it should be brought to the attention of the Dean of Students. If it is still not handled to your satisfaction, the Principal should be notified.

If after meeting with the Principal, you still have concerns, MPS Central Office and the MPS Board and, after that, the School District/County/State would be the next avenue of communication.

Teachers, staff, and administration are available through email, phones, in person and by appointment. Due to the busy schedules of the teachers and administration, parents are asked to not "drop in" for appointments, but to set up a meeting in advance. Parents should not talk to teachers, other parents, students, or administrators in a disrespectful or threatening manner.

Students' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of all school rules and regulations.
- To have access to your student account in Illuminate.
- To have a safe and educational environment.
- To attend class regularly and on time.

- To obey school rules and regulations.
- To respect your rights and the rights of your peers.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To be prepared for class with appropriate materials and ready to work.
- To respect all school personnel and their authority (administrators, teachers, office personnel, janitorial staff, security guards, etc.).

Parents' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of the school's rules and regulations.
- To be informed of all school actions related to their child.
- To have access to your personal parent accounts in Illuminate.
- To contact school to participate in conferences pertaining to academic and behavioral status of their child.
- To provide a supportive environment at home making sure their child gets enough sleep and adequate nutrition before coming to school.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To contact teachers directly via phone or email to schedule a conference.
- To be familiar with the handbook, which was signed at the beginning of the school year.
- To monitor your child's academic progress and behavior records on a weekly basis.
- To ensure that your child does his/her homework on a daily basis and to facilitate a home environment conducive to home study.

Teachers' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To expect students to behave in a positive manner that will not interfere with other students' learning.
- To expect parental support related to academic and social progress.
- To expect all students to participate and put forth effort in order to expand their education and earn a passing grade.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To inform parents through progress reports, report cards, and conferences about the academic

progress and behavior of their child.

- To conduct a well-planned and effective classroom program.
- To initiate and enforce a set of classroom rules, consistent with the school's discipline policies.
- To keep assignments, grading, and attendance current in Illuminate.
- To have administrative support for discipline in and outside the classroom. To explain the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy to their students.
- To enforce the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy in a consistent manner.
- To function as a positive role model for their students.
- To contact parents as deemed necessary to enforce the Student Code of Conduct and to maintain parent/guardian involvement.

Administrators' Rights and Responsibilities:

- The right to address the Board of Trustees on any issue.
- To hold students to strict accountability for any disorderly conduct in school or around school.
- To take appropriate action in dealing with students who choose not to follow the rules.
- "All students shall comply with the regulations, pursue the required course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers of the school." Education Code, § 48900 et seq.
- To recommend in-school suspension, suspension, or expulsion as the situation demands.
- To provide rich leadership that will establish, encourage and promote effective teaching and learning.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To establish, promote, and enforce school rules that facilitate effective learning and positive habits and attitudes of excellent citizenship among students.

Illuminate provides the following information:

1. Attendance: Each student's attendance (tardy/absence) is recorded daily (by each teacher) in 'real-time.' This is one method our parents can monitor their child's attendance in each class daily.
2. Grades: Our teachers input all academic grades online for each assignment, quiz, and examination.

3. Behavior: Each student receives a ‘Behavior’ grade that is recorded on Illuminate.
4. Homework/Assignments: Our teachers upload and document all homework assignments on Illuminate. This information is useful for students who were absent from class and also provides a reminder for those who may have forgotten to record their homework assignment for a course.
5. Illuminate Point System: we believe that students should be rewarded for good work, positive behavior and exuding the school’s expected school-wide learning results which students earn points and are recorded on Illuminate. The point Illuminate system serves as an incentive program that our teachers use to encourage students to improve. However, when students fail to demonstrate positive behavior, and/or the school-wide goals then points are deducted.
6. Communication: Illuminate provides another effective method for parents, students and teachers and the school’s leadership team to communicate online and leave messages that are documented through a communication log. The types of communications include but are not limited to: informing parents about their child’s academic progress, progress reports, mandatory tutoring letters, announcements, articles posted on the school’s website, honor roll, behavior, recognition of perfect attendance, upcoming Parent Task Force meetings/events, and upcoming awards for recognition. Also, teachers can post updates, upcoming deadlines and leave messages for students and parents using Illuminate. For parents who do not have access to a computer, the front office has a computer available for their use anytime during school hours and after-school. Illuminate provides yet another way for our parents to become involved in their child’s education, and our teachers have the support of the families in doing so.

Our Graduates will be:

Critical Thinkers who:

- Apply, analyze, identify, synthesize and evaluate information and experiences.
- Connect the skills and content learned across the curriculum and evaluate multiple points of view.
- Use the **Inquiry Process** to address a problem, hypothesize, analyze, and draw conclusions as they investigate an issue/problem.
- Utilize Problem-solving techniques during conflict resolution and to compromise.

Effective Communicators who:

- Demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills through the use of Academic Language at school, with peers and in the community.
- Demonstrate Content area and grade level achievement in Reading, Writing, Mathematics, History and Science.
- Collaborate, work effectively, and manage interpersonal relationships within diverse groups and settings.

21st Century Scholars who:

- Use technology effectively to access, organize, research and present information.
- Demonstrate the ability to integrate technology as an effective tool in their daily lives.

- Have developed an academic plan with goals to guide them in their pursuit towards a college degree and career choices (planning).
- Have a clear understanding of the UC A-G Course Requirements and meet college eligibility requirements.

Socially Responsible Global Citizens who:

- Embrace and respect cultural diversity through the understanding of our Global World.
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of American and World History and the values of different cultures.
- Contribute to the improvement of life in their school and local community through Leadership skills and participation in Community Projects.
- Demonstrate knowledge of proper nutrition, exercise and physical health and its impact on daily life.

“Life Skills”

Our ESLR’s are also integrated and further reinforced in our daily “Life Skills” Course, a requirement for all students in grades 6-8. Each year, the Principal will join the other 10 from all Magnolia Public Schools to collaborate to discuss and reflect on the impact of the Life Skills Curriculum, the school’s mission, vision and school culture. Based on the discussion and feedback, the curriculum is revised to support the school’s culture and engage all students while creating a safe and respectful learning environment for all students.

The 2018-19 Life Skills Curriculum addresses the following issues/topics as part of the curriculum:

- Patterns of Success (Essential skills to prepare for College & Academic Success)
- Respect
- Conflict Resolution (Addressing teen issues including Bullying, Cyber bullying, Peer Pressure)
- Making Responsible Choices (Ethics, Drug/Alcohol Awareness/Prevention)
- Citizenship (Democratic Values)
- Human Relations (Social Interactions)
- Personal Qualities (Core Values)
- Self-Discipline (Developing a positive attitude)

“Life Skills” is an enriching course that provides our students with valuable skills to excel academically and socially in the 21st century. The teacher leads the course, and then students participate in activities/projects to demonstrate their understanding of the material and answer questions posed. In addition, our instructors have guest speakers and utilize various forms of technology to engage students in the course content.

Parent Association

Our parent association holds annual elections for the following positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Approximately 10% of our parents continuously attends monthly PTSC meetings. Our PTSC supports our school and students through fundraising, recruiting volunteer for our school, and student outreach/recruitment. The purpose is to support the school staff and students in the school’s areas of needs and as family to create a community within our school. Our goal is to increase the percentage of parents attending. We understand that our parents lead hectic lives so we are having

parent meetings in the mornings and evenings as a pilot program to assess if this move will increase parent participation.

Professional Development

Professional development occurs on a regular basis to address the diverse needs of our students and their various learning styles. Prior to the start of the academic school year, teachers receive extensive trainings on school wide academic expectations and how to meet the needs of all learners. Teachers are trained on the rules and regulations students are expected to uphold, including but not limited to illegal substances (drugs, alcohol, and related paraphernalia) and the risks and factors related to this. Also, trainings on bullying awareness and bullying prevention occur throughout the school year to help minimize bullying related altercations.

- a. Plans encouraged including guidelines for roles and responsibilities of mental health/intervention professionals, school counselors, and law enforcement, if school uses these people. EC 32281.1 effective January 1, 2104
 - a. Include strategies to create and maintain a positive school climate, promote school safety, and increase pupil achievement, and prioritize mental health and intervention services, restorative and transformative justice programs, and positive behavior interventions and support. Address mental health care of pupils who have witnessed a violent act at any time, related to school activity. Addendum to EC 32281.1 effective January 1, 2015
- b. Collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in order to create a plan to address the threat of sexual abuse and sex trafficking. EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015

We collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in accordance with EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015

Physical Environment

Our school provides a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment characterized by trust, caring and professionalism. We have adopted and implemented a comprehensive set of health, safety, and risk management policies to create a safe and secure learning environment. These policies comply with all applicable state and local health and safety laws and regulations. It is the responsibility of the on-site school administration to consistently monitor all activities to ensure safety and security of the students. Parents and students are also made aware of these policies as it regards to them in the form of student and parent handbooks. We are dedicated to enforcing school functions as a drug-free, alcohol-free, and tobacco-free zone, as well as a zero-tolerance policy for sexual harassment for all employees, students, and parents. Students are educated about bullying and cyber bullying via school-wide assemblies and individual guest speakers. All staff members are mandated reporters in case of child abuse or violence. Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

- a. Plans include guidelines for roles and responsibilities of mental health/intervention professionals, school counselors, and law enforcement, if school uses these people. EC 32281.1 effective January 1, 2104
 - b. Include strategies to create and maintain a positive school climate, promote school safety, and increase pupil achievement, and prioritize mental health and intervention services, restorative and transformative justice programs, and positive behavior interventions and support. Address mental health care of pupils who have witnessed a violent act at any time, related to school activity. Addendum to EC 32281.1 effective January 1, 2015
- Goal(s): All employees will uphold and implement all stated policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.
 - Objective 1: Quarterly all employees will review the policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.
 - Related Activities: Review regularly during Professional Development, committee meetings and safety meetings.
 - Resources needed: Safety plan,
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Designated administrator, safety committee
 - Timeline for implementation: August 2016
 - Budget: None
 - Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders
 - Goal(s): Maintain and upkeep a safe school campus
 - Objective: Monthly school personnel will complete a campus walk-thru form to identify any areas of need.

- Related Activities: Teachers can report concerns during weekly staff meetings.
- Resources needed: Walk-thru form, building supplies
- Person(s) responsible for implementation: Plant manager
- Timeline for implementation: August 2016
- Budget: Refer to schools annual budget
- Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

Rules and Procedures on School Discipline

Magnolia Public Schools Student Code of Conduct: MPS is committed to excellence in academic instruction and in cooperating with parents/guardians to teach students the behaviors and skills that support social successes throughout life. To accomplish this goal, MPS is taking a proactive approach to teaching social skills as a significant component of the educational program. The curriculum includes teaching of the behaviors necessary for effective and satisfying social interaction in school, on field trips, in the community, and at home.

Expected Student Behavior

Students should always remember that their behavior and actions at school and at school-sponsored activities are a reflection not only of themselves, but also of the school. The following is a guideline of what is expected from an MPS student:

Breakfast/Lunch Time:

- Proceed to the eating area as instructed by MPS staff.
- Eat and finish their breakfast/lunch in the assigned area. No food should be eaten outside the designated areas.
- Wait patiently for their food, and follow the direction of the adults on duty.
- Clean up after themselves and dispose of their trash in the appropriate area.
- Remember that they are not allowed in the school building without a pass.

Remember that restroom use is at the discretion of the security guard/supervisor staff. Students must carry a pass that is given to them by security guard/supervisor staff.

On Campus:

- Stay in designated areas on-campus.
- Be courteous and respectful at all times to everyone.
- Not use profanity, lie, fight, gamble, possess inappropriate literature or material, or be involved in the abuse/harassment of others.
- Not use or have cellular phones turned on during school hours; students are allowed to use cellular phones only in the designated area after school. Phones should not be used during after school programs, such as tutoring.
- Remember that any electronic devices seen during class time will be confiscated and returned to the student's parents/guardians at the discretion of administration.
- Remember that gum chewing is not allowed anywhere on campus.
- Never ride bicycles, use roller blades or skateboards on campus nor bring them to class.
- Not leave campus without permission during school hours.
- Not use matches, lighters, or any type of explosive incendiary device on campus.

- Remember that no electronic devices such as CD/MP3/IPOD players may be visible or used on the campus grounds.
- Students are not allowed to loiter in the hallways.

Assemblies:

- Be courteous and quiet during the entire assembly.
- Be respectful to the presenter/speaker.
- Follow all teacher/staff directions.

Field Trips: Students must:

- Be on their best behavior. Pay attention to the directives given by the moderator and trip leader.
- Follow all school rules pertaining to behavior.
- Wear MPS uniform unless authorized by administration.

Public areas: Hallways, Lunchroom & Restrooms: Hallways, Lunchroom and Restrooms are areas used by all members of School.

- Use the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms only as needed and then move on to class.
- Eat only in the cafeteria or other designated area.
- Leave gum at home; chewing gum is strictly prohibited anywhere on campus.
- Maintain orderly conduct always; walk in the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms.
- Keep in mind that profanity and vulgar language at any level is unacceptable and is strictly prohibited in all areas and at school functions at all times.
- Limit excessive noise such as yelling, screaming or banging lockers while in these areas.
- Help keep the school clean by picking up after yourself and putting your belongings in their proper place.
- Respect others personal space and keep your hands to yourself even in play.
- Have a pass to be in the above areas during class time.
- Keep in mind that vandalism, littering, or graffiti in the school is prohibited and should be reported as this reflects poorly on everyone.
- Public displays of affection are prohibited.
- Bring only plastic and paper containers to school; all glass containers are prohibited on campus and will be confiscated.
- Be responsible and report any leaks, spills, or other problems in the bathroom to a teacher or the office.
 - Be responsible for cleaning up after yourself, including the disposing of or the recycling of garbage.
- Have a hall pass if you are outside of the classroom during class time.
- Not visit with friends or interrupt another classroom.
- Not misuse the hall pass as it will result in loss of the hall pass privilege.
- Get a referral from your teacher before you go to the office. Do not use the hall pass.

Emergency Drills: Fire drills, lockdowns, and evacuation drills are conducted periodically for everyone's protection and are required by law. During these drills it is imperative that students remain silent, follow instructions given by the staff, and carry out all directions in an orderly fashion.

Classroom:

- Be seated and ready to begin their assignment when the bell rings.
- Be courteous to all teachers and students.
- Follow all school and classroom rules.
- Bring all necessary materials/supplies ready to work daily.

Classroom Procedures and Consequences: Please check the teacher's syllabus for specific consequences, which may include:

1. In Class Warning
2. Student-Teacher Conference
3. Detention / Parental Notification
4. Parent Conference
5. Office Referral & Administrative Disciplinary Procedures

Illuminate Behavior Entries

[For Middle & High School Only: Student behavior will be recorded on Illuminate and students will receive the following rewards or consequences based on their behavior points.

Positive Rewards:

+5 Contact parent/guardian +10 Lunch speed pass +15 Treat +20 One day free dress (pass will be given) +25 Extended lunch period +30 Two day free dress (pass will be given) +35 VIP breakfast +40 Entered in a raffle +45 Free dress – every Friday for one month (pass will be given) +50 VIP lunch and “Race to the top”

Minor / Major Behavior Entries:

5 Minor entries will result in contact with the parent/guardian. 10 minor entries will equal a loss of privileges. 15 Minor entries will result in a parent conference / Red slip*Behavior plan and lunch detention. 25 Minor entries will be shadowed by parent for a day and one hour after school detention. 30 or more Minor entries will result in student improvement team / plan and a discipline committee outcome.

*Students earn a positive Illuminate point for receiving all acceptable marks and a signature on their red slip. When a student receives negative twenty or more discipline entries recorded on Illuminate, the MPS administration will arrange a meeting with that student and the parent to develop a behavioral plan. If the student fails to abide by the discipline tracker rules or an agreement between the administration, parents, and student, cannot be reached, the student will be referred to the School Discipline Committee.

C. Unacceptable types of Behavior

All students at MPS are entitled to the rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights, and their rights will not be knowingly denied by the required code of conduct or by any disciplinary actions taken by the school. Accordingly, after an analysis of each case, any student who exhibits any of the unacceptable student behaviors listed in this handbook may incur consequences. These consequences range from notification of parents, detention, to emergency removal from a school activity, suspension, expulsion, and criminal prosecution. MPS reserves the right to notify the authorities and the Department of Education as required by law relating to disciplinary actions taken. It is to be noted that MPS reserves the right to discipline any act that has a nexus with MPS or the school community. In other words MPS may discipline behavior at school or at a school related or school-sponsored function or any activity or any act that has a negative effect on the school environment or that is performed with/on/by/via school equipment or school property. The following tables delineate unacceptable types of behavior and possible consequences.

Assaulting, Fighting and/or Arranging Fights:

School is not a place to arrange fights, whether those fights take place on or off school grounds. Any fight and/or attempting to fight will involve disciplining all students involved.

Bringing / Using Electronic Devices:

CD Players, IPOD, MP3 players, phones, PDA, PSP, Laptops, Electronic Games, and/or similar devices are not allowed to be used at school. They disrupt classes and distract others from learning. If you choose to bring them for use outside of school it is at your own discretion. MPS assumes no liability for any damaged, destroyed, lost, stolen, misplaced or otherwise compromised electronic device brought onto MPS property.

Scholastic Dishonesty:

Scholastic dishonesty includes (but is not limited to) cheating on tests, and/or any other types of deception to obtain credit without effort. Scholastic dishonesty is unacceptable conduct. Each teacher sets their own standards of behavior for their classroom, and students are expected to know the standards and procedures for each of their classes.

Texting/Sexting:

Sexting can be defined as the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photographs electronically, primarily between mobile phones and/or any other communication devices.

Disrupting Learning:

Disrupting learning includes any behavior that prevents other students from learning. It may include but is not limited to inappropriate language, eating or drinking during class against teachers' classroom rules, chewing gum, insubordination and/or selling or trading personal possessions to other students.

Horseplay:

Rough or boisterous play including but not limited to shoving, play fighting, kicking, name calling, teasing, pushing/pulling on a student and shoulder bumps

Possession or Use of Drugs and/or Alcohol and the Sale or Intention to Sell Drugs and/or Alcohol:

Use of drugs or alcohol means a student knowingly possesses, consumes, uses, handles, gives, stores, conceals, offers to sell, sells, transmits, acquires, buys, represents, makes, applies, or is under the influence of any narcotic drug, hallucinogen, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, tranquilizer, non-prescription or prescription drug (except when under the direction of a physician/parent and within school procedure), alcohol, intoxicant, solvent, gas, or any mood-altering chemical, drug of abuse or any counterfeit-controlled substance of any kind including butane lighters. The sale, distribution, possession, or use of drugs, alcohol, fake drugs, steroids, inhalants, and look-alike drugs is prohibited everywhere on school grounds, at all school activities, and on all school transportation (drug free zone 1000 feet radius). Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by Administration and/or Law Enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

False Fire Alarms:

Issuing a false fire alarm is a violation of State law. Making false 911 calls is also violation of the State Law.

Forgery of Signatures:

Any attempt by a student to sign a teacher's, administrator's, parent/guardian's, and/or another student's name to any school document will be considered forgery.

Vulgarity, Profanity and Obscenity:

Any gesture or material of this nature is not permitted at school or school functions.

Behaving Disrespectfully towards Teachers or Staff:

Disrespect (i.e. arguing, talking back, etc.) and insubordination (failure to comply with directives) toward any member of the faculty or staff will not be tolerated. Profanity, either spoken or written is considered a form of disrespect.

Smoking or Use of Other Tobacco Products:

Possession of tobacco products in any part of the school (drug free zone 1000 feet radius) or on the student is prohibited under this policy. This includes cigarettes, cigars, herbs, and smokeless tobacco. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched if the presence of such items is suspected.

Stealing and/or Vandalizing School/Private Property & Graffiti:

This means to cause or attempt to cause damage to private property, stealing or attempting to steal private property either on school grounds or during school activities, functions or events. Students and their parents or guardians will be held responsible for any theft/vandalism/graffiti (including graffiti tools such as permanent markers) that the student commits. Theft or vandalism of school property carries heavy legal penalties.

Displaying Threatening Behavior:

Threatening behavior includes: verbal threats, both face to face and over electronic media (phone and/or computers), non-verbal threats (“hard” stares, gestures), willfully causing or attempting to cause physical injury to another person, causing or attempt to cause any student, teacher, administrator, or staff member to feel frightened or intimidated.

Bringing Weapon in School:

A weapon includes, but is not limited to, conventional objects like guns, pellet guns, knives, smoke bombs, fireworks, club of any type, mace, tear gas, or other chemicals. This may also include any toy that is presented as a real weapon. It also includes objects converted from their original use to threaten or injure another. The Administration reserves the right to all final decisions regarding the definition of a weapon. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by administration or law enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

Possession or Use of Fireworks:

Using or possessing any amusement device, smoke bomb, stink bomb, etc.

Arson:

Intentionally starting any fire or combustion on school property

Public Display of Affection:

Public displays of affection are not allowed.

Provoking/Intimidating Behavior Encouraging or Urging Other Students to Violate School Rules:

Any student who, by means of provocation, intimidation, encouragement, request, or other means of promotion, induces or attempts to induce another student to violate a MPS school rule shall be subject to the following discipline.

Students with an IEP:

If a student has a behavior plan in his/her IEP, the consequences cited in that plan will be used in the event of specified misbehavior. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team shall meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved. Suspensions of students with disabilities cannot exceed ten days without a "manifestation determination." A student cannot be suspended for more than ten days for misconduct that is a manifestation of their disability. State law defers to federal law for most of the rules governing suspension and expulsion of special education students.

Hate Crime Policies and Procedures

Additional information prohibiting other forms of unlawful discrimination or harassment, inappropriate behavior, and/or hate-motivated incidents/crimes may be found in local District/State policies. It is the intent of MPS that all such policies be reviewed consistently to provide the highest level of protection from unlawful discrimination in the provision of educational services and opportunities.

Bullying Prevention Policies and Procedures

Bullying is not permitted at MPS. In addition MPS will not tolerate unlawful intimidation and bullying due to actual or perceived characteristics such as age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, disability, nationalist, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or a person's association with a person, or group, with or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Each student deserves an equal opportunity to obtain an education without dealing with the negative pressures of peers. Bullying consists of any of the following: pushing, shoving, hitting, and spitting, name calling, picking on, making fun of, laughing at, and excluding someone physically or via social media or electronic communications. Bullying causes pain and stress to those who are victims and is never justified or excusable as "kids being kids", "just teasing", "joking", "playing around" or any other rationalization. This includes the use of social media for wrongful purposes.

Each MPS student agrees to:

- Value student differences and treat others with respect.
- Not become involved in bullying incidents or be a bully.

Harassment of Students, Teachers, Administrators, or Staff:

Harassment means making unwelcome advances or any form of improper physical contact or sexual remark and any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating or offensive learning environment. Harassment can be verbal, physical and visual. (Education Code, § 212.5) Harassment is a violation of Federal Law and is contrary to the School Board's commitment to provide a physically and psychologically safe environment in which to learn.

Student Hazing:

Hazing is defined as doing any act or coercing another person for initiation into any organization that causes or creates a substantial risk or causes mental or physical harm. Permission, consent or assumption of the risk by an individual subjected to hazing does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy. Hazing may carry heavy legal consequences

BP 5131.2(a)**BULLYING**

The County Board recognizes the harmful effects of bullying on student learning and school attendance and desires to provide safe school environments that protect students from physical and emotional harm. The County Superintendent will establish student safety as a high priority and will not tolerate bullying of any student.

No student or group of students shall, through physical, written, verbal, or other means, harass, sexually harass, threaten, intimidate, cyber bully, cause bodily injury to, or commit hate violence against any other student or school personnel.

Cyber bullying is an act of bullying committed through the transmission of a message, text, sound, or image by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone or other wireless communication device, computer or pager. *Cyber bullying* includes the transmission of harassing communications, direct threats, or other harmful texts, sounds, or images on the Internet, social media, or other technologies using a telephone, computer, or any wireless communication device. Cyber bullying also includes breaking into another person's electronic account and assuming that person's identity in order to damage that person's reputation.

Strategies for bullying prevention and intervention shall be developed with involvement of key stakeholders in accordance with law, County Board policy, and administrative regulation governing the development of comprehensive safety plans and shall be incorporated into such plans.

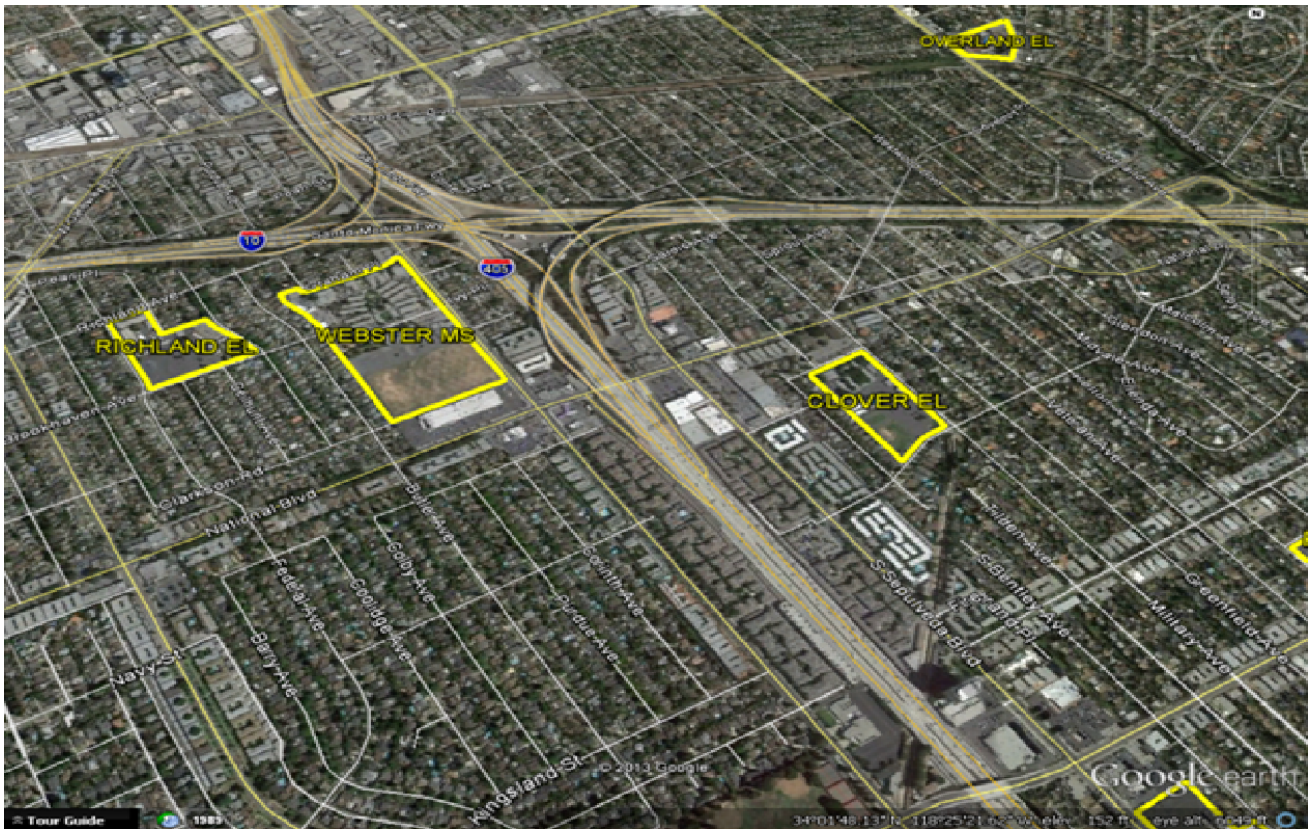
Safety Goals for 2018-2019:

Goal 1: All employees will uphold and implement all stated policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.

- Objective 1: Quarterly all employees will review the policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.
 - Related Activities: Review regularly during Professional Development, committee meetings and safety meetings.
 - Resources needed: Safety plan,
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Designated administrator, safety committee
 - Timeline for implementation: August 2016
 - Budget: None
 - Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

Goal 2: Maintain and upkeep a safe school campus

- Objective: Monthly school personnel will complete a campus walk-thru form to identify any areas of need.
 - Related Activities: Teachers can report concerns during weekly staff meetings.
 - Resources needed: Walk-thru form, building supplies
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Plant manager
 - Timeline for implementation: August 2016
 - Budget: Refer to schools annual budget
 - Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders



Off-Site Assembly Area:

Primary Address: Richland Elementary
Primary Contact: Gerard Grande Primary Phone #: 310-473-0467
479-7739

Backup Off-Site Assembly Area:

Backup Address: Clover Elementary
Backup Contact: Sharon Fabian Backup Phone #: 310-

Site Plan Map



HOST Crisis Help

Home Office Support Team

Always call 911 first when a life-threatening emergency is in place! You can call Suat Acar anytime by skipping the below process to get direct guidance. In case you cannot reach me you may call our CEO Mr. Rubalcava or Dr. Brenda Lopez for immediate assistance.

- 1- The principal or the dean (Admin) is informed about an emergency or a crisis situation
- 2- If possible, the admin investigates and provides an incident report to the host@magnolia email. In case of urgency the admin or designee sends an email to host@magnolia immediately then provides the incident report later.
- 3- Suat Acar directs the conversation to the related, appropriate home office staff for further follow-up. Either Suat or related home office staff start a text message conversation for quick, instant communication
- 4- Case follow up report to be provided to host@magnolia by the related home office staff and the school admin.
- 5- If the case investigation, follow up needs further time the related home office staff will follow up with the admin.

Possible emergency cases, crisis situations:

- * Lock downs (Active shooters or etc.)
- * Natural Catastrophes, major tragic events that took place on or around the school grounds that may affect the school's schedule or programs

Additionally, the following number is used as the crisis group call in line as necessary

Phone Number: 1 (669) 224-3412

Access Code: 921-759-077



Emergency Contact Information for Co-Located Charter Schools 2018-19.

LAUSD Host School Name:

Charter School Name:

School Address:

Charter Location Code:

City State Zip:

Primary Phone Number:

Phone Number:

Charter Grade Levels:

Grade Level:

Location Code:

The information entered on this document will be used to contact school site personnel in the event of an emergency. The information that you enter will be sent to the Los Angeles School Police Watch Commander's office. Personal phone numbers are not made available to staff and are not published in the printed version of the ISSP.

<i>Roles</i>	<i>Contact Name</i>	<i>Work Phone Number</i>	<i>Mobile Phone Number</i>	<i>Home Phone Number</i>
Principal				
Assistant Principal 1				
Assistant Principal 2				
Administrative Assistant				
Financial Manager				
First Person On Campus in AM				
Last Person on Campus				



Los Angeles Unified School District

INTEGRATED SAFE SCHOOL PLAN

2018-2019

RESEDA CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

18230 KITTRIDGE ST

RESEDA, CA 91335

(818) 758-3600

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1. Introductory Material

1.1 Certification Page

Los Angeles United School District
Integrated Safe School Plan

School: RESEDA CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

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The Safe School Plan was developed and approved using a collaborative process respectful of representation/input from all stakeholders Groups. All required Committee members must sign the certification page.

Title:	Name:	Signature:	Date Signed:
Required Committee Members:			
Principals:	WELSH, MELANIE	_____	_____
UTLA Chapter Chair:	SPRINGER, JOHN	_____	_____
Classified Representative:	FREEMAN, MARIA	_____	_____
Student (Secondary) Representative:	Chelsea Bran	_____	_____
Parent (of an attending student) Representative:	Leticia Canchola	_____	_____
Law Enforcement			
Los Angeles School Police:	BIN, MIGUEL	_____	_____
Or			
LAPD/LA County Sheriff/ Local Jurisdiction Agency:	LAPD West Valley Division	_____	_____

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1.2 Record of Changes

Change Number	Date of Change	Name	Summary of Change
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1.3 Overview

National preparedness efforts, including planning, are now informed by Presidential Policy Directive (PPD) 8, which was signed by the President in March 2011 and describes the nation's approach to preparedness. This directive represents an evolution in our collective understanding of national preparedness, based on the lessons learned from terrorist attacks, hurricanes, school incidents, and other experiences.

PPD-8 defines preparedness around five mission areas: Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery.



Prevention means the capabilities necessary to avoid, deter, or stop an imminent crime or threatened or actual mass casualty incident. Prevention is the action schools take to prevent a threatened or actual incident from occurring.

Protection means the capabilities to secure schools against acts of violence and manmade or natural disasters. Protection focuses on ongoing actions that protect students, teachers, staff, visitors, networks, and property from a threat or hazard and the capabilities necessary to avoid, deter, or stop an imminent crime or threatened or actual mass casualty incident.

Mitigation means the capabilities necessary to eliminate or reduce the loss of life and property damage by lessening the impact of an event or emergency and reducing the likelihood that threats and hazards will happen.

Response means the capabilities necessary to stabilize an emergency once it has already happened or is certain to happen in an unpreventable way; establish a safe and secure environment; save lives and property; and facilitate the transition to recovery.

Recovery means the capabilities necessary to assist schools affected by an event or emergency in restoring the learning environment.

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State law requires that schools be adequately prepared to respond to earthquakes, fires, and other emergencies. To assist schools in complying with these requirements, the LAUSD developed the Integrated Safe School Plan for use as a template in the preparation of emergency procedures for each of the LAUSD schools. Emergency management teams and procedures outlined in this plan are consistent with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) developed by the State of California. This plan presents specific procedures using Incident Command System (ICS) principles to prepare for, and respond to, school emergencies.

1.4 Goals

People and Programs Goal #1: The following are key findings based on the 2017-2018 MyData reports:

Student suspension events decreased from 16 events in 2016-2017 to 9 events in 2017-2018 (or from 1.0% to 0.06% exceeding the LAUSD average of 0.03%)

By the end of the 2018-2019 school year, the number of student suspension will reduce from 0.06% to 0.05% with the implementation of the school's Discipline Foundation Policy focused on Positive Behavior and Support Plan.

School Intends: Reduce the suspension rate through the support of PSA, A-G and Tittle III counselors; Continue to implement Restorative Justice practices school wide; Review and update ISSP; Implement school wide progressive discipline plan; and Establish an Aspirations cadre.

People and Programs Goal #2: Data from 2017-2018 School Report Card Data and My Data indicate:

Percentage of students with 96% or higher attendance increased from 54% in 2016-2017 to 58% in 2017-2018, which is lower than the LAUSD average of 70%.

Our goal is to increase the percentage of students with 96% or higher attendance to 75% for 2018-19 school year. Dedicated hard work of attendance office administrator and her staff, PSA counselor, A-G counselor, Title III Coach, and TSA coordinator will contribute to percent of students with 96% or higher attendance of 75%.

Threat / Hazard: Earthquake

Threat / Hazard Goal: Our goal is to evacuate the entire campus during Emergency/Earthquake Drill to designated assembly area from 8.28 minutes to 7.28 minutes.

2. Plan Development

Familiarize the faculty and staff and all command leaders with the Reseda Charter High School's Emergency Matrix Operational Assignments.

Emergency Function: Evacuate Building

Emergency Goal: Our goal is to evacuate the entire campus during Emergency/Fire Drill to designated assembly area from 8.28 minutes to 7.28 minutes.

1.5 Plan Organization and Concept of Operations

The effective management of emergencies requires both adequate *emergency preparedness* and *emergency response* capabilities. This plan is organized into ten sections. Sections 1-4 give a plan overview and covers the mitigation and prevention activities that schools can implement before an emergency. Sections 5-6 focus on emergency preparedness, identifies the school's emergency response teams and defines the roles and responsibilities of team member. Sections 7- 8 presents guiding laws and guidance for determining the nature and extent of an emergency, as well as a series of initial response actions to be taken in an emergency. Section 9 describes the detailed emergency response procedures that will be used for the many types of emergencies that may be encountered in a school setting. Section 10 provides a series of appendices of supplemental emergency information including contact information, supply lists and evacuation routes. Standard forms, site maps, assessment results and other supporting information are also contained in the appendices.

2. Plan Development

2.1 School Safety Planning Committee Team

LAUSD recognizes that everyone, from the administration and staff to the parents and the community, has a role in helping schools create safe environments. Every school is responsible for establishing a School Safety Planning Committee, composed of all stakeholder groups, which is accountable for writing, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating a comprehensive, integrated plan unique to its safety needs. District personnel are to be aware of and must comply with District, State, and federal safety policies.

Required Team Members

Title	Name
Principal/Designee	WELSH, MELANIE
UTLA Chapter Chair	SPRINGER, JOHN
Classified Representative	FREEMAN, MARIA
Student(Secondary) Representative	Chelsea Bran
Parent(of an Attending student)Representative	Leticia Canchola

2. Plan Development

Los Angeles School Police -OR-	BIN, MIGUEL
LAPD/LA County Sheriff/Local Jurisdictional Agency	LAPD West Valley Division
School Safety Planning Committee Chair	TERZIAN, VATCHE

Suggested Team Members

Title	Name
Teacher	CAYEN, ALISE
Dean	FRANCO, MIGUEL
Cafeteria Manager	AUTEN, REBECCA
Plant Manager	SERRANO, DIEGO
School Psychologist	BERGER, SHELLY
Counselor	AMAYA, CARLOS
Physical Education Teacher	IBACH, GREGORY
Nurse	MALYSHEVA, OLGA
Health Education Teacher	ARREOLA, ALONSO
PSW	
Parent Center Director	CAZARES, ROSA
PSA	FOWLER, JAMIE
Coach	IBACH, GREGORY

2.2 Mitigation and Preparation

To effectively prepare for emergencies, a series of assessments are presented in this section regarding mitigation and preparation.

2.3 Safe School Planning Committee Checklists

Essential Checklist: Safe School Planning Committee

- The School Safety Planning Committee is established and contains a broad representation of all stakeholder groups (students, parents, staff, and community).
- Schedule and publish the meeting dates for School Safety Committee.
- Send out a survey to faculty to ascertain who has the training, skills, interest, and aptitude for each assignment in the Safe School Plan. Log on to: <http://emergencyservices.lausd.net> and look under “Administrator’s Corner” for “Staff Survey”. You can also find examples of memos and letters you can use.
- Make the staff assignments in the Integrated Safe School Plan based on the results of the survey, recommendations from the School Safety Committee and consultation with the principal.
- Prior to adoption, the Integrated Safe School Plan has been reviewed and discussed by the School Safety Planning Committee and the administrative staff.
- A current copy of the Integrated Safe School Plan is available for public review in the Main Office. Additional copies are in the faculty cafeteria or lounge(s).
Staff members are made aware of how to access the Integrated Safe School Plan online, their emergency roles in the Plan, and how to print it.
- Verification of the public meeting is on file and includes the meeting announcement, meeting agenda, and sign-in sheets.
- The Integrated Safe School Plan has been evaluated and amended as needed by the School Safety Planning Committee no less than once a year to ensure that the comprehensive school safety plan is properly implemented [Ed. Code Section 35294.2(e)].
- Check all emergency supplies in the emergency bin, nurse’s office, classrooms and School Emergency Response Box. Check for expired or obsolete supplies. Order replacement supplies from the warehouse.
- Establish a “Continuity of Operations Plan” (COOP). Who will replace critical staff if they are absent for a prolonged period of time? Make sure the replacement staff has keys and job descriptions for their new duties. For an example of a COOP, see the Emergency Services web site: emergencyservices.lausd.net
- Check all school radios. If there is a problem, contact the Radio Unit at (323) 224-2411.
- Have faculty pick their neighboring classroom “buddy” that will check on each other during an evacuation. Create a list to make sure no one is omitted.

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- Create/update the staff cell phone contact list and add it to the appendices.
- Check your school's emergency contact phone list of District offices and support personnel to make sure it is current and accurate.
- Schedule fire drills and other emergency drills on the school's master calendar.
- Ensure that the school's emergency response box contains current and accurate lists.
- Review the school's emergency response procedures with your office/clerical/custodial and support staff. Make sure they are prepared.
- Review the school's emergency response procedures with Beyond the Bell, L.A.'s Best, Youth Services, and any other before or after-school staff. Make sure they are prepared and know how to respond to an emergency. Make sure they have access to any and all emergency supplies. Print them copies of the Integrated Safe School Plan and all contact lists.
- Direct staff to <http://STEPS.lausd.net> for online emergency training. Administrators can use the STEPS website to access on-line classes from FEMA in Emergency Management.
- Conduct a Vulnerability Assessment using the template provided on the Emergency Services website. Take STEPS class 406, "Conducting a Vulnerability Assessment," to learn more.

2.4 Plant Inspections

Inspecting and ensuring that all schools are clean, secured, all paths of egress are open and well-lit is essential to the safety and well-being of all students and employees of the Los Angeles Unified School District.

Essential Checklist: Plant Inspections

- A walk-through will be performed at least twice annually by the principal and plant manager to ascertain any unsafe conditions that are hazardous to the employees' or students' physical or mental well-being.
- The complete routes used by all students to travel to and from the assembly are used in an emergency should be inspected. Insure that there are no barriers to students with specific mobility needs.
- Within a month of the start of the new school year, the School Safety Committee will review the walk-through. A timeline for completion of necessary corrections will be reviewed and assessed monthly.
- SERRANO, DIEGO will be responsible for inspecting the campus regularly for the following conditions:
 - All non-structural hazards in classrooms and other sites where students are served will be eliminated. These hazards may include: Incompatible chemical storage; unsecured objects on high shelves; trees or shrubs that require pruning; trip hazards; exposed nails; screws or bolts; equipment in need of repair, or any other condition that could constitute a hazard. (See Form I - Safe Classroom Chart, found in Appendix A.)
 - All damaged fences will be reported and corrected as soon as possible.
 - Playground facilities and equipment will be inspected regularly for hazards. Repairs must be made as soon as possible.
 - All non-functioning lighting fixtures must be reported and corrected as soon as possible.

2.5 Hazards In The Community – Vulnerability Assessment

An LAUSD Vulnerability Assessment that assesses and evaluates hazards on and off-campus is available to schools at <http://achieve.lausd.net/2309> and is designed to be completed by the School Safety Committee. Completing this assessment provides additional information that will help the committee create a robust and informed Safe School Plan.

School administration should be aware of potential hazards in the community that can impact the school during an emergency. For example, knowing that a nearby facility uses toxic chemicals will assist in planning evacuation routes. The LAUSD Office of Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS) has conducted a survey of the facilities near every school. Site administrators should meet with their school safety officer and walk the neighborhood to be familiar with potential hazards in the community that could impact the school. These findings can be recorded on Form A - Emergency Hazard Assessment Summary, found in the appendices.

Site administrators should visit <http://www.lausd-oehs.org/industrial.asp> and select their school to see a list of the facilities near their campus. They should then print out the map of their school community that shows the exact location of these facilities. On the map of the school community they can mark any of the following hazards:

- Facilities containing toxic chemicals or radioactive materials.
- High voltage power lines and transformers.
- Transportation routes of vehicles carrying hazardous materials (truck routes or railroad right-of-way).
- Underground gas or oil pipelines.
- Water towers or tanks.
- Unreinforced masonry buildings that may collapse during an earthquake.
- Unique Site Specific Considerations.

The map and Form A from Appendix A should be retained with the Safe School Plan and be a reference during emergencies and evacuations.

2.6 Preparation and Mitigation for Students with Disabilities

Additional information is available in the Learning Zone STEPS courses 210 and 410.

Educators need to be aware of the needs and challenges of all students in their care. All emergency planning and preparation must take into account the requirements of students with disabilities and other specific needs. These students include some special education students as well as general education students who may need additional assistance during an emergency. It is crucial to prepare for the needs of these students and provide the necessary materials, resources, and personnel. Specific needs can be categorized into several, general groups:

- Mobility
- Visual
- Hearing
- Communication
- Cognitive
- Special Healthcare Needs

The needs of these students must be analyzed to accommodate student needs in emergency procedures including emergency notification, evacuation, and sheltering.

Employees who will assist students with disabilities need to be identified before the emergency, and practice techniques for assisting those students. They need to understand the capabilities and limitations of the population that they serve. They should rehearse their role at every emergency drill so that they and the children they assist will have confidence in the process. All students should participate in all emergency drills, which enables the students with specific needs and the employees who assist them to become familiar with one another and address any concerns before an emergency occurs.

Identification of Students with Specific Needs

The School Safety Committee and other stakeholders should compile a list of students with specific needs. The list should include students with temporary physical challenges as well as students with injuries or issues that may not qualify them for special education services, but who are still going to need additional assistance during or immediately after an emergency. Knowing the most fragile and dependent members of the school population will allow the school to prepare for the challenges and be successful during an emergency.

Information about students with specific needs can be gathered from many sources, including:

- School Nurse
- Parents
- Teachers
- IEP Meetings
- LRE Counselors

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- Students
- 504 Plan
- Counselors
- Meetings

The list of students with specific needs can be entered in the "Emergency Conditions" field of the Welligent database that stores LAUSD student medical condition information. Specific equipment and supplies needed to care for each student should be listed here as well. Periodically, the site administrator can print out an updated list. Details on using the Emergency Conditions field in Welligent are in the online Learning Zone course STEPS 422.

Lists of students with specific needs should be kept in the School Emergency Response Box and shared with the Operations Team Leader, who is in charge of the Search and Rescue Teams and the First Aid/Medical Teams. Both of these teams need to know the names and challenges faced by these students as it directly impact the response actions of those teams. The following items should be stored in the School Emergency Response Box in folders marked "Confidential":

- Class schedules for students with specific needs, so that Search and Rescue Teams will know where to look for students.
- Student emergency contact information for each identified student with specific needs.
- Welligent (Student Health Program) print-outs for students with chronic conditions who may require special or additional support from the Search and Rescue Team or First Aid/Medical Team.
- Information is available in the [LAUSD School Emergency Response Box Reference Guide](#).

Before an emergency, this information should also be shared with the Logistics Team Leader to make sure that specific supplies are available such as diapers, wheelchairs, etc. The Logistic Team should also be aware of the approximate number this population in the event that they need to order resources, such as buses, etc.

All students with specific needs during an emergency have been identified. The list of these students and their needs has been placed in the School Emergency Response Box.

The leaders of the Search and Rescue Teams, First Aid/Medical Team and the Logistics Team Leader know where to get copies of the list so that their sections can adequately address the needs of students with specific needs.

Emergency Notification for Students with Specific Needs

School administration must ensure that emergency notification systems at the school site are functional for all students in all locations on campus. Conducting regular emergency drills incorporating an emergency notification system, such as the fire alarm system and PA system, tests the system and identifies any non-functional elements. Drilling with the school's emergency notification systems also creates familiarity with the sounds and lights associated

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with emergencies for students with specific needs. Supplemental online alarm systems training courses STEPS 411 and 418 are offered through the Learning Zone.

- All students are familiar with the sound of emergency alert systems, as well as the location of alarms and lights.
- All students, including students with communications challenges, are aware of the procedures used to report an emergency.
- All students, as appropriate for their age and cognition, know the emergency actions to take associated with each emergency alert system or emergency PA announcement.
- Appropriate alternate emergency notification systems should be in place for students who cannot hear, including alternatives to emergency PA announcements (such as for a lockdown).

Administration should make sure that all alarm systems, PA systems, and telephone systems are functional as part of the regular campus inspection process. Back-up plans, such as a cell phone list should note individuals with specific needs.

Evacuation Concerns for Students with Specific Needs

As part of their planning process, schools will need to consider how they will assist specific needs students who cannot evacuate the building on their own. In almost all situations, students can be assisted or carried down stairs by two to four adults on the Search and Rescue Team. Rescue technique training is available online through the Learning Zone course STEPS 210. Multiple-story schools that need a Rescue Seat or Evac+ Chair, or training on using the Evac+ Chair should contact the Office of Emergency Services.

On an ordinary school day, some students with mobility issues attend classes on the upper floors of buildings and use the elevator to travel from one floor to another. If there is an emergency that includes a power failure or activation of the fire alarm system, the elevator will not function, and these students will need assistance getting to the ground floor. In addition, disaster debris or damage may be disorienting to others who normally use the stairs, such as blind students. Relocating upstairs classrooms of students with significant evacuation challenges to the ground floor should be considered for student safety.

Teachers are to use the buddy system during evacuation, so that one teacher can take two or more classes to the Assembly Area, while the second teacher or designated adult aide assists or waits with students who cannot evacuate on their own.

During an emergency, Search and Rescue Teams may need to rescue students who are trapped and cannot evacuate the building on their own accord. As they search buildings, the Search and Rescue Teams need to check for any students who cannot go down stairs.

To make sure that these students, identified assistants, and Search and Rescue Team members are familiar with each other, all students must take part in all campus emergency drills. It will only be through practice that team members become familiar with the students and their

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capabilities. Drills should also pose a variety of challenges, such as blocked stairways and compromised access to direct exits, so that students and staff learn alternate routes to the Assembly Area. Information is available in the [LAUSD Emergency Drills and Procedures Reference Guide](#).

All students with evacuation challenges have been identified and know: WELSH, MELANIE

- Who will assist them during an emergency
- How they will be rescued during an emergency
- Where they should wait, if there is a designated location
- What equipment will be used (Rescue, Seat, Evac+ Chair, etc.)
- Where assistive evacuation equipment is kept

All staff members responsible for assisting students during evacuations are familiar with the evacuation buddy system and applicable assistive rescue devices and techniques.

A critical part of daily campus inspections is making sure that all access to the Assembly Area is open. All doors and exits should be open and work the way they were designed. Paved surfaces should be free of any obstruction. Blockages that are easily maneuvered by many can become overwhelming impediments to people with mobility challenges. All routes should be inspected to make sure they will service everyone on campus. This is especially true around construction sites, holiday decorations, and inclement weather.

Any person using a wheelchair who can travel without additional assistance proceeds directly to the school site Assembly Area. This school's specific plans for evacuation assistance includes:

Special Ed classrooms are prepared for their individual students needs

Preparing to Shelter and Care for Students with Specific Needs

Once all students with specific needs have been evacuated from the building, the next challenge will be maintaining their physical and emotional safety until they can be reunited with a custodial adult.

Before an emergency, identify what specific supplies or materials are needed to provide round-the-clock care for students with chronic conditions or special healthcare needs. Much of this information may already be in the Welligent student database, although items only needed outside of school hours may not be included. The greater the student's needs, the more supplies that may be needed to be stored for emergency use.

Students who have greater or more individual needs will need additional support. School staff can create a backpack "go kit" with the necessary supplies in it, tagged with the student's name. The backpack should contain any and all materials needed to support that student, as well as any documentation that may be needed by first responders or outside support agencies such as paramedics or hospitals. The bag can be stored in the classroom with the teacher or in the emergency bin if none of supplies can be damaged by heat. Whenever the students

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evacuate the building, classroom employees must bring the backpacks with them. This school's specific plans for disaster assistance for students with specific needs includes:

2.7 Public Shelters

Please note that there are procedures that are followed by LAUSD before any school is used as a public disaster shelter. Public shelters are managed by the American Red Cross, and all shelter operations are coordinated through the Office of Emergency Services. Information is available in the [LAUSD Use of School Facilities in an Emergency or Disaster Situation Bulletin](#).

2.8 Assessments

The school site self-assessments that are completed online as part of the Integrated Safe School Plan process contain critical elements of safe and healthy school planning that must be completed to be in compliance with Federal law, State law, and District policy and procedures. A copy of each completed assessment is available in the Section 8, Appendices.

2.8.1 Health and Nutrition

Health services are provided by a school nurse to meet federal and state mandates and the health needs of students. The school ensures immediate and reliable access to medications, special diets, treatments and emergency care.

Information about the food services division is available and there are activities to increase participation in the school meal program. There is adequate time for students to obtain and consume their meals. Schools that have an after-school program offer healthy snacks provided by food the services branch.

2.8.2 Positive Safe School Environment

Student and Employee Security

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Review the information contained in [Bulletin 5721.1 "Student and Employee Security,"](#) with the students and staff at the school.
- Assign custodial personnel to check the campus for loiterers and trespassers, especially restroom areas, when opening and closing the building and grounds.
- Call School Police at (213) 625-6631 when assistance is needed on or adjacent to the campus.
- Develop in the event that regular means of communication are unavailable, classroom-to-office emergency communication plans.
- Implement a neighborhood school-watch program. Request residents to report any unusual activities on campus to the principal during regular business hours and to

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School Police or the local law enforcement agency during nights, weekends, and holidays.

- Develop strategies to control rumors concerning school or community incidents.
- Organize, under the supervision of appropriate school personnel, a team of volunteer parents, other community residents, and staff members to patrol the campus and the perimeter.
- Enforce dress code that prohibits the wearing of gang apparel or the use of gang-related symbols.

Responsibilities of Staff:

- Report to the Main Office or other designated office prior to proceeding to assigned classrooms or work areas.
- Lock classroom doors when working alone before or after school hours.
- Establish and maintain a buddy system when working in isolated areas or traveling to and from parking areas at the start and close of school.
- Exercise stringent control of assigned school keys and secure all personal valuables.
- Report any person loitering in or adjacent to parking areas, etc., or sitting in a parked car.
- Instruct students to avoid strangers and provide strategies for avoiding contact with strangers. Utilize the following resources as appropriate: LAUSD crime prevention programs, drug resistance programs (SANE), child abuse and traffic safety bulletins.

Campus Supervision

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Maintain a current supervision plan and schedules for staff carrying out the plan.
- Provide training regarding campus safety and campus supervision and schedule meetings for campus supervision updates.
- Inform all staff, students, and parents of the campus supervision plan.
- Have custodial personnel check the campus for loiterers and/or trespassers especially restroom areas when opening and closing the buildings and grounds.
- Review and post at all utilized entrances appropriate signs regarding weapons, visitors, trespassing, loitering, etc.
- Monitor or prohibit student access to cars during school hours
- Review with campus supervision personnel procedures related to the proper use, maintenance and security of issued hand-held and base radios. See “LAUSD Radio Unit Handbook for Local Campus Radio System,” or call the Radio Unit at (323) 224-2203.
- See that the school adheres to the District’s policy on closed campus. All exit gates, except the main gate, will be locked after the start of school. Student exit gates will be unlocked prior to dismissal time.

Locked Campus Policy

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Assign school staff member, volunteer parent, etc., to monitor the main entrance, issue a “Visitor’s Pass,” and direct all visitors to report to the Main Office upon arrival.
- Assign available school staff to monitor campus perimeter, known trouble spots, and all building and gate entrances during the course of the school day.
- Inform all students and parents/guardians that schools are closed campuses and that students are not allowed to leave the campus during the school day without the permission of the principal and the parent/guardian.

Key Control

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Maintain current records of the distribution of all keys.
- The issuance and receipt of all keys shall be acknowledged in writing and only with the written approval of the site-key administrator.
- Maintain a key safe or school vault in which keys that have not been issued are to be stored every night. Ensure that when not actually in the possession of authorized school staff, all keys, including custodial keys, are to be kept in a locked key safe or vault.
- Arrange to have all exterior doors of buildings opened and closed, as necessary.

Key Distribution:

- **Master Keys:** It is important to keep the number of master and specialized keys to a minimum to maintain site security. Master keys (“A” and “K”) shall be issued only to the plant manager, administrative staff, and Campus Police Officer. In addition, a maximum of five master keys may be requested for use by disaster emergency teams. These shall be maintained on a single ring at the site (in the key safe or vault) for emergency use only and are not to be used for other purposes.
- **Sub-master Keys:** Sub-master keys are to be issued only to school personnel who absolutely need them in the daily course of their responsibilities. They shall be returned to the key safe or vault nightly.
- **Classroom Teacher Keys:** Classroom teachers are to be issued only the keys to his/her classroom, storeroom, and cabinets and will be responsible for said keys. At no time shall a classroom teacher be issued a master key.
- **Substitute Teacher Keys:** Keys issued to substitute teachers and other District employees (maintenance, etc.) shall be returned daily.
- **Alarm Keys:** Three alarm keys will be issued to the site administrator who will be responsible for these keys. The administrator will designate the keys accordingly. No site will be issued more than three intrusion alarm keys without approval of the School Police Chief.

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Key Control Guidelines:

- Staff members shall be notified that unauthorized possession by any person, including employees, of any site key is a misdemeanor (Penal Code 469).
- Keys are never to be kept in classroom cupboards, filing cabinets, in or on teachers' desks, offices, or in staff mailboxes.
- Keys are never to be in the possession of students without the expressed written permission of the site key administrator. Keys are not to be loaned to students to open doors or gates.
- Staff is to be advised that prior to leaving any room, office, or work location, it is the employees' responsibility to double check that all doors and windows are closed shut and locked.
- Authorized personnel needing keys for the weekend or holiday activities will be issued keys which limit access to the room(s) or area(s) necessary for the weekend assignment. Prior written approval by the site key administrator must be obtained.
- At sites equipped with intrusion alarm systems, the School Police must be notified the week before the weekend or holiday that authorized personnel are scheduled to enter the site.
- All keys shall be checked and left with the site key administrator at the end of the school year or in the event of an assignment change.

Loss or Theft of Keys

The loss or theft of keys shall be reported to the Local District Office and School Police. In addition, the Maintenance and Operations Central Shops Lock Department shall be notified, via the trouble call line. The Lock Department will immediately rekey sensitive areas (such as the library, computer lab, cum room, etc.) only.

Plant Inspections

Responsibilities of the Designee for Inspecting the Campus Regularly:

Inspect the campus regularly for the following conditions:

- All nonstructural hazards in classrooms and other sites where students are served will be eliminated.
- All damage to fences will be reported and corrected as soon as possible.
- All graffiti must be removed as soon as possible (take photographs if necessary).
- All litter must be removed as soon as possible.
- Playground facilities and equipment will be inspected regularly for hazards. Repairs must be made as soon as possible.
- All nonfunctioning lighting fixtures must be reported and corrected as soon as possible.

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- Ensure that the following signs are posted, visible, and legible: Visitors' policy, a drug-, tobacco, weapon-, and violence-free school, and nondiscrimination and sexual harassment policies.
- The designated person shall be responsible for contacting the appropriate Maintenance and Operation department or District Unit responsible for correcting or repairing any hazardous or unsafe element on the school campus.

Restroom Cleanliness

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Site plans for each secondary school are to specify where student restrooms are located and when they will be open each day, and that they are adequate to serve student needs.
- Provide adequate supervision of restroom areas throughout the school day.
- Announce and encourage all students, including student leadership, to prevent vandalism and keep restroom areas clean.
- Involve parents in setting behavior standards to maintain clean, functioning restrooms on campus.

Responsibilities of the Plant Manager:

- Randomly monitor restrooms daily, daily inventory of any fixtures needing repair, and place a "trouble call" to report needed repairs.
- At secondary schools, supervise and monitor restroom attendant personnel.
- Before students arrive at school each day, inspect student restrooms to ensure that overnight crews have cleaned and stocked each restroom with paper and soap supplies.
- Assign restroom attendant or custodial staff so that, at a minimum of twice during each day, restrooms are spot-cleaned, cleared of trash, restocked with soap and paper supplies, and have floors that are dry and hazard-free.
- Schedule with the appropriate Maintenance and Operations department the "deep cleaning" of all restrooms three times per year.
- Complete and maintain daily restroom service logs at a disclosed site on the school campus.

Visitors to School Campuses

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Schools must develop and post a visitor's policy. The policy must not set arbitrary time limits regarding frequency and duration of visits and must be distributed to parents and staff annually.
- Inform parents in advance of the procedures for visiting the school.

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- Have all visitors report to the Main Office upon arrival. Visitors must wear a visitor pass and return the pass upon departure.
- Conduct a review to ensure that the appropriate and approved signs are posted regarding visitors, trespassing, loitering, and other requirements at all utilized entrances. Report persons loitering or trespassing on or adjacent to the campus to LASPD.
- Administrators have the authority under the California Penal Code, Los Angeles Municipal Code and the Education Code to report to the appropriate police agency any adult or minor over 16 years of age who enters a school campus and fails to adhere to the posted “Visitor’s Policy.”
- Responsibilities of the Parents/Visitors:
 - All campus visitors must have the consent and approval of the principal/designee within a reasonable period of time after making a request to visit the school.
 - Parents have the right to observe in the classroom in which their child is enrolled within a reasonable period of time after making a request.
 - Visitors are not to converse with the students, teacher, or instructional aides during the visitation.
 - Visitors are to keep the frequency of classroom visits reasonable (to be determined by the activity being observed).
 - Parents do not have the right to willfully interfere with the discipline, order, or conduct in any school classroom or activity with the intent to disrupt, obstruct, or cause substantial disorder in a place where a school employee is required to perform his or her duties.

Traffic Patterns and Drop-off/Pick-up Points

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Work with OEHS or School Police to develop an appropriate drop-off and pickup plan.
- Ensure through daily monitoring by designated staff that loading and unloading areas are “curbside” and designated to minimize student proximity to moving vehicles and that these areas are readily accessible to students.
- Confer with School Police as necessary to establish traffic patterns, and drop-off and pickup points that ensure student safety and minimize traffic congestion.

Safe School Collaborative

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- To identify key community stakeholders in relation to safety, including but not limited to, law
- Enforcement, probation, city attorney’s office, city and county human relations.
- To identify key LAUSD central and Local District personnel to provide consultation and

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- Support from for example School Operations, Organization Facilitators, Human Relations, Crisis Counseling, etc.
- To identify a multidisciplinary school safety team composed of members such as administrators, parents, teachers, campus police or security officers, health and mental health professionals (i.e., PSW, PSAC, School Psychologist, or School Counselor), after-school staff, etc.
- To identify a designated chair to convene the meetings, establish a need's assessment for the school and community related to safety concerns, identify goals and objectives, and assign roles and responsibilities.
- To work towards the development of safe passage to and from school for students.

Safe Passage To and From School

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Collaborate with the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS) to assess traffic, warning signs, school bus and parent loading zones, crossing guards, crosswalks, traffic signals, stop signs, etc. OEHS may be reached at (213) 241-3199.
- Confer with the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) or School Police in establishing safe pedestrian routes to and from school and appropriate student pickup and drop-off points. Schools may request copies of "Safe Routes to School" map from OEHS.
- Work with the Safe School Collaborative on safe passage.
- Review, distribute, and post "Back-to-School Safety Tips," which may be obtained from the School Traffic Zone Program.
- At elementary schools, encourage parents to walk their children to school.
- Schedule Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety assemblies through School Safe Traffic Zone at (213) 241- 7887 and/or Safe Moves at (818) 908-5341. The Principal should also ensure that teachers incorporate pedestrian and bicycle safety into classroom curricula.
- Recruit volunteers to participate in "Safe Crossings," a LAPD Volunteer Crossing Guard program. They will provide training and purchase of basic equipment (Schools must provide 15-20 volunteers).
- Inform students, staff and parents of designated "Safe Routes," student drop-off and pickup points, and safety procedures to be observed whenever there are moving vehicles in or around the school. This information should include bike helmet usage and should be distributed in a brochure to students and parents at the start of the school year.
- Report continuing traffic noncompliance problems to School Police at (213) 625-6631 or local enforcement agency.
- Ensure bus loading areas are designated and that loading and unloading of passengers takes place only within these areas.

Random Metal-Detector Searches

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- At the beginning of each academic year, inform all students and send a notice to the parents and guardians of all enrolled students advising parents and guardians of the existence and general terms of the District’s random metal-detector policy.
- Post signs in several prominent locations at the site advising that all persons on the premises are subject to search for weapons by the metal detector.
- Ensure that the search team is composed of certificated employees and augmented with other staff, as necessary. School Police may be requested to accompany the search team, but may not participate in the actual searching or wandering.
- Ensure that all search team members are fully informed of the metal detector search procedures and their responsibility to be respectful and sensitive to the right of privacy and other concerns of the individual being searched.
- Maintain documents containing the following information regarding all random metal detector searches conducted at the school:
 - Dates, times, and locations of searches conducted.
 - Classes where searches are conducted and the basis on which classes were selected.
 - The basis for selecting students within those classes who are searched and the number of student searches.
 - Name of the staff conducting the searches.
 - Items found or confiscated as a result of searches conducted.
 - Whether students were disciplined as a result of searches conducted, why they were disciplined, and how they have been disciplined.

Guidelines for Conducting Random Metal Detector Searches:

- Random searches are searches conducted without reasonable suspicion and must be “truly” random. Specifically, in advance of selecting particular students for a search, a pattern indicating which students are to be searched must be established. Search team officials must not deviate from the established pattern at any time during the course of the search.
- The search team official must be of the same gender as the student being searched.
- School administrators may not conduct, or allow to be conducted, random wand style metal detector searches of students’ persons, bags, backpacks, or purses in the classroom while class is in session
- Once students are selected for a search, they should be asked to bring their bags, backpacks, or purses with them to the location where the search will be conducted.
- School administrators may conduct or authorize pat-down searches of students when (1) the student gives consent or (2) reasonable suspicion exists. Administrators may not

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conduct, or allow to be conducted, pat-down searches to which students do not consent unless there is reasonable suspicion.

- “Pat-down searches” are defined as searches in which a school official or designated agent places hands directly upon the person or clothing of students.
- Circumstances giving rise to a reasonable suspicion exists when the metal detector activates during the course of a random search or when administrators receive a reliable tip that a particular student is in possession of a gun, weapon, or other dangerous object.
- Visually or manually inspecting the contents of students’ bags, backpacks, or purses can be conducted only when reasonable suspicion exists or when the student gives the searcher permission.
- Wanding the outside of a student’s bag is permissible. Prior to wanding, officials may ask students to empty their bags or pockets of any metal objects.
- Any person found to be in possession of a gun or other dangerous weapon as defined either in the California State Penal or Education Code shall be arrested. If during the course of a search, contraband that is in violation of published District or school policy or other regulations is observed, such items may be confiscated.
- Students who refuse to submit to a wand search consistent with the guidelines may be subject to
- Disciplinary action for defying the valid authority of school personnel.
- Searching Other Areas of the School:
 - A locker search plan of a minimum of ten lockers a day should be implemented.
 - These searches should be conducted on a daily basis and in a random selection pattern.
 - At the beginning of the academic school year, notification must be given to both students and parents regarding the implementation of daily random locker searches.

School Police/Local Law Enforcement

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Meet with the assigned School Police Officer and area Sergeant on a regular basis to share and discuss information related to campus activity and the site’s security operations and service needs.
- Review with staff the appropriate notification and protocol in reporting campus crime and incidents.
- Review with staff, on an ongoing basis, procedures related to the proper use and security of issued hand-held and base radios, with the assistance of LASPD, as necessary.
- Alert appropriate law enforcement agencies near school campuses and the respective Local District about incidents and events that may have repercussions at other locations.

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- Provide to staff safety bulletins and available information regarding incidents or situations that might impact personal safety or the school's education environment.
- Solicit neighbor support to assist with student safety to and from school by implementing a neighborhood watch program (such as the Safe House Program).
- Provide appropriate law enforcement telephone numbers to area residents and businesses and solicit their support in reporting unusual activities on and around the campus to School Police and the local law enforcement agency during nights, weekends, and holidays.
- When a local law enforcement agency notifies a site administrator with a request to disseminate information pertaining to a sex offender, contact School Police's Watch Commander (213) 625- 6631 and advise him/her of the material received. LASPD will serve as the District's liaison with the agency to determine the expectations for the information, distribution, and the scope of the disclosure.

Procedures When Calling for Service from Law Enforcement Agencies:

- Identify yourself and your location. Give callback numbers (office, cell, or pager) where you can be reached most easily.
- Summarize the nature of the problem or incident.
- Give the location of the problem incident.
- Describe the person(s) or suspect(s) involved: Provide a physical description (gender, ethnicity, age, height, weight, hair color and style, color of eyes, and clothing worn) and other known information (i.e., student, staff member, nonstudent, parent, other known or suspected gang affiliation, etc.).
- Describe weapon(s) involved, if any: Type, location (on person, in vehicle, etc.), and manner used (actual use, threat, etc.).
- Describe method of transportation used by person(s) or suspect(s) involved and last known direction of travel. Indicate motor vehicle, motorcycle, bicycle, bus, skateboard, skates, etc., (if motor vehicle, give color, year, make, model, and license plate number) and any other information (i.e., number of passengers in the vehicle).
- Request medical assistance, if needed (not if already requested through 911).
- Advise School Police Department if another law enforcement agency has also been contacted.

Responsibilities of the Los Angeles School Police Department (LASPD)

As peace officers, School Police Officers are expected to take appropriate steps to discourage potential law violations and head off potentially threatening situation. Their primary responsibility is to "keep the peace" by protecting students and staff from physical assault and school property from theft and destruction. The LASPD, while deployed at secondary schools will work closely with school-site administration, students, staff, community members, and local agencies to create a safe and secure school learning environment. Safe Passages and other

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specialized units, including detective personnel will work with the Campus Police Officer to ensure safety around the campus, enforcing all applicable laws fairly and impartially and providing a high visibility presence within safe passages area. Truancy, pedestrian, and motor vehicle violations will be addressed with the “spirit of the law” posture rather than a “letter of the law” posture in enforcement efforts.

Campus Police Officers will:

- Maintain a high visibility and patrol of the school premises, the prime objectives being the protection of pupils and District personnel, the security of District property, and the prevention of theft and malicious mischief to cars and other personal property of school personnel while on the school site.
- Investigate incidents that occur at any location that impacts the school and affects the orderly conduct of its operation.
- Develop and maintain a positive, professional and ongoing working relationship with the school-site administration, students, staff, school community members, and outside local and law enforcement agencies, to address and problem-solve safety crime and safety issues and to meet the school’s safety objectives and goals as established.
- Follow all procedures consistent with the District-established policies and School Police directives.
- Act in an advisory capacity regarding the need to involve local law enforcement agencies.
- Assist in the preparation, evaluation, and updating of the Integrated Safe School Plan.
- Serve as a member of the school’s Crisis Team and School Threat Management Team.

Responsibilities of Law Enforcement (School Police and Local Agencies):

- In instances, where law enforcement statutory requirements apply, the appropriate legal decisions are made by the police officer. While in most cases the situations will be obvious, in other less obvious instances, the legal decision will be made by the involved police officer, consistent with current Police Department and District directives and policies and in consultation with a LASPD department supervisor.
- A “Lockdown” of the campus is called by either a law enforcement agency or a site administrator to secure the school during police actions, campus intrusions, community incidents, or other real or perceived threats to the security of the school. The site administrator terminates the lockdown, after consulting with law enforcement.
- Properly identified law enforcement officer(s) are allowed to interview a student “in the presence of the principal or a teacher.”
- Properly identified law enforcement officers may remove a student from a school. Responsibility for parent notification of a student’s removal by law enforcement personnel rests with the school administration. The involved officer is also obligated to make parent notification.

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- The difficult task of delivering death notifications to next of kin is the responsibility of law enforcement personnel or the Los Angeles County Coroner's Office, who have been provided with the training and resources necessary to carry out such notifications. If a death has occurred on campus and a member(s) of the victim's family arrives at the school prior to being notified of the death by law enforcement, the family member(s) should be escorted to a private comfortable setting until law enforcement personnel arrive. If a member of the victim's family calls the school prior to notification by law enforcement, he or she should be asked to come to the school.

Role of Law Enforcement Personnel When a School Becomes a Crime Scene:

- Law Enforcement personnel will establish a crime scene at any time when preservation of evidence to a crime, or an investigation of a crime is in progress, to include, but not limited to: murder, suicide, death due to suspicious circumstances, or for other serious crimes involving students, staff, or others (crimes that include, but not limited to, vandalism, burglary, or arson). Only authorized law enforcement and fire department personnel are allowed inside the designated crime-scene area.
- The first police officer(s) to arrive on scene will have specific duties to perform to insure the protection of the crime scene and to assure that the crime is investigated properly. Despite the sometimes-chaotic nature that characterizes many crime scenes, the police must be permitted to do their job according to established procedures.
- A police supervisor or police officer will serve as the liaison with the school's administration.
- The law enforcement officer in charge will determine if and when crisis team members or other support personnel from outside the school can enter the campus to begin their intervention assessments and follow-up activities.
- Once potential witnesses have been identified, it is essential to keep witnesses separate to maintain and preserve the integrity, clarity, and objectivity of each person's account. Therefore, school administrators may be asked to provide multiple locations on campus to isolate witnesses for questioning by law enforcement personnel.

Inventory/Marking of School Equipment/Property

Responsibility for all school property rests with the principal. Teachers and other employees are held responsible for the care of all school property in their control. The principal ensures that District equipment is not loaned to any District employee, group, or other persons for personal use.

Child Abuse Reporting

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Discuss the child abuse reporting policy in depth with all employees two times a year (at the beginning of each semester).

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- Collect and file all individually signed statements acknowledging legal requirements and District policy concerning child abuse reporting.
- Ensure all employees have viewed and passed the on-line Child Abuse Awareness Training and conduct the Spring Child Abuse Awareness Training for all employees.
- Notify the appropriate Local District Administrator when a District employee is alleged to be the perpetrator in a child abuse report.
- When an allegation of child abuse has been made, District personnel are precluded from conducting an investigation or taking any action prior to or during the child protective agency/law enforcement investigation. Action includes, but is not limited to, interviewing witnesses, interviewing the alleged perpetrator, contacting parents of alleged victim, taking written statements, seeking verification of information, and taking disciplinary action. (Exceptions to this may include the temporary relocation of an employee.)
 - Always take some form of administrative action with documentation when advised to “handle it administratively” by law enforcement or when law enforcement has completed its investigation.
 - Maintain a confidential log of all known/reported child abuse cases.

Responsibilities of All Employees:

- View and pass the on-line Child Abuse Awareness Training and participate in the Spring Child Abuse Awareness Training conducted at the school site.
- Any District employee who has knowledge of, observes, or reasonably suspects an instance of child abuse shall report the known or suspected instance of child abuse to a child protective agency/law enforcement immediately or as soon as practically possible by telephone and shall prepare and send a written report thereof within 36 hours of receiving the information concerning the incident.
- The employee reporting suspected child abuse is not to verify the suspicion or prove that abuse has occurred.
- Investigation (questioning witnesses, obtaining written statements), notification (family, alleged perpetrator), counseling, and family intervention are the responsibilities of the child protective agency/law enforcement agency.
- District policy and State law requires that every employee who entered into employment on or after January 1, 1981, shall sign a statement to the effect that he/she knows of the requirements to report known or suspected instances of child abuse and will comply with such requirements. The employee need only sign the statement once at each site, not every year.

Guidelines for Child Abuse Reporting:

- Reportable victims include: child-person under the age of 18, and dependent adult, person 18-64 years of age who is dependent upon others for care.

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- Child abuse includes: physical abuse, sexual abuse, neglect, life endangerment, willful cruelty, and emotional abuse.
- If a child discloses that he/she was abused or an allegation of abuse is brought to the attention of any District employee, a report **MUST** be made as soon as reasonably possible and should not be put off until the end of the school day. School procedures may not require the reporter to disclose his/her identity to school personnel prior to or subsequent to making a report.
- A Child Abuse Report is to be made to only one child protective/law enforcement agency. School Police is **NOT** a child protective agency, and reports made to School Police are **NOT** a means of complying with the law.
- Child abuse reports are confidential. Reports are to be completed only by the designated reporter. The written report is to be completed and filed with the appropriate agency within 36 hours from the time that the allegation is received.
- The law enforcement officer or children's services worker who receives a report of suspected child abuse or neglect determines the course of action and has specific legal authority and responsibilities. The official may interview anyone in the course of the investigation and may take the alleged child victim into protective custody.
- Any person mandated by the California Penal Code who fails to report any instance of child abuse, which he or she knows or reasonably suspects to exist, can incur criminal, civil, and/or professional liability.
- No employee mandated under provisions of the California Penal Code shall be civilly or criminally liable for reporting suspected child abuse.

Incident Reporting

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Inform all staff as to the reporting/notification process.
- Identify and manage the users that will have access to the on-line ISTAR System.
- Report all incidents using the ISTAR System. Reports should be timely and thorough.
- The incident report is to be called into the Local District Operations Coordinator for appropriate follow-through.
- Regularly review incident reports, particularly those involving crimes, for trends and to identify and implement strategies to prevent future incidents.

Incident Reporting Guidelines:

An Incident Report is to be filed with the appropriate Local District for the following types of incidents:

- Any threat, including bomb and terrorist threats, to the school, individual student(s), or staff.
- Student or staff member injured or missing.

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- An assault or battery on a staff member.
- Serious infraction by a staff member.
- Any event involving police or fire departments.
- Life-threatening incidents and safety hazards.
- Serious campus disturbances (major fight, demonstration).
- Other emergencies.
- In anticipation of a serious event.
- Evacuations, lockdowns.
- Utility problem, i.e. shut-off or disruption of service.
- Construction problem preventing access.
- Noteworthy or media situations.

Parent Notification - *Parent-Student Handbook*

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Discuss the contents of the *Parent-Student Handbook* with all staff members.
- Require that each parent/student return a signed receipt indicating that they have received and read the *Parent-Student Handbook*.
- Implement a school-site system for collecting and maintaining a signed return receipt from each parent/student.

Responsibilities for Violence Prevention and Intervention:

Definitions:

Gang: A closely (or loosely) structured group of individuals who may express their identification by adopting certain dress attire and/or adoption of symbolic behavior to include nicknames of individuals, tattoos, hand signs, and the claiming of territory in a neighborhood. The activities of this group include criminal acts of violence, bullying/threats, and anti-social behavior.

Gang Member: A person who wears colors or symbols for purposes of declaring affiliation and committing illegal acts related to the gang, often, but not exclusively, of a violent nature.

Gang crime: An activity as defined by the penal code as against the law and committed as part of gang membership. This activity may include criminal acts of violence, bullying/threats, or anti-social behavior.

Primary Prevention: Taking action to decrease the likelihood that an emergency or crisis will occur. It is reducing risk factors and stressors, building protective factors, and increasing support. Primary Prevention includes activities aimed at the general population.

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Secondary Prevention: Taking action to decrease the likelihood that an emergency or crisis will occur. It is reducing risk factors and stressors, building protective factors, and increasing support. Secondary Prevention includes activities aimed at targeted at-risk students.

Intervention: The ability of staff or police to problem-solve situations prior to escalation by using all resources and means available. This could include counseling and mentoring programs.

Suppression: Heightened efforts by staff and police towards a particular problem which includes identifying the origin of the problem, such as iPod theft/robberies, increased communications to students and parents regarding the problem, as well as trying to identify the suspects. Suppression should always include efforts made towards ending the problem on a long-term basis, rather than the short term fix of catching the suspects and moving on.

Recruitment: Youth gang involvement may begin as early as elementary school. Children as young as 7-8 years are extremely vulnerable and may start acting out, adopting the style and language of a gang, and acquiring the status of a “wannabee.”

Reentry: The placement of students who are returning from Juvenile Camp School, Juvenile Hall, California Youth Authority (CYA), or other placement facilities. Counselors work to ensure student(s) enrollment in an appropriate instructional setting, where they are most likely to succeed.

Community Education: The use of a collaborative response to ensure that teachers, students, administrators, parents, community members, and all those charged with keeping children safe continue to be vigilant of all the complex issues involving youth gangs and youth gang recruitment efforts.

Bullying & Hazing Policy

Responsibilities for the Administrator:

- Investigate allegation of bullying thoroughly and maintain confidentiality throughout the investigation.
- Respond to incidents whether the involved parties are students or staff members.
- Take appropriate actions to resolve the situation.
- Notify the appropriate law enforcement authorities, when necessary.
- Document the investigation, interventions and resolution.

Responsibilities of Staff and Student Rights:

- Teachers must discuss with their students relevant aspects of the Bullying & Hazing Policy.
- Personnel are responsible for taking corrective action to prevent bullying in school, at school events, and to and from school.

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- A student has the right to report an incident(s) of bullying at any time without reprisal or retaliation.
- Bullying is a form of aggression in which a more dominant person(s) targets a specific person for the purpose of causing harm, fear or humiliation, and the behavior is unwanted and unprovoked on the part of the recipient.
- Bullying may be physical, verbal or electronic, and may be carried out in indirect ways, such as manipulating friendships, ostracizing classmates, or spreading rumors.

Hate-Motivated Incidents

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Respond quickly to incidents, whether the victims are students, staff, or community members.
- Ensure the physical safety of the victim and offer victim assistance, as appropriate.
- Investigate incident and take appropriate disciplinary action. If necessary, involve law enforcement and preserve evidence.
- Submit hate-motivated incident/hate crime report to the Local District office.
- Develop and implement educational programs and activities that foster human relations skills
- And combat behaviors of name-calling, harassment, discrimination, hate and bigotry.

Sexual Harassment Policy

Key Elements:

- All allegations of sexual harassment are to be treated seriously and investigated in a way that respects the privacy of all parties.
- All known incidents of sexual harassment should be documented. The “Complaint Record: Student Sexual Harassment” form found in [Bulletin 3349.1, “Sexual Harassment Policy-Students,”](#) is to be utilized once a complaint investigation is concluded, and a copy of the complaint record is to be forwarded to the Educational Equity Compliance Office.
- For procedures regarding employee-to-employee complaints of sexual harassment refer to District [Bulletin 1893.1 “Sexual Harassment Policy \(Employees\).”](#)
- Students and/or parents who file a complaint are to be informed of any remedial or corrective actions that are instituted to resolve the complaint.
- Complaints of sexual harassment are often sensitive, complex, and difficult to handle. There are both informal and formal processes described in responding to such complaints as outlined in [Bulletin 3349.1, “Sexual Harassment Policy \(Students\).”](#)

Title IX-Gender Equity

Key Elements:

Students have the right to equal learning opportunity in their school.

Students may not be required to take and/or may not be denied enrollment in a course because of sex, sexual orientation, or gender.

- Students shall be provided with counseling and guidance that is not discriminatory.
- Sexual harassment of or by school employees or students is a form of gender discrimination and is prohibited.
- Students and/or parents who file a complaint are to be informed of the findings of the complaint.
- Schools shall offer female and male students equal opportunities to play sports.
- Equipment, supplies, game and practice schedules, budgets, facilities, etc., offered to teams shall provide equal athletic opportunities for members of both sexes.
- No student applying for enrollment will be subject to discrimination on the basis of that student's pregnancy, childbirth, termination of pregnancy, or recovery.
- Any complaints of discrimination shall be handled in a confidential manner. The District will not tolerate retaliation in any form against the complainant for filing of a complaint.
- The informal and formal processes for investigating the complaints are found in [Bulletin 3349.1, "Sexual Harassment Policy."](#)

Intergroup Relations

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Designate a person(s) who may serve as a human relations coordinator of activities and services.
- Conduct a schoolwide assessment using surveys and dialogue questions provided by the Office of Human Relations, Diversity and Equity.
- Have in place a procedure where rumors may be reported and investigated. A mechanism such as a "problem box" could be centrally located and monitored regularly by an LAUSD designated staff member.
- Have in place a communication system that emphasizes facts and dispels rumors about people or events.
- Provide ongoing activities to support and encourage students, staff, and parents to intermingle for the purposes of promoting an appreciation of diversity and building community. Activities and resources are available from the Office of Human Relations, Diversity and Equity Tool Kit.

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- Trainings and workshops may be provided by LAUSD’s Office of Human Relations, Office of Educational Equity Compliance, and a variety of other approved local government or community organizations.
- Designate a point person(s) and procedures for managing peaceful resolutions of conflicts (e.g., LAUSD Restorative Justice Program, Peace Builders, and Safe School Ambassadors).

Gang Risk Intervention

Key Elements:

- Become familiar with gang groups, related activities, graffiti, apparel, etc.
- Provide staff development regarding gang prevention and intervention strategies.
- Provide parent in-service training regarding gang membership and activities.
- Develop a forum for discussion that brings together influential students (“natural leaders”) who represent all segments of the student population, including selected gang members.
- Collect information from law enforcement, probation, community-based organizations, and others to understand the scope of the school/community gang problem.
- Contact law enforcement agencies, gang experts, and formal/informal counselors to obtain strategies and related information. Probation officers can assist with students who are on probation.

School-Site Crisis Team

Responsibilities of the Administrator/Designee:

- Establish a safe, civil, and secure school environment.
- Establish a multi-disciplinary School Site Crisis Team, in accordance with the Integrated Safe School Plan (ISSP), Volume 3
- Ensure that the CPRR policy and all applicable protocols (see Section III) are implemented.

Suicide Prevention, Intervention and Postvention

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Designate Suicide Prevention Liaison(s) in the ISSP’s School Site Suicide/Threat Assessment Team.
- Respond to reports of students at risk for suicide or exhibit self-injurious behaviors immediately or as soon as practically possible.
- Monitor and follow-up to ensure that the risk has been mitigated through support and resources.

2. Plan Development

- Ensure that the Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention (SPIP) Policy (BUL 2637.3) is implemented.
- Provide follow-up to relevant staff such as Local District Operations, as needed.
- Report incident in Incident System Tracking Accountability Report (iSTAR) as appropriate and update, as needed.

Responsibility of all District employees:

- Beginning in 2018, all District employees must complete the online Suicide Prevention and Awareness Training annually. The training certifies that employees know the warning signs and risk factors for suicide, as well as what to do if they are concerned about a student who might be suicidal. See MEM-6910 Suicide Prevention and Awareness Training.
- Inform the school site administrator/designee and/or Suicide Prevention Liaison immediately or as soon as practically possible of concerns, reports, or behaviors relating to students who might be suicidal and/ engaging in self-injury.
- Adhere to the SPIP policy.

Student Threat Assessment and Management

Responsibilities of the Administrator/Designee:

- Establish a safe and respectful school environment.
- Establish a multi-disciplinary School-Site Threat Assessment Team, in accordance with the Coordinated Safe and Healthy School Plan, Volume 3.
- Ensure that the [Threat Assessment Management Policy](#) (BUL-5799.0) is implemented, including all applicable protocols (see Section III).
- Report incident in iSTAR as appropriate and update, as needed.

Responsibilities of all District employees:

- Adhere to the [Threat Assessment and Management \(TAM\) Policy](#) (BUL-5799.0) and act in accordance with the policy.
- Report any suspected threats to the site administrator or designee immediately or as soon as practically possible.
- Cooperate in the investigation of complaints by providing relevant information.

Employee or Associated Adult Workplace Violence, Bullying and Threats

Responsibilities of the Administrator/Designee:

- Establish a safe and respectful school or workplace environment.
- Ensure that the [Workplace Violence \(WPV\) Policy \(BUL-5798.0\)](#) is implemented.

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- Investigate and respond to any verbal or written reports of violence, bullying or threatening behavior (see Attachment D).
- Monitor and follow-up to ensure that the behavior has stopped.
- Report incident in iSTAR as appropriate and update, as needed.

Responsibilities of all District employees:

- Adhere to the [WPV Policy \(BUL-5798.0\)](#) and act in accordance with the policy.
- Promptly report any suspected workplace violence behaviors to your site administrator or designee by completing the Workplace Violence Complaint Form, Attachment D.
- Cooperate in the investigation of employee workplace violence complaints by providing relevant information.

Discipline Foundation Policy <http://Disciplinepolicy.lausd.net>

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Assume a leadership role in School-wide Discipline Review Team. Everyone has a stake in responsible, respectful, safe behavior at school. This forms a foundation and an atmosphere that promotes learning and instruction. Administrative leadership is an essential ingredient of that foundation.
- Establish the School Discipline Review Team; support and monitor the Team's implementation of the School-wide Discipline Plan; evaluate the outcomes; and modify strategies as needed.
- Ensure school procedures effectively support the collection of data that accurately reflect students' behavior needs.
- Inform at the beginning of each academic year or as students enroll all students and parents/guardians about the school's behavioral expectations, responsibilities, and procedures.
- Ensure that students, parents/guardians, and staff have access to copies of the School-wide Discipline Plan, that students understand their responsibilities in learning the behavioral expectations, and the reinforcement and corrective procedures.
- Observe all due process rights when working with students whose behavior impedes learning or the learning of others, suspending a student, issuing an opportunity transfer to a student, or recommending that a student be expelled.
- Provide staff development on strategies, methods, and tools of implementing the School-wide Discipline Plan.

Responsibilities of Discipline Staff:

- Identify, teach, model, and reinforce behavioral expectations and correct misbehavior.

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- Utilize office referral data and other disciplinary data to identify professional development needs, organize support systems for staff and students, and to analyze effectiveness of instruction on behavioral expectations.
- Utilize school resources including, but not limited to, SST, COST, IEP, to develop behavior support plan for students who exhibit behavioral challenges and implement the behavior support plan.
- Partner with parent/guardian and engage in parent education if necessary to bring about changes in student behavior.

Discipline Designee (Formal Discipline)

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Ensure that the District policy and procedures regarding student suspension and expulsion are fully implemented.
- Designate discipline staff and provide training focusing on investigation and school-site procedures of student suspension and expulsion.
- Students are only to be suspended from school when he/she has committed an act listed under Education Code section 48900, 48900.2, 48900.3, 48900.4, 48900.7, or 48915.
- Ensure that recommendations for expulsion are pursued when students violate Education Code 48915(c). Refer to Matrix for Student Suspension and Expulsion Recommendations.
- Do not suspend a student in absentia (i.e., suspend the student when the student is not present).
- Refer to [Bul-5655.3 Guidelines for Student Suspension](#).
- Students shall not to be suspended from school for any reason for more than five consecutive school days. Refer to Education Code 48911.
- Students in the general education program, including students served under a 504 Plan, shall not to be suspended for more than 20 school days in any school year or 30 days if the student transfers to another school. Refer to Education Code 48903.
- Students with disabilities shall not be suspended for more than 10 days in any school year.
- Refer to the Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual.
- Once a student has been issued a suspension, the suspension can only be rescinded by the Local District Administrator through an appeal process. The school site is not able to rescind suspensions. Refer to [Bul-5655.3 Guidelines for Student Suspension](#).
- Ensure that the school sends a certificated staff member and appropriate witness(es) to present an expulsion case or testify at the expulsion hearing.
- The school is responsible for sending a certificated staff member and appropriate witnesses to present the case or testify at the ERC hearing.

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Responsibilities of Discipline Staff:

- Conduct a thorough investigation, collaborate with other school staff including law enforcement, and provide evidence to the school principal/designee for a decision on the formal discipline.
- Notify the parent/guardian in a timely manner whenever his or her child is referred for disciplinary action.
- Enter all suspension information (school suspension, in-school suspension, and class suspension) into Student Information System (SIS) and record all remedial interventions.
- Advise the parent/guardian regarding the appeal process whenever the parent/guardian disagrees with the administrator's decision to suspend.
- Do not practice "informal suspension" (e.g., telling a parent to keep a child home without an official suspension notice) Refer to [Bul-5655.3 Guidelines for Student Suspension](#).

A teacher may suspend a student from class for any of the acts enumerated in Education Code 48900.

1. A teacher should report the suspension to the principal and send the student to the principal/designee for appropriate action, which includes appropriate supervision. [Bul-5655.3 Guidelines for Student Suspension](#) and Education Code 48910.
2. A student shall not be placed in another regular class during the period of suspension.
3. The student shall not return to the class during the period of suspension without the concurrence of the principal and the teacher. If the student is assigned to more than one class per day, he or she must attend the classes from which he or she was not suspended. Refer to Education Code 48910.
4. A student can be suspended from class for the remainder of that day (elementary) or period (secondary) and for the following day or period when the class meets. Refer to Education Code 48910.
5. School staff may assign a student who was suspended for any of the reasons enumerated in Education Code 48900 and 48900.2 to a supervised suspension classroom for the entire period of suspension if the student poses no imminent danger or threat to the campus, students, or staff, or if an action to expel the student has not been initiated. Refer to Education Code 48911.1.
6. Students who caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence (Education Code 48900.3); engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation against a pupil or a group of pupils, or school district personnel (Education Code 48900.4); or made terroristic threats against school officials or school property or both (Education Code 48900.7) are precluded by law for in-school suspension (Education Code 48911.1).

Opportunity Transfer Guidelines:

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- Opportunity Transfer (OT) for discipline may be issued either for a single serious act or as part of progressive discipline. Prior to implementing an OT for a student for progressive discipline, the school must have first implemented a systematic approach to behavioral change (which may include a behavior support plan, mentoring, and behavioral contracts).
- An OT may not exceed one calendar year unless both the parent and the school agree.
- Opportunity Transfers for disciplinary reasons may be issued only one time during the student's attendance in elementary school, twice during middle school, and twice during high school.
- It is the responsibility of the sending school to ensure that the student has enrolled at the receiving school. If an OT is cancelled, the sending school must ensure that the student has reenrolled.
- There is no such thing as an "OT" for a student with disabilities. In order to ensure a change of placement is appropriate, an IEP team must convene and conduct a thorough review of the student's program and services, including a "manifestation determination" to ensure that the student's Behavior Support Plan (BSP) is appropriately developed or modified.
- The "Stay Put" clause in federal law (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) prohibits schools from transferring a student with an IEP for discipline if a parent disagrees with the IEP (The exception to this prohibition is the authorized 45-day alternative placement when the violation involves weapons or drugs.)

Expulsion Guidelines:

- School principals are required to recommend the expulsion of any student who engages in behavior described in E.C. Section 48915(c).
- A student who is recommended for expulsion is entitled to an educational placement the day his or her suspension is over (e.g., day six of a five-day suspension).
- For a student with an IEP, a comprehensive pre-expulsion IEP must be conducted, which includes a manifestation determination, prior to recommending that a student with an IEP be expelled.
- No student can be expelled by the Board of Education unless evidence, in the form of oral testimony, is presented at the District's administrative (Expulsion Review Committee [ERC]) hearing.
- The school is responsible for sending a certificated staff member and appropriate witnesses to present the case or testify at the ERC hearing. 5.3 Ed. Code 49079

Maintenance of E.C. 49070 Information:

- Each teacher informed of E.C. 49079 students shall be advised of the opportunity to review the student's file and shall be admonished regarding the confidentiality of information.

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- E.C. 49079 information can be obtained from the following District-maintained records: student expulsions, opportunity transfers, school suspensions, classroom suspensions, arrest reports, or Juvenile Court notices. This information is to be documented in the student's yellow discipline folder in accordance with District policy.
- Pupil Accounting Reports (PAR), other formal District documents, and law enforcement or Juvenile Court notices shall be included in the E.C. 49079 file.
- Notice of E.C. 49079 shall be inputted into the Student Information System (SIS).
- Any information received under this law shall be received in confidence for the limited purpose for which it was provided and shall not be further disseminated by the teacher, counselor, or administrator. Any intentional violation of the confidentiality provisions of this law is a misdemeanor.
- Information received from the court under the Welfare Information Code Section 827 shall be maintained in the school's E.C. 49079 file, but the court's form must be destroyed by school authorities twelve months after its receipt from the court or twelve months after the minor returns to public school, whichever occurs later.

Guidelines When a Student Described in E.C. 49079 Is Transferred to Another LAUSD School:

- A Pupil Accounting Report (PAR) ID must be issued.
- Section One (1) must be completed.
- "E.C. 49079" shall be noted in Section Two (2)-"additional comments."
- Applicable portions of Section Four (4) must be completed.
- Within five school days of the student's enrollment, the receiving school shall request from the sending school, copies of information regarding the E.C. 49079 yellow file of the student.
- District offices responsible for assigning expelled or reinstated students must immediately notify the principal of the newly assigned school.

Responsibilities of Juvenile Courts:

- Welfare and Institutions Code (W.I.C.) Section 827 (b)(2) mandates that the Juvenile Courts submit to the superintendent of the district of attendance written notice whenever a minor who is enrolled in any of Grades K through 12 has been found by the court to have committed any of certain specified offenses.
- It is required that the information furnished be expeditiously transmitted to any administrator, counselor, or teacher who has direct supervisory or disciplinary responsibility over the minor and who is deemed to need the information in order to work with the student in an appropriate fashion to avoid being needlessly vulnerable, and/or to protect other persons from needless vulnerability.

Student Dress Code/Uniform Policy

Key Elements:

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- A committee composed of representatives from all stakeholder groups will revise policies on dress code and on uniforms yearly.
- A student's dress and grooming shall not cause distraction from or disturbance of any school activity.
- The manner of a student's dress and/or grooming must not create a hazard to health or safety.
- Consistent with the above guidelines, hair, sideburns, mustaches, and beards may be worn at any length or in any style, and clothing may be of any fashion, style, or design, as determined by the student and his or her parents.
- If possible, to assist parents in purchasing clothes for the upcoming year, dress code/uniform policies will be communicated to students and parents prior to the beginning of the academic year. If this is not feasible, said policies will be communicated at the beginning of the school year and to new enrollees at the time of their enrollment.

2.8.3 Attendance and Dropout Prevention

Responsible Administrator:

Truancy/Tardiness Abatement

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Implement and supervise all state and District attendance policies and procedures.
- Ensure that a comprehensive School Attendance Plan has been developed that involves all school staff, including teachers, nurse, counselors, PSA, etc., as well as appropriate community
- Health or other agencies. For a template to develop a comprehensive Attendance Plan and Dropout Prevention Plan, please visit the Pupil Services Website at <http://pupilservices.lausd.net/>.
- Ensure that students and parents are informed of the school attendance and tardy policy, as well as all applicable laws relating to compulsory attendance.
- Ensure that the Pupil Services and Attendance Counselor or designated staff member is responsible for coordinating efforts on truancy and tardiness abatement.

Responsibilities of the Teacher:

- Ensure that phone calls to home are made (teacher or other designated staff) when students are absent.
- Ensure that attendance is submitted the first 15 minutes of each class or period.
- Ensure that all reason codes and times (if applicable) are entered.

E.C. Section 48200-Compulsory Attendance Law:

Each person between the ages of 6 and 18 years not exempted shall attend the public full-time day school or continuation school or classes for the full time designated as the length of the

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school day by the governing board of the school district in which the residency of either the parent or legal guardian is located and each parent, guardian, or other person having control or charge of the pupil shall send the pupil to the public full time day school or continuation school or classes for the full-time designated as the length of the school day by the governing board of the school district in which the residence of either the parent or legal guardian is located.

E.C. Section 48260-Definition of Truancy:

Any pupil subject to compulsory full-time education or to compulsory continuation education who is absent from school without valid excuse three full days in one school year or tardy or absent for more than any 30-minute period during the school day without a valid excuse on three occasions in one school year, or any combination thereof, is a truant and shall be reported to the attendance supervisor or to the superintendent of the school district.

Anti-Loitering/Truancy Ordinance:

The LAUSD and the Community Development Department at 13 Youth Worksource Centers in collaboration with the Los Angeles School Police Department and the Los Angeles Probation Department, through the Truancy Diversion Program (TDP), will serve as an intervention and diversion alternative to citing students in violation of the daytime curfew. The TDP will assist in reducing daytime curfew citations and guide youth through an assessment and self-inventory process that helps them identify their interests, preferences, motivations, educational options and assesses the root causes of their attendance-related issues.

If the minor fails to complete the Diversion program within the time allotted, the law enforcement agency issuing the Diversion form will be notified. The law enforcement agency will then issue a citation to the minor which may require a court appearance.

Early Intervention Dropout

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Ensure that the Pupil Services and Attendance (PSA) Counselor or a designated staff member is responsible for coordinating efforts on dropout prevention and recovery.
- Ensure that all school staff have read and follow Bulletins: [BUL-3720.0 Dropout Prevention and Intervention and Recovery Strategies](#), [BUL-3833.1 Closing the Achievement Gap](#), [BUL- 4926.2 Attendance Manual: Policy and Procedures for Elementary, Secondary and Option Schools](#), and [BUL-6231.0 Discipline Foundation Policy](#).
- Ensure school staff are trained and have access to LAUSD systems such as MyData, ESIS, SSIS, ISIS as well as classroom referrals to help identify and monitor/track at-risk students.
- Ensure that transition programs are in place to support incoming students and matriculating students as they adjust to their new school environments.

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- Ensure that the school climate welcomes and invites parent involvement through the use of a parent center, parent conferences, parent meetings, phone calls to parents, and that selected staff makes home visits when necessary to engage parents in their student's educational needs.
- Administration in conjunction with support staff utilize the [Bul 3720.0](#) assessment tool to identify any areas in which the school needs to improve best practices for dropout prevention, intervention, and recovery.
- Ensure that there is a multidisciplinary team that looks at student and school data on attendance and dropout information in order to make decisions at the school regarding student-intervention programs and policies.
- Ensure the multidisciplinary team consists of Pupil Services and Attendance Counselor, Psychiatric Social Worker, deans, and APSCS and other designated staff.

Responsibilities of the Multidisciplinary Team:

- Meet regularly to discuss coordination of services.
- Assess student and school data, establish a uniform referral process, and provide consistent follow-up on referrals.
- Responsibilities of Staff:
- Staff is trained and is aware of District mandates and procedures with respect to Dropout Prevention and Recovery.
- School staff identifies and monitors students who are not making progress and inform instruction in order to make needed adjustments to support student academic functioning.
- Collaborate in the delivery of services to students.
- Be aware and utilizes resources both within the school and in the community.
- School staff systematically monitors, update, and review student records.
- System for personalized interventions for students at risk of dropping out of school or who have recently left school.

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Create a school culture that reflects mutual support, caring, and safety for everyone.
- Ensure that selected school staff are trained on all District and non-District educational alternative placement options and that there is a process in place for referring at-risk students to educational alternative placements (using the Guide to Educational Alternative Placements for At-Risk Students) such as, but not limited to, community college classes, continuation schools, AEWs, Charter schools, or Division of Adult and Career Education.
- Ensure that school staff are trained to work with at-risk students and utilize available resources to assist those students-such as training on how to complete accurate enrollments and checkouts in SIS and ISIS, how to identify at-risk students based on

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multiple risk factors (using the MyData), how to create a welcoming, safe, and supportive school culture for all students, and how to link students/families up to necessary resources (academic, food, clothing, tutoring, etc.) to help students achieve their high school diplomas.

- Ensure that their school has a variety of different academic programs in place to meet the individual needs of students at-risk for school failure or dropout, concurrent enrollment in ROP classes, online courses, summer school, tutoring, CAHSEE Boot Camp, intersession classes and community resources.
- Ensure that student records are accurate. This includes ensuring that school clerical staff are trained on how to accurately enter student data into the SIS and ISIS systems upon enrollment and check-out (i.e. correct leave/enrollment codes are being used, field 212 is updated upon every check out, and student records are sent to the next school of enrollment in a timely manner).
- The school has partnerships and collaborates with community agencies that can provide resources and options to students who are at-risk of school failure and dropping out of school.

Responsibilities of School Staff:

- Work with parents/guardians and students to systematically monitor and follow-up with students regarding the supports/interventions and referrals provided to ensure access and effectiveness.
- School staff reviews student-level data to identify which students require supplemental educational services (i.e., tutoring, online courses, etc.,) and link those students and parents up to the educational resources they need.
- All staff work collaboratively to identify students in need of prevention/intervention.

System to Recover, Enroll, or Provide Alternative Education Referrals

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Assign a multidisciplinary team of school staff to work collaboratively on clearing/locating and recovering students from the three potential dropout lists that are provided three times a year (February, May, and September) to school principals.
- Ensure that staff is trained and follow all Bulletins, Memos, and Reference Guides regarding LAUSD policy for CASHEE non-grads and 5th year seniors.
- Ensure that school staff knows how to re-enroll or provide educational alternative options to students who may have left school for a period of time but have chosen to return to school and work towards their high school diploma.
- Require SIS coordinators to run monthly reports on all checkouts each month and ensure that designated staff follows up to find out if students are currently enrolled.
- Stress to staff the importance of accurate record keeping and tracking.

Responsibility of Staff:

- Staff clearly defines their role in recovering dropout students to avoid duplication of services.
- School support staff and clerical staff stay up to date on all new District bulletins, Reference guides, and memorandums relating to the input of student information into SIS or ISIS.
- The multidisciplinary team utilize the “Potential Dropout List Protocol” provided by the Pupil Services Unit to assist them in clearing students off their potential dropout lists.
- Staff provides to parents/guardians and students information about the educational alternative options available to help them be successful in school.

2.8.4 Parent and Community Involvement

Parents are encouraged to provide a healthy diet and to promote physical activity for their child. Parents are also encouraged to participate in the planning for their child’s academic progress/success. School-based resources should be utilized by parents to support their child’s academic achievement. Promoting community-based programs on campus will also benefit parents.

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3.1 Incident Command

The Incident Command System (ICS) is used by first responders and government agencies to manage emergencies, crises, and disasters nationwide. LAUSD also uses ICS - a system where people are grouped by functions according to aptitude and skills, instead of rank/title. Every position reports to someone (see the ICS School Organization Chart in the chart at the end of this section), which greatly facilitates the flow of information and resources among the multiple teams participating in response to an emergency. ICS consists of the following five functions:

- Command
- Operations
- Planning & Intelligence
- Logistics
- Finance & Administration

All District employees, and especially those staff members assigned to an ICS team, are highly encouraged to download the emergency plan app. It is also recommended that team members and other District employees take CERT training. Disaster supplies lists can be found in [REF 5451.2 School Site Emergency/Disaster Supplies](#). LAUSD personnel can learn more about ICS by taking online video training courses STEPS_400, 420 and 421, available through the Learning Zone. Additional on-line Emergency Management classes appropriate for District employees are offered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and are linked at <http://achieve.lausd.net/fema>.

Command WELSH, MELANIE; TERZIAN, VATCHE

During an emergency, the Incident Commander is responsible for setting the response objectives and directing activities from a designated Command Post. To effectively direct response actions, the Incident Commander must constantly assess the situation and develop and implement appropriate strategies. The Incident Commander must be familiar with the available resources, accurately document all response actions, and effectively communicate response strategies to others participating in the response. This function is typically directed by the principal, as the Incident Commander. The principal is assisted in carrying out this function by a Public Information Officer, Safety Coordinator, and Agency Liaison, as needed. The Incident Commander should use “management by objectives” by setting specific goals and objectives for the total response. The objectives should be SMART - Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Timely.

Planning/Intelligence TERZIAN, VATCHE; FRANCO, MIGUEL

During an emergency, ICS Planning and Intelligence involves the use of various methods to efficiently gather information, weigh and document the information for significance, and

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actively assess the status of the emergency. This understanding and knowledge about the situation at hand is vital to the effective management of a response. Under ICS, this function is supported by two staff members, one involved with “Documentation” and the other with “Communications”. Both of these positions, if assigned at the discretion of the principal, will report directly to the Incident Commander (principal) unless a Planning/Intelligence Chief is assigned. The ICS Planning and Intelligence Section also predicts future needs and trends and constantly answers the following questions:

- “How big is this problem?”
- “Who is affected?”
- “What are we going to need in the next hour, day or week?”

Planning and Intelligence people are forward thinkers. They like to seek out facts and make predictions. A natural choice may be librarians or history teachers.

Operations FRANCISCO, ALFONSO; FRANCO, MIGUEL

Under ICS, all tactics for the emergency response are implemented under the Operations function. This function is supported by staff performing first aid, crisis intervention, search and rescue, site security, damage assessment, evacuations, and the release of students to parents. Within LAUSD, these activities are performed by the following teams: First Aid/Medical Team; Security/Utilities Team; Assembly Area Team; Psychological First Aid Team; Supply/Equipment Team; Request Gate Team; Reunion Gate Team; Fire Suppression/HazMat Team; and Search and Rescue Teams. Operations people are “Problem Solvers” who can work in a non-structured environment. These are the “Doers”.

Logistics SERRANO, DIEGO; BALLESTEROS, FERNANDO

The Logistics function of ICS supports emergency operations by coordinating personnel; assembling and deploying volunteer teams; providing supplies, resources, equipment and services. Within LAUSD, these activities are performed by Supply/Equipment Team.

The Logistics section deals with resources. When the Operations Section needs something, they get it from the Logistics Section. Logistics works closely with the Planning and Intelligence Section to develop resources for future needs. These people are the “Getters”. A natural choice may be your plant manager or supply clerk.

Finance/Administration NAZARETIAN, NELLIE; FREEMAN, MARIA

The Finance/Administration function of ICS involves the purchasing of all necessary materials, tracking financial records, timekeeping for emergency responders, and recovering school records following an emergency. These people are known as the “Payers”. They will keep track of personnel time and costs. A natural person for this function would be your payroll clerk who knows everybody on campus. Another choice may be your financial manager.

Figure 2.1 presents an Emergency Management Organization Chart modeled after ICS and adapted for LAUSD schools. The organization depicted on the chart can be expanded or abridged to meet the scope of the emergency. Not every emergency will require all of the teams listed on the chart.

ICS can be adopted for schools with limited personnel. If no one is assigned to a ICS position, it is assumed that the person who manages that position is keeping, and doing, the responsibility for the unfilled position. For example: in some emergencies, the Incident Commander may not assign a person to be in charge of finance. In that case, the Incident Commander is still responsible for the financial documentation.

3.2 Command Team

The Command Team is responsible for directing school emergency response activities. The Command Team is led by the principal, who acts as the Incident Commander. The Command Team includes the school's Public Information Officer and the Safety Coordinator. The team leader for each of the other four functions (Operations, Planning & Intelligence, Logistics, and Finance & Administration) also report to the Incident Commander. The Incident Commander sets goals and objectives for the activities of all other teams.

Team Assembly Location

Inside: Volleyball Courts North Gym by Softball Field

Outside: Reseda Park

3.2.1 Incident Commander WELSH, MELANIE; TERZIAN, VATCHE

The Incident Commander (principal) is responsible for directing emergency operations and shall remain at the Command Post to observe and direct all operations. The only role of this person is to make decisions. Specific duties of the Incident Commander may include:

- Setting goals and objectives for the response team as a whole
- Periodically assessing the situation
- Directing the Command Team
- Determining the need for, and requesting, outside assistance
- Communicating with the Local District Administrator of Operations and central staff.

3.2.2 Public Information Officer WELSH, MELANIE; CASTANEDA, PHYLLIS

The Public Information Officer (PIO) is the official spokesperson for the school site in an emergency and is responsible for communicating with the media and delivering public announcements. Specific duties of the Public Information Officer may include:

- Periodically receiving updates and official statements from the Incident Commander
- Posting approved messages to Blackboard Connect for parents
- Maintaining a log of PIO actions and all communications
- Periodically interacting with the media and District Communications

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- Preparing statements for dissemination to the public
- Ensuring announcements and other public information are translated into other languages as needed
- Monitoring news broadcasts about the incident and correcting any misinformation

3.2.3 Safety Coordinator TERZIAN, VATCHE; FRANCO, MIGUEL

The Safety Coordinator is responsible for ensuring that all emergency activities are conducted in as safe a manner as possible. Specific duties of the Safety Coordinator may include:

- Stopping any and all unsafe activities
- Periodically checking with the Incident Commander for situation briefings and updates
- Maintaining all records and documentation as assigned by the Incident Commander
- Monitoring drills, exercises, and emergency response activities for safety
- Identifying safety hazards
- Ensuring that team members use appropriate safety equipment

Supplies and Equipment for Command Team

- School Emergency Response Boxes ([REF 5450.1 School Emergency Response Boxes](#))
- Copy of the Safe School Plan and contact information
- Campus maps
- Staff cell phone lists
- Staff e-mail lists

Master keys – Note: These must be kept in a very secure location or with specific authorized individuals

- Copies of staff and students rosters
- Hand-held two-way radios
- Bullhorn
- Battery-operated AM/FM radio
- First Aid kit
- Clipboard, paper, pens
- Hard hat
- Vest or position identifier
- Large campus map

3.3 First Aid/Medical Team

The First Aid/Medical Team is responsible for ensuring that first aid supplies are available and that first aid and triage is rendered during an emergency.

Assignments

First Aid/Medical Team Leader: MALYSHEVA, OLGA

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Alternate Team Leader: PLACERES, GEOVANNI

First Aid/Medical Team Member: BORJA, EVANGELINE

First Aid/Medical Team Member: DERSDEPANIAN, PATRICIA

School Nurse: MALYSHEVA, OLGA

Team Assembly Location

Inside: Baseball Field

Outside: Reseda Park

First Aid/Medical Team Leader

The First Aid/Medical Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities by periodically interacting with Operations to determine medical needs and planned actions. Specific duties of the First Aid/Medical Team Leader may include:

- Assigning First Aid personnel, coordinating training, and assessing available inventory of supplies & equipment
- Designating and setting up First Aid/Medical treatment and/or triage areas, with access to emergency vehicles
- Determining the need for skilled medical assistance, and overseeing care, treatment, and assessment of patients
- Periodically keeping Operations informed of overall status
- Completing the Injury Report

First Aid/Medical Team Members

The members of the First Aid/Medical Team are responsible for assessing injuries and administering necessary first aid and medical treatment as indicated during an emergency. All team members should have First Aid/CPR/AED training. Supplemental online training course STEPS 213 is offered through the Learning Zone. Specific duties of the members of the First Aid/Medical Team may include:

- Setting up first aid area, triage and/or temporary morgue
- Triage/First Aid Response
- Keeping accurate records of care given and tagging each of the injured with name, address, injury and any treatment rendered
- Reporting critical injuries or deaths immediately to First Aid/Medical Team Leader
- Recording information on transport to hospital by first responders
- Supplies and Equipment for First Aid/Medical Team
- Vest or position identifier
- First aid supplies

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- Non-Latex disposable exam gloves
- AED (if school has one on campus)
- Triage tags
- Hand-held two-way radios
- Stretchers
- Blankets
- Wheelchairs
- Ground covers, tarps
- Patient record forms
- Site map
- Injury Report

In a disaster, it may be a while before patients can be transported for medical care. When possible, have students transported to the nearest emergency department approved for pediatrics (up to age 22) as listed in the Safe School Plan.

3.4 Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team

The Psychological First Aid Team, or Crisis Team, is responsible for the social-emotional well-being and safety of all students on campus during an emergency. The team provides psychological first aid as needed in the immediate aftermath of a critical incident or emergency, pursuant to the District's *Crisis Preparedness, Response and Recovery* policy.

Assignments

Psychological First Aid Team Leader: REPECKA, KATHLEEN

Alternate Team Leader: OBANDO-SALGUERO, JENNIFER

Psychological First Aid Team Member: NIGOSIAN, NICOLE

Psychological First Aid Team Member: SHAPIRO, LESLEY

Team Assembly Location

Inside: Reseda Park

Outside: Basketball Courts

Psychological First Aid Team Leader

The Psychological First Aid Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and periodically interacting with Operations to identify concerns and report status. The Psychological First Aid Team Leader is also responsible for assigning personnel as needed and ensuring appropriate training is provided. Information is available in the District's *Crisis Preparedness, Response and Recovery* Bulletin. Supplemental online training courses STEPS 212 and 409 are offered through the Learning Zone.

Psychological First Aid Team Members

The members of the Psychological First Aid Team are responsible for monitoring the social-emotional safety and well-being of the students and staff in the Assembly Area and First Aid Area. Specific duties of the members of the Psychological First Aid Team may include:

- Psychological triage/first aid
- Providing reassurance to students
- Updating records of the number of students and staff in need of support
- Documenting students or staff who may need additional support in the days to weeks following the incident
- Coordinating with Operations to provide water and food to students and staff when necessary
- Supporting other teams, as needed

Supplies and Equipment for the Psychological First Aid Team

- Vest or position identifier
- Hand-held two-way radio
- Ground cover and tarps
- First aid kit
- Paper, pens and pencils

3.5 Search and Rescue Team

The Search and Rescue Team is responsible for preparing and performing search and rescue operations during an emergency. There may be two or more Search and Rescue teams at a school. Each team must have four members.

Assignments

Search and Rescue Team Leader: FRANCISCO, ALFONSO

Alternate Team Leader: BATEMAN, WESLEY

SAR Team 1 Members: FRANCISCO, ALFONSO; BATEMAN, WESLEY; VALLADAREZ, CLAUDIA; WILEY, SHERI

SAR Team 2 Members: ARREOLA, ALONSO; AMAYA, CARLOS; WELLS, ANDREW; PENROD, HEATHER

SAR Team 3 Members: MARTINEZ, ULYSSES; KLINE, KEVIN; BAUCUM, REGINA; SPRINGER, JOHN

SAR Team 4 Members: RUTTER, MATT; FERNANDEZ, FERNANDO; MOOSE, ROBERT; SADEGHI, SINA

Team Assembly Location

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Inside: Service Road Next to Emergency Supply Bin

Outside: Reseda Park

Search and Rescue Team Leader

The Search and Rescue Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities, keeping Operations informed of overall status, and coordinating appropriate training. Supplemental online training course STEPS 214 is offered through the Learning Zone. Specific duties of the Search and Rescue Team Leader may include:

- Obtaining briefings from Operations and the Assembly Area Team, noting missing students and any other situations requiring response
- Assigning and recording search and rescue teams based on available manpower, maintaining 4 persons per team
- Updating teams' reports on site map and recording exact location of damage and triage tally

Search and Rescue Team Members

The members of the Search and Rescue Team are responsible for performing search and rescue operations during an emergency. Specific duties of the members of the Search and Rescue Team may include:

- Searching assigned area
- Reporting gas leaks, fires, or structural damage to Team Leader upon discovery
- Rescuing trapped survivors on campus
- Evacuating survivors with mobility challenges
- Working with the Utilities Team and Fire Suppression Team in shutting off gas or extinguishing fires as appropriate
- Periodically reporting to the Team Leader the location, number, and condition of injured or missing survivors
- Conducting pre-established search and rescue patterns, checking each classroom, office, storage room, auditorium and other rooms
- Sealing off and posting areas where hazardous conditions exist
- Contacting Security/Utilities Team to secure the building from reentry after the search

Supplies and Equipment for Search and Rescue Teams

- Vest or position identifier
- Hard hat
- Work and non-latex gloves
- Eye protection
- Dust mask
- Whistle with master keys on neck lanyard
- Hand held two-way radio
- Clipboard with job duties
- Map indicating search plan
- Fire extinguisher
- Water bib key
- Blankets
- Bolt cutters (for cutting grates from around windows)
- Shovel
- Rope
- Triage tags
- Bucket or duffel bag
- Flashlight
- Pry bar
- Grease pencil
- Pencils
- Duct tape
- Caution tape
- Masking tape
- First aid backpack/fanny pack (one team member wears it)

Many of these materials are found in the search and rescue kit, which can be purchased through the LAUSD Warehouse.

3.6 Security/Utilities Team

The Security/Utilities Team is responsible for the security of the school site and its population during an emergency. The Security/Utilities Team will coordinate activities with Operations as required. Close coordination with the Reunion Gate Team is necessary to safely reunite students with their parents or lawful guardians. The Security/Utilities Team shuts down heating and air conditioning units, gas, power, and water utilities as necessary to protect students and staff and to minimize damage to school facilities. This team includes participation by the school police officer or school security officer, campus aides, and members of the custodial and cafeteria staff.

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Assignments

Security/Utilities Team Leader: BIN, MIGUEL

Alternate Team Leader: FRANCO, MIGUEL

Security/Utilities Team Member: SERRANO, DIEGO

Security/Utilities Team Member: BALLESTEROS, FERNANDO

Team Assembly Location

Inside: Senior Quad

Outside: Reseda Park

Security/Utilities Team Leader

The Security/Utilities Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and interacting with Operations to identify problems and report status, and coordinates appropriate training. The Security/Utilities Team Leader is also responsible for contacting the Planning and Intelligence Section that will, in turn, notify local utility companies (water, electricity, gas, sewer) as needed.

Security/Utilities Team Members

The members of the Security/Utilities Team are responsible for securing the school and reporting that the campus is secured. They are also responsible for surveying all utilities and taking appropriate actions to shut-off utilities, as needed. Specific duties of the members of the Security/Utilities Team may include:

- Locking all external gates and doors; unlocking some gates when appropriate
- Stationing one team member at the main entrance to the school to direct emergency vehicles to area(s) of need and to greet parents
- Keeping students and staff out of buildings, as necessary
- Assisting at Reunion Gate, as appropriate
- Assessing and reporting damage to school facilities
- Checking water lines and shutting down water supply lines if leaking
- Checking gas meter/lines and, if gas is leaking, shutting down gas supply
- Shutting down electricity only if building has clear structural damage or advised to do so by Command Post

Supplies and Equipment for Security/Utilities Team

- Vest or position identifier
- Hard hat, gloves and any personal protective equipment
- Master keys

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- Hand-held two way radio
- Copy of the school's emergency procedures
- Large durable signs for providing direction and information
- Utility shut-off tools
- Site maps
- Diagrams of shut-off valves and switches

3.7 Supply/Equipment Team

The Supply/Equipment Team is responsible for ensuring the availability and delivery of adequate supplies and equipment during the course of an emergency. The team members should be familiar with the supplies cached in the emergency bin and cafeteria storage room.

Assignments

Supply/Equipment Team Leader: SERRANO, DIEGO

Alternate Team Leader: BALLESTEROS, FERNANDO

Supply/Equipment Team Member:

Supply/Equipment Team Member:

Team Assembly Location

Inside: Plant Managers Dock

Outside: Reseda Park

Supply/Equipment Team Leader

The Supply/Equipment Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and keeping the Logistics Coordinator informed of overall status. Specific duties of the Supply/Equipment Team Leader may include:

- Reporting equipment and supply needs.
- Estimating the number of persons requiring food/shelter/care
- Work with Planning & Intelligence Coordinator to determine the length of time care will be needed
- Inventory supplies on hand

Supply/Equipment Team Members

The members of the Supply/Equipment Team are responsible for assessing the adequacy of available water, food, sanitation, and other supplies and organizing the distribution of resources for immediate use. Specific duties of the members of the Supply/Equipment Team may include:

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- Distributing emergency water and food supplies
- Setting up and maintaining sanitation stations
- Determining supply/equipment needs for any persons with special needs
- Controlling conservation of water

Supplies and Equipment for Supply/Equipment Team

- Hand-held two way radio
- Keys
- Bullhorn
- Emergency water supplies - water carriers, cups, hand pumps, etc.
- Emergency food supplies
- Temporary power supplies
- Cell phones
- Sanitation supplies

3.8 Assembly Area Team

The Assembly Area Team is responsible for the safe evacuation and accounting of all students and staff during an emergency. The team is also responsible for reporting missing persons to Operations. Operations will then relay reports of missing students to the Search and Rescue Team.

Assignments

Assembly Area Team Leader: BADGEN, MELANIE

Alternate Team Leader: FRANCO, MIGUEL

Assembly Area Team Member: FNDRYAN-ABARCA, NAZELI

Assembly Area Team Member: BANUELOS, DAVID

Team Assembly Location

Inside: Volleyball Courts North Gym by Softball Field

Outside: Reseda Park

Assembly Area Team Leader

The Assembly Area Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and periodically interacting with Operations to identify problems and report status. The Assembly Area Team Leader is also responsible for collecting the Missing Persons Report from team members and providing the report to the Incident Commander.

Assembly Area Team Members

The members of the Assembly Area Team are responsible for performing the safe evacuation and accounting of students and staff during an emergency. Specific duties of the members of the Assembly Area Team may include:

- Obtaining reports of missing students from teachers or other personnel
- Ensuring that students are orderly and supervised so that they can be found quickly when parents arrive
- Gathering Missing Persons Report from each teacher and submitting forms to the Assembly Area Team Leader
- Assisting the Reunion Gate Team as required

Supplies and Equipment for Assembly Area Team

- Copy of Site Plot Plan and Vicinity Map showing designated on and off site Assembly Areas
- Injury Reports and Missing Persons Reports
- Bullhorn
- Clipboard and pens for forms

3.9 Request and Reunion Gate Teams

Request Gate Team

The Request Gate Team is responsible for processing parent requests for student release during an emergency.

Assignments

Request Gate Team Leader: CASTANEDA, PHYLLIS

Alternate Team Leader: CANCHOLA OCHOA, LETICIA

Request Gate Team Member:

Request Gate Team Member:

Team Assembly Location

Outside: Tennis Courts

Request Gate Team Leader

The Request Gate Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and periodically interacting with Operations to identify problems and report status, and coordinating appropriate training. The Request Gate Team Leader will refer all outside requests for information to the Public Information Officer. Supplemental online training course STEPS 419 is offered through the Learning Zone.

Request Gate Team Members

The members of the Request Gate Team are responsible for greeting parents/guardians/designees, providing them with the paperwork authorizing the holders to reunite with their students at the Reunion Gate, and checking identification. Specific duties of the members of the Request Gate Team may include:

- Greeting and quickly directing parents, guardians, or designees to the counselors, as appropriate
- Providing reassurance to parents, guardians, or designees and maintaining order. The use of large signs showing the school status in all languages is suggested.
- Checking identification
- Directing parents or guardians to the Reunion Gate
- Dispatching student runners to Assembly Area to escort students whose parents have come to claim them

Supplies and Equipment for Request Gate Teams

- Keys to Request Gate
- Student lists
- Office supplies –pens, paper, clipboards, and summons forms, etc.
- Sign-making materials
- Bullhorn
- Reunification forms

Mass Reunion Planning

The Request and Reunion Gate Teams need to have an expansion plan for a massive influx of parents. The following activities should be part of every school's Request/Reunion Gate preparedness program:

- Cross-train other teams to assist. When the Search and Rescue Team members are done with their assignment, they may be re-assigned by the Operations Section Chief to assist the Request or Reunion Gate Team.
- Ensure that there are enough supplies (pens, forms etc.) for the additional Request Gate Team members so that additional stations can be opened.

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- Have a plan to re-organize the Request Gate to divide the parents into smaller groups. They can be organized by grade level, small learning community or any other criteria that makes sense for the school.
- Ensure that there are sign making supplies to allow for reorganization.

Reunion Gate Team

The Reunion Gate Team is responsible for compassionately reuniting parents or guardians with students. Reunion gate personnel should have a plan in place to notify parents about injured or deceased students, a highly sensitive issue. The team checks identification and will keep accurate records of students leaving the campus. Members of the Psychological First Aid Team and Security Team may be asked to assist the Reunion Gate Team. In the event that a child is injured, it is recommended that the parents be invited to a private or secluded location and, away from others, be informed of their child's condition. It is suggested that a member of the Psychological First Aid team stay with the parent and assist them.

Assignments

Reunion Gate Team Leader: ORNELAS, MELISSA

Alternate Team Leader: CAYEN, ALISE

Reunion Gate Team Member:

Reunion Gate Team Member:

Team Assembly Location

Outside: Tennis Courts

Reunion Gate Team Leader

The Reunion Gate Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and periodically interacting with Operations to identify problems, request additional personnel, and report status. The Reunion Gate Team Leader will refer all requests for information to the Public Information Officer. The Reunion Gate Team Leader is also responsible for collecting the Student Release Log from the Team Members and should have the forms readily available to Operations.

Reunion Gate Team Members

The members of the Reunion Gate Team are responsible for greeting parents, guardians, or designees and reuniting them with their students at the designated Reunion Gate. Specific duties of the members of the Reunion Gate Team may include:

- Greeting parents, guardians, or designees at the Reunion Gate
- Verifying identification and authenticity of reunification forms

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- Confirming students recognize the authorized adults who come to claim them and requiring adult to sign student out of school
- Completing Student Release Log and submitting them to the Reunion Gate Team Leader

Supplies and Equipment

- Hand-held two way radios
- Tables and chairs
- Office Supplies –pens, paper, clipboards, release forms, etc.
- Student Lists
- Flashlights
- Keys to Reunion Gate
- Materials for sign-out log
- Student Release Log

3.10 Fire Suppression/Hazmat Team

The Fire Suppression and HazMat Team is responsible for extinguishing fires and evaluating the potential release of chemicals during an emergency. It is also responsible for evaluating the damages to school property in an emergency. This team will coordinate with Operations. Team members complete the Damage Assessment Report Forms. Operating a fire extinguisher is covered in STEPS 201, available on the Learning Zone.

Assignments

Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Leader: SERRANO, DIEGO

Alternate Team Leader: BALLESTEROS, FERNANDO

Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Member:

Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Member:

Team Assembly Location

Inside: Storage Center

Outside: Reseda Park

Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Leader

The Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and periodically interacting with Operations to identify problems and report status. The Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Leader is also responsible for gathering the Damage Assessment Report Forms from the Team Members and having forms readily available to Operations.

Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Members

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The members of the Fire Suppression and HazMat Team are responsible for extinguishing fires, evaluating the potential release of chemicals during an emergency, observing the campus for damage and hazardous conditions, logging and reporting any damage by radio to the Command Post during an emergency. Copies of the Damage Assessment Report Form will be submitted to the Team Leader. Specific duties of the members of the Fire Suppression and HazMat Team may include:

- Evaluating potential release of chemicals
- Identifying damaged areas on the Damage Assessment Report Form. Reporting will be supplemented by pictures if appropriate.
- Locating and extinguishing small fires, as necessary. Use the proper extinguisher for the type of fire:
 1. Class A, B or C for ordinary combustibles
 2. Class B or C for fires involving flammable liquids
 3. Class C only for fires involving electrical equipment
- Posting yellow caution tape around damaged or hazardous areas.

Supplies and Equipment for the Fire Suppression and HazMat Team

- Vest or position identifier
- Hard Hat, work gloves and personal protective equipment
- Fire extinguishers and other fire-fighting equipment
- Hand-held two way radios
- Master keys on lanyard
- Clipboard with job duties and Damage Assessment Forms
- Carry bucket or duffel bag with eye protection, flashlight, dust masks, yellow caution tape, and utility shut-off tools.
- Site maps

3.11 Documentation/Communications Position

The Documentation/ Communications Position works under the Planning and Intelligence Section and is responsible for maintaining a log of all emergency developments and response actions, and other necessary documentation. These records are extremely important to document what action was taken by the school in response to the emergency.

Assignments

Documentation Staff Member: FREEMAN, MARIA

Alternate Documentation Staff Member: BANUELOS, DAVID

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Assembly Location

The Documentation/Communication Staff Member will report to the Command Post.

Roles and Responsibilities

The Documentation/Communication Staff Member will maintain a log of the incident, noting all actions and reports, and filing them for reference. Specific duties may include:

- Periodically communicating with the Planning and Intelligence Section for status updates.
- Documenting all communications with the Local District Operations Center (LDOC) and outside agencies.
- Recording the number of students, staff and others on campus and updating it periodically.
- Reporting missing persons, and documenting site damage and first aid needs with the Incident Commander.
- Ensuring that accurate records are kept of all staff members, indicating hours worked.
- Supporting the Incident Commander in making any purchases and keeping track of the cost.
- Filing, maintaining and securing all emergency documentation.
- The Communications Staff Member will collect, organize and analyze situation information and provide periodic updates. Specific duties may include:
 - Listening to District AM/FM/Ham radios for information.
 - Send Blackboard Connect messages to students and staff
 - Send updates on Twitter, Face book and other internet accounts
 - Monitor other forms of social media communication (Twitter, etc)
 - Updating site maps as reports and other information are received.
 - Preserving maps as legal document.
 - Using area-wide map to record information on major incidents such as road closures, utility outages, etc. that may impact the campus.
 - Developing situation reports for the Incident Command Team.

Supplies and Equipment for the Documentation Position

- Hand-held radios
- File boxes
- Paper, pens
- AM-FM battery radios/Portable TV
- Damage Assessment Reports
- Maps of event by the hour

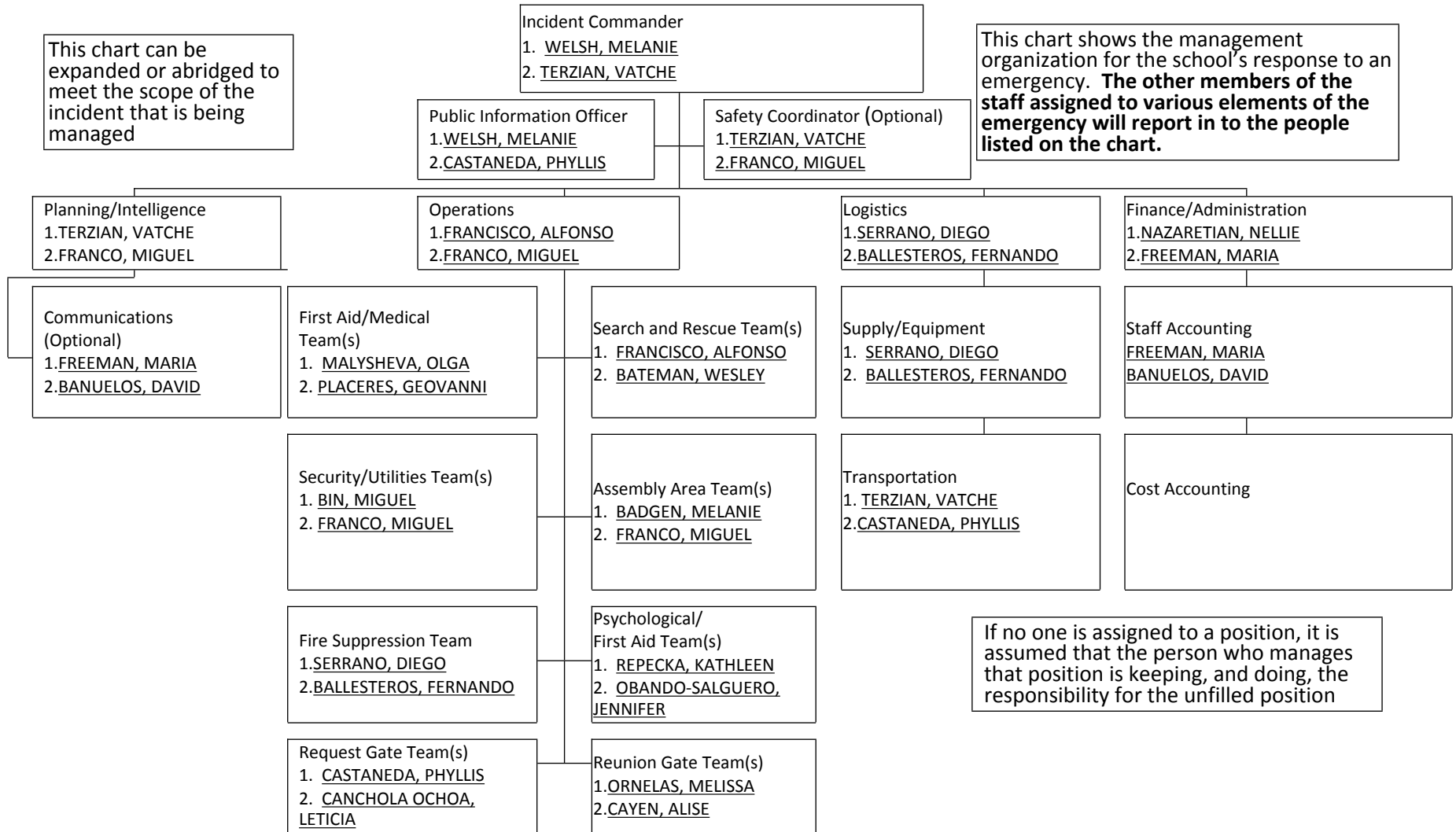
Supplies and Equipment

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7. Hand-held radios
8. Info/access to Blackboard Connect, internet, cell phones, etc
9. AM-FM battery radios / portable TV
10. Paper, pens, dry-erase pens
11. File box(es)
12. Large site map of campus, laminated or covered with plastic
13. Map of county or local area

3.13 School ICS Team Leads Chart

RESEDA CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION CHART



The Incident Command System

Note: This Organization Chart is based on ICS, and adapted for LAUSD use. The Principal and School Safety Committee should use discretion in making further Modifications to address specific needs of the school. The first name in the box represents the primary responsible person; the second name denotes the backup.

3.14 School Site Crisis Team Chart

This chart provides examples of crisis team positions, roles and responsibilities at the school site. "Backup" staff should be identified for each team member in the event of an absence.

POSITION	ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES	PRIMARY STAFF	BACKUP STAFF
Incident Commander	During a crisis, directs all crisis operations, verifies facts, contacts LD, and coordinates all crisis response & intervention services.	WELSH, MELANIE	TERZIAN, VATCHE
Crisis Team Leader	Coordinates all crisis team response, including triage, assessment, and crisis counseling for students, staff, & parents.	ORNELAS, MELISSA	BADGEN, MELANIE
Public Information Officer (PIO)	Official spokesperson for an incident. Includes preparing Blackboard Connect and other communications for staff and parents, identification of media locations and updates.	WELSH, MELANIE	CASTANEDA, PHYLLIS
Psychological First Aid	Provides psychological/emotional support and crisis counseling for students, staff, & parents.	REPECKA, KATHLEEN	OBANDO-SALGUERO, JENNIFER
First Aid/Medical	Ensures that first aid supplies are available and performs medical first aid/triage.	MALYSHEVA, OLGA	PLACERES, GEOVANNI
Security	Ensures school site security, secures gates, and performs short term repairs and shutoff of utilities as necessary.	BIN, MIGUEL	FRANCO, MIGUEL
Request Gate	Processes requests for student pick-up.	CASTANEDA, PHYLLIS	CANCHOLA OCHOA, LETICIA
Reunion Gate	Reunites students and parents at Reunion Gate.	ORNELAS, MELISSA	CAYEN, ALISE
Logistics	Provides all incident support needs such as facilities, transportation, communications, supplies/equipment and food services; includes adjusting schedules and menus, as needed.	SERRANO, DIEGO	BALLESTEROS, FERNANDO
Communications	Maintains log of incident actions and all documents associated with the emergency; maintains status board of incident actions, monitors phone calls, television, radio and social media for information.	FREEMAN, MARIA	BANUELOS, DAVID

***The designated Crisis Team Leader and PIO should maintain ongoing communication and collaboration with the Incident Commander throughout the crisis response.**

3.15 School Site Suicide/Threat Risk Assessment Team Chart

This chart identifies the members of the suicide/threat risk assessment team and their responsibilities at the school site. "Backup" staff should be identified for each team member in the event of an absence.

POSITION	ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES	PRIMARY STAFF	BACKUP STAFF
Administrator (Principal, Assistant Principal, or Administrative Designee)	Takes charge of the suicide/threat risk incident, convenes the Suicide/Threat Risk Assessment Team, designates specific roles to team members (securing campus safety, assessment, gathering information, documentation, etc). Coordinates all information, referrals, safety planning, and monitoring.	TERZIAN, VATCHE	FRANCO, MIGUEL
Mental Health Professional /Suicide Prevention Liaison (For Student Suicide/Threat Risk Assessment: Psychiatric Social Worker, PSA Counselor, School Psychologist) (For Adult/Employee Workplace Violence Risk Assessment: School Mental Health Administrator)	Assists with the risk assessment, gathering background information, including interviews and statements from the person of interest & witnesses. Identified as the Suicide Prevention Liaison. Brings mental health and trauma expertise in working with students & families.	BADGEN, MELANIE (Student Suicide/Threat Risk Assessment)	OBANDO-SALGUERO, JENNIFER (Student Suicide/Threat Risk Assessment)
		SHAPIRO, LESLEY (Adult Workplace Violence Risk Assessment)	FOWLER, JAMIE (Adult Workplace Violence Risk Assessment)
Law Enforcement (Los Angeles School Police Officer-resident or patrol officer; Los Angeles Police Department; LA County Sheriff's Department)	Responds to situations of risk of violence to self or others. Assists with assessment and application/transport for a psychiatric evaluation, as needed. Determines whether threat is a criminal threat; actions may include arrest, citation, or other investigative responsibilities. Assists with identifying criminal background of person of interest.	Officer Bin	Miguel Franco

3.16 School Emergency Contacts Chart

This chart provides Emergency Team Contact information used by School Police to contact school site administrators and employees in the event of an emergency:

Title/Role	Name	Work Number
Principal	WELSH, MELANIE	
Assistant Principal 1	ORNELAS, MELISSA	(818) 758-3613
Assistant Principal 2	CASTANEDA, PHYLLIS	(818) 758-3623
Assistant Principal 3	BADGEN, MELANIE	
Assistant Principal 4	TERZIAN, VATCHE	(818) 758-3600
Administrator Assistant	FREEMAN, MARIA	(818) 758-3611
Cafeteria Manager	AUTEN, REBECCA	(818) 758-3678
Financial Manager	NAZARETIAN, NELLIE	(818) 654-3715
Plant Manager	SERRANO, DIEGO	
Custodian	BALLESTEROS, FERNANDO	
Custodian Closest to Site	ANONGCHANYA, PRINCHAN	
First Person on Campus in AM	GUZMAN, EDIL	
Last Person on Campus in PM	BALLESTEROS, FERNANDO	

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Title/Role	Name
Search and Rescue Team 1	
Team leader	FRANCISCO, ALFONSO
Member 2/Alternate Leader	BATEMAN, WESLEY
Member 3	VALLADAREZ, CLAUDIA
Member 4	WILEY, SHERI
Search and Rescue Team 2	
Team leader	ARREOLA, ALONSO
Member 2/Alternate Leader	AMAYA, CARLOS
Member 3	WELLS, ANDREW
Member 4	PENROD, HEATHER
Search and Rescue Team 3	
Team leader	MARTINEZ, ULYSSES
Member 2/Alternate Leader	KLINE, KEVIN
Member 3	BAUCUM, REGINA
Member 4	SPRINGER, JOHN
Search and Rescue Team 4	
Team leader	RUTTER, MATT
Member 2/Alternate Leader	FERNANDEZ, FERNANDO
Member 3	MOOSE, ROBERT
Member 4	SADEGHI, SINA
Security / Utilities Team	
Team leader	BIN, MIGUEL
Member 2/Alternate Leader	FRANCO, MIGUEL
Member 3	SERRANO, DIEGO
Member 4	BALLESTEROS, FERNANDO
First Aid / Medical Team	
Team leader	MALYSHEVA, OLGA
Member 2/Alternate Leader	PLACERES, GEOVANNI
Member 3	BORJA, EVANGELINE
Member 4	DERSDEPANIAN, PATRICIA
Assembly Area Team	
Team leader	BADGEN, MELANIE
Member 2/Alternate Leader	FRANCO, MIGUEL
Member 3	FNDRYAN-ABARCA, NAZELI
Member 4	BANUELOS, DAVID
Fire Suppression / HazMat Team	

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Team leader	SERRANO, DIEGO
Member 2/Alternate Leader	BALLESTEROS, FERNANDO
Member 3	
Member 4	
Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team	
Team leader	REPECKA, KATHLEEN
Member 2/Alternate Leader	OBANDO-SALGUERO, JENNIFER
Member 3	NIGOSIAN, NICOLE
Member 4	SHAPIRO, LESLEY
Supply / Equipment Team	
Team leader	SERRANO, DIEGO
Member 2/Alternate Leader	BALLESTEROS, FERNANDO
Member 3	
Member 4	
Request Gate Teams	
Team leader	CASTANEDA, PHYLLIS
Member 2/Alternate Leader	CANCHOLA OCHOA, LETICIA
Member 3	
Member 4	
Reunion Gate Teams	
Team leader	ORNELAS, MELISSA
Member 2/Alternate Leader	CAYEN, ALISE
Member 3	
Member 4	
Documentation / Communication	
Team leader	FREEMAN, MARIA
Member 2/Alternate Leader	BANUELOS, DAVID
Transportation	
Team leader	TERZIAN, VATCHE
Member 2/Alternate Leader	CASTANEDA, PHYLLIS
Administrative Search Coordinator	
Team leader	TERZIAN, VATCHE
Member 2/Alternate Leader	FRANCO, MIGUEL
Manager of School Emergency Response Box	
Team leader	FISK, LISA
Member 2/Alternate Leader	PLACERES, GEOVANNI

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This chart provides Emergency Team Contact information used by School Police to contact school site administrators and employees in the event of an emergency:

Title/Role	Name	Work Number
Principal		
Assistant Principal 1		
Assistant Principal 2		
Administrator Assistant		
Financial Manager		
First person on campus in AM		
Last person on campus in PM		

4. Training and Exercises

4.1 District Documents Concerning Emergencies

LAUSD documents relevant to school emergencies can be found on the [“LAUSD Emergency Documents”](#) page of the Emergency Services website.

4.2 Emergency Supplies and Equipment

It is the responsibility of site administration to develop and implement plans to provide a minimum of a 72-hour supply of emergency water, food, first aid, search and rescue, sanitation and other emergency supplies and equipment at school. Emergency supplies will be maintained in each classroom and in a centralized location: [indicate location]

Emergency supply checklists are found in the appendices and the [Emergency Supply Reference Guide](#).

4.3 Training and Exercises

The Training and Exercises section describes the critical training and exercise activities the school will use in support of the plan. This includes the core training objectives and frequency to ensure that staff members, students, faculty, parents, and community representatives understand roles, responsibilities, and expectations. This section also establishes the expected frequency of exercises to be conducted by the school. Content may be influenced based on similar requirements at the District and/or local jurisdiction level(s). Exercises may range from basic fire and shelter-in-place drills to full-scale community-wide drills that realistically portray an emergency event and show the role the school plays in school District and municipal planning.

4.4 Emergency Drills

In order to be adequately prepared, emergency drills should be executed and documented at <http://emergencydrills.lausd.net>. Training for all emergency procedures can be found through the STEPS program on the Learning Zone. The [LAUSD Emergency Drills and Procedures Reference Guide](#) has more information on emergency response actions and required emergency drills. Four types of emergency drills are required as indicated in the table below, along with the required frequencies by school level.

Drill Frequency Table:

DRILL TYPE	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE	SENIOR HIGH AND ADULT
<i>Fire</i>	First week of school until proficient, then once per month at minimum, including summer school.	First week of school until proficient, then once per month at minimum, including summer school.	First week of school until proficient, then once per semester at minimum, including summer school.
<i>Earthquake (Drop/Cover/Hold On)</i>	Once per month at minimum, including summer school.	Once per month at minimum, including summer school.	Once per month at minimum, including summer school.
<i>Take Cover or "Drop"</i>	Review* once per semester at minimum, including summer school.	Review* once per semester at minimum, including summer school.	Review* once per semester at minimum, including summer school.
<i>Lockdown</i>	Once per semester at minimum, including summer school.	Once per semester at minimum, including summer school.	Once per semester at minimum, including summer school.
<i>Shelter-in-Place</i>	Review* once per semester at minimum, including summer school.	Review* once per semester at minimum, including summer school.	Review* once per semester at minimum, including summer school.

*An oral review of purpose and procedure may be done in lieu of actual practice.

4.4.1 Fire Drill

Signal: (Most sites) Series of three and one half second pulses of electronic emergency horns, followed by a short pause; sequence repeats for at least three minutes.

Fire Drill Procedures:

Teachers

1. Please refer to the evacuation map in your classroom. If the room does not have a map, please contact the principal.
2. Familiarize yourself with the route your class will take before the drill begins.
3. When the signal is given, have students form a single line outside the classroom. (Form a double line for large classes.)
4. Check to see that all students are out of the classroom; take student roster and close all doors to prevent the spread of smoke or fire.

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5. Have students walk quietly in single file to the Assembly Area. Teachers should walk at the rear of the line.
6. Have students form a single line in the designated Assembly Area.
7. Take attendance.
8. Wait for the “all clear” signal – one long, steady bell – then return quietly to your classroom in single file.

All Other Personnel: Report to Assembly Area for further instructions.

4.4.2 Earthquake Drill

An earthquake drill is held to provide maximum protection in case of earthquake or other emergency where the risk of flying or falling debris is present. No advance warning or signal normally will be given. In practice drills, teachers should supervise students and be alert to the position of each student during the entire drill.

Signal: The signal for the drill is the following PA announcement.

“Your attention, please. As you are aware, we are experiencing some seismic activity. For everyone’s protection, all students should follow drop, cover and hold on procedures, which means you should be in a protected position under a table or desk, away from windows and anything that could fall and hurt you. Hold this position until the shaking stops or you are given further instructions.”

Earthquake Drill Procedures

1. Initiate the DROP, COVER and HOLD ON action as described in Section 4.0.
2. Drop to knees facing away from windows.
3. Get under desks or tables and hold on to the furniture where possible.
4. Fold body onto floor with arms close to knees.
5. Place head as far as is possible between knees; cover crown of the head with hands.
6. Stay in this position until shaking stops.
7. Teachers will direct students to return to their seats.

After an earthquake, students will evacuate using the safest route or evacuation routes practiced during the fire drill. The students are gathered in the Assembly Area and line up in the designated space.

If an earthquake occurs during non-classroom hours i.e., passing periods, nutrition, or lunch, all persons will proceed to the Assembly Area and line up in the designated space.

4.4.3 Lockdown Drill

Signal: The signal for the drill is the following PA announcement.

“Your attention please. There is a threat to your safety near the school. For everyone’s protection, all students should go into to the nearest classroom and lock the door. You should be in a protected position, away from doors and windows and anything that can hurt you. Hold this position until you are given further instructions.”

Lockdown Drill Procedures

1. When the announcement has been given, all classes will remain in their rooms.
2. Physical education classes will proceed into the gym, auditorium or multi-purpose room.
3. Move students to the most protected areas in the room and lock the door.
4. Have students face away from windows and keep their backs toward windows.
5. Close and lock all doors and windows. If possible, cover windows by lowering blinds, closing slots, drawing curtains, or pulling shades
6. Turn off lights, power equipment, appliances, and silence cell phones. All personnel must remain in the classroom until further instructions are received from official sources.

4.4.4 Shelter-In-Place Drill

A Shelter-In-Place indicates that an emergency that requires students and staff to remain inside.

Signal: The signal for the “Shelter-In-Place” drill is the following PA announcement:

“Your attention, please. Because we have received information regarding a hazard in the community, we are instituting shelter-in-place procedures. Remember, this means students and staff are to remain inside the building away from outside air with windows and doors securely closed and air conditioning units turned off. Please cover any cracks under door or around the windows with towels. Cover any vents to the outside. All students and staff that are outside are to immediately move to the protection of an inside room. As soon as we have further information, we will share it with you.”

Shelter-in-Place Drill Procedures

1. When the announcement has been given, all classes will remain in their rooms.
2. Physical education classes will proceed into the gym, auditorium, or multi-purpose room.
3. Move students to the most protected areas in the room.
4. Have students face away from windows and keep their backs toward windows.
5. Close all doors and windows. If possible, cover windows by lowering blinds, closing slots, drawing curtains, or pulling shades.
6. Cover any vents or holes with posters, paper or plastic. Use wet paper towels to fill gaps under doors or windows. Block the exchange of air to the outside by putting laminated posters over vents.
7. Turn off gas, lights, power equipment, and appliances. All personnel must remain in the shelter area until further instructions are received from official sources.
8. Turn off HVAC and cover vents.

5. Authorities and References

This section contains a list of laws, statutes, ordinances, executive orders, regulations, and formal agreements relevant to emergencies. It provides for the succession of decision-making authority and operational control to ensure that critical emergency functions can be performed in the absence of the school administrator.

5.1 Legal Requirements

California Senate Bill 187 (1997) - Requires a comprehensive school safety plan with identified appropriate safety strategies relevant to the needs and resources of the school. It requires specific representatives from the school and community to be involved in the planning process, update the plan annually, and adopt emergency procedures and policies.

California Education Code Section 32282 - Requires that school safety plans include (among other items) disaster procedures and an earthquake procedure system including protective measures to be taken during an earthquake, and detailed “drop” procedures. Also requires training of school staff in the drop procedures.

California Education Code Section 35295-35297 - Specifies the components of the earthquake emergency procedure system for schools of more than 50 students, public and private: a school building disaster plan; a drop, cover, and hold on procedure; protective measures to be taken before, during, and after an earthquake; and a program for training students and staff in the adopted earthquake system.

California Education Code Section 35294.1 - School safety plans may include an action plan with input from law enforcement, and may determine the fiscal impact of implementing the plan. School safety plans are to be created using existing resources and are not to be developed with private consultants.

California Code of Regulations 560 - School principals are to formulate the disaster preparedness plan and submit it annually to the Superintendent for approval. Schools are required to test the plan twice a year, not including fire drills.

5.2 Other Related Laws

California Education Code 32040 - Requires each school to have a first aid kit.

California Government Code 3100 (Disaster Service Workers’ Act) - All public personnel, including school District employees and charter school employees, can be declared Disaster Service Workers. As Disaster Service Workers, employees can be held at the work site and assigned disaster relief activities to perform until released during a disaster declared by the President or the Governor, or proclaimed by the Mayor.

California Field Act of 1933 – Specifies stricter building codes for and more frequent inspections of public school buildings. It applies to new construction of school buildings and later was amended to include mandatory retrofitting of older, existing school buildings.

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No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001 Title IV Part A (Safe and Drug Free Schools & Gun Free Requirements) – Provides funding for schools to prevent violence in and around schools; to prevent the illegal use of alcohol, tobacco and drugs; and to foster a safe and drug-free learning environment.

California Code of Regulations Title 8 Section 3221 - sets forth the procedures for Fire Protection Systems.

California Education Code 3200 - Schools must have a fire alarm system and sound the alarm and conduct a fire drill at least once every calendar month at elementary schools, at least four times a year intermediate, and not less than twice a year at secondary schools.

LAUSD policies and guidance documents regarding emergencies can be found at <http://achieve.lausd.net/Page/2649>.

6. Functional Annexes

Functional annexes focus on critical operational functions and the courses of action developed to carry them out, independent of the threat or hazard requiring response. While these functions should be described separately, it is important to remember that many functions will occur consecutively. Multiple functions may be performed concurrently. For example, during an evacuation, once students are safely out of the building, the accounting for students, staff, and visitors function will begin. The evacuation function, however, will still be in effect as staff or first responders work to locate and evacuate any persons not accounted for.

Note: Only the Superintendent of the School District has the authority to cancel or close any LAUSD school.

Training for all emergency procedures can be found through the STEPS program on the Learning Zone. The [LAUSD Emergency Drills and Procedures Reference Guide](#) contains detailed information on emergency response actions and required emergency drills.

6.1 Notifications

Response actions should be accompanied by the following notifications:

- 911
- Los Angeles School Police Watch Commander's Office at (213) 625-6631
- Local District Operations
- BlackBoard Connect messages to parents and/or staff
- ISTAR incident report

6.2 Accounting for all Persons

This action is taken to account for the whereabouts and wellbeing of all students, staff members and visitors and is one of the first tasks that must be accomplished in any emergency.

Note: The below procedures are used to account for everyone after evacuating from school buildings. Schools should plan how to acquire this information, including accounting for visitors, during a lockdown, shelter-in-place, or other emergency where everyone is inside. Methods may include MISIS (for student attendance), email, calling the office via classroom phone, or hand-collected rosters/reports. Multiple methods should be planned for due to varied technology and safety factors in an emergency.

Accounting for all Persons Procedures

1. Teachers will take student rosters when leaving the building and account for their designated groups once the class is assembled in a safe location. Teachers are to list students/others as appropriate on attendance rosters and on the Missing Persons Report, Injury Report, and/or Supplemental Attendance Report.
2. Assembly Area Team members will collect student rosters, Missing Persons Report, Injury Report, and Supplemental Attendance Report from teachers and submit them to the Assembly Area Team Leader.
3. The Assembly Area Team leader will compile a master accounting of all persons on campus, and make reports available to the Operations Section Chief and Incident Commander.

6.3 All Clear

This action is taken to notify staff and students that normal school operations can resume.

All Clear Procedures

1. The Incident Commander (principal) will make the following announcement on the PA system, which signifies that the emergency is over. If the PA system is not available, the Incident Commander will use other means of communication, i.e., sending messengers to deliver instructions. “Your attention, please. You may now return to your classroom and resume usual activities. Thank you all for your cooperation”.
2. The Incident Commander will convene the school Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team if the incident was traumatic to the school community.
3. The Incident Commander will make a final notification update to District offices and parents.
4. The Incident Commander will complete an iSTAR report to document the incident, including follow-up actions.
5. If appropriate, teachers should immediately begin discussions and activities to address students’ fears, anxieties, and other concerns.

6.4 Drop, Cover, and Hold On

This action is taken to protect students and staff from flying or falling debris, and is commonly used during an earthquake or explosion.

Drop, Cover, Hold On Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will make the following announcement on the PA system. If the PA system is not available, the principal will use other means of communication, i.e., sending messengers to deliver instructions. The Incident Commander (principal) should be calm, convey reassuring comments that the situation is under control, and give clear directions. “Your attention please. We are having an earthquake. Drop, cover and hold on in a protected position under a table or desk, away from windows and anything that could fall and hurt you. Hold this position until the shaking stops or you are given further instructions.”

2. If inside, teachers will instruct students to drop under their desks and cover their heads with their arms and hold onto the desk legs.
3. If outside, teachers will instruct students to drop to the ground, place their heads between their knees, and cover their heads with their arms and hands.
4. Teachers and students should move away from windows.
5. Students with disabilities that do not allow them to get under furniture for protection should move away from items in the room that are not secured. These students should go into a structural corner of the room (away from cabinets and shelves that can spill their contents; away from windows that can break and away from suspended items that could fall), lock the wheels on any wheelchairs and protect their head and neck with their hands.
6. The Incident Commander will follow drop, cover, and hold on with evacuation to the assembly area and notifications to the District and parents.
7. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action. Online training about earthquakes is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 202 and 402.

6.5 Evacuate Building

This action is taken after the decision is made that it is unsafe to remain in the building. It is most commonly used in response to a fire, after an earthquake (following drop, cover, and hold on), or any emergency where the building and its contents are perceived to be a threat to student safety.

Evacuate Building Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS team, and will make the following announcement on the PA system. If the PA system is not available, the Incident Commander (principal) will use other means of communication, i.e., sending messengers to deliver instructions. The principal should be calm, convey reassuring comments that the situation is under control, and give clear directions. "Your attention, please. We need to evacuate all buildings. Teachers are to take their students and roll book to the assembly area and report to their designated area. Students are to remain with their teacher. Teachers need to close the classroom door when all the students have left."
2. The Incident Commander will activate the fire alarm system as a signal to evacuate.
3. Teachers will instruct students to evacuate the building, using designated routes, and assemble in their assigned Assembly Area.
4. Teachers will take student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies when leaving the building, and take attendance once the class is assembled in a safe location. List missing students on the Missing Persons Report
5. Once assembled, teachers and students will stay in place until further instructions are given.
6. The Incident Commander will make appropriate notifications to the District and parents.
7. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

Online training that includes building evacuation is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 201 and STEPS 401. Fire alarm system training is available on the Learning Zone in STEPS course 418.

6.6 Lockdown

This action is taken when the threat of violence or gunfire is identified or directed by law enforcement and it is necessary to prevent the perpetrator(s) from entering any occupied campus areas. During a lockdown, students are to remain in the locked classrooms or designated safe locations at all times.

Lockdown Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will make the following announcement on the PA system. If the PA system is not available, the Incident Commander (principal) will use other means of communication, i.e., sending messengers to deliver instructions. The principal should be calm, convey reassuring comments that the situation is under control, and give clear directions. “Your attention, please. We have an emergency and need to implement a lockdown. Teachers are to lock classroom doors and keep all students inside the classroom until further notice. Do not open the door until notified by an administrator or law enforcement. If outside, students and staff are to proceed inside to the nearest building or classroom.”
2. If inside, teachers will instruct students to stay away from doors and windows, lock all doors, sit on the floor (in some instances), and close any shades or blinds if it appears safe to do so.
3. If outside, teachers will direct students to proceed to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into nearby classrooms or school buildings (e.g. auditorium, library, cafeteria, and gymnasium). Teachers are to account for any students with a cognitive disability that may not have understood the directions. Teachers are to take roll and to notify the office the number of students in the room with them and their names.
4. Teachers and students will remain in the classroom or secured area until further instructions are given by the principal or law enforcement.
5. All entrances to the school are to be locked and no visitors other than appropriate law enforcement or emergency personnel are to be allowed on campus.
6. The Incident Commander will call the Los Angeles School Police Department Watch Commander’s Office (213) 625-6631. The Watch Commander will provide advice and support for the School Incident Commander by interfacing with municipal police and fire departments and sending an LASPD officer to the school.
7. The Incident Commander will make appropriate notifications to the District and parents.
8. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action. Supplemental online lockdown training courses STEPS 203, 302, and 403 is offered through the Learning Zone.

Details are available in the [LAUSD Lockdown and Rapid Relocation Procedures for All Schools Bulletin](#).

6.7 Psychological Trauma/School Crisis

A school crisis is a sudden, unexpected, or unanticipated critical incident that can pose a safety threat or disrupts the school day, interfering with teaching, learning, attendance and behavior. Common reactions to a school crisis may include shock, confusion and fear. Although individual students, staff, families or other school community members may experience each crisis differently, school crises can have a broad and immediate impact on many students and adults.

Examples of crises that may impact schools include:

- An accident on or near the school grounds
- A violent incident at or near school
- The death of a student, staff or one of their family members by suicide or trauma
- The terminal illness of a student or staff member
- A natural disaster
- An act of terrorism

As a result of such critical incidents and emergencies, students and staff may exhibit a variety of psychological reactions. As soon as the physical safety of those involved has been ensured, crisis responders can focus on addressing the social-emotional needs of students and staff. Online training about crisis events is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 207 and 409.

OTHER IMPORTANT DEFINITIONS

Trauma

Trauma refers to an event or a situation where an individual fears for their life. In addition, they could have been seriously injured, witnessed violence, or tragically lost a loved one. Exposure to this type of trauma overwhelms the ability of that individual to cope.

Psychological First Aid (PFA)

PFA is an evidence-informed modular approach to help children, adolescents, adults and families in the immediate aftermath of traumatic events, disasters and terrorism. PFA is designed to reduce the initial distress caused by these stressful events and to foster short-and long-term adaptive functioning and coping amongst students, staff and parents/guardians.

MULTI-TIERED CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM MODEL

There are three tiers of crisis response: school site, local district and District office. The basic structure of the multi-disciplinary support teams on all three tiers should be similar in their composition and incorporate District staff with experience in various areas of crisis. Crisis response begins at the school site level; the scope, severity and impact of an incident may activate the local district, District office, or a combination thereof (see Attachment A, Multi-Tiered Crisis Response Flow Chart).

A. Tier I: School Site Crisis Response

School site crisis teams are responsible for initiating crisis response, assessing the range of services needed, and providing direct intervention services. The school site crisis team

determines if there is a need for additional assistance from the local district crisis team. The school site crisis team may be activated as part of the Incident Command System (ICS) Team during an emergency or disaster, or may be activated as a stand-alone team, depending on the incident.

B. Tier II: Local District Crisis Response

The school site administrator/designee contacts the LD Operations administration for support and assistance if the crisis response required is beyond the scope of what the school site crisis team can provide. Assistance from the LD crisis response team includes: consultation, providing direct intervention services, assistance with communications and memos, and guidance regarding strategies for recovery in the aftermath of the critical incident.

C. Tier III: District Office Crisis Response

In collaboration with the LD Operations administration, the school site administrator/designee determines if there is a need for support from the central crisis response team. Assistance from the District office crisis response team includes: consultation, providing direct intervention services, assistance with communications and memos, and guidance regarding strategies for recovery in the aftermath of the critical incident.

Psychological Trauma/Crisis Procedures

1. As the Incident Commander, the principal or designee activates the school ICS Team, including the Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team, which has primary responsibility for addressing the social-emotional well-being and safety of students in the aftermath of a critical incident.
2. The Crisis Team Lead will work with the Incident Commander to assess the impact and triage students, staff, and parents/guardians, as needed.
3. The Crisis Team will provide direct crisis intervention services, including the implementation of PFA.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator, and request additional resources as necessary.
5. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open or update an iSTAR report on the incident, documenting the actions of the Crisis Team.
6. The Crisis Team will advise and assist the Incident Commander to restore regular school functions as efficiently and quickly as possible.
7. Crisis Team members will make every effort to limit exposure to scenes of trauma, injury, and death.
8. The Crisis Team will provide on-going assessment of needs and follow-up services as required.

School Site Crisis Response

The following are general preparedness, response and recovery protocols for the administrator/ designee to implement during any crisis in a school, at District and school-related activities, and in all areas within the District's jurisdiction.

A. Preparedness

1. Establish a school site crisis team.

School site crisis team members should be comprised of school staff, such as administrators and out-of-classroom support staff. School site crisis team composition will vary by school and must be staffed by District personnel only. Staff on the school site crisis team should be informed of their roles and have opportunities to participate in preparedness activities.

2. Schedule regular school site crisis team meetings.

School site crisis teams should meet at least quarterly to review protocols and procedures regarding preparedness, response and recovery. School site crisis team meetings should be documented by maintaining agendas and sign-in sheets. Meetings should include the development of comprehensive crisis response and recovery plans that:

- a. Define the roles of the school site crisis team members and communicate this information with other staff at the school site (i.e., staff that are not identified on the school site crisis team, such as teachers, clerical, new, substitute, before and after-school staff, and volunteers).
- b. Identify common types of crises and disasters that may impact schools and develop strategies for responding appropriately to re-establish the safety and security of the school site.
- c. Discuss possible locations on the school site to provide crisis response services, such as psychological triage, assessment and reunification, utilizing the areas identified in the Safe School Plan.
- d. Provide/coordinate staff development and training on identified topics (e.g., Psychological First Aid, immediate and long-term recovery, traumatic grief, the impact of traumatic events on students, adults and school climate, and self-care). For support with staff development and training, contact LD Operations administration, or School Mental Health, Crisis Counseling and Intervention Services at (213) 241-3841.
- e. Develop strategies to mitigate long-term impact on student mental health, well-being and academic achievement by re-engaging students in the learning process.
- f. Identify school and community-based resources.

B. Response

The following are general procedures for the administrator/designee to respond to crisis situations at the school site.

1. Ensure Campus/Office Safety

- a. Call 911 for immediate, emergency life threatening situations.
- b. Call Los Angeles School Police Department (213) 625-6631 or local law enforcement for assistance at the school site or school related activity.
- c. Secure site and implement lockdown, if necessary.
- d. Activate the ICS team, as needed.
- e. For assistance and consultation, contact LD Operations administration or School Mental Health, Crisis Counseling and Intervention Services at (213) 241-3841.

2. Determine Facts

Consider some of the following questions when gathering information to determine the appropriate response for the situation:

- a. What happened?
- b. Who was involved?
- c. How were they involved?
- d. How did it happen?
- e. Where and when did it happen?
- f. What caused the crisis?
- g. What is the condition of those involved?
- h. Other relevant sources of information (e.g., school staff, parents/guardians, local law enforcement, medical facilities)?

3. Notify

- a. LD Operations administration as soon as feasible.
- b. Administrator/designee of co-located schools.
- c. Administrator/designee of other school sites that could be affected by the crisis.
- d. Other offices, as appropriate (see the Assistance section at the end of this bulletin for a list of relevant LAUSD offices).
- e. Document the incident in the Incident System Tracking Accountability Report (iSTAR) as soon as practical, and update as necessary.

4. Assess

The school site crisis team meets to assess the impact and severity of the incident and determine the level of crisis response needed. Their assessment will guide the response and recovery methods. Variables to consider when assessing the impact of the crisis include:

- a. Type of incident
- b. Number of students and staff that might be affected
- c. Emotional proximity to the crisis incident, including the relationship of the involved individual(s) to the school community. The impact to the school may be affected by the degree to which the individual(s) were active in the school community.
- d. Physical proximity to the crisis incident
- e. History of other crises at the school or for those involved in the current crisis
- f. Time the crisis incident occurred (e.g., during school hours, after school, weekend, holiday)
- g. School and community resources available

5. Develop Action Plan

Crisis response and interventions will be determined by the impact and severity of the incident. The action plan developed by the team should be documented and managed by the school site administrator/designee.

A description of action is available at <http://ccis.lausd.net>, under Crisis Response.

Actions may include:

- Communication
- Logistics/Operations

- Psychological Triage/Crisis Counseling
- Incident Debriefing
- Documentation
- Important Considerations
- Recommendations for Short and Long-Term Recovery

The Crisis Team will provide on-going assessment of needs and follow-up services as required.

Psychological First Aid: Responding to Crisis Incidents

For a PFA handout in English and Spanish, visit <http://ccis.lausd.net> under Crisis Response.

1. LISTEN to what they say and how they act.
 - Address the feeling(s)/behavior(s) as soon as possible.
 - If a student wants to talk, be prepared to listen and focus on what they say and how you can be of help.
 - Observe nonverbal communication. Remember that student(s) may also show their feelings in nonverbal ways, such as increased behavioral problems or increased withdrawal.
 - Express compassion and calmness in your statements as well as nonverbal behaviors.
2. PROTECT by maintaining structure, stability, and consistency.
 - Maintain daily routines, activities, and structure with clear expectations and consistent rules.
 - Provide supervision and consistency to encourage successful outcomes.
 - Give information that is accurate and age-appropriate.
 - Keep the environment free of anything that could re-traumatize the student.
 - Validate the student's life experience.
 - Maintain confidentiality as appropriate.
3. CONNECT through interaction, activities and resources.
 - "Check in" with student(s) on a regular basis.
 - Become familiar with learning support staff at your school (Psychiatric Social Worker, PSA Counselor, School Psychologist, Counselor, Nurse) and community health/mental health services. Make referrals to the appropriate resources who may offer support to student(s).
 - Encourage interactions, activities, team projects with friends and teachers.
 - Keep communication open with others involved in the students' lives (parents, other teachers, coaches etc.).

Note: Consult with DCFS if you suspect child abuse and/or neglect.
4. MODEL calm and optimistic behavior.
 - Model healthy responses by remaining calm, courteous, organized and helpful.
 - Pay attention to your thoughts, feelings and reactions about the event. In the midst of a crisis, students are often watching for verbal and nonverbal cues by the adults they are with, which may influence how students cope and behave.

- Take constructive actions to assure safety.
 - Monitor conversations that students may engage in or hear.
 - Acknowledge the difficulty of the situation, but demonstrate how people can come together to cope after such an event.
 - Practice self-care.
5. TEACH about normal changes that can occur when traumatized.
- Student(s) may have different reactions even to the same event.
 - Encourage students to identify and use positive coping strategies to help them after the event.
 - Help your students to problem solve to get through each day successfully.
 - Help students set small “doable” goals and share in these achievements as “wins.”
 - Note: With time and support, students generally do better. If they do not, they should be encouraged and taught to seek assistance from a parent/guardian or a school staff member.

6.8 Relocation (Off-Site Evacuation)

This action is taken after a decision is made that it is unsafe to remain on the campus and evacuation to an off-site assembly area is required, such as during a tsunami or large hazardous materials release.

Relocation Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will make the following announcement on the PA system. If the PA system is not available, the Incident Commander (principal) will use other means of communication, i.e., sending messengers to deliver instructions. The principal should be calm, convey reassuring comments that the situation is under control and give clear directions. “Your attention, please. We need to institute an off-site relocation. Teachers are to take their students roll book, emergency supplies, and report to their designated offsite relocation point. Students are to remain with their teacher. Teachers are to lock the classroom after all students have exited.”
2. The Incident Commander will determine the safest method for evacuating the campus. This may include the use of school buses or simply walking to the designated off-site location. The off-site assembly areas are indicated on the Vicinity Map in the Safe School Plan. Teachers and students will stay together during the evacuation.
3. Teachers will take student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies when leaving the building and take attendance once the class is assembled in a pre-designated safe location.
4. Once assembled off-site, teachers and students will stay in place until further instructions are given.
5. The Incident Commander will make appropriate notifications to the District and parents.
6. Once clearance is received from appropriate agencies, the Incident Commander may authorize students and staff to return to the campus, or initiate Request/Reunion procedures from the off-site location.

7. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

6.9 Reunification

Student reunification is implemented to reunite students with their families after a critical incident or disaster (a significant fire, natural disaster, violence, school bus accident, etc.) that prevents a normal school dismissal.

Reunification Procedures

1. The Incident Commander or designee will direct the Request and Reunion Teams to activate and report to their posts once the decision to initiate reunification procedures has been made.
2. The Request Gate Team will greet parents/guardians, check identification, check student emergency cards for authorization to pick up students, provide reunification paperwork to parents, and direct them to the Reunion Gate.
3. The Request Gate should generally remain locked during the reunification process to help control access. The Request Gate Team can pass clipboards to parents through the gaps in the gate fencing.
4. Message runners will notify the Assembly Area Team of the student(s) to be escorted to the Reunion Gate.
5. The Reunion Gate Team will check parent/guardian IDs, confirm student identification and keep accurate records of students leaving the campus.
6. Members of the Psychological First Aid Team may be asked to assist the Reunion Gate Team. In the event that a child is injured or otherwise unavailable, it is recommended that the parents be invited to a private or secluded location and, away from others, be informed of their child's condition. It is suggested that a member of the Psychological First Aid team then stay with the parent and assist them.
7. The Reunion Gate should remain locked when student reunifications are not actively taking place.
8. Members of other school emergency teams may be asked to assist with crowd control, providing information, and calming parents at either gate once finished with their primary emergency assignment.

6.10 Shelter-in-Place

This action is taken to place and/or keep students indoors in order to provide a greater level of protection from airborne contaminants in outside air, inclement weather, or other hazards. Shelter-in-Place is implemented when there is a need to isolate students and staff from the outdoor environment, and may include the shutdown of classroom and/or building heating/air conditioning systems. During a Shelter-in-Place, no one should be exposed to the outside air.

The difference between Shelter-in-Place and Lockdown is that a shelter-in-place may involve the shutdown of heating and air conditioning (HVAC) systems, and allows for the free movement of students within a building. However, students in bungalows and buildings with exterior passageways will have to remain in the classroom.

Shelter-in-Place Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS team, and will make the following announcement on the PA system. If the PA system is not available, the Incident Commander (principal) will use other means of communication, i.e., sending messengers to deliver instructions. The principal should be calm, convey reassuring comments that the situation is under control and give clear directions. “Your attention, please. We are implementing a Shelter-in-Place, due to an air quality issue. Students and staff are to remain inside the building away from outside air with windows and doors securely closed and heating and air conditioning units turned off. Please cover any cracks under door or around the windows with towels. Cover any vents to the outside. All students and staff that are outside are to immediately move to the protection of an inside room. As soon as we have further information, we will share it with you”.
2. If inside, teachers will keep students in the classroom until further instructions are given.
3. If outside, teachers will direct students to proceed to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into the closest classrooms or school buildings (e.g., auditorium, library, cafeteria, or gymnasium). Teachers should consider the location and proximity of the identified hazard and, if necessary, proceed to an alternative indoor location. Teachers are to account for any students with a cognitive disability that may not have understood the directions. Teachers are to take roll and to notify the office the number of students in the room with them and their names.
4. Teachers are responsible for securing individual classrooms and the Security/Utilities Team will assist in completing the procedures as needed: shut down the classroom/building(s) HVAC system; turn off local fans in the area; close and lock doors and windows; seal gaps under doors and windows with wet towels or duct tape; seal vents with aluminum foil, plastic wrap, or laminated posters, if possible; and turn off any sources of ignition, such as pilot lights.
5. The Incident Commander will make appropriate notifications to the District and parents.
6. The Incident Commander will monitor news media for information about the incident.
7. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action. Online training about shelter in place is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 204 and 404.

6.11 Suicide Risk and Self-Injurious Behavior

Procedures for Responding to Students who Exhibit Suicidal Ideation/Behavior

For support and consultation, contact School Mental Health Crisis Counseling and Intervention Services at (213) 241-3841 Monday-Friday (8:00am-4:30pm). After hours, contact the Los Angeles School Police Department at (213) 625-6631.

A. Respond Immediately

1. Report concerns or incidents directly to the administrator/designee and/or Suicide Prevention Liaison(s) immediately or as soon as practically possible. For example, do not

wait until the end of the day or leave a note, send an e-mail, or leave a voicemail without ensuring that the message was received.

2. Ensure that a staff member, not a student, accompany the student sent to the office for an assessment.

B. Secure the Safety of the Student

1. For immediate, emergency life threatening situations call 911.
2. Supervise student at all times. Ensure the physical environment the student is in is free of any items/objects that could potentially be harmful, such as scissors, letter openers, staplers, pushpins, pencils, sharpeners.
3. If appropriate, conduct an administrative search of the student to ensure there is no access to means, such as razor blades or pills.
4. If a student is agitated, unable to be contained or there is a need for immediate assistance, contact the LASPD at (213) 625-6631 or the local law enforcement agency.
5. District employees should not transport students. Only LASPD, local law enforcement, or designated Department of Mental Health clinicians, including Psychiatric Mobile Response Team (PMRT) staff, are authorized to transport an individual for a psychiatric evaluation (5150/5585) if the current circumstances meet the criteria.
6. If the school receives information that the student may pose a danger to self and/or others but is not in attendance, contact LASPD or local law enforcement to conduct a welfare check to determine the safety and well-being of the student, as well as others.

C. Assess for Suicide Risk

1. The administrator/designee or designated Suicide Prevention Liaison(s) should gather essential background information that will help with assessing the student's risk for suicide (e.g., what the student said or did, information that prompted concern or suspicion, copies of any concerning writings, drawings, text messages, social media, or previous iSTAR history).
2. The administrator/designee or the designated Suicide Prevention Liaison should meet with the student to complete a risk assessment. Based on the information gathered and assessment of the student, the assessing party should collaborate with at least one other designated school site crisis team member to determine the level of risk. See Attachment B - Suicide Risk Assessment Tool.
3. Any consultations made by the assessing party should be in a confidential setting and not in the presence of the student of concern. Another designated staff member should supervise the student at all times
4. If the level of risk is determined to be moderate or high, contact LASPD or the PMRT. Both agencies are authorized to assess, determine if the current circumstances meet the criteria, and transport an individual for a psychiatric evaluation (5150/5585), if needed. It is not necessary to call both agencies for a response.
 - LASPD - (213) 625-6631
 - PMRT - (800) 854-7771

The privacy of all students should be protected at ALL times. Disclose confidential information only on a right to know and need to know basis

D. Communicate with Parent/Guardian

The Suicide Prevention Liaison or assessing party should contact the parent/guardian or consult the emergency card for an authorized third party. When communicating with parent/guardian:

1. Share concerns and provide recommendations for establishing safety in the home with “means restriction” (e.g., securing/removing firearms, medications, cleaning supplies, cutlery, and razor blades).
2. If the student is transported to the hospital, communicate a plan for re-entry pursuant to (Attachment E) Student Re-Entry Guidelines. Complete and provide parent/guardian with Return to School Information for Parent/Guardian (Attachment H), which outlines steps to facilitate a positive transition back to school.
3. Provide school and/or local community mental health resources, including the nearest SMH Clinic or District Wellness Center. Students with private health insurance should be referred to their provider.
4. Facilitate contact with community agencies and follow-up to ensure access to services.
5. Provide Suicide Prevention Awareness for Parents/Caregivers (Attachment M) or Self-Injury Awareness for Parents/Caregivers (Attachment N)
6. Obtain parent/guardian permission to communicate with outside mental health care providers regarding their child using Attachment F Parent/Guardian Authorization for Release/Exchange of Information.

E. Determine Appropriate Action Plan

The assessing party should collaborate with at least one other designated school site crisis team member to determine appropriate action(s) based on the level of risk. Refer to Attachment C- Suicide Risk Assessment Levels, Warning Signs & Action Plan Options. There are circumstances that might increase a student’s suicide risk. Examples may include suspension, expulsion, relationship problems, significant loss, interpersonal conflict, or being identified as a student of a vulnerable population (see Section VI – Considerations for Supporting Vulnerable Student Populations). The action plan determined should be documented and managed by the school site administrator/designee. Actions may include:

1. A safety plan is a prioritized list of coping strategies and resources that a student may use before, during, or after a suicidal crisis. See Attachments D1-D4 for recommendations and templates for developing a student safety plan.
 - a. Throughout the safety planning process, a collaborative problem solving approach should be used to assess and address any potential barriers the student may have with following through with the safety plan.
 - b. If the student enrolls in a new school, the safety plan should be reviewed with the new school site crisis team to ensure continuity of care and revised as needed.

2. See Attachment E-Student Re-entry Guidelines for a checklist of action items to consider and Attachment K-Student Re-Entry/Safety Planning Meeting sign-in sheet to document participation in any meetings regarding the student.
 - a. A student returning to school following psychiatric evaluation or hospitalization, including psychiatric and drug/alcohol inpatient treatment, must have written permission by a licensed California health care provider to attend school (Attachment I- Medical Clearance for Return to School)
 - b. If the student is absent or out of school due to a mental health evaluation/hospitalization, the school site administrator/designee should hold a re-entry meeting with key support staff, parents/guardians, and student upon their return to facilitate a successful transition.
 - c. As appropriate, consider an assessment for special education for a student whose behavioral and emotional needs affect their ability to benefit from their educational program (see BUL-5577.1 Counseling and Educationally Related Intensive Counseling Services (ERICs) for Students with Disabilities).
3. Mobilize a support system and provide resources (Attachment R-Resource Guide).
 - a. Connect student and family with social, school and community supports.
 - b. Refer the student to the nearest SMH Clinic or District Wellness Center, a community resource provider, or their health care provider for mental/physical health services
4. Monitor and manage.
 - a. The administrator/designee and/or Suicide Prevention Liaison(s) should monitor and manage the case as it develops and until it has been determined that the student no longer poses an immediate threat to self.
 - b. Maintain consistent communication with appropriate parties on a need to know basis.
 - c. If the parent/guardian is not following the safety recommendations, a suspected child abuse report may be filed. See BUL-1347.3 - Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Requirements.

F. Important Considerations

1. When Certificated Staff Accompany a Student to the Hospital
If PMRT or law enforcement determines that the student will be transported to an emergency hospital/medical facility, the school site administrator should designate a certificated staff member to accompany the student if:
 - a. The student requests the presence of a staff member.
 - b. The school is unable to make contact with the parent/guardian
 - c. Parent/guardian is unavailable to meet the student at the hospital.
 - d. Deemed appropriate pursuant to circumstances, such as age, development level, or pertinent historical student information.
2. Providing Information for a Psychiatric Evaluation
If the student will be transported, the assessing party should complete Attachment G2-Summary of Relevant Student Information, indicating summary of incident and pertinent historical information. This document should be provided to PMRT or law enforcement prior to transporting to an emergency hospital. For information on how to

complete Attachment G2, refer to Attachment G1 – Directions on How to Complete the Summary of Relevant Student Information.

G. Responding to Student Suicide Actions

In case of a student suicide attempt, the health and safety of the student is paramount. The following are important steps to consider in these situations:

1. In-School Suicide Attempt

In case of an in-school suicide attempt:

- a. Call 911, as appropriate.
- b. Render first aid until professional medical treatment and/or transportation can be received.
- c. Supervise the student to ensure their safety.
- d. Inform the school site administrator/designee and/or Suicide Prevention Liaison immediately or as soon as practically possible.
- e. Clear the area by relocating nearby students and staff, as soon as practically possible.
- f. Inform the parent/guardian.
- g. Engage the Suicide Prevention Liaison(s) to ensure the appropriate action plan, safety plan, and re-entry guidelines are established to ensure the safety and well-being of the student and others who might have been exposed or triggered by the incident.

2. Out-of-School Suicide Attempt

In case of an out-of-school suicide attempt:

- a. If the student contacts a staff member and expresses suicidal ideation, the staff member should attempt to maintain contact with the student (either in person, online, or on the phone). Inform the school site administrator/designee and/or Suicide Prevention Liaison immediately for support and guidance.
- b. Call 911, LASPD at (213) 625-6631, or local law enforcement to initiate a welfare check, as appropriate.
- c. Inform the parent/guardian.
- d. Engage the Suicide Prevention Liaison(s) to ensure the appropriate action plan, safety plan, and re-entry guidelines are established to ensure the safety and well-being of the student.

H. Document All Actions

1. The administrator/designee shall maintain records and documentation of actions taken at the school for each case by completing an incident report and Risk Assessment Referral Data (RARD) in iSTAR. For information on completing iSTAR reports with the issue type *Suicidal Behavior*, see **Attachment J1 – Recommendations for RARD Completion**.
2. When documenting in iSTAR, include the 10-digit student identification number for the student in the Persons Involved tab. Any previous reports involving the student entered will be displayed in this tab, which may influence additional safety and action planning.

3. If the student is assessed by a member of the crisis response team who does not have reporting access to iSTAR, the crisis team member should complete **Attachment J2 – Risk Assessment Referral Data (RARD)** and submit it to the school site administrator within 24 hours or by the end of the next school day, for submission on iSTAR. The RARD should no longer be mailed to School Mental Health.
4. Notes, documents and records related to the incident are considered confidential information and remain privileged to authorized personnel. These notes should be kept in a confidential file separate and apart from the student’s cumulative records.
5. If a student for whom a RARD has been completed transfers to a school within or outside the District, the sending school may contact the receiving school to share information and concerns, as appropriate, to facilitate a successful supportive transition. To ensure a continuity of care within the District, a safety plan with the new school’s crisis team should be developed, as appropriate.

Procedures for Responding to Students who Self-Injure

Self-injury is the act of deliberately harming one’s own body, through means such as cutting or burning. Self-injury is an unhealthy way to cope with emotional pain, intense anger, or frustration. Although this behavior often lacks suicidal intent, it can increase the risk of suicide because of emotional problems that trigger by self-injury. Therefore, students who engage in self-injurious behaviors should be assessed for suicide risk.

For definitions, protocol for responding to students who self-injure, as well as information about contagion and other considerations, see Attachment P – Intervention: Protocol for Responding to Students Who Self-Injure.

A. Signs and Symptoms of Self-Injury

- Frequent or unexplained bruises, scars, cuts or burns.
- Consistent, inappropriate use of clothing to conceal wounds (e.g., long sleeves or turtle necks, especially in hot weather; bracelets to cover the wrists; not wanting to change for Physical Education).
- Possession of sharp objects (e.g., razor blades, shards of glass, thumb tacks).
- Evidence of self-injury in (journals, drawings, social networking sites, etc).

B. Risk Factors of Self-Injury

Although self-injury can affect individuals at any age, there are certain risk factors that may increase the chance of someone engaging in self-injurious behavior, including the following:

- **Age**
Most people who self-injure are teenagers and young adults. Self-injury often starts in the early teen years, when emotions are more volatile and teens face increasing peer pressure, loneliness, and conflicts with parents/guardians or other authority figures.
- **Having friends who self-injure**
People who have friends who intentionally harm themselves are more likely to begin self-injuring, sometimes as a way to bond with their peers.

- **Psychosocial factors**

Some people who injure themselves were neglected or abused or experienced other traumatic events. They may have grown up and remain in an unstable family environment, or they may be young people questioning their personal identity or sexuality. Some people who self-injure are socially isolated.

- **Mental health issues**

People who self-injure are more likely to be highly self-critical and be poor problem-solvers. In addition, self-injury is commonly associated with certain mental disorders, such as depression, anxiety disorders, post-traumatic stress disorder, and eating disorders.

- **Alcohol or drug abuse**

People who harm themselves often do so while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

C. Protocol for Responding Self-Injury Procedures

1. Respond immediately or as soon as practically possible.
2. Supervise the student.
3. Seek medical attention, as needed.
4. Conduct an administrative search of student for access to means, such as razor blades, shards of glass, or other sharp instruments.
5. Assess for suicide risk using the protocol outlined in Section V of BUL-2637.3.
6. Communicate with and involve the parent/guardian so the self-injurious behavior can be addressed as soon as possible. Provide handout Attachment N- Self-Injury Awareness for Parents/Caregivers. For handouts in additional languages, visit <http://suicideprevention.lausd.net>.
7. Encourage appropriate coping and problem-solving skills; do not shame the student about self-injurious behaviors.
8. Listen calmly and with empathy; reacting in an angry, shocked, or shaming manner may increase self-injurious behaviors.
9. Develop a safety plan with the student. See Attachment D1-D4.
10. Provide resources. See Attachment R-Resource Guide
11. Document all actions in the RARD on iSTAR; include student identification number in the Persons Involved tab of iSTAR.

D. Self-Injury and Contagion

Self-injurious behaviors may be imitated by other students and can spread across grade levels, peer groups and schools. The following are guidelines for addressing self-injurious behaviors among a group of students:

1. Respond immediately or as soon as practically possible.
2. Respond individually to students, but try to identify peers and friends who may also be engaging in self-injurious behaviors.
3. As students are identified, they should be supervised in separate locations.

4. Each student should be assessed for suicide risk individually using the protocol outlined in Section IV of BUL 2637.3.
5. If the self-injurious behavior involves a group of students, the assessment of each student individually will often identify a student whose behaviors have influenced the behaviors of others in the group. The self-injurious behavior may be indicative of complex mental health issues of this student.

E. Other Considerations for Response to Self-Injury and Contagion

The following are guidelines for how to respond as a school community when addressing self-injurious behaviors among a group of students:

1. Self-injury should be addressed with students individually and never in group settings, such as student assemblies, public announcements, school newspapers, or the classroom.
2. When self-injurious behaviors are impacting a larger school community, schools may respond by inviting parent(s)/guardian(s) to an information parent meeting at the school. . The administrator/designee may decide to invite all parents/guardians from the school community, as the meeting would provide psycho-education, awareness, and tools for addressing self-injurious behaviors in youth. Limiting the invitations may inadvertently leave other parents/guardians feeling uninformed or concerned about their child. Arrangements should be made to supervise students and children during the parent/guardian meeting. See Attachment O – Sample Letter to Parent/Guardian RE: Self-Injury.
3. Consult and work with the Office of Communications (213) 241-6766 for dissemination of information regarding a parent/guardian meeting or other media matters, as needed.

Suspected Child Abuse or Neglect

Report the incident to the appropriate child protective services agency, following the District's *Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Requirements*, BUL-1347, if child abuse or neglect by a parent/guardian is suspected or there is reasonable suspicion that:

- contacting the parent/guardian may escalate the student's current level of risk;
- the parent/guardian is contacted and unwilling to respond; and/or
- the parent/guardian refuses treatment for the student of concern.

The report should include information about the student's suicide risk level and any concerning ideations or behaviors. The reporting party must follow directives provided by the child protective services agency personnel.

6.12 Threat to Others

For support and consultation, contact School Mental Health Crisis Counseling and Intervention Services at (213) 241-3841 Monday-Friday (8:00am-4:30pm). After hours, contact the Los Angeles School Police Department at (213) 625-6631.

This procedure applies if site personnel receive or have knowledge of a threat that may target an individual, a particular group or the entire school community. Such threats may be direct, indirect, verbal, non-verbal, written, or electronic, and may target an individual, a particular group on campus, the entire school, or the community. The school administrator should ensure that all threats are properly assessed, in accordance with the guidelines and protocols indicated in the District's BUL-5799.0 [Threat Assessment and Management \(Student-to-Student, Student-to-Adult\)](#) and BUL-5798.0 [Workplace Violence, Bullying and Threats \(Adult-to-Adult\)](#) bulletins. Online training about threats is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 208 and 408.

Protocol for Responding to School Violence and Threats

The following are general procedures for the administrator/designee to respond to any reports of violence or threats in schools, at District and school-related activities and in all areas within the District's jurisdiction. The urgency of the situation will dictate the order and applicability in which the subsequent steps are followed.

A. Secure Campus/Office Safety

1. Call 911 for immediate, emergency life threatening situations.
2. Call Los Angeles School Police Department (213) 625-6631 or local law enforcement for assistance at the school site or school related activity.
3. Secure site and/or implement lockdown, if necessary.
4. Contact the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health ACCESS (800) 854-7771 for a mental health evaluation to determine risk to self or others and possible hospitalization (see Section III, H3).
5. Warn the intended victim(s) of the threat and/or take reasonable steps to protect the threatened individual(s) in the educational setting. If the targeted individual is a student, take appropriate steps to warn the parent/guardian.
6. For assistance and consultation, contact School Mental Health, Crisis Counseling and Intervention Services at (213) 241-3841.

B. Notify

1. LD Operations staff.
2. Other offices, as appropriate (see Attachment H, Resource List).
3. Document the incident in the Incident System Tracking Accountability Report (iSTAR).

C. Investigate

Prior to convening a multi-disciplinary threat assessment team, designated staff from the team should gather background information that includes:

1. Student information (e.g., name, date of birth, address)
2. Emergency information (e.g., family contact, health care provider information)
3. Attendance records
4. Student cumulative records, including Individualized Education Program (IEP), psycho-educational assessment, prior school records
5. Student discipline records, including any history or discipline related to the incident
6. Student health information, including self-injurious behavior and/or suicidal ideation
7. Review of District computers and property (e.g., desks, books, lockers), as applicable, if reasonable suspicion exists for an administrative search

6. Functional Annexes

8. Personal communication devices, as applicable, if reasonable suspicion exists for an administrative search
9. Statements from witnesses (e.g., students, teachers, other staff)
10. Family situation information
11. Triggering events or other personal stressors (e.g., mental/physical health, death, divorce, economic or family stressors, relationship problems)
12. Access to weapons
13. Other pertinent information (e.g., written material, e-mails, pictures, social network postings)

The privacy of all students should be protected at ALL times, disclose information only on a need to know basis.

D. Convene a Threat Assessment Team

The multi-disciplinary team may include, but not be limited to, an Administrator, a Los Angeles School Police Department Officer, and a mental health professional (e.g., Psychiatric Social Worker, School Psychologist, Pupil Services and Attendance Counselor). The student making the threat, the targeted individual(s) or witness(es) should not be part of the threat assessment team meeting.

Critical roles of effective teams include:

- Communication among all key stakeholders. The administrator/designee shall coordinate and document all actions.
- Collaboration with other professionals across institutional boundaries, including local law enforcement, community mental health agencies, child protective services, and probation.
- Coordination of services for prevention, early identification, and interventions.
- Sharing of confidential information shall be restricted to those persons with a need to know basis. Information must not be discussed or divulged concerning any involved parties to any other person(s).
- Consultation with other resources may include: LD Administrator of Operations, LD Operations Coordinators; Office of General Counsel; Educational Equity Compliance Office; Crisis Counseling and Intervention Services; Human Relations, Diversity and Equity; Division of Special Education; Behavior Support Unit; and Student Discipline, Expulsion and Support Unit.

E. Assess for Risk to Self or Others

1. The administrator /designee or the designated school site threat assessment team member will meet with the student to complete a risk assessment using the School Violence Risk Assessment Checklist and the Suicide Risk Assessment Checklist. The questions should not be read to the student, but rather should be used as a guide while assessing the student.
2. The multi-disciplinary threat assessment team will determine the level of risk by reviewing the School Violence Risk Assessment Checklist and the Suicide Risk Assessment Checklist, as needed:

- **Low Risk** - Does not pose imminent danger to self or others; insufficient evidence for violence potential.
- **Moderate Risk** - May pose imminent danger to self or others, but there is insufficient evidence to demonstrate a viable plan of action to do harm.
- **High Risk** - Poses imminent danger to self or others with a viable plan to do harm and exhibits extreme and/or persistent inappropriate behaviors; sufficient evidence for violence potential; qualifies for immediate arrest or hospitalization.

F. Suspected Child Abuse

If child abuse is suspected or there is concern that contacting the parent may escalate the student's current level of risk, and/or the parents/guardians are contacted and unwilling to respond, report the incident to the appropriate child protective services agency following the District's *Child Abuse and Reporting Requirements* policy (BUL-1347.3). This report should include information about the student's suicide risk.

G. Determine Appropriate Action Plan

Interventions will be based upon the severity and potential risk of the threat. The action plan determined by the team should be documented and managed by the school site administrator/designee. Actions may include:

1. Contact with and/or apprehension of student(s) who initiated the threat.
2. Removal of student from premises.
3. Conference with student(s) initiating the threat and his/her parent(s) and consider appropriate interventions, including access to mental health services, case management, school or community resources. Other actions may include discipline, change of class(es), and/or change of school.
4. Consider the possibility that there are circumstances that might increase the likelihood of an attack that may need to be addressed. Examples of triggers may include bullying, suspension, expulsion, relationship problems, significant loss, or interpersonal conflict.
5. Warn and protect the targeted individual(s) of the threat and/or take reasonable steps to protect the targeted individual(s) in the school, when appropriate. If the targeted individual is a student, take appropriate steps to warn the parent/guardian.
6. Design support system for the targeted individual and/or student who initiated threat, if appropriate.
7. Obtain a restraining order, when appropriate.
8. Monitor progress toward reestablishing school safety.

H. Additional Actions

Additional interventions may be required if the behavior falls under any of the following categories:

1. Criminal Threat (bodily harm or an immediate physical threat)
 - a. Call Los Angeles School Police Department or local law enforcement.
 - b. Warn the targeted individual(s) and their parent/guardian of the threat and/or take reasonable steps to protect the targeted individual(s) while attending school or a school related activity/event.
 - c. Notify the LD Operations staff and Student Discipline and Expulsion Support Unit.

2. Disciplinary Action

- a. Contact Student Discipline and Expulsion Support Unit to discuss procedures for discipline and/or intervention.
- b. If the student has an IEP, consult the appropriate staff from the Division of Special Education.
- c. Notify the LD Operations staff.

3. Mental Health Evaluation

- a. While in school or at a school-sponsored activity, students who present with severe mental health/behavior issues, such as depression, homicidal or suicidal ideation, should be addressed by an administrator/designee to discuss any concerns for their safety and health/mental health well-being.
 - 1) Determine the level of risk by reviewing Attachment B, School Violence Risk Assessment Checklist and Attachment C, Suicide Risk Assessment Checklist, as needed. If the behaviors are determined to be moderate or high risk, secure emergency services by calling 911, Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health ACCESS (800) 854-7771, and/or School Police (213) 625-6631.
 - 2) Supervise and monitor the student until appropriate assistance arrives.
 - 3) Non-law enforcement District employees should not transport students exhibiting the behaviors noted above.
- b. Contact law enforcement to conduct a welfare check, as appropriate.

I. Student Re-entry Guidelines

1. A student returning to school following hospitalization, including psychiatric and drug or alcohol inpatient treatment, must have written permission by the health care provider to attend school (see Medical Clearance for Return to School).
2. If the student has been out of school for any length of time, including mental health hospitalization, the school site administrator/designee may consider holding a re-entry meeting with key support staff, parents, and student to facilitate a successful transition. See Student Re-entry Guidelines for a checklist of action items to consider.
3. As appropriate, consider an assessment for special education for a student whose behavioral and emotional needs effect their ability to benefit from their educational program (see BUL-5577.1 Counseling and Educationally Related Intensive Counseling (ERICS) for Students with Disabilities).
4. If the student is transferred to another school or location, the site administrator/designee should communicate with the receiving school to assist with the transition and ensure continued support services for the student. See Student Re-entry Guidelines for a checklist of action items to consider.

J. Provide Resources (see Resource List)

1. For mental/physical health services, refer the student to School Mental Health, a community resource provider, or their health care provider.
2. For students who pose a risk to themselves, provide the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (800)273-8255.

K. Monitor and Manage

1. The administrator/designee will monitor and manage the case as it develops and until it has been determined that the individual no longer poses an immediate threat to self or others.
2. Maintain consistent communication with appropriate parties on a need to know basis.
3. Update iSTAR, as needed.

L. Document All Actions

1. Each administrator/designee shall maintain records and documentation of actions taken at the school for each case by completing an incident report in the iSTAR.
2. The administrator/designee notes taken during the threat assessment meeting are for use by Los Angeles Unified School District attorneys. No copies of the notes shall be furnished to anyone including employees, students, or parents without permission from the Office of General Counsel. Attachment G, Inter-office Correspondence, may be used to document notes during a threat assessment meeting.
3. Notes, documents and records related to the incident are considered confidential information and remain privileged to authorized personnel. These notes should be kept in a confidential file separate and apart from the student's cumulative records.

7. Threat and Hazard-Specific Annexes

The threat- and hazard-specific annexes describe the courses of action unique to particular threats and hazards. Courses of action already outlined in a functional annex need not be repeated in a threat- or hazard-specific annex. Develop these based on the prioritized list of threats and hazards determined in the assessment process. As planning teams develop courses of action for threats and hazards, they should consider the federal, state, and local regulations or mandates that often apply to specific threats hazards.

7.1 Active Shooter/Gunfire

More information is available in the [LAUSD Lockdown and Rapid Relocation Procedures for all Schools Bulletin](#). If there is a threat of violence to campus or gunfire is heard in the area, implement Lockdown procedures.

An Active Shooter on Campus involves one or more individuals on school grounds who is armed with a firearm and has already killed or wounded someone with the firearm AND at least one of the following applies:

- Continues to shoot others
- Actively seeks or attacks others
- Has access to additional victims

7.1.1 Active Shooter Procedures

1. Upon first indication of an active shooter, personnel should immediately notify the principal or designee, who becomes the Incident Commander.
2. The School Incident Commander (principal/designee) will initiate a Lockdown, the recommended appropriate Immediate Response Action.
3. The School Incident Commander will call 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631, and provide the exact location and nature of the incident. The School Incident Commander should designate a person to remain on the phone line with police if safe to do so. If there is an assigned officer on campus, they shall be notified.
4. The School Incident Commander activates the Incident Command (ICS) Team.

The Planning and Intelligence Team Leader will:

- Notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator and request assistance.
- Prepare a message for parents to be sent on Blackboard Connect.
- Prepare to communicate with classrooms using school phones, email, cell phones, or radios. Establish a means of keeping all classrooms informed.

The Operations Team Leader will:

- Ensure that perimeter gates are secured and that all students, staff and visitors are safely secured behind locked doors.
- Begin the process of accounting for all students and staff.
- Staff should take steps to calm and control students with regular PA announcements and if safe to do so, attempt to maintain separation between students and the perpetrator.
- If there is an active shooter on campus as defined above and students are in imminent danger, the Incident Commander may initiate Rapid Relocation if that does not place students in the path of the gunman. This action may apply to the entire campus, or just an affected portion.

7.1.2 Rapid Relocation Procedures

1. The School Incident Commander will:
 - Encourage students and staff to quickly leave by any safe and available exit. If leaving campus, the established offsite relocation point is the preferred destination, if the route is safe.
 - Inform the LASPD Watch Commander (213) 625-6631 of the decision to leave campus and the destination. Keep Watch Commander updated with information about any students and staff who do not arrive at the designated relocation point.
 - Calm students, create a perimeter to separate the school population from others who may be present, and re-establish Incident Command teams with available staff.
 - Refer to steps 6-10 below for additional Incident Commander actions.
2. In response to the school's notification, the LASPD Watch Commander will:
 - Research the nature of the event by contacting LAPD, LAFD, LASD, outside municipal law enforcement, LASPD Field Units or Transportation Dispatch. Some events may be easily explained to the School Incident Commander, others may be more complex.
 - Dispatch an officer to the relocation point to advise and support the School Incident Commander.
 - Dispatch a field officer to the municipal Incident Command Post to interface with the municipal Incident Commander and gather intelligence for the schools.
 - Inform the School Incident Commander of what is known about the incident and provide the name and arrival time of the LASPD officers dispatched to the school.
 - Compile names and locations of those unable to get to the relocation point, and dispatch officers to facilitate rejoining the rest of the school population.
 - Provide point of contact for other District resources who need to know the location of the command post and open routes to the relocation point.
3. LASPD officers dispatched to the scene will:
 - Establish a liaison with the municipal Incident Commander and/or the Command Post/Unified Command/Watch Commander and determine the threat to the school and its immediate community.

7. Threat and Hazard-Specific Annexes

- Provide guidance to the School Incident Commander about the ongoing threat level to students and staff.
 - Maintain a perimeter at the offsite relocation point between the school population and others.
 - Patrol the area near the school to find students and staff who may have become separated from the group. Officers will communicate to the Watch Commander the names and locations of anyone found and assist in rejoining those separated with the rest of the school population.
4. The Local District Operations Coordinator will:
 - Connect with the School Incident Commander in person, by phone or radio and provide resources from the LD that might include the following:
 - Dispatch the LD Crisis Team to the school relocation point.
 - Arrange for transportation assets and a second (receiving) school so the students can be moved to a safe location at another school.
 - Send out a Blackboard Connect message to parents from the LD office with additional information.
 - Meet with parents at a safe staging location, outside the secured relocation point perimeter, and keep the parents informed using bilingual support staff from the LD office.
 - Assist with reunification.
 5. The First Aid/Medical Team will work with first responders and local authorities to ensure injured students and staff receive medical attention.
 6. The School Incident Commander will prepare a verified list of any wounded, and the locations to which they were transported. The Incident Commander will confer with the Crisis/Psychological First Aid Team to ensure notification of parents and family members of the wounded.
 7. All media inquiries will be referred to the designated Public Information Officer.
 8. The School Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
 9. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the School Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.
 10. The School Incident Commander will debrief with staff and school police officers.

7.2 Aircraft/Vehicle Crash

This procedure addresses an aircraft or motor vehicle crash on or near school property. If a crash results in a fuel or chemical spill on school property, refer to Utility Failure as needed.

Aircraft/Vehicle Crash Procedures

1. The principal or designee acts as the Incident Commander, activates the Incident Command Team, and initiates appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Drop, Cover and Hold On, Shelter-in-Place, Evacuate Building or Relocation.
2. If the Incident Commander issues the evacuate building action, staff and students will evacuate the buildings using prescribed routes or other safe routes to the Assembly Area.
3. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring their student roster and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
4. The Incident Commander will call 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and provide the exact location (e.g., building or area) and nature of emergency.
5. If on school property, the Security/Utilities Team will secure the crash area to prevent unauthorized access. If the crash results in a fuel or chemical spill on school property, refer to Utility Failure.
6. If needed, the Incident Commander will direct the Fire Suppression/HazMat Team to organize fire suppression activities for the protection of students and staff as it is safe to do so, until the Fire Department arrives.
7. The First Aid/Medical Team will check for injuries and provide appropriate first aid.
8. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident. A LD representative will call the Office of Communications with information on this situation as appropriate.
9. Any affected areas will not be reopened until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance and the Incident Commander issues authorization to reopen.
10. The Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team will convene onsite and begin the process of counseling and recovery as appropriate.
11. If it is unsafe to remain on campus, the Incident Commander will initiate an Off-Site Relocation.
12. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
13. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
14. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.3 Animal Disturbance

This procedure should be implemented when a dog, coyote, mountain lion, or other wild animal threatens the safety of students and staff.

Animal Disturbance Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the Incident Command Team, and initiates appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Lockdown or Evacuate Building.
2. Upon discovery of an animal, staff members will attempt to isolate the animal from students, if it is safe to do so. If the animal is outside, students will be kept inside. If the animal is inside, students will remain outside in an area away from the animal. Closing doors or locking gates is one means to isolate the animal.
3. If additional outside assistance is needed, the Incident Commander will call 911, School Police (213) 625-6631, Animal Control (888) 452-7381, and/or the Department of Fish and Game (888) 334-2258 and provide the location of the animal and nature of emergency.
4. If a student or staff member is injured, the school nurse or First Aid/Medical Team will provide treatment and notify parents of the injured.
5. The Incident Commander will initiate an off-site relocation only if conditions are persistently dangerous at the school.
6. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect if necessary.
7. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
8. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.4 Biochemical/Hazardous Materials

A Biological or Chemical Release involves the discharge of a biological or chemical substance in a solid, liquid or gaseous state. Common releases within or adjacent to schools include the discharge of chemicals in a school laboratory, an overturned truck of hazardous materials in proximity of the school, or an explosion at a nearby oil refinery or other chemical plant.

The following indicators may suggest the release of a biological or chemical substance:

- Multiple victims suffering from watery eyes
- Twitching
- Choking
- Loss of coordination
- Trouble breathing
- Other indicators may include the presence of distressed animals or dead birds.

There are three sub-categories involving the release of biochemical substances. Determine which category applies and then implement the appropriate response procedures listed below.

7.4.1 Substance Released Inside a Room or Building Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team and will initiate the Evacuate Building action. Staff will use designated routes or alternate safe routes to the Assembly Area, located upwind of the affected room or building. Students and staff from rooms exposed to contaminants need to be isolated from the rest of the school population.
2. The Incident Commander will call 911, School Police (213) 625-6631, and the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS) (213) 241-3199 and will provide the exact location (e.g., building, room, area) and nature of emergency.
3. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
4. The Incident Commander will instruct the Security/Utilities Team to isolate and restrict access to potentially contaminated areas.
5. The Security/Utilities Team will turn off local fans in the area of the release, close the windows and doors, and shut down the building's air handling system.
6. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
7. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
8. Persons who have come into direct contact with hazardous substances should have affected areas washed with soap and water. Immediately remove and contain (in plastic bags) contaminated clothes. Do not use bleach or other disinfectants on potentially exposed skin. Students and staff whose skin touched the contaminant should be isolated from the rest of the school population. The First Aid/Medical Team should evaluate and monitor exposed individuals.
9. The Assembly Area Team will prepare a list of all people in the affected room or contaminated area, specifying those who may have had actual contact with the substance. The Team will provide the list to the Incident Commander and emergency responders.
10. The Incident Commander will complete the Biological and Chemical Release Response Checklist.
11. The Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team will convene on-site and begin the process of counseling and recovery.
12. Any affected areas will not be reopened until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance and the Incident Commander gives authorization to do so.
13. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.4.2 Substance Released Outdoors and Localized Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the ICS Team and will immediately direct staff to remove students from the affected areas to an area upwind from the release. The Incident Commander will, as necessary, initiate the Shelter-in-Place or Evacuate Building action.

2. The Security/Utilities Team will establish a safe perimeter around the affected area and ensure personnel do not reenter the area.
3. The Incident Commander will call 911, School Police (213) 625-6631, and the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS) (213) 241-3199 and will provide the exact location and nature of emergency.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
5. The Security/Utilities Team will turn off local fans in the area of the release, close the windows and doors and shut down the air handling systems of affected buildings.
6. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
7. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
8. Persons who had direct contact with hazardous substances should wash affected areas with soap and water. Immediately remove and contain (in plastic bags) contaminated clothes. Do not use bleach or other disinfectants on potentially exposed skin. Students and staff whose skin touched the contaminant should be isolated from the rest of the school population. The First Aid/Medical Team should evacuate and monitor exposed individuals.
9. The Assembly Area Team will prepare a list of all people in areas of contamination, especially those who may have had actual contact with the substance. The Team will provide the list to the Incident Commander and emergency responders.
10. The Incident Commander will complete the Biological and Chemical Release Response Checklist.
11. The Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team will convene on-site and begin the process of counseling and recovery.
12. Any affected areas will not be reopened until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance and the Incident Commander gives authorization to do so.
13. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

Online training about Shelter-in-Place is available on the Learning Zone in STEPS courses 204 and 404.

7.4.3 Substance Released in Surrounding Community Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the ICS team, and if he/she or local authorities determine that a potentially toxic airborne substance has been released, the Incident Commander will initiate a Shelter-in-Place.
2. Follow all Shelter-in-Place procedures.
3. The Incident Commander will complete the Biological and Chemical Release Response Checklist.
4. The Incident Commander will monitor local news for information about the incident.

7. Threat and Hazard-Specific Annexes

5. The school will remain in Shelter-in-Place until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance, or staff is otherwise notified by the Incident Commander.
6. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

Online training about Shelter-in-Place is available on the Learning Zone in STEPS courses 204 and 404.

7.5 Bomb Threat/Suspicious Package

Response to a bomb Threat is initiated upon the discovery of a suspicious package on campus grounds or receipt of a threatening phone call that may present a risk of an explosion.

Information is available in the [LAUSD Explosive Devices Bulletin](#).

7.5.1 Bomb Threat by Telephone Procedures

1. The call taker should attempt to keep the caller on the telephone as long as possible and alert someone else to call 911. The staff member calling 911 informs the operator of:
 - Nature of threat on phone line
 - Name of school
 - Phone number of line receiving threat
 - Name and contact information of staff member
2. The person answering the threat call should immediately inform the principal, and then use the Bomb Threat Form to gather and record information about the call.

Bomb Threat Form Questions include:

- Where is the bomb (building, location)?
- When is it going to explode?
- What kind of bomb is it? What does it look like?
- Who set the bomb? Why was the bomb set?
- What can we do for you to keep the bomb from exploding?
- What is your name?
- How old are you?
- Where do you live?
- How can you be contacted?

In addition to the above questions, evaluate the caller's voice and background noise for characteristics such as:

- Caller Characteristics:
 - Gender
 - Age
 - Accent
 - Slurred/impaired speech
 - Recorded/disguised voice
 - Familiarity
 - Irrational/incoherent

- Background Noise:
 - Office
 - Outdoors
 - Traffic
 - Other
3. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS team, and calls School Police (213) 625-6631 who will advise the school. In most cases, School Police will direct the school to wait for officers to arrive and conduct an investigation. The Incident Commander, in consultation with School Police, will determine the appropriate Immediate Response Action, which may include Drop, Cover and Hold On, Lockdown, Evacuate Building or Relocation.
 4. If the school is directed to search for unusual or suspicious packages, boxes or foreign objects, all cell phones and hand-held radios of searchers should be turned off, as many explosive devices can be triggered by radio frequencies. If a suspicious object is found, the discovery to the Incident Commander while the remaining team members attempt to secure the immediate area without touching or disturbing the object.
 5. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
 6. No attempt should be made to investigate or examine a discovered suspicious object.
 7. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
 8. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
 9. After the search, the Incident Commander will consult with law enforcement to determine any alteration to the appropriate Immediate Response Action, which may include Drop, Cover and Hold On, Lockdown, Evacuate Building, or Relocation.
 10. When a suspicious object or bomb is found, or if advised by Law Enforcement, the Incident Commander shall issue the Evacuate Building action. Staff and students will evacuate the building using safe routes to the Assembly Area.
 11. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring their student roster and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
 12. The Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team will convene on-site and begin the process of counseling and recovery.
 13. Do not resume school activities until the affected buildings have been inspected by proper authorities and determined to be safe. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.
 14. The Incident Commander may initiate an Off-site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
 15. After the incident is over, the Incident Commander will complete the Bomb Threat Report.

7.5.2 Suspicious Package Procedures

1. If a suspicious package or other object is found on or adjacent to campus, the principal should be immediately alerted.
2. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS team, and will direct volunteer members of the Security Team to attempt to secure the immediate area without touching or disturbing the object. All cell phones and hand-held radios in the vicinity of the suspicious package should be turned off, as many explosive devices can be triggered by radio frequencies.
3. The Incident Commander will call 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and provide the exact location (e.g., building, room, area) and description of the suspicious package.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
5. No attempt should be made to investigate or examine the object.
6. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
7. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
8. The Incident Commander will consult with Law Enforcement and determine the appropriate Immediate Response Action, which may include Drop, Cover and Hold On, Lockdown, Evacuate Building or Relocation.
9. If Evacuate Building is initiated, staff and students will evacuate buildings using the safest routes to the Assembly Area. Routes may be different than usual evacuation routes.
10. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring their student roster and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
11. The Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team will convene and begin the process of counseling and recovery.
12. Do not resume school activities until the affected buildings have been inspected by proper authorities and determined to be safe. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.
13. The Incident Commander may initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
14. After the incident is over, the Incident Commander will complete the Bomb Threat Report.

7.6 Bus Disaster

These procedures are for use by bus drivers and school administrators in the event of an earthquake, serious bus accident, or other emergency that occurs while students are on a school bus field trip or being transported to or from school. If there are no students on the bus, drivers should report to Bus Dispatch by radio or 1-800-LABUSES or the nearest school.

7.6.1 Bus Earthquake Procedures

1. The driver will initiate the Drop, Cover, Hold On action for all persons on the bus.
2. The driver will stop the bus away from power lines, bridges, overpasses, buildings, possible landslide conditions, overhanging trees, or other dangerous situations.
3. The driver will check for injuries and provide first aid as appropriate.
4. The driver will contact and update the school principal or designee and bus supervisor to report location and condition of students and the bus.
5. The principal or designee will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
6. The principal or designee will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
7. If instructed by the bus supervisor to continue the route, the driver will:
 - If enroute to school, continue to pick up students.
 - If dropping students off, continue to do so, provided there is a responsible adult at the bus stop.
 - If there is no responsible adult at the bus stop or it is impossible to get to school, the driver will proceed to the nearest designated shelter indicated on the bus route map. Upon arriving at the shelter, the driver is to notify the principal and remain with the children until further instructions are received from the principal or designee.
8. In all instances, the driver should not attempt to cross bridges, overpasses, or tunnels that may have been damaged.
9. The driver will account for all students and staff throughout the emergency.

7.6.2 Bus Flood/Flash Flood Procedures

1. The driver will NOT drive through flooded streets and/or roads.
2. The driver will take an alternate route or wait for public safety personnel to determine safety.
3. If the bus is disabled, the driver will stay in place until help arrives.
4. The driver will contact and update the school principal or designee and bus supervisor to report location and condition of students and the bus.
5. The principal or designee will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
6. The principal or designee will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
7. In all instances, the driver will not attempt to cross damaged bridges or overpasses.
8. The driver will account for all students and staff throughout the emergency.

7.6.3 Serious Bus Crash or Bus Fire Procedures

1. The driver will park the bus in a safe location.
2. The driver will set the emergency brake and turn off the ignition.
3. The driver will initiate the Evacuation action for all persons on the bus in the event of a fire.
4. The driver will check for injuries and provide appropriate first aid.

5. The driver will call 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and provide exact location of the bus and wait for arrival of emergency responders.
6. The driver will contact and update the school principal or designee and bus supervisor to report location and condition of students and the bus.
7. The principal or designee will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
8. The principal or designee will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
9. The driver will stay with the disabled bus until help arrives.
10. The driver will account for all students and staff throughout the emergency.
11. The Bus Supervisor or other authorized user will open an iSTAR report on the incident.

7.7 Demonstration/Walkout

A Demonstration/Walkout is any assemblage on or off campus by staff or students for the purpose of protest or demonstration. A demonstration or walkout that occurs without appropriate approvals is considered unauthorized, and may be unlawful. Students are sometimes encouraged by protesters (in person, or via social media) to participate in a demonstration as it passes by a school. Information is available in the [LAUSD Procedures for Handling Disturbances, or Demonstration on or Adjacent to School Sites Bulletin](#).

Demonstration/Walkout Procedures:

1. Upon indication that a demonstration or walkout is about to begin, personnel should immediately notify the school administrator.
2. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and initiates the appropriate Immediate Response Action, which may include a modified Lockdown.
3. The Incident Commander will notify School Police (213) 625-6631 to request assistance and will provide the exact location and nature of emergency.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
5. The Security Team will immediately proceed to the Main Gate to control student ingress and egress. Each person entering or leaving the campus shall be required to sign his/her name, and record address, telephone number and time entered or departed. The Main Gate should not be locked, as a locked gate may create a serious hazard for students leaving or attempting to re-enter the campus.
6. If students leave the campus, the Incident Commander, in consultation with the Security Team, will designate appropriate staff members with radios and cell phones to accompany them. These staff members will attempt to guide and control the actions of students while off-site.
7. Students not participating in the demonstration/walkout should remain in their classrooms until notified otherwise by the Incident Commander. Teachers will close and lock classroom doors to protect students from a demonstration that becomes unruly. Students and staff should be protected from broken window glass by closing available window coverings.

8. The Planning and Intelligence Team's Documentation Unit should keep accurate record of events, conversations, and actions.
9. All media inquiries will be referred to the school's designated Public Information Officer, who will also monitor local news outlets and initiate further actions as appropriate.
10. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
11. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
12. The Incident Commander should proceed using good judgement based on law enforcement or other legal input, in taking action to control and resolve the situation.
13. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.8 Disorderly Conduct

Disorderly Conduct may involve a student, staff member, or visitor exhibiting threatening or irrational behavior. If the perpetrator is armed, refer to sections on Lockdown or Active Shooter on Campus as appropriate. Information is available in the [BUL-5798.0 Workplace Violence, Bullying and Threats \(Adult-to-Adult\)](#) and [BUL-5799.0 Threat Assessment and Management \(Student-to-Student, Student-to-Adult\) Bulletins](#). Online training about threats is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 208 and 408.

Disorderly Conduct Procedures

1. Upon witnessing disorderly conduct, staff should take steps to calm and control the situation and attempt to isolate the perpetrator from other students and staff, if it is safe to do so. Witnesses should provide written statements for follow-up by school administrator and/or School Police.
2. Staff will immediately notify the principal or designee.
3. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate the appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Lockdown, Evacuate Building, or Off-site Relocation.
4. The Incident Commander will call School Police (213) 625-6631, and provide the exact location and nature of the incident. If determined to be appropriate, the Incident Commander will call 911.
5. If an immediate threat is not clearly evident, the Incident Commander or other staff member may attempt to diffuse the situation. Approach the perpetrator in a calm, non-confrontational manner and request he or she leave the campus. Avoid any hostile situations.
6. If the perpetrator is a student, every attempt should be made to notify the family (family members may provide useful information on handling the situation).
7. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
8. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect, as necessary.

9. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
10. The Incident Commander and team will determine if activating the threat assessment/management team is warranted.
11. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.9 Earthquake

Earthquakes generally occur without warning and may cause minor to serious ground shaking, damage to buildings, and injuries. It is important to note that even a mild tremor can create a potentially hazardous situation; the following procedures should be implemented in response to all earthquakes, regardless of magnitude:

Online training about earthquakes is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 202 and 402. Other resources are available through the Emergency Services and STEPS websites.

7.9.1 Earthquake during School Hours Procedures

Note: Keep calm and remain where you are during the shaking. Assess the situation and then act. Remember, most injuries or deaths are caused by flying/falling debris.

1. Upon the first indication of an earthquake, teachers should direct students to Drop, Cover and Hold On.
2. Move away from windows and overhead hazards to avoid glass and falling objects.
3. Students with disabilities that do not allow them to get under furniture for protection should move away from items in the room that are not secured. These students should go into a structural corner of the room (away from cabinets and shelves that can spill their contents; away from windows that can break and away from suspended items that could fall), lock the wheels on any wheelchairs and protect their head and neck with their hands.
4. When the shaking stops, the principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and initiates the Evacuate Building action. Staff and students will evacuate the buildings using prescribed routes or other safe routes to the Assembly Area.
5. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring their student roster and any classroom emergency supplies, and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students or any student that was left behind.
6. The Incident Commander will direct the Security/Utilities Team to post guards a safe distance away from building entrances to prevent access.
7. The Security/Utilities Team will notify school personnel of fallen electrical wires and instruct them to avoid touching the fallen wires.
8. The First Aid/Medical Team will set up the first aid station, check for injuries and provide appropriate first aid.

9. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team to notify the appropriate utility company of damages (e.g., gas, power, water, or sewer).
10. If the area appears safe, the Search and Rescue Team will make an initial inspection of school buildings to identify any injured or trapped students or staff.
11. The Incident Commander will contact the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator to determine additional actions that may be necessary. LD personnel will communicate conditions to the District's Emergency Operations Center.
12. The Planning and Intelligence Team will fill out a damage assessment report and transmit it to the School Police and LD Administrator of Operations.
13. The Incident Commander will contact the LD Facilities Director to ensure buildings are safe for re-occupancy. When safe to do so, the Fire Suppression and HazMat Team will conduct an inspection of school buildings. The Fire Suppression and HazMat Team will maintain a log of their findings, by building, and provide a periodic report to the Incident Commander.
14. Any damaged areas will not be reopened until the LD Facilities Team provides clearance and the Incident Commander gives authorization to do so.
15. The Incident Commander may initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions at the school.
16. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Coordinator or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
17. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.9.2 Earthquake during Non-School Hours Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team as necessary, and will assess damages as safe to do so with the plant manager, to determine any necessary corrective actions. The school administrator may direct the Fire Suppression/HazMat Team to participate in the assessment.
Note: Assessments must be conducted by teams wearing appropriate safety gear. Do NOT conduct assessments alone or unprotected, due to danger from possible building damage and the potential for aftershocks. Notify the School Police Watch Commander's Office (213) 625-6631 that you are on campus before beginning a site assessment.
2. The Incident Commander should confer with the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator and Maintenance and Operations personnel to identify the extent of damages and determine if the school can be occupied.
3. If the school cannot be occupied, the Incident Commander and LD Administrator of Operations will determine an alternate location for affected buildings and programs, and the Incident Commander will contact staff members and parents via Blackboard Connect.
4. The Planning and Intelligence Team will fill out a damage assessment report and transmit it to the School Police and LD Administrator of Operations.

7.10 Explosion/Risk of Explosion

There are four distinct incident types involving an explosion or risk of explosion. Determine which incident type applies and then implement the appropriate response procedures.

7.10.1 Explosion on School Property Procedures

1. In the event of an explosion, all persons should initiate Drop, Cover and Hold On.
2. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will call 911 and School Police (213) 625- 6631 to provide the exact location (e.g., building, room, area) and nature of emergency.
3. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident. The LD office will call the Office of Communications with information on the situation.
4. The Incident Commander will consult with available law enforcement and, considering the possibility of another imminent explosion, take appropriate Immediate Response Actions. Action may include Shelter-in-Place, Evacuate Building or Off-Site Relocation. Evacuation may be warranted in some buildings on a campus, and other buildings may be used as shelter.
5. In the event of an evacuation, staff and students will use prescribed routes or other safe routes and proceed to the Assembly Area.
6. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring student roster and any classroom emergency supplies, and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
7. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
8. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
9. The First Aid/Medical Team will check for injuries and provide appropriate first aid.
10. The Fire Suppression/HazMat Team should attempt to suppress small fires with extinguishers, if it is safe to do so.
11. The Planning and Intelligence Team Leader will notify the appropriate utility company of any damages to water lines, sewers, power lines, and other utilities.
12. The Security/Utilities Team will secure the building entrance to prevent persons entering the school buildings.
13. If it is determined safe to enter affected areas, the Incident Commander will direct the Search and Rescue Team to initiate search and rescue activities.
14. The Incident Commander will contact the area Facilities Director to ensure buildings are safe for reoccupancy. When safe to do so, the Fire Suppression/HazMat Team will conduct an inspection of school buildings. The Fire Suppression and HazMat Team will maintain a log of their findings, by building, and provide a periodic report to the Incident Commander.
15. The Planning and Intelligence Team will complete a Damage Assessment Report and transmit it to the School Police and LD Administrator of Operations.

16. Any areas affected by the explosion will not be reopened until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance and the Incident Commander gives authorization to do so.
17. The Incident Commander may initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
18. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.10.2 Risk of Explosion on School Property Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Drop, Cover and Hold On, Shelter-in-Place, Evacuate Building, or Relocation.
2. If the school administrator issues Evacuate Building action, staff and students will evacuate the building using prescribed routes or other safe routes to the Assembly Area.
3. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring their student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies, and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
4. The school administrator will call 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and will provide the exact location (e.g., building, room, area) and nature of emergency.
5. The school administrator will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
6. Staff should attempt to suppress small fires with extinguishers, if it is safe to do so.
7. The Incident Commander will advise the Search and Rescue Team to initiate rescue operations.
8. The Security/Utilities Team Leader will notify the appropriate utility company of any damages to water lines, sewers, power lines and other utilities.
9. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
10. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
11. All affected areas will not be reopened until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance and the school administrator issues authorization to do so.
12. The Planning and Intelligence Team will complete a Damage Assessment Report and transmit it to School Police and the LD Administrator of Operations.
13. In the event of an explosion on campus, refer to procedures listed under Explosion on School Property.
14. The Incident Commander may initiate an Off-Site Relocation, if warranted by changes in conditions.
15. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.10.3 Explosion or Risk of Explosion in Surrounding Area Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate the Shelter-in-Place response action.
2. The Incident Commander will notify 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and provide the exact location (e.g., building, area) and nature of emergency.
3. The Incident Commander will take further actions as needed or advised by authorities.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
5. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
6. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
7. The school will remain in a Shelter-in-Place condition until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance and the school administrator issues further instructions.
8. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.10.4 Nuclear Blast or Explosion Involving Radioactive Materials Procedures

A nuclear blast is characterized by a sequence of intense light and heat, air pressure wave, expanding fireball, and subsequent radioactive fallout. More information about radiological incidents is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 205 and STEPS 405.

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate the Shelter-in-Place action.
2. When sheltering, personnel should try to establish adequate barriers or shielding (e.g., concrete walls, metal doors) between themselves and the source of the blast or explosion, and should avoid sheltering near exterior windows.
3. The Incident Commander will notify 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and provide details on the area and personnel affected at the school.
4. After the initial blast, ICS teams should provide first aid and extinguish fires. The Incident Commander will ensure the relocation of students from bungalow buildings and other non-permanent structures, upper floor(s), rooms with broken windows, and other damaged rooms without going outside if possible.
5. The Security/Utilities Team will turn off the school's main gas supply (refer to the Site Plot Plan in the Safe School Plan for gas supply shut-off valve) and fans in the area; close and lock doors and windows; shut down all buildings' air handling systems; seal gaps under doors and windows with wet towels or duct tape; seal vents with aluminum foil or plastic wrap, if available; and turn off sources of ignition, such as pilot lights.
6. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
7. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
8. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.

9. The Incident Commander or Public Information Officer will monitor local news outlets and initiate further actions as appropriate.
10. At the Incident Commander's discretion, and only if safe to do so, designated personnel should attempt to distribute emergency supplies including food and water, without going outside.
11. The school will remain in Shelter-in-Place until the Los Angeles County Public Health or other appropriate agency ends the shelter-in-place or issues relocation instructions. Relocation may be advised by authorities.
12. The Planning and Intelligence team will complete a Damage Assessment Report and transmit it to School Police and the LD Administrator of Operations.
13. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.11 Fire

A fire impacts a school if it occurs on campus or in an off-campus location near the school. Take appropriate Evacuate Building or Shelter in Place measures to protect students and staff.

7.11.1 Fire on School Grounds Procedures

This procedure addresses a fire discovered on school grounds. A quick response to this situation is very important to prevent injuries and further property damage. Online training about fires is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 201 and 401. Online training about fire alarm systems is available on the Learning Zone in course STEPS 418.

1. Upon discovery of a fire, teachers or staff will direct all occupants out of the building, activate the fire alarm, and report the fire to the school administrator.
2. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will immediately initiate the Evacuate Building action. Staff and students will evacuate buildings using the prescribed routes or other safe routes to the Assembly Area.
3. The Incident Commander will call 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and will provide the exact location (e.g., building, room, area) of the fire.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the fire. LD personnel will call the Office of Communications with information on this situation.
5. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies, and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
6. The Fire Suppression/HazMat Team will suppress fires and initiate rescue procedures as it is safe to do so until the local Fire Department arrives.
7. The Security/Utilities Team will secure the area to prevent unauthorized entry and keep access roads clear for emergency vehicles.
8. The Security/Utilities Team will notify the appropriate utility company of damages.
9. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.

10. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
11. If needed, the Logistics Team Leader will notify Bus Dispatch 1-800-labuses to request buses for staff and student evacuation.
12. Any affected areas will not be reopened until the Los Angeles City or County Fire Department or appropriate agency provides clearance and the school administrator issues authorization to do so.
13. For fires during non-school hours, the Incident Commander and the LD Administrator of Operations will determine if the school will open the following day.
14. All fires that are extinguished by school personnel, regardless of their size, require a call to the Fire Department to indicate that the “fire is out.”
15. The Planning and Intelligence Team will complete a Damage Assessment Report and transmit it to the School Police and LD Administrator of Operations.
16. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.11.2 Fire in Surrounding Area Procedures

This procedure addresses a fire discovered in an area adjoining the school. The initiated response actions should take into consideration the location and size of the fire, its proximity to the school and the likelihood that the fire may affect the school.

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate the appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-in-Place, Evacuate Building or Off-Site Relocation.
2. The Incident Commander will notify 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and will provide the location and nature of emergency.
3. The Incident Commander will instruct the Security/Utilities Team to prevent students from approaching the fire and keep routes open for emergency vehicles.
4. The Agency Liaison will contact the local Fire Department and will work with the Fire Department to determine if school grounds are threatened by the fire, smoke, or other hazardous conditions.
5. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident. LD personnel will call the Office of Communications with information on this situation.
6. If the Incident Commander issues the Evacuate Building action, staff and students will evacuate the affected building(s) using prescribed routes or other safe routes to the Assembly Area.
7. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies, and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
8. The Incident Commander or Public Information Officer will monitor local news outlets and initiate further actions as appropriate.
9. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.

10. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
11. If needed, the Logistics Team Leader will notify Bus Dispatch 1-800-labuses to request buses for staff and student evacuation.
12. The Incident Commander will initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
13. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.12 Food/Water Contamination

This procedure should be followed if site personnel report suspected contamination of food or water. This procedure applies where there is evidence of tampering with food packaging, observation of suspicious individuals in proximity to food or water supplies, or if notified of possible food/water contamination by central District staff or local agencies. Indicators of contamination may include unusual odor, color, taste, or multiple employees or students with unexplained nausea, vomiting, or other illnesses. Online training about food safety is available on the Learning Zone in course STEPS 416.

Suspected Contamination of Food or Water Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will isolate and secure the suspected contaminated food/water to prevent consumption, and will restrict access to the area.
2. The Incident Commander will notify:
 - 911
 - School Police (213) 625-6631
 - County Department of Health Services (213) 974-1234
 - Office of Environmental Health and Safety (213) 241-3199
 - Food Services Division (213) 241-2993
 - District Nursing Services (213) 202-7580
 - Local District Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator
3. The Planning and Intelligence Team Leader will make a list of all potentially affected students and staff, and will provide the list to responding authorities.
4. The First Aid/Medical Team will assess the need for medical attention and provide first aid as appropriate.
5. The Planning and Intelligence Team Leader will maintain a log of affected students and staff and their symptoms, the food/water suspected to be contaminated, the quantity and character of products consumed, and other pertinent information.
6. The Incident Commander will confer with the County Department of Health Services before resuming normal operations.
7. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
8. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.

9. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.13 Public Health Emergency

A public health emergency involves a large-scale emergency need for medical health care services, often for an influenza outbreak or other infectious disease that affects a school community. During a suspected public health emergency, the principal or designee will consult with District Nursing Services (213) 202-7580. Online training about public health emergencies is available on the Learning Zone in course STEPS 416.

During public health emergencies, schools will be faced with parents, teachers, and staff who are concerned about the health and safety of students. Experience has shown that public health emergencies can create a great deal of anxiety and misinformation.

Healthy Habits to Reduce Public Health Emergency Impact

Schools can reduce the impact and spread of a public health emergency by reinforcing basic healthy habits. These habits include:

- Wash hands often. Require that students wash their hands with soap and water after visiting the restroom and before and after eating. If soap and water are not available, schools can purchase non-alcohol waterless hand cleaner from the District Warehouse. Schools may not use alcohol-based hand cleaner. Schools must stock adequate hand-washing supplies for all restrooms.
- Cover nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing. Germs are spread when people cough and sneeze. Require that students cough or sneeze into a tissue or, lacking that, into a sleeve or elbow. Classrooms should be stocked with tissue to facilitate this activity. When possible, schools can practice social distancing to reduce the spread of airborne germs. Keeping students at least three feet apart greatly reduces the spread of germs from an uncovered cough or sneeze.
- Exclude students and staff that are symptomatic. In the event of any public health outbreak, limit contact with people who are symptomatic. This means that students and staff who come to school with obvious symptoms such as an elevated temperature, cough, runny nose, or other symptoms, should be separated from the general population and sent home until they recover. Students who develop these symptoms at school should be isolated to contain germs, and then sent home with a parent or guardian.
- Activate the School's Continuity-of-Service Plan in the event of a wide-scale or pandemic illness, critical school employees could be absent for days, weeks, or months. Such a reduction in available staff will challenge the continuity of school operations and services because there will not be enough substitutes for absent employees. Site administrators must consider how to carry on school operations without, for example, their Payroll Clerk, Plant Manager, Cafeteria Manager, Coordinator, or Assistant Principal. Every school should have a plan to make sure that important tasks normally performed by critical employees can still be done when those employees are absent.

School sites are asked to cross-train on basic operations at least two people to fill in for missing co-workers.

To assist in the planning process, schools can use the Continuity of Service Form. Once the template has been filled out for all critical employees, the form should be saved and printed out to go in the Safe School Plan binder.

Develop Alternate Lessons. During major health emergencies, students may be absent for weeks. Schools should have lesson plans for students who will be home for extended periods of time, as well as multiple means of communicating lesson content to students and parents. Methods may include the following:

- Allowing students to take home school books and class materials
- Posting lesson on school websites with materials
- Using Blackboard Connect telephone messages to homes
- Use of KLCS Channel 58 programming
- Use of other approved internet education websites
- Mailing home printed materials
- Having printed materials available for families to pick up at school

7.14 Tsunami

A tsunami is a series of ocean waves that sends surges of water onto land. Waves sometimes reach heights of over 100 feet, and can cause great destruction. Tsunamis are typically caused by large, undersea earthquakes, but may also be caused by underwater landslides or volcanic eruptions. Shaking events can generate a tsunami in the area where the shaking occurred with little warning time, or thousands of miles away, with several hours of warning time.

This procedure should be followed if a distant or local event has occurred and generated a tsunami. Schools located inside the known tsunami inundation area have a tsunami annex in their safe school plan. All of the identified schools have been issued weather alert radios that are managed by NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration). Information is available in the LAUSD [NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards Alert Reference Guide](#).

Tsunami Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-in-Place, Evacuate Building, or Off-Site Relocation. The specific action will depend on how close the school is to the ocean, and how much time there is to act.
2. The Incident Commander or Public Information Officer will monitor local news outlets for information such as evacuation notices, and initiate further actions as appropriate. Schools in the Tsunami Inundation Zone will have a NOAA weather alert radio with battery back-up in the Main Office.
3. If the Incident Commander issues the Evacuate Building or Off-Site Relocation action, staff and students will evacuate affected buildings using prescribed routes or other safe routes to the area identified in the school's tsunami annex. The evacuation destination

should be to land that is at least 100 feet above sea level. Stay away from coastal and low-lying areas. Waves may continue for several hours and travel several times faster than walking, running, or driving.

4. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will take students rosters and any classroom emergency supplies when leaving the building, and take attendance once the class is assembled in a safe location. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
5. The Incident Commander will notify School Police (213) 625-6631 and the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident. LD staff will inform the Office of Communications of the situation.
6. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
7. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
8. The Incident Commander will initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
9. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

* The above procedures are also followed for field trips on or near the beach if there is a threat of a tsunami.

7.15 Utility Failure

A utility failure is a situation involving a loss of water, power or other utility on school grounds.

7.15.1 General Loss or Failure of Utilities Procedures

1. If water or an electrical line is broken, an effort should be made to turn off water or power to the affected area and to notify the school administrator immediately.
2. If a gas leak is suspected or the loss of utilities poses a risk of explosion, refer to Explosion/Risk of Explosion on School Grounds.
3. Upon notice of loss of utilities, the principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-in-Place, or Evacuate Building.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the Local Maintenance Area (Monday – Friday between the hours of 7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.) or School Police (213) 625-6631 (at all other days/hours) and will provide the location and nature of emergency. Other personnel will be notified at the discretion of the Incident Commander.
5. Local Maintenance Area personnel, working with the Incident Commander, will contact the affected utility company to determine whether their assistance is required, recommended actions, and the potential length of time service will be interrupted.
6. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the loss of utility service.

7. If the Evacuate Building action is initiated, teachers will take student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies when leaving the building, and take attendance once the class is assembled in a safe location.
8. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
9. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
10. As needed, school emergency supplies will be utilized to compensate for the loss of a utility.
11. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.
12. In addition to the procedures listed above, the Incident Commander will implement the protocols for specific concerns below as needed.

7.15.2 Loss of Water Supply Procedures

The following operational items apply at a school that has lost its water supply. Many can be easily solved if the school has adequate emergency supplies:

1. **Bathrooms** - School personnel can make a regular toilet work by pouring a half-bucket (about 2.5 gallons) of water into the toilet to provide the “flush”. Water stored in emergency barrels can be used for this purpose. This method is often easier than setting up toileting stations of 5 gallon buckets with plastic bags in them. Standard toilets can also be lined with plastic bags. Bucket toilets generate bags of hazardous waste that need to be disposed of properly. One disposal method is to dump the contents of the bags into the standard toilets when they are returned to service. Be advised that this method is messy at best. Schools must also provide toilets that are accessible to students with specific needs.

Health code requires that the students have a way of washing their hands after going to the bathroom. Water from the emergency supplies, waterless hand cleaner, or wipes will fulfill that requirement and both should be stored with the other emergency supplies.

If Porta-Potties are delivered, schools must make sure that there are also hand cleaning stations set up, as well as accessible ones for students with specific needs. Mark at least two of the Porta-Potties for faculty use.

2. **Cafeteria** - To keep the cafeteria open, cafeteria staff must have clean water to wash hands and clean surfaces. Water can be pumped from the emergency water barrels into a plastic water carrier. The water carrier can be taken to the kitchen, and cafeteria staff can use the water at their sink. If the cafeteria staff needs hot water, they can heat it.
3. **Drinking Water** - Drinking water can be addressed many ways. Students will usually have milk and juice with their lunches, which will provide hydration. Additional water can be distributed in cups or individual bottles/pouches, depending on what was stored. Often DWP or Maintenance and Operations will obtain bottled water for the school.

If schools are using the emergency water, they must re-chlorinate the water 30 minutes before it is put out for consumption. Details are available in the [LAUSD School Site Emergency/Disaster Supplies Reference Guide](#).

4. **Fire Suppression** - The fire code requires that if the automatic fire sprinklers are disabled for any reason, schools must post a fire watch. For complete and specific instructions, please see the [LAUSD Procedures for Fire Protection Systems Reference Guide](#). The law requires that someone must continuously patrol the entire campus every half hour and then log in the fact that no fire was seen. The person conducting the fire watch shall be knowledgeable of the fire watch procedures, should have a radio, be able to notify the Fire Department and alert and evacuate the building occupants. The Fire Department and the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (213) 241-3199 must be notified and logs should be kept documenting who patrolled the building, where they went and when they made their rounds. Schools shall notify the Fire Department to request permission to implement the fire watch at the following numbers:

- Los Angeles City Fire Department (Valley) (818) 347-1110
- Los Angeles City Fire Department (Los Angeles) (213) 978-3660
- Los Angeles County Fire Department (323) 881-2455

Only the Fire Department can authorize a school to go off fire watch. Schools will need to save and document all contacts with the Fire Department to ensure they followed the Fire Code.

5. **Other Concerns** - At secondary schools, there may be a request to use the showers, but that cannot be accommodated. The nurse may also ask for water to wash hands. She may be able to use waterless hand cleaner, but she will still need water for cleaning wounds, etc. Schools can pump the emergency water into a water carrier for her to use at the sink in the Health Office, or provide bottled water.

7.15.3 Loss of Power Procedures

The following are concerns that need to be addressed at a school that has lost electrical power.

1. **Lights** - Schools are built to take advantage of natural light. Classrooms often have one wall of windows, so there should still be visibility, even without electric lights. Classroom emergency kits typically include flashlights that can provide additional illumination. In many cases, the loss of electricity is minimally disruptive to education; it is common practice for students to remain in classrooms during a power outage.

Almost all schools have emergency lights on battery back-up. These lights will allow students and staff to safely exit the building if it is dark outside. These lights illuminate hallways, stairwells and exit signs. In most schools, emergency lighting operates on a series of large batteries and have the capacity to run for about an hour, so that everyone will have adequate time to exit the building. Some schools have hardwired emergency generators instead of batteries. These generators are sized to run

emergency egress lighting only, and do not power other items such as elevators and air conditioning.

Some schools have portable generators in the emergency supply bin that can power lighting in the assembly area, charge batteries on radios, and other power needs. Generators are also to be used to supplement battery-powered medical devices for students with special needs.

In a prolonged power outage, the Maintenance and Operations Branch is sometimes able to provide a generator to power the cafeteria. The cafeteria has food that needs to be kept a specific temperature and to preserve food safety; the generator will be used to run the refrigerators and freezer.

2. **Phone Systems** - School PBX phone systems have a battery back-up because they run on computers. This will allow the phones to operate without electricity. In addition, each school has a fax machine on a separate, direct, outside line that does not go through the PBX. In the event of a power outage, the fax line will still work and schools should keep a single line handset that can be plugged into this line during a loss of utilities. In the event of a major disaster such as an earthquake, these phone lines have been listed with the phone company as “essential service lines” and will be restored first.
3. **School Two-Way Radios** - Each school has a two-way radio system that allows the school to communicate with people on that campus, a neighboring campus, and ultimately with school police. The radios will still operate during a power outage or when phone systems are down.

Every year schools test the ability of elementary schools to contact a secondary school, and the ability of secondary schools to talk directly with school police dispatch. During a disaster, the District will use this system to compile damage and injury assessments from schools.

Cell phones, text messages, and public access communication tools can supplement two-way radio communications.

4. **Students On Ventilators** - The students who use ventilators are provided with a small, portable generator to recharge the ventilator battery during a power outage. Typically, these students are dependent on medical devices to live. Schools that have students who use ventilators and do NOT have a generator should contact the Office of Emergency Services.
5. **Fire Alarms And Suppression Systems** - During a power outage, fire alarms and notification systems will not work. The Fire Code requires that if the automatic fire alarms are disabled, schools must post a fire watch. For complete and specific instructions, see [REF 1902.2 Procedures for Fire Protection Systems](#). The law requires that someone must continuously patrol the entire campus every half hour and then log in the fact that no fire was seen. The person conducting the fire watch shall be

knowledgeable of the fire watch procedures, should have a radio, be able to notify the Fire Department, and alert and evacuate the building occupants.

The Fire Department and the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (213) 241-3199 must be notified and logs should document who patrolled the building, where they went and when they made their rounds. Schools shall notify the Fire Department to request permission to implement the fire watch at the following numbers:

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- 6 **Food Service** - The cafeteria staff may not be able to heat food without electricity. If the loss of power is expected to last through Nutrition or Lunch, immediately contact your Cafeteria Manager and your Area Food Services Director. They can arrange for food to be brought in from an offsite location. In a prolonged power outage, the Maintenance and Operations Branch is sometimes able to provide a generator to power the cafeteria. The cafeteria has food that needs to be kept a specific temperature and to preserve food safety; the generator will be used to run the refrigerators and freezer.

Plan for a Loss of Water:

Toilets: water storage drums - 72 barrels each with 55 gallons

Drinking Water: same

Food Service: same

Fire Suppression System (if applicable): more than 60 CO2 fire extinguishers, some water hoses in Auditorium and Gyms

Plan for a Loss of Electricity:

Ventilation: Portable Fans

Electric Lights: flashlights

Plan for a Loss of Natural Gas:

Food Service: 4 propane tanks with 3 grills

Plan for a Loss of Communication:

Telephone Service: walkie talkies and cell phones

Intercom: Portable Bull Horn Systems

7.16 Weather

Schools may implement general inclement weather procedures during heavy rain, flooding, hail, or high winds. More information is available in [Reference Guide School Procedures during Inclement Weather](#), [Reference Guide NOAA Public Weather Radios](#), and [Bulletin Guidelines for Preventing Heat Stress](#).

7.16.1 General Inclement Weather Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-in-Place, Evacuate Building, or Off-Site Relocation.
2. The Incident Commander will notify 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and will describe the nature and extent of the incident.
3. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the emergency situation. LD personnel will call the Office of Communications with information on the situation.
4. The Incident Commander will direct the Security/Utilities Team or other available staff to secure any lightweight, unstable, or fragile items on campus and bring indoors any equipment that may become damaged by weather conditions.
5. The Incident Commander or Public Information Officer will monitor local news outlets and NOAA weather alert radio and initiate further actions as appropriate.
6. If the Incident Commander issues the Evacuate Building or Off-Site Relocation action, staff and students will evacuate affected buildings using prescribed routes or other safe routes to the Assembly Area.
7. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies, and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
8. The First Aid/Triage Team will monitor students who were exposed to adverse weather conditions (such as extreme cold, heat, or rain) as necessary.
9. The Planning and Intelligence Team will consider the impact of weather (including travel) on field trips and extracurricular activities, and advise the Incident Commander if activities should be curtailed.
10. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
11. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
12. The Incident Commander will initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
13. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.16.2 Rain Procedures

Rain can cause sudden or gradual flooding, impede driving conditions, and/or be accompanied by lightning. Before every rainy season, school plant managers should be reminded to:

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- Check all ground-level drains and drainage areas to make sure they are free of debris and work properly. Clogged drains should be reported for repair since they can cause flooding and building damage.
- Inspect roof scuppers and drains to make sure they work properly.
- Request sand bags and plastic sheeting from the operational area that can be used to divert water away from doors.

Flood/Flash Flood

A Flash Flood may accompany rain, or may appear suddenly as a result of storm conditions elsewhere in Southern California, and may impede driving.

Hail

Hail can damage buildings and equipment, possibly injure students (depending on the size of the hailstones), and may be accompanied by unusually cold weather.

Wind

High winds can create power outages, knock down trees and utility lines, and remove exterior building materials (such as gutters and shingles).

7.16.3 Funnel Clouds Procedures

Funnel clouds and tornadoes are possible in the Los Angeles area. If a funnel cloud is sighted or a tornado warning is issued, immediately move all students indoors. Basements offer the best protection. Schools without basements should use interior rooms and hallways on the lowest floor, away from windows and other sources of glass. Rooms with large roof spans (e.g., gymnasiums, cafeterias, and auditoriums) offer little or no protection from tornado-strength winds. Students should sit facing an interior wall, elbows to knees, with hands over the back of their heads, and remain in position until an all-clear is sounded.

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate the appropriate Immediate Response Action, Shelter-in-Place.
2. The Incident Commander makes the following announcement over the PA system, or using an alternate method of communication: "Your attention please. We are implementing a Shelter-in-Place, due to severe weather. Students and staff are to remain inside the building away from windows. Sit on the floor with your back to the wall, and protect your head with your arms. All students and staff that are outside are to immediately move to the protection of an inside room. As soon as we have further information, we will share it with you."
3. If inside, teachers will keep students in the classroom until further instructions are given.
4. If outside, students will proceed to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into the closest classrooms or school buildings (e.g., auditorium, library, cafeteria, or gymnasium). Teachers are to account for any students with a cognitive disability that may not have understood the directions. Teachers are to

take roll and to notify the office the number of students in the room with them and their names.

5. The Incident Commander will notify 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and will describe the nature and extent of the incident.
6. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the emergency situation. LD personnel will call the Office of Communications with information on the situation.
7. The Incident Commander or Public Information Officer will monitor local news outlets and NOAA weather alert radio and initiate further actions as appropriate.
8. Teachers will take attendance to account for students, and notify the office of missing students.
9. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
10. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
11. The Incident Commander will initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
12. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.16.4 Heat Procedures

The intensity of exercise activities must be limited or they must be modified whenever the Heat Index (table attached, tap paperclip to view) is above 95°. Details are available in the [LAUSD Guidelines for Preventing Heat Stress Bulletin](#). A useful resource that calculates the heat index and offers heat safety tips is the OSHA smartphone app, the OSHA Heat Safety Tool. Air Quality Advisories issued by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) must be obeyed.

Modifying Athletic Activities During Excessive Heat

During times of excessive heat, the following precautions need to be taken for outdoor physical activity which includes recess, physical education, recreation, and competitive sports:

- Adequate water must be available. If adequate water is not available, physical activity must be modified. During the activity, periodic drinking of water every 15 to 30 minutes should be encouraged.
- Staff and all personnel supervising physical activities, including Youth Services personnel, should observe students during activity periods and modify activities. Students known to have health problems should be closely observed and their activity modified or restricted.

Strategies for Preventing Heat Stress During the School Day

- A “cool room” should be established for use by students showing early signs of heat stress. This room should provide maximum coolness possible. During excessive heat the “cool room” should be available for use at all times during the school day.
- Hold events indoors when possible.

- Use current medical health history and physical to identify students susceptible to or at high risk for heat related injuries. Students identified as high risk should be removed from participation at a lower Heat Index. These would include:
 - Students with history of previous heat illness
 - All current illnesses and/or health sensitive medical conditions
 - Students who have experienced recent injuries

7.16.5 National Weather Service Hazardous Weather Alert Definitions and Procedures

The National Weather Service issues three distinct categories of hazardous weather alerts, covering all manner of weather events. Schools will receive weather alerts via NOAA weather radios or mass media outlets. More information is available in the [LAUSD NOAA Weather Radio All Hazard Alert Reference Guide](#) and at <http://achieve.lausd.net/noaa>

Watch - used when the risk of hazardous weather has increased significantly, but its occurrence, location or timing is still uncertain. A “watch” is intended to provide enough lead time to set emergency plans in motion. A watch means that hazardous weather is possible, and schools need to listen for later information and possible warnings. If a weather watch is issued, schools in the affected area should:

- Review the Safe School Plan and confirm staff assignments for emergency positions
- Review field trips and extracurricular activities
- Review Blackboard Connect emergency contact lists for staff and students
- Monitor local weather via www.weather.gov and/or a NOAA weather radio
- Inspect the campus for conditions that could cause damage

Advisory - issued when a hazardous weather event is occurring, imminent or likely. Advisories are for less serious conditions than warnings that cause significant inconvenience. If caution is not exercised, conditions could lead to situations that may threaten life or property. If a weather advisory is issued, schools in the affected area should:

- Review the Safe School Plan
- Check emergency supplies
- Examine extracurricular activities, field trips, and after-school programs
- Plan for modified activity schedule
- Move outdoor equipment out of harm’s way
- Monitor local weather via www.weather.gov and/or a NOAA weather radio
- Check school site for hazards and exposures that can be mitigated
- Send a Blackboard Connect message if extracurricular activities may be impacted

Warning - issued when a hazardous weather event is occurring, imminent or likely. A warning means weather conditions pose a threat to life or property. People in the path of the storm need to take protective action. If a weather warning is issued, schools in the affected area should:

- Activate Safe School Plan
- Stage emergency supplies in a location protected from weather

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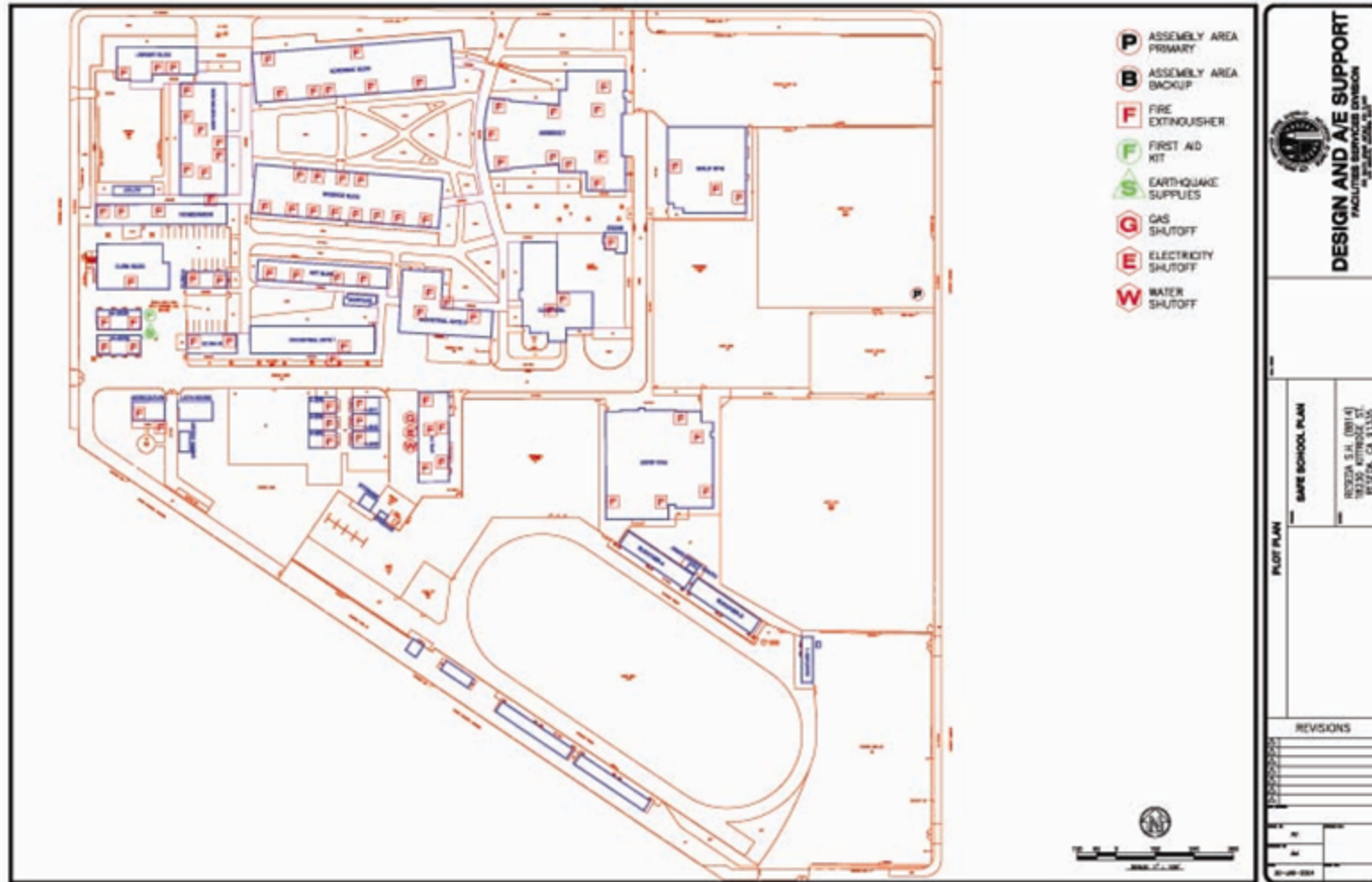
- Send Blackboard Connect message and update school website and school social media accounts to notify parents
- Notify LD Operations of actions
- Take proactive steps to protect students and staff
- Cancel activities, field trips and after-school programs if expedient to do so

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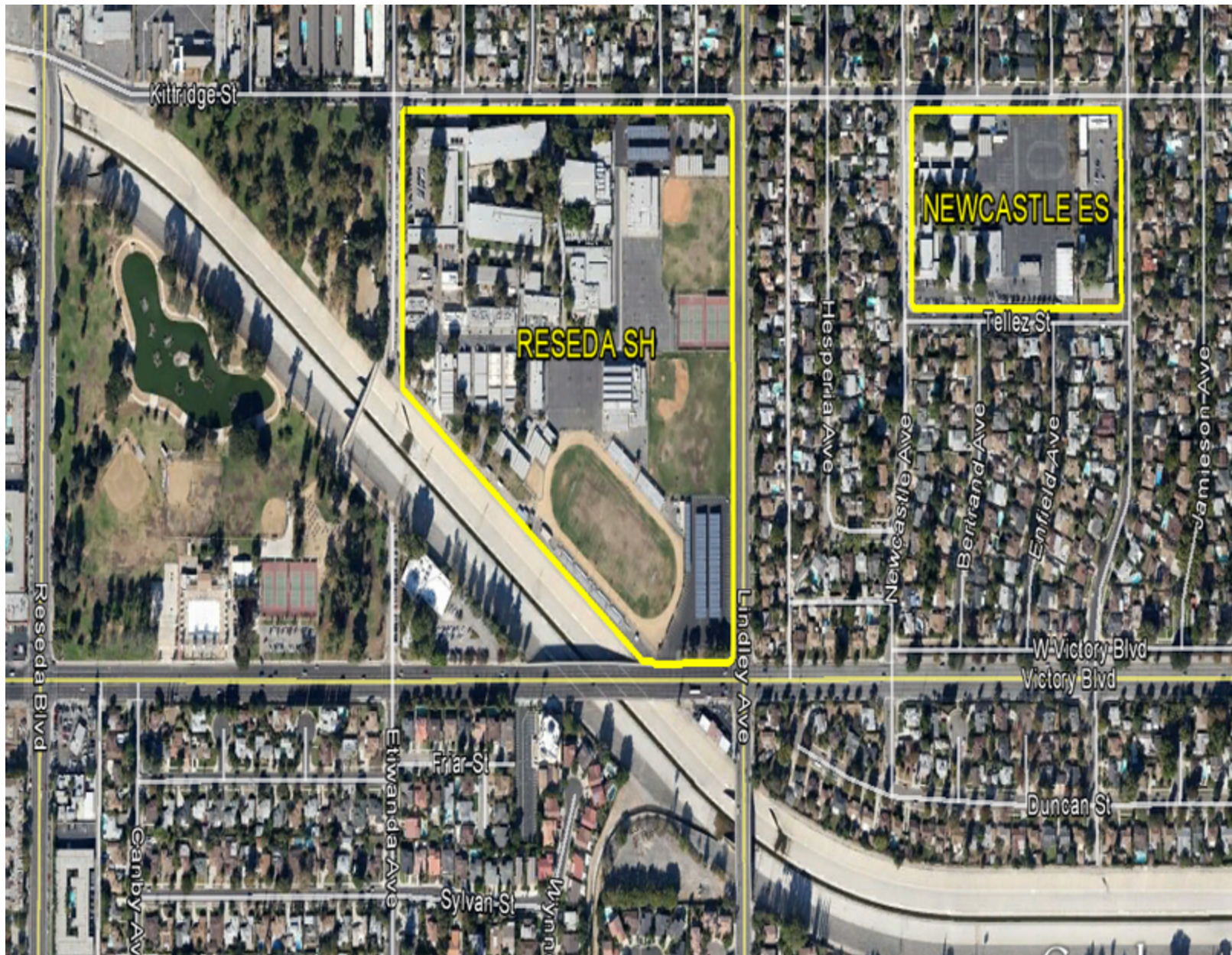
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Primary Off-Site Assembly Location:

Primary Address: 18429 Victory Blvd, Reseda, CA, 91335, USA

Primary Contact: Park Director Monica Resendez Primary Phone #: (818)
881-3882

Backup Off-Site Assembly Location:

Backup Address: 6520 Newcastle Ave, Reseda, CA, 91335, USA

Backup Contact: Principal Luis Rojas Backup Phone #: (818) 343-8795

ICS Definitions for Schools

Incident Commander – responsible for directing emergency operations

Public Information Officer (PIO) – Official spokesperson for an incident

Agency Liaison – coordinates with outside agencies

Safety Coordinator – ensures that emergency operations are conducted safely

Operations Section Chief - responsible for managing all tactical operations at an incident.

Planning Section Chief - responsible for collecting and evaluating information.

Logistics Section Chief - provides all incident support needs such as facilities, transportation, communications, supplies/equipment and food services.

Finance/Administration Section Chief - responsible for managing all financial aspects and paperwork of an incident.

Emergency Teams:

First Aid/Medical – ensures that first aid supplies are available and performs first aid/triage

Security/Utilities – ensures school site security and performs short-term repairs and shutoff of utilities

Fire Suppression/Hazmat – extinguishes fires and evaluates chemical spills

Request Gate – processes requests for student pick-up

Reunion Gate – reunites students and parents at Reunion Gate

Search and Rescue – performs search and rescue operations

Assembly Area – ensures safe evacuation and accounting for all students, staff and visitors

Psychological First Aid/Crisis – provides psychological/emotional support for students and staff

Supply/Equipment - ensures adequate equipment and supplies

Documentation – maintains emergency log

Communication – analyzes situation and updates Incident Commander

Forms



EMERGENCY HAZARD ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

School _____ Location Code _____

Name _____ Position _____

Date _____

On-Site Hazard:

[List any unusual on-site hazards which are unique to the school, e.g., underground storage tanks, unusual chemicals]

Off-Site Hazards:

[List any unusual off-site hazards unique to the school, e.g. freeways, railroads, pipelines, power transmission lines, industrial facilities]



BOMB THREAT REPORT

School _____ Location Code _____

Date of Call _____ Time of Call _____

Person Receiving Call _____

I. REPORT OF PERSON RECEIVING CALL

A. Ask the caller the following questions	
Where is the bomb (building, location)?	
What time is it set to go off?	
What kind of bomb is it? What does it look like?	
Who set the bomb? Why was the bomb set?	
What is your name?	
How old are you?	
Where do you live?	

B. Evaluate the voice of the caller, and check the appropriate spaces below:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Male	<input type="checkbox"/>	Intoxicated
<input type="checkbox"/>	Female	<input type="checkbox"/>	Speech Impediment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Child	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Ethnic Characteristics
Age (Approx.)		Other	

C. Listen for any background noise. (Check appropriate spaces below, if applicable):					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Music	<input type="checkbox"/>	Babies or children	<input type="checkbox"/>	Airplane
<input type="checkbox"/>	Conversation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cars/trucks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other
<input type="checkbox"/>	Typing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Machine noise		

II. REPORT BY PRINCIPAL

A. The police were contacted by (Name of person)			
Date		Time	
Police personnel taking call			
Officer responding to call			

B. Was a search made for the bomb?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
If "yes," give details regarding search				

C. Was an evacuation conducted?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
If "yes," indicate buildings or areas evacuated				

D. Remarks:	
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This form shall be completed in duplicate (submit original to Educational Service Center Operations Coordinator and copy for school files).



STUDENT RELEASE LOG

NOTE: Schools may only release students to individuals who have been designated by the custodial parent/guardian.

School _____

Date _____

STUDENT'S NAME	RELEASE TIME	NAME OF PERSON RELEASED TO	ADULT SIGNATURE

[Note: Maintain the original in the emergency document file.]



SCHOOL/SITE PRELIMINARY DAMAGE REPORT (PDR)

(Please use this form to report your status to the Educational Service Center)

School/Site:						Location Code:			
Date:		Time:		Person in Charge:					
Contact information (How the school can be reached for additional information):									
Please answer the following:									
Number of deaths	# of Students		# of Staff		None	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Number of injuries	# of Students		# of Staff		None	<input type="checkbox"/>			
How many buildings at your site are visibly damaged?									
Describe the type and extent of damage you observe:									
Summarize emergency response actions already taken:									
Do you have the following capabilities?									
Power	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Landline Phone	Contact #		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		
Water	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Cellular Phone	Contact #		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		
Natural Gas	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Two-way Radio			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		
Location of evacuated students									
List critical issues on site									
List other issues									
List assistance requested									



EMERGENCY DRILL DATA WORKSHEET

Use this form to record your drill information; then enter the data at <http://emergencydrills.lausd.net> and receive your emailed certificate.

School/Site:		Location Code:	
Name:		Position:	
E-Mail:		Date:	

Drill Type -- Choose one

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire | <input type="checkbox"/> Drop/Cover/Hold on or Drop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earthquake drill with evacuation | <input type="checkbox"/> Lockdown |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter in Place | <input type="checkbox"/> |

1. What type of alert system did you use to alert students/staff of the drill?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Fire Alarm/Bell	<input type="checkbox"/> Voice through Intercom/PA	<input type="checkbox"/> Bull Horn	<input type="checkbox"/> Whistle
<i>(Omit #2 for Drop/Cover/Hold or Drop)</i>			
2. Time Drill Started:	<input type="checkbox"/> am <input type="checkbox"/> pm	Time Drill Completed:	<input type="checkbox"/> am <input type="checkbox"/> pm
3. Total number of staff involved in the drill activity?			
4. Total number of students involved in the drill activity?			
5. Did any students with special needs participate in the drill? If yes, about how many?			
6. Did you encounter any challenges with students with special needs? (Y/N)			
7. If yes, Please describe challenges:			

(Omit #8 for Drop/Cover/Hold or Shelter-in-Place, Drop & Lockdown)

8. How long did it take to evacuate all buildings? (minutes) (Time from START of drill to the time when last staff or student arrived at the staging area.)	
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(Omit #9 for Drop/Cover/Hold or Drop)

9. Did you establish an Incident Command Post?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
10. Did staff bring the School Emergency Response Box to the assembly area?(Y/N)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
11. Did you use the District's Safe School Plan, Volume 2 - Emergency Procedures during: (Check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, during the planning of the drill	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, during the execution of drill.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, after the drill.	<input type="checkbox"/> No, we did not use the Safe School Plan.	

(Omit #12, 13&14 for Drop/Cover/Hold or Drop)

12. Did you use any supplies during the drill? (Check all that apply)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, our staff took supplies out of their storage area.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, our staff used the supplies during the drill.			
<input type="checkbox"/> No, we did not use emergency supplies.			
13. Were parents notified either before or after the drill? (Y/N)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
14. How were parents notified? (method)			
15. Did any parents participate in drill? If yes, about how many?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
16. What did parents do?			



EMERGENCY DRILL DATA WORKSHEET (CONTINUED)

17. Did you encounter any behavioral problems (non-participation, student/staff distractions, etc.) during the drill? If yes, please briefly describe any problems.					
18. Did you encounter problems with any of the following? <i>(Omit # d, e, & f for Drop/Cover/Hold or Drop)</i> <i>(Omit # f for or Lockdown)</i>					
	Yes	No	Briefly describe these problems:		
a. Alert system	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
b. Students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
c. Staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
d. Parents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
e. Supplies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
f. Evacuation route	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
19. Using a grading scale from A through F, please grade the following: <i>(Omit a, b, & c for Drop/Cover/Hold or Drop)</i> <i>(Omit a for Campus Protection or Lockdown)</i>					
	A	B	C	D	F
a. Student behavior during evacuation procedure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Student accounting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Staff accounting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Performance of alert system	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Performance of members of the school safety team	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Overall student performance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Overall staff performance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. Did you debrief after the drill? (Y/N)		<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
21. What were the three top lessons learned?					
22. How can this drill be improved in the future?					



BIOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL RELEASE RESPONSE CHECKLIST

School _____ Location Code _____

Location of Release _____

Name _____ Position _____

Date _____

	Yes	No	Note
Have unexposed students, staff and others been evacuated from area of contamination?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have staff, students, or others who came in contact with the area of contamination been isolated and quarantined in a safe and separate location and cleaned their hands with soap and water?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have all students and staff been accounted for?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Has the area of contamination been cordoned off and secured?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Has the area of contamination been affixed with conspicuous signs reading: "DO NOT ENTER"?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have the doors and windows to the area of contamination been closed and locked?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have fans and ventilators serving the area of contamination been turned off?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Comments			

Assessment Checklists

Please check the online ISSP for completed assessment checklists. They are available in the Planning view as part of Step 2.

Comprehensive School Safety Plan

Magnolia Science Academy-6
2018-2019

Comprehensive School Safety Plan

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A meeting for public input was held on October 18, 2018
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Terry Bourdages, Teacher Representative

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Officer Ceja, School Safety Officer Representative

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school's website at www.msa6.magnoliapublicschools.org.

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Public Inspection

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School Site Mission

Mission and Vision

MPS provides a college preparatory educational program emphasizing science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM) in a safe environment that cultivates respect for self and others.

MPS's vision is that graduates of Magnolia Public Schools are scientific thinkers who contribute to the global community as socially responsible and educated members of society.

MPS has identified the following core values, which are reinforced through the Life Skills curriculum, student learning outcomes (SLOs), and all school activities:

Excellence

Academic Excellence is the desire to pursue knowledge and excellence and to contribute original and provocative ideas in a learning environment, in diverse settings, and as a catalyst to future academic knowledge. We foster academic excellence through project-based learning using a constructivist approach, student portfolios, assessments of and for learning and academic discourse and argumentative writing. Scholars learn where and how to access the needed information to advance their academic pursuits and societal contributions.

Innovation

Students will have the freedom to choose how and what they learn. Individualized scheduling, early identification of learning styles, personalities, interest and career plans will support students' college and career readiness. This will include student participation in their four-year plans, after school enrichment programs, STEAM program choice options, adaptive assessments and blended learning strategies, differentiated instruction and differentiated and adaptive assessments.

Connection

School communities are integrated partnerships with the school site staff, families, students and all other stakeholders. This sense of connection creates a safe place for all learners and stakeholders to affirm individual strengths, celebrate character, provide academic support through mentorship and internship, promote unity and better decision making through the implementation of restorative justice practices. Additionally, community cultivates identity and gives each member a sense of belonging and pride. MPS utilizes home visits, student surveys, field trips, life skills classes and coaching to support our overall community-based goals. We work with community partners to establish mentoring relationships and other social capital to support our students' development of personal and academic networks for long-term resilience and connection.

Statement of Purpose

A comprehensive School Safety Plan helps to ensure a safe school environment, thereby enhancing the learning experience and improving student academic achievement. This plan is implemented to protect the safety of students and staff and to provide emergency preparedness and guidelines. This plan addresses the following objectives:

- Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff.
- Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations.
- Protect the school's facilities and property.
- In the case of an emergency, allow the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible.
- Provide for coordination between the school and local emergency services when necessary.

Employee Preparedness

A number of measures are taken on an ongoing basis to ensure that school staff is prepared to respond immediately and appropriately to disasters. These include:

- Review of this Plan and any other emergency policies and procedures;
- Review of an employee's role during an emergency;
- Knowledge of how to conduct and evaluate required drills;
- Familiarity with the layout of buildings, grounds and all emergency procedures;
- Review of the location of all emergency exits, fire extinguishers, fire alarms and emergency equipment and supplies;
- Attend update training in first aid, CPR, use of fire extinguishers and search and rescue as necessary.

Employee Skills

At the beginning of each school year, all instructional and non-instructional staff will be asked by the School Principal, or his/her designee, to identify those with special skills or experience that may be helpful during an emergency. These employees may be asked to fulfill certain emergency management roles (i.e., first aid, CPR, search & rescue and/or fire extinguisher training & certification).

Instructional staff is responsible for the following:

- Present instruction to students about emergency preparedness plans for the site and student responsibilities in case of a major emergency;
- always Keep attendance sheets readily accessible in order to check attendance in the event of evacuation;
- Update the contents of classroom emergency kit and keep it in a safe, accessible location;
- Participate fully in fire, earthquake and evacuation drills;
- Have planned activities for students for use during periods of confinement during an emergency.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, is responsible for the following:

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- Assign employees to roles and responsibilities for an emergency, taking into consideration the skills, abilities and normal functions of employees;
- Ensure that all employees are familiar with the site maps and evacuation plans and are trained in emergency response and preparedness roles and responsibilities;
- Update the list of employees who are trained in first aid, CPR, the use of fire extinguishers, and search and rescue. Arrange for update training as necessary;
- Update as necessary the site floor plan showing evacuation routes and the location of assembly areas, emergency supplies and equipment, fire extinguishers, fire alarm pulls, master electrical panels, and main water and gas shut off valves;
- Ensure that emergency procedures are posted in classrooms, hallways, school office, cafeterias and employee lounges;
- Update the list of any disabled students or employees or those who may need evacuation assistance or other special assistance;
- Test the site warning system and ensure that the system's signal(s) is recognized and understood by employees and students;
- Conduct an inventory of all emergency supplies and equipment and replace used or outdated supplies and equipment;
- Maintain a list of emergency phone numbers in a readily accessible location.

Employee/Student Special Needs

Staff with temporary or permanent impairments of sight, hearing or mobility may self-identify indicating what assistance may be required in the event of an emergency. Students with special needs are identified at the beginning of each school year. Parents are asked to provide written information/instructions concerning specific needs.

Those areas of the school that have employees and/or students with permanent mobility impairments should maintain any necessary evacuation device on each floor where such employees and/or students are located.

Emergency On-Site Personnel

Staff emergency phone contacts will be kept on file at the school office. Staff with specific training in emergency response, safety, CPR, etc. will also be noted on a list kept at the school.

Assessment of the Current Status of School Crime

1. Data sources the committee reviewed:
 - a. Local law enforcement crime data
 - i. Top three crime violations in our area last year, based on <https://www.crimemapping.com/map/location/90034?id=> were:
 1. Vehicle break in
 2. Theft/Larceny
 3. Motor Vehicle Theft
 - b. Suspension/Expulsion data:
 - i. Student information data was used to identify top suspendable/expellable offenses at our campus. A tremendous decrease in suspensions/expulsions were noted due to the implementation of positive behavior support model.
 - ii. Behavior referrals, Illuminate was used to identify and segregate all behavior referrals.
 - c. School Improvement Plan
 - i. Reviewed current years plan to identify any additional areas of improvement needed.
 - d. Property Damage data
 - i. Reviewed Illuminate behavior data to identify any property damage that has occurred.
 - e. Attendance rates
 - i. Student attendance rates were pulled from Illuminate.
 - ii. Truancy data was pulled from Illuminate
2. The committee reviewed the data and identified the appropriate strategies and programs that provide high-level school safety.
 - a. Parent/Student Handbook
 - b. School Safety Committee
 - c. Discipline Committee
 - d. Administration
 - e. Local School Administration
 - f. School Site Council
 - g. Parent Task Force
 - h. Student Leadership
 - i. Local Law Enforcement Collaboration
3. We will continue to review data in the upcoming academic year to continually revise and identify appropriate strategies and programs that provide/maintain a high level of school safety, both on and off campus.

Child Abuse Reporting Procedures

Child abuse shall be reported in compliance with the procedures set forth in the MPS Employee Handbook and in accordance with California law. The reporting of suspected child abuse is mandatory. Our staff will continue to receive training to establish best practices for school personnel to prevent abuse, including sexual abuse, of children on school grounds, by school personnel, or in school-sponsored programs, and post on our department's Internet Web site links to existing training resources, in compliance with EC 44691.

Mandated reporters include, but are not limited to, teachers; instructional aides; teacher's aides or assistants; classified employees; certificated pupil personnel employees; administrative officers or supervisors of child attendance; administrators and employees of a licensed daycare facility; Head Start teachers; district police or security officers; licensed nurses or health care providers; and administrators, presenters, and counselors of a child abuse prevention program. (Penal Code [11165.7](#))

Reasonable suspicion means that it is objectively reasonable for a person to entertain a suspicion, based upon facts that could cause a reasonable person in a like position, drawing when appropriate on his/her training and experience, to suspect child abuse or neglect. However, reasonable suspicion does not require certainty that child abuse or neglect has occurred nor does it require a specific medical indication of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code [11166](#))

Reportable Offenses

A mandated reporter shall make a report using the procedures provided below whenever, in his/her professional capacity or within the scope of his/her employment, he/she has knowledge of or observes a child whom the mandated reporter knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code [11166](#))

Responsibility for Reporting

The reporting duties of mandated reporters are individual and cannot be delegated to another person. (Penal Code [11166](#))

No supervisor or administrator shall impede or inhibit a mandated reporter from making a report. (Penal Code [11166](#))

Reporting Procedures

1. Initial Telephone Report

Immediately or as soon as practicable after knowing or observing suspected child abuse or neglect, a mandated reporter shall make an initial report by telephone to any police department (excluding a school district police/security department), sheriff's department, county probation department if designated by the county to receive such reports, or county welfare department. (Penal Code [11165.9](#), [11166](#))

Department of Child and Family Services
800-540-4000

2. Written Report

Within 36 hours of knowing or observing the information concerning the incident, the mandated reporter shall then prepare and either send, fax, or electronically submit to the appropriate agency a written follow-up report, which includes a completed Department of Justice form (SS 8572). (Penal Code [11166](#), [11168](#))

Victim Interviews by Social Services/Law Enforcement

Whenever a representative from the Department of Social Services or another government agency investigating suspected child abuse or neglect deems it necessary, a suspected victim may be interviewed during school hours, on school premises, concerning a report of suspected child abuse or neglect that occurred within the child's home or out-of-home care facility. The child shall be given the choice of being interviewed in private or in the presence of any adult school employee or volunteer aide selected by the child. (Penal Code [11174.3](#))

A staff member or volunteer aide selected by a child may decline to be present at the interview. If the selected person accepts, the principal or designee shall inform him/her of the following requirements: (Penal Code [11174.3](#))

1. The purpose of the selected person's presence at the interview is to lend support to the child and enable him/her to be as comfortable as possible.
2. The selected person shall not participate in the interview.
3. The selected person shall not discuss the facts or circumstances of the case with the child.
4. The selected person is subject to the confidentiality requirements of the Child Abuse and Neglect

Reporting Act, a violation of which is punishable as specified in Penal Code [11167.5](#).

If a staff member agrees to be present, the interview shall be held at a time during school hours when it does not involve an expense to the school. (Penal Code [11174.3](#))

A release of Child to Peace Officer

When a child is released to a peace officer and taken into custody as a victim of suspected child abuse or neglect, the designee and/or principal shall not notify the parent/guardian, but rather shall provide the peace officer with the address and telephone number of the child's parent/guardian. It is the responsibility of the peace officer or agent to notify the parent/guardian of the situation. (Education Code [48906](#))

Disaster Response Procedures

General Policies and Procedures for Handling Safety and Specific Emergency Situations:

The purpose of the safety and emergency sections of this Plan is to provide safety and emergency preparedness and response instructions to protect the safety and well being of students and staff at the time of an emergency. Specific goals include:

1. Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff;
2. Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations;
3. Protect the school's facilities and property;
4. Enable the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible;
5. Provide for interface and coordination between the school and local authorities and resources.

Emergencies

In the case of an emergency, the general policy is that actions should be taken to allow the school to remain in operation to the extent possible. The situation should be addressed to minimize interruption of normal operations at the school, and students will usually be cared for until regular dismissal time. Where an emergency poses a serious threat to the safety and well-being of students and staff, evacuation will occur until any danger has passed. When necessary, the school may be dismissed by the School Principal or his/her designee. Home office will also be informed using Home Office Support Team (HOST) email system (Refer to HOST attachment). In the event of the following scenarios, the principal or his/her designee, will communicate with stakeholders using the school's mass communication system.

Fire

In the case of a school fire, the following procedures should be implemented:

- Sound building fire alarm.
- Notify Fire Department by dialing 911. The Fire Department is to be notified of any fires larger in size than a wastebasket. The Fire Department should be given the following information:
 - School name and phone number.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - The exact location of the fire within the building.
- Have students and staff evacuate the building in accordance with established procedures.
- Evacuate to the outdoor assembly area.
- All doors leading to the fire should be closed. Do not re-enter the area for belongings. If the area is full of smoke, students and staff should be instructed to crawl along the floor, close to walls, thus making breathing easier and providing direction. Before opening any door, place a hand one inch from the door near the top to see if it is hot. Be prepared to close the door quickly at the first sign of fire to avoid the spread of fire.
- Clear access routes for emergency vehicles. Remain at a safe distance from the fire and away from firefighting equipment.
- Render first aid as necessary.

- Check attendance. Remain with students.

Medical Emergency

Medical emergencies and accidents can occur at any time and may involve a student or employee. Some emergencies may only require first aid care, while others may require immediate medical attention. When in doubt, it is better to err on the side of caution and dial 911.

- Medical emergencies involving any student or employee must be reported to the School Principal or his/her designee. Dial 911 or direct someone to do so.
- Provide the following information:
 - School name and phone number.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location within the building.
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Nature of the emergency.
 - Do not hang up until advised to do so by the dispatcher.
- Notify the school office that an individual has been injured and an ambulance has been called.
- Ask someone to dispatch a first aid/CPR trained employee to the victim.
- Stay calm. Keep victim warm with a coat or blanket.
- Do not move the victim unless there is a danger of further injury. Do not give the victim anything to eat or drink.
- Draft written incident report and submit it to School Principal, or his/her designee, before the end of the next workday.

Earthquakes

Earthquakes strike without warning and the major shock is usually followed by numerous aftershocks, which may last for weeks or months. An earthquake's effect on buildings will vary from building to building.

The major threat of injury during an earthquake is from falling objects and debris, and many injuries are sustained while entering or leaving buildings. Therefore, it is important to remain inside the building and quickly move away from windows, glass, partitions and shelves. In the case of an earthquake, the following procedures should be followed:

- Take cover under a sturdy desk or table, in a doorway, or against an inside wall until the shaking stops. Give DROP AND COVER command.
- After shaking stops, check for injuries, and render first aid.
- If ordered by the School Principal or his/her designee, evacuate.
- Do not return to the building.
- Do not light any fires.
- Keep a safe distance from any downed power lines.
- Check attendance whether or not evacuation takes place. Report any missing students to School Principal, or his/her designee.
- Stay alert for aftershocks.
- Beware that shaking may activate fire alarm or sprinkler systems.
- Elevators and stairways will need to be inspected for damage before they can be used.
- The school principal, or his/her designee, will issue further instructions.

- Certificated and classified school staff are trained annually on emergency earthquake procedures

Assaults

Assaults involve acts of striking or inflicting injury to a person and are regarded as serious matters. Any threat or assault on students or employees should be reported immediately to the School Principal, or his/her designee. The School Principal (or designee) will determine if law enforcement officials should be notified.

If a serious assault occurs:

- Dial 911.
- Seek first aid or medical attention, if indicated.
- Have photographs taken of any injuries.
- Write down a physical description of the assailant (sex, age, height, weight, race, clothing, and any weapon used) as soon as possible after the incident.
- Obtain names and telephone numbers of any witnesses.
- Draft incident report and submit it to the School Principal, or his/her designee.
- School Principal or his /her designee will submit an incident report to the local law enforcement if an incident is serious.

Hazardous Materials

Hazardous material spills may occur inside a building, such as a spill in a chemistry lab. Incidents of disaster magnitude may occur outside, such as a tank truck accident involving large quantities of toxic material.

Procedures:

- If a spill is minor and inside, notify buildings and grounds personnel immediately for cleanup. Open windows for ventilation.
- If a more serious spill occurs inside or outside:
- Call 911. Notify the Fire Department, Emergency Response Unit, and/ or Public Health Department.
- Provide the following:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Location of the spill and/or materials released.
 - Characteristics of the spill (colors, smells, visible gases).
 - Name of substance, if known.
 - Injuries, if any.
 - Notify buildings and grounds personnel.
 - Close all windows and doors if the spill is outside.
- Request that buildings personnel shut off mechanical ventilating systems if it might spread toxic material.
- Remain inside the building unless ordered to evacuate by the Fire Department.
- Fire Department will advise of further actions to be taken.
- Do not eat or drink anything or apply cosmetics.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought.

- The School Principal, or his/her designee, if necessary, will give approval for student release or site evacuation.

Civil Disturbance

A civil disturbance is any situation where a person or group of persons disrupts operations or threatens the safety of individuals. The following precautionary protective measures should be taken:

- Notify local law enforcement authorities-Dial 911.
- If participants enter the building, remain calm and do not provoke aggression. Report disruptive circumstances to the school Principal, or his/her designee.
- Do not argue with the participant(s).
- Have all students and employees leave the immediate area of disturbance.
- If the disturbance is outside the building, remain inside building, unless instructed otherwise by the School Principal or police officials. Lock all doors. Stay away from windows and exterior doors.
- If the disturbance is inside the building, follow procedures for evacuation of the school site.
- Follow further instructions as police officials and other local law enforcement authorities issue them.
- Draft incident report for School Principal, or his/her designee.

Vandalism

The following procedures should be used in the case of school vandalism:

- Notify school principal or his/her designee.
- Notify building and ground maintenance personnel.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, will assess the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed, including local law enforcement.
- If possible, identify the parties involved.
- Interview witnesses and obtain written statements.
- Document the incident as soon as possible and give the incident report, with any witness statements, to the School Principal or his/her designee.
- Notify parents or legal guardian.
- Determine what disciplinary measures are appropriate (in-house or police involvement).
- Determine any monetary restitution issues and amounts.

Utility or Power Failure

The following procedures should be used in case of utility or power failure:

- Staff and students should remain in the classroom until further instruction.
- Custodial and maintenance personnel should determine the cause of an incident and seek outside assistance if necessary.
- Staff and students outside of a classroom at the time of the incident should report to the main office.
- Building and grounds personnel report to utility company if necessary.
- If the situation requires long-term maintenance and repair and prevents class activities, the School Principal, or his/her designee, may take measures to dismiss school for the day.
- Where utility failure presents an emergency, evacuation procedures should be implemented immediately.

Bomb Threat

The person receiving the call:

- Listen - Do not interrupt caller.
- If possible, alert other staff by a pre-arranged signal while the caller is on the line.
- If a bomb threat is received, it is important for the person receiving the call to attempt to keep the caller on the telephone as long as possible. It is also important to listen carefully to all information provided by the caller and to make a note of any voice characteristics, accents, or background noises.
- Attempt to ask questions and elicit the information required to determine the severity of the threat.
- Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, immediately.

The School Principal or his/her designee will:

- Notify Police Department – Dial 911.
- With the assistance of responding law enforcement personnel, conduct a thorough search of the building & surrounding areas:
 - Classrooms and work areas.
 - Public areas - foyers, office bathrooms, and stairwells.
 - Lockers and unlocked closets.
 - Exterior areas -- shrubbery, trash cans, debris boxes, gas valves, etc.
 - Power sources -- electric panels, telephone panels, computer rooms, etc.
- With assistance from responding law enforcement personnel and/or Fire Department, the School Principal, or his/her designee, will evaluate the threat and will determine whether to evacuate the building and/or to continue to search the premises.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought. The School Principal, or his/her designee, must grant approval for student release.
- An incident report should be drafted before the end of the workweek.

Explosions

If an explosion occurs at the school, the following procedures should be used:

- Give DROP AND COVER command.
- Sound building fire alarm. This will automatically implement action to leave the building.
- Notify Fire Department – Dial 911.
- Provide the following information:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location within the building.
 - Your name and phone number.
- Evacuate to the outdoor assembly area.
- Check attendance. Remain with students.
- Render first aid as necessary.
- Notify grounds and building personnel.
- Keep students and staff at a safe distance from the building(s) and away from firefighting equipment.
- Public safety officials will determine when the building is safe for re-entry, and along with School Principal, or his/her designee, whether student release from the school site is necessary.

- Draft incident report by the end of the week.

Fighting or Riot

School staff should follow these guidelines when a fight occurs:

- Send a reliable student to the office to summon assistance.
- Speak loudly and let everyone know that the behavior should stop immediately.
- Obtain help from other teachers if at all possible.
- If students are starting to gather, attempt to get students away from the commotion as quickly as possible.
- Call out the names of the involved students (if known) and let them know they have been identified.
- For the safety of all students, get additional help from law enforcement personnel if confronted with a serious fight, especially one that involves weapons.
- Attempt to separate the involved students by speaking to them in an assertive tone of voice. Consider the age and/or size of the students, as well as personal safety, before stepping between/among those involved in an altercation. If successful in separating the students, try to avoid using further confrontational behavior.
- Remember that no one can "cool down" instantly; give the students time to talk in a calm setting and gradually change the climate of the situation.

Staff should follow these guidelines when a riot occurs:

- The School Principal, or his/her designee, should encourage teachers and staff to be sensitive to the emotional climate of the campus and attempt to defuse any tensions prior to the eruption of problems.
- Notify local law enforcement of the disturbance and meet at a pre-designated site to evaluate the situation.
- Have a law enforcement officer evaluate and call for any necessary resources such as backup help, emergency medical help, etc.
- Activate needed emergency plans, which may include:
 - Instructing office staff to handle communications and initiate lockdown orders.
 - Notify transportation to bring appropriate numbers of buses for evacuation or transportation if necessary.
- Assign staff a temporary detention facility, such as a gymnasium, to secure students and log information.
- Direct a teacher or designee to initiate lockdown and immobilize the campus.
- Brief a representative to meet the media.
- Assign staff to a pre-designated medical treatment/triage facility.

Hostage Situation

- In case there is a hostage situation at the school, staff should attempt to follow these guidelines:
 - Stay calm.
 - Don't be a hero.
 - Follow instructions of the captor.
 - Cooperate; be friendly if possible; don't argue with or antagonize captor or other hostages. Inform captors of medical or other needs.
 - Be prepared to wait; elapsed time is a good sign.
 - Don't try to escape; don't try to resolve the situation by force.
 - Be observant and remember everything that is seen or heard.

- If a rescue takes place, lie on the floor and await instructions from rescuers.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should be responsible for the following:

- Immediately notify law enforcement.
- Move other students and teachers completely away from those who are in the hostage situation.
- Keep everyone as calm as possible.
- Be prepared to answer questions from the media or family.

Death of a Student

By far, the worst crisis situation is the death of a student. When a student dies, emotional trauma is a natural occurrence for students, faculty, and staff. A student's death, which occurs on campus, particularly as a result of school violence, is admittedly the most extreme case of trauma for family and the school community. There is no procedure that fits every scenario; each case requires individual attention. Certainly, there is no prescribed method for dealing with such tragedy; however, the following are suggestions for a school's response to death, particularly death that occurs as a result of school violence:

- After the initial response, administrators and counselors will meet immediately to review what has happened. Responding to the psychological needs of both staff and students as soon as possible is the best prevention for the development of post-traumatic stress.
- Get as much information as possible from the family and ask their permission to share it with the students, faculty, and staff. Ask if they have any objection to students, faculty, and staff attending the funeral.
- Relay the information to the students in a factual way, careful to avoid breaching the student or family's privacy. The School Principal and a counselor might consider moving from room to room to tell the students what has happened. They should tell the truth, allow for expression of feelings, and affirm any expressions or feelings the students have. Students need to be told that they may visit a counselor's office for special assistance if they need to talk.
- If possible, allow a break after telling the students in order to give them an opportunity to express their grief with other students.
- Upon returning to school, students should be allowed time to discuss their feelings, talk about the deceased, and discuss memories. Give students, faculty, and staff information about the funeral and allow them to attend, provided the family has granted permission.
- Watch for trouble signs among the students. Be prepared to call in extra counselors if necessary.

Intruder or Individual with Deadly Weapon/Active Shooter

- If someone enters the school grounds or buildings with a deadly weapon, the staff should follow these guidelines:
- Avoid confronting the student or gunman.
- Notify the School Principal, or his/her designee, or the school office immediately.
- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should follow these guidelines:

- Notify law enforcement immediately.

- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.
- Determine the level of threat. If the level of threat is high, call for additional backup.
- Attempt to get the weapon from the gunman or student through negotiation, or take other appropriate action with the aid of local law enforcement.
- If the level of threat is low, call the student to the office and have law enforcement take the appropriate action.

Lock Down

This action is taken when the threat of violence or gunfire is identified or directed by law enforcement and it is necessary to prevent the perpetrator(s) from entering any occupied campus areas. During Lock Down, students are always to remain in the classrooms or designated locations.

- The Principal or Admin designee will make an announcement on the P.A. system that the school is going into a Lock Down situation. If P.A. system is not available, other means of communication, i.e., texting or email to staff or sending messengers. The Principal or Admin designee should remain calm and under control and give clear directions.
- Teachers will lock their doors and shut their blinds and instruct students to stay away from the doors and windows.
- If outside, students will continue to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into the nearby classrooms or school buildings.
- Teachers and students will remain in the classroom or secured area until further instructions are given by the Principal/Admin Designee or law enforcement.
- All entrances to the school are to be locked and no visitors other than appropriate law enforcement or emergency personnel are to be allowed on campus.

Use of School Facilities for Mass Care and Welfare Shelters

In the case of disasters or other emergencies, the school will support the emergency procedure systems mandated by all law enforcement, government, or public safety agencies to ensure that pupils and both certificated and classified staff follow necessary protocols to allow the school to serve as a mass care and welfare shelter.

Evacuation

In the event conditions in the community or within the school itself necessitate a site evacuation, the following steps should be taken:

The School Principal or his/her designee should:

- Notify the school district office, county official or designee.
- Notify local law enforcement authorities.
- Notify school transportation support.
- Note the special needs of students or staff.
- Direct clerical staff to take schools master enrollment list.
- Direct school nurse or designee to prepare emergency medications to be transported.
- Direct all personnel to leave the building and secure the building.
- Notify students' parents or legal guardians as situation permits.

School staff should:

- Plan to evacuate his/her class and ride the bus or walk as the situation dictates.
- Take a copy of the class enrollment list.
- Take emergency instructional materials and first aid kits in the event the evacuation lasts several hours.
- Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, of any special needs of students and their requirements.

The first choice for a shelter during a building site evacuation is another building designated by the school district, county or other local authority. Once staff and students have arrived at the host site, the following steps should be taken:

- Notify school nurse or local medical personnel of any medical emergencies.
- Consider how students will be fed and restroom needs met.
- Activate crisis intervention team to deal with any emotional trauma.
- Provide area and materials for parents who may arrive to pick up students.
- Provide an area for non-school community evacuees.

Drugs, Alcohol, and Tobacco

The use or possession of drugs, alcohol or tobacco is strictly prohibited at the school or around school grounds. If a member of staff suspects that a student is in the possession of a controlled substance, he or she should:

- Identify the parties involved.
- Notify the School Principal or his/her designee immediately.
- Follow-up with a written incident report, including any witness statements.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should do the following:

- Assess the situation and determine the level of assistance needed (i.e. school counselor, police)
- Isolate the parties involved for interview/investigation.
- Notify parent or legal guardian.
- Obtain witness statements and document in a written incident report.
- Determine disciplinary consequences. See *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.
- Determine what intervention or follow-up procedures are necessary including counseling.

Floor Plan

A floor plan of the school site buildings and grounds, which indicates the location of all exits, utility shut-offs, fire extinguishers, and emergency equipment and supplies, will be maintained and updated, as necessary. The floor plan should also indicate outdoor assembly area(s) and evacuation route(s) from the site. (This item is stored with the plant manager and also located in the office of the School Principal)

A copy of the floor plan will be posted in each classroom at the school, in the school hallway and at the school's main office. Staff should familiarize themselves with the contents of the floor plan and with evacuation procedures.

Fire Drills

The school shall conduct fire drills on a regular basis to prepare for possible evacuation in case of an emergency. The School Principal, or his/her designee, will specify the date and time of emergency drills. All students and staff are required to participate in these mandated drills.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, will designate an outdoor assembly area(s) where students and staff will gather whenever the building is evacuated. Unless instructed otherwise by public safety officials, students and staff will gather by class and attendance will be taken. The names of any missing individuals will be relayed to search and rescue teams and public safety officials.

School Safety Management Team

Management Organization Chart

The Principal is the overall director of the School Safety Management Team and will appoint those members of the staff necessary to respond to issues of safety at the School and in the case of an emergency. Depending upon the nature of an emergency, additional administrative, teaching and support staff may also be part of the team but may act only when assigned specific duties by the Principal.

Guidelines for Handling the Media

Whenever a natural disaster or crisis situation occurs, media coverage is a certainty. School staff and administrators are encouraged to follow these guidelines when dealing with the media. The School Principal should assign a school spokesperson to deal directly with the media.

- Develop a written statement for dissemination.
- Get the maximum amount of information out to the media - and thus the public - as rapidly as possible.
- Appoint a spokesperson (usually the principal).
- Keep the staff informed through one person.
- Be proactive with the media.
- Contact the media before they contact the school.
- Set geographic and time limits.
- Explain restrictions.
- Hold the press accountable.
- Create positive relations with the media before an emergency crisis occurs.
- Stress positive actions taken by the school.
- Announce new changes made after the incident has passed.

Annual Inspections

The School Principal, or his/her designee, with the assistance of local support personnel where necessary, will conduct an annual inspection for situations that pose potential hazards. Of particular importance are the proper storage of chemicals and correct labeling of all containers. Failure of one or more of the utilities (electricity, gas, water) constitutes a condition

that must be dealt with on a situational basis. A walk-through inspection of each area of each building will be conducted using a checklist of the following:

- Classroom
- Corridors
- Cafeteria
- Office
- Teacher's Workroom and Employee Lounge
- Restrooms
- Custodial
- Storage Room
- Yard (or Grounds)

Where multiple rooms of the same type are to be inspected (e.g., classrooms, offices), be sure to note the exact identification (e.g., Room 7; women's restroom). Complete each section of the checklist. Provide a brief description of the problem in the section provided.

Appropriate measures will be taken to correct the problem at the direction of the School Principal. When possible, personnel at the site (e.g., custodian) will handle corrections or repairs and may provide an estimate of the necessary repairs and corrections. The custodian or other buildings and grounds personnel will advise the School Principal, or his/her designee, of problems that cannot be corrected by site staff.

Parental Notification

In the case of an emergency requiring evacuation of the school site, parents will be notified as soon as possible. At the beginning of each school year, all parents will be asked to provide emergency contact information, sign an emergency medical release form for their child, and designate persons who are authorized to pick up their child in the event of an emergency.

Classroom Safety Kits

Emergency and first aid supplies are necessary when an emergency or injury occurs at the school. Emergency and first aid supplies should be kept in the school's central office and in individual classrooms as needed. At the beginning of each school year, each classroom will receive a classroom safety kit. Suggested items in case of an emergency:

- Blankets
- Matches
- Pillows
- Bottled Water
- Flashlights
- Paper Towels
- Batteries
- Wet Wipes
- Radio (battery operated)
- Sheets
- Candles

Suggested first aid items:

- Assorted Band-Aids

- Gauze
- Sterile Water (for burns)
- Tape
- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Bandages
- Instant Ice Packs
- Ace Bandages
- Package of Sewing Needles
- Slings
- Anti-bacterial salve
- Steri-strips or butterfly stitches
- Disposable gloves
- Face masks
- CPR (disposable mouthpieces)
- Current first aid book

In case of an emergency evacuation, staff will take this kit to the evacuation site, along with an attendance sheet.

Suspension and Expulsion Policies

“The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled.” (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(J).)

General Provisions

Charter School shall provide due process for all students, including adequate and timely notice to parents/guardians and students of the grounds for all suspension and expulsion recommendations and decisions and their due process rights regarding suspension and expulsion, including rights of appeal.

Charter School shall ensure that its policies and procedures regarding suspension and expulsion will be periodically reviewed, and modified as necessary, in order to conform to changes in state law.

Charter School shall ensure that its staff is knowledgeable about and complies with the District’s Discipline Foundation Policy and/or current equivalent policy, as required by the Modified Consent Decree. Charter School shall comply with the terms of the School Discipline Policy and School Climate Bill of Rights resolution adopted by the LAUSD Board of Education on May 6, 2013.

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of Charter School’s student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

Charter School shall document and implement the alternatives to suspension and expulsion that Charter School utilizes in response to attendance-related concerns, e.g. truancy or excessive tardiness.

Students with Disabilities

Charter School shall establish and implement policies and procedures to ensure full compliance with federal and state laws and regulations regarding the discipline of students with disabilities. If a student is recommended for expulsion and the student receives or is eligible for special education, pending the completion of the expulsion process, Charter School shall identify and provide special education programs and services at an appropriate interim educational placement determined in coordination with the LAUSD Division of Special Education.

In the case of a student who has an Individualized Education Program (“IEP”), or a student who has a Section 504 Plan, Charter School shall ensure that it follows correct disciplinary procedures to comply with the mandates of state and federal laws, including IDEA and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Plan of 1973. As set forth in the MOU regarding special education between the District and Charter School, an IEP team will meet to conduct a manifestation determination and to discuss alternative placement utilizing the District’s Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual. Prior to recommending expulsion for a student with a Section 504 Plan, Charter School’s administrator will convene a Link Determination meeting to ask the following two questions:

- A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student’s disability?
- B. Was the misconduct a direct result of the Charter School’s failure to implement Section 504?

Notification of the District

Upon expelling any student, Charter School shall notify the Charter Schools Division by submitting an expulsion packet to the CSD immediately or as soon as practicable, which shall contain:

- Completed “Notification of Charter School Expulsion” [form available from the CSD website or office], including attachments as required on the form
- Documentation of the expulsion proceeding, including statement of specific facts supporting the expulsion and documentation that Charter School’s policies and procedures were followed
- Copy of parental notice of expulsion hearing
- Copy of expulsion notice provided to parent stating reason for expulsion, term of expulsion, rehabilitation plan, reinstatement notice with eligibility date and instructions for providing proof of student’s compliance for reinstatement, appeal process, and options for enrollment
- If the student is eligible for Special Education, documentation related to expulsion in compliance with IDEA and the MCD, including the Expulsion Analysis page of the pre-expulsion IEP
- If the student is eligible for Section 504 accommodations, documentation that Charter School conducted a Link Determination meeting to address two questions:

- A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student's disability?
- B. Was the misconduct a direct result of Charter School's failure to implement Section 504 Plan?

Notwithstanding and apart from the documentation sent to the Charter Schools Division as indicated above, if the student is a resident of a school district other than LAUSD, Charter School must notify the superintendent of the student's district of residence within 30 days of the expulsion. Additionally, upon request of the receiving school district, Charter School shall forward student records no later than 10 school days from the date of the request as stated in Education Code section 49068 (a) and (b).

Outcome Data

Charter School shall gather and maintain all data related to placement, tracking, and monitoring of student suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements, and make such outcome data readily available to the District upon request.

Rehabilitation Plans

Pupils who are expelled from Charter School shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by Charter School's governing board at the time of the expulsion order, which may include, but is not limited to, periodic review as well as assessment at the time of review for readmission. Terms of expulsion should be reasonable and fair with the weight of the expelling offense taken into consideration when determining the length of expulsion. Therefore, the rehabilitation plan should include a date not later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to Charter School for readmission. Charter School shall inform parents in writing of its processes for reinstatement and applying for expungement of the expulsion record.

Readmission

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for the filing and processing of requests for readmission and the process for the required review of all expelled pupils for readmission. Upon completion of the readmission process, Charter School's governing board shall readmit the pupil, unless Charter School's governing board makes a finding that the pupil has not met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan or continues to pose a danger to campus safety. A description of the procedure shall be made available to the pupil and the pupil's parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is entered and the decision of the governing board, including any related findings, must be provided to the pupil and the pupil's parent/guardian within a reasonable time.

Reinstatement

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for processing reinstatements, including the review of documents regarding the rehabilitation plan. Charter School is responsible for reinstating the student upon the conclusion of the expulsion period in a timely manner.

Gun-Free Schools Act

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun-Free Schools Act.

In accordance with E.C. 47605(J)

J) The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled from the Charter School for disciplinary reasons or otherwise involuntarily removed from the Charter School for any reason. These procedures, at a minimum, shall include an explanation of how the Charter School will comply with federal and state constitutional procedural and substantive due process requirements that is consistent with all of the following:

(i) For suspensions of fewer than 10 days, provide oral or written notice of the charges against the pupil and, if the pupil denies the charges, an explanation of the evidence that supports the charges and an opportunity for the pupil to present his or her side of the story.

(ii) For suspensions of 10 days or more and all other expulsions for disciplinary reasons, both of the following:

(I) Provide timely, written notice of the charges against the pupil and an explanation of the pupil's basic rights.

(II) Provide a hearing adjudicated by a neutral officer within a reasonable number of days at which the pupil has a fair opportunity to present testimony, evidence, and witnesses and confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses, and at which the pupil has the right to bring legal counsel or an advocate.

(iii) Contain a clear statement that no pupil shall be involuntarily removed by the Charter School for any reason unless the parent or guardian of the pupil has been provided written notice of intent to remove the pupil no less than five schooldays before the effective date of the action. The written notice shall be in the native language of the pupil or the pupil's parent or guardian or, if the pupil is a foster child or youth or a homeless child or youth, the pupil's educational rights holder, and shall inform him or her of the right to initiate the procedures specified in clause (ii) before the effective date of the action. If the pupil's parent, guardian, or educational rights holder initiates the procedures specified in clause (ii), the pupil shall remain enrolled and shall not be removed until the Charter School issues a final decision. For purposes of this clause, "involuntarily removed" includes disenrolled, dismissed, transferred, or terminated, but does not include suspensions specified in clauses (i) and (ii).

Students with an IEP:

If a student has an IEP, that IEP and any applicable behavior plan shall be followed, accordingly to state and federal law. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team may meet to review the plan and its implementation and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved.

MPS follows state and federal laws regarding discipline, including suspension and expulsion, of students with disabilities. See also Section D: Suspension and Expulsion Procedures for more information.

SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION PROCEDURES

The following Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy has been established in order to promote learning and protect the safety and well-being of all students at MPS. Staff shall enforce disciplinary rules and procedures fairly and consistently among all students. In creating this policy, the Charter School has reviewed Education Code Section 48900 et seq. which describes the non-charter schools' list of offenses and procedures to establish its list of offenses and procedures for suspensions and expulsions. The language that follows closely mirrors the language of Education Code Section 48900 et seq. The Charter School is committed to an annual review of policies and procedures surrounding suspensions and expulsions and, as necessary, modification of the lists of offenses for which students are subject to suspension or expulsion.

When the policy is violated, it may be necessary to suspend or expel a student from regular classroom instruction. This policy shall serve as MPS' policy and procedures for student suspension and expulsion. Suspended or expelled students shall be excluded from all school and school-related activities unless otherwise agreed during the period of suspension or expulsion.

This Policy and its Procedures will clearly describe discipline expectations, and it will be printed and distributed as part of the Student Handbook which is sent to each student at the beginning of the school year. The MPS administration shall ensure that students and their parents/guardians are notified in writing upon enrollment of all discipline policies and procedures.

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of or willfully causing the infliction of physical pain on a student. For purposes of the Policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to school property.

Discipline includes but is not limited to advising and counseling students, conferring with parents/guardians, reflection during and after school hours, use of alternative educational environments, suspension and expulsion.

PROGRESSIVE POSITIVE DISCIPLINE

Positive Consequences

MPS school staff has committed itself to encourage and support the attainment of academic skills as well as social skills, such as listening, friendship-making, problem-solving, and alternatives to aggression. To inspire and encourage students to develop their potential in all of these areas, the following reinforcements will be used for positive behavior:

- Individual awards/recognition
- Classroom awards/recognition
- Certificates
- Displays
- Positive contact with parent/guardian
- Special activities (field trips, movie nights, picnics, etc.)
- Publications
- Assemblies
- Positive SIS points

Positive student behavior and improvements will be acknowledged and encouraged by the MPS staff. Teachers will not only report discipline issues on the school information system but also

positive behaviors and accomplishments. Parents will also be informed of positive behavior and improvements via phone, email, and home visits. Students will receive certificates and/or rewards for outstanding performance and behaviors.

Reflection:

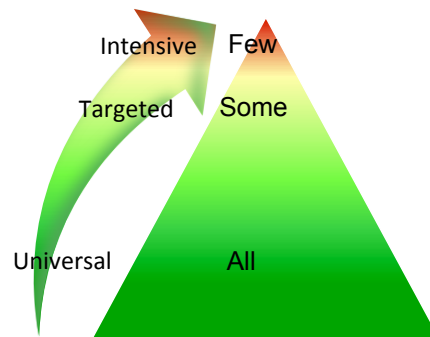
Reflection will be held on the assigned day either during the lunch period or after school for up to 60 minutes. Students will have at least one (1) day notice that they must serve a reflection that is longer than twenty (20) minutes in order to make arrangements to be picked up from school. Parents may request in person a delay of the reflection; no phone calls, emails, or notes will be accepted for this request.

In School Suspension (ISS):

Notice of In School Suspension (ISS) and the reasons for the ISS will be given to the student and the parent in writing. The student will remain on campus during school hours in a designated area, not in their regular class setting. The student will have no or limited contact with students and teachers while serving an ISS. The student is expected to complete their classroom assignments and school community service during ISS.

Alternatives to Suspension

To intervene in student behavior, MPS has a progressive discipline plan in place at MSA-6. This plan is published at the beginning of each school year in the Student/Parent handbook. The Student/Parent Handbook also includes a school-parent-student compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the Charter School and parents will develop a partnership to help students achieve high academic and behavioral standards. The discipline plan includes information about student expectations and progression of disciplinary procedures from day-to-day discipline to suspension and expulsion. MSA-6 provides its staff with Professional Development in the area of restorative practices alternatives to suspension, and positive behavior supports.



As part of its Multi-tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) framework and Response to Intervention (RTI) Programs, MSA-6 implements Positive Behavior and Interventions and Supports (PBIS) to address student discipline issues including suspension. This tiered approach lists intervention strategies and programs based on the level of fractions.

MSA-6 implements prevention strategies for each tier as presented below:

Tier	Prevention Description
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I. Primary (Universal)	Preventing the development of new cases (incidence) of problem behaviors by implementing high quality learning environments for all students and staff and across all settings (i.e., school-wide, classroom, and non- classroom).
II. Secondary (Targeted)	Reducing the number of existing cases (prevalence) of problem behaviors that are presenting high risk behaviors and/or not responsive to primary intervention practices by providing more focused, intensive, and frequent small group-oriented responses in situations where problem behavior is likely.
III. Tertiary (Intensive)	Reducing the intensity and/or complexity of existing cases (prevalence) of problem behavior that are resistant to and/or unlikely to be addressed by primary and secondary prevention efforts by providing most individualized responses to situations where problem behavior is likely.

MSA-6 believes that alternatives to suspension align with our schoolwide positive behavior support plan. Following is a list of alternatives to be considered before suspending a student: warning, phone call home, parent conference, teacher/administrative detention, written assignment/research/presentation, loss of privileges, behavior contract, parent shadowing, mentorship (peer/teacher), referral (counseling, SST, Principal/Assistant Principal), assigning volunteer work/community service, Saturday school, and in-school suspension.

GROUPS FOR SUSPENSION

Jurisdiction

A student may be suspended for prohibited misconduct as identified below under the heading, “Enumerated Offenses,” if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MSA-6; or (3) a MSA-6 sponsored event. A student may be suspended for acts that are enumerated below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

Suspension (Discretionary Offenses)

Students may be suspended for any of the following acts when it is determined the student:

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1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in minor harm.
2. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in minor injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, or otherwise furnished nominal amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully was under the influence of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property resulting in negligible loss.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property.
9. Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including but not limited to cigars, cigarettes, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets and betel. This section does not prohibit the use of his or her own prescription products by a pupil.
10. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
11. Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.
12. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
13. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.

14. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.

15. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.

16. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, “hazing” means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, “hazing” does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.

17. Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, “terroristic threat” shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family’s safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.

18. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently offensive as to have a negative impact upon the individual’s academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

19. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

20. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

21. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.
- 1) “Bullying” means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:
 - i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student’s or those students’ person or property.
 - ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
 - iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic performance.
 - iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.

 - 2) “Electronic Act” means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
 - i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
 - ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Posting to or creating a burn page. A “burn page” means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.
 - (b) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. “Credible impersonation” means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.
 - (c) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. “False profile” means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.
 - iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - (a) For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction

of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.

(b) For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.

3) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.

22. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this section.

23. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee’s concurrence.

Suspension (Mandatory Offenses)

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(1)
2. Brandishing a knife at another person. E.C. 48915(c)(2)
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance. E.C. 48915(c)(3)
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery, as defined in the enumerated offenses, above. E.C. 48915(c)(4)
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(5)

SUSPENSION PROCEDURES

Suspensions shall be initiated according to the following procedures:

Conference

Suspension shall be preceded, if possible, by a conference conducted by the Principal or the Principal’s designee with the student and his or her parent and, whenever practical, the teacher, supervisor or Charter School employee who referred the student to the Principal. The conference may be omitted if the Principal or designee determines that an emergency situation exists. An “emergency situation” involves a clear and present danger to the lives, safety or health of students or Charter School personnel. If a student is suspended, by Principal or Designee, without this conference, both the parent/guardian and student shall be notified of the student’s right to return to school for the purpose of a conference.

At the conference, the student shall be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action and the evidence against him or her and shall be given the opportunity to present his or her version and

evidence in his or her defense. This conference shall be held within two (2) school days, unless the student waives this right or is physically unable to attend for any reason including, but not limited to, incarceration or hospitalization. No penalties may be imposed on a student for failure of the student's parent or guardian to attend a conference with Charter School Principal or Designee. Reinstatement of the suspended student shall not be contingent upon attendance by the student's parent or guardian at the conference.

MSA-6 assures that the process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence will be fair and thorough.

As an alternative to out of school suspension, MSA-6 utilizes in-school suspension as a way to redirect student choices and provide an opportunity to reflect in a space that ensures students will also be responsible for completing assigned academic work. The in-school suspension for students will be in a designated working area in the main office with access to a supervising administrator who holds a teaching credential. During in-school suspension, access to instructional materials will be coordinated by the Assistant Principal. The Assistant Principal will reach out to the students' teachers prior to the in-school suspension and the teachers will share the materials and assignments students will be working on while they are serving their in-school suspension. Since students have access to online platforms, students will be provided with a one to one device just like their peers to complete assignments. If the in-school suspension is related to a technology infraction, a hard copy will be provided as an alternative for having access to work and submitting assignments. Office staff will work alongside administrators to determine any accommodations students may need during their in-school suspension. For example, scheduled breaks, as well as providing breakfast and lunch for the student. A restorative justice team consisting of teachers and the Assistant Principal will meet to develop a positive behavioral plan to support the student during and after the in-school suspension. This plan is shared with parent/ guardian when informing them of the in-school suspension and parent/ guardian feedback is also welcomed regarding follow up support for their child. In addition to the meeting, a form will be provided to families regarding the in-school suspension and the parent can sign giving their acknowledgment of the in-school suspension guidelines. A student may be suspended in-school for a maximum of five school days per incident and a maximum of 20 school days per academic year.

During the in-school suspension, the Assistant Principal will work directly with the student and together they will create a plan for how to re-enter the school environment following an incident. There will also be additional support added during this reflection time which may include speaking to a counselor. Every incident is unique and should there be an opportunity to restore the relationship and redirect the student's actions during the in-school suspension, this connection and established trust will be leveraged. In an effort to ensure the safety of all stakeholders, the following offenses may result in in-school suspension:

- Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence,
- Engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation against a pupil or group of pupils or school district personnel,
- Made terrorist threats against school officials or school property, or both.

The above-mentioned offenses are addressed in a serious manner and depending on the details may not be able to be rectified with an in-school suspension. The school administrator will report the incident to the appropriate authorities under the direction of the local authorities who will assess the level of risk and will act in accordance with the recommendations. The authorities will determine whether or not the situation should be handled “administratively” or by the police. The administrative team will then move forward with the appropriate support. In order to comply with Ed Code Section 48900, the school administrator will notify all stakeholders by the end of the school day.

Notice to Parents/Guardians

At the time of the suspension, the Principal or designee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the parent/guardian by telephone or in person. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian shall be notified in writing, by the Principal or Designee, of the suspension and the date of return following suspension. This notice shall state the specific offense committed by the student. In addition, the notice will also state the date and time when the student may return to school and will provide information about the appeal right and process. If Charter School administrators wish to ask the parent/guardian to confer regarding matters pertinent to the suspension, the notice will request that the parent/guardian respond to such requests without delay.

Suspension Time Limits

Suspensions, when not including a recommendation for expulsion, shall not exceed five (5) consecutive school days per suspension. A student may be suspended from school for not more than 20 school days in any school year unless, for purposes of adjustment, the student enrolls in or is transferred another regular school, an opportunity school, or continuation school or class, in which case suspension shall not exceed 30 days in any school year. However, this restriction on the number of days of suspension does not apply when the suspension is extended pending an expulsion. (Education Code Sections 48903, 48911, and 48912) The expulsion process shall not take longer than 30 days from the first day of the initial suspension. Disciplining students with Disabilities is outlined in the section below.

Suspension Appeals

Students and parent/guardian may appeal a suspension within five (5) school days of the suspension. This appeal will be made to the Principal and heard by a Reflection Committee. The Reflection Committee is an advisory committee to the Principal, trained quarterly in restorative practices and PBIS, and will be comprised of at least one school administrator, and at least two teachers, and may also include a non-certificated employee. All Reflection Committee hearings on suspensions will be held within two (2) school days of the appeal being made. The decision of the Reflection Committee is final. Based on the information submitted or requested, the Reflection Committee may make one of the following decisions regarding the suspension:

- Uphold the suspension
- Determine that the suspension was not within school guidelines, overturn the suspension, and order that all records and documents regarding the disciplinary proceeding be destroyed. No information regarding the suspension will be placed in the student's permanent record or shared with anyone not directly involved in the proceedings. Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom materials and

assignments for the duration of student's absence. Student will be provided the opportunity to make academic progress, make up assignments, and earn credit missed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Charter School will maintain student records in accordance with Education Code Section 49602 and 5 CCR 16024

Recommendation for Placement/Expulsion

Upon a recommendation of Placement/ Expulsion by the Principal, the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative will be invited to a conference to determine if the suspension for the student should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. This determination will be made by the Principal upon either of the following determinations: (1) the student's presence will be disruptive to the education process; or (2) the student poses a threat or danger to others. Upon either determination, the student's suspension will be extended pending the results of an expulsion hearing.

Access to Education

For suspensions that are not pending an expulsion hearing, Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom material and current assignments to be completed at home during the length of the suspension. For suspensions pending an expulsion hearing, Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students. Please see "Interim Placement" below for details.

GROUNDS FOR EXPULSION

Jurisdiction

A student may be expelled for prohibited misconduct if the offense is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MPS or at any other school; or (3) a MPS sponsored event. A student may be expelled for offenses that are described below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
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Expulsion (Discretionary and Mandatory Offenses)

Expulsion (Discretionary Offenses)

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in serious bodily harm.
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6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion in excess of \$1,000.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
9. Habitually disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties.
10. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
11. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committed a sexual battery as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
12. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
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ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.

iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic performance.

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ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:

(a) Posting to or creating a burn page. A “burn page” means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.

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(c) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. “False profile” means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile. iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.

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include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.

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21. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee’s concurrence.

Expulsion (Mandatory Offenses)

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(1)
2. Brandishing a knife at another person. E.C. 48915(c)(2)
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance. E.C. 48915(c)(3)
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery, as defined in the enumerated offenses, above. E.C. 48915(c)(4)
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(5)

Gun Free Schools Act

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun Free Schools Act.

For specific details, refer to LAUSD Board Policy and Administrative Regulations.

Authority to Expel

If determined necessary upon the referral by the discipline committee; a student may be expelled by an Administrative Panel following a hearing before it. The Administrative Panel will include three or more certificated persons, none of whom have been members of the Board or on the staff of the Charter School in which the student is enrolled. It is important for the Administrative Panel members to have experience in education law and student discipline. Typical Administrative Panel members include teachers, school administrators and Home Office Chiefs/Directors. The Home Office will coordinate all administrators and teachers who serve on the Reflection Committee at their school sites to be “on call” for a particular month should their presence be needed at an Administrative Panel hearing. A member who served on the Reflection Committee may not serve on the Administrative Panel for the same student. The Administrative Panel may expel any student found to have committed an expellable offense.

Expulsion Hearing

Students recommended for expulsion are entitled to a hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled. Unless postponed for good cause, the hearing shall be held within thirty (30) school days after the Principal determines that the Student has committed an expellable offense.

After an Administrative Panel hears the case, it will make a determination whether to expel. The hearing shall be held in closed session (complying with all pupil confidentiality rules under FERPA) unless the pupil makes a written request for a public hearing in open session three (3) days prior to the date of the scheduled hearing.

Written notice of the hearing shall be forwarded to the student and the student's parent/guardian by the Principal or Designee, at least ten (10) calendar days before the date of the hearing. Upon mailing the notice, it shall be deemed served upon the student. The notice shall include:

1. The date and place of the expulsion hearing;
2. A statement of specific facts, charges and offenses upon which the proposed expulsion is based;
3. A copy of MSA-6's disciplinary rules which relate to the alleged violation;
4. Notification of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to provide information about the student's status at the Charter School to any other school district or school to which the student seeks enrollment;
5. The opportunity for the student or the student's parent/guardian to appear in person or to employ and be represented by counsel or a non-attorney advisor;
6. The right to inspect and obtain copies of all documents to be used at the hearing;
7. The opportunity to confront and question all witnesses who testify at the hearing;
8. The opportunity to question all evidence presented and to present oral and documentary evidence on the student's behalf including witnesses.

Record of Expulsion Hearing

A record of the hearing shall be made and may be maintained by any means, including electronic recording, as long as a reasonably accurate and complete written transcription of the proceedings can be made.

Presentation of Evidence

While technical rules of evidence do not apply to expulsion hearings, evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. A determination by the Administrative Panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed an expellable offense. Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. While hearsay evidence is admissible, no decision to expel shall be based solely on hearsay. Sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses of whom the Panel determines that disclosure of their

identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to an unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm.

If, due to a written request by the accused student, the hearing is held at a public meeting, and the charge is committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery as defined in Education Code Section 48900, a complaining witness shall have the right to have his or her testimony heard in a session closed to the public.

The decision of the Administrative Panel shall be in the form of written findings of fact.

If the Administrative Panel decides not to expel, the student shall immediately be returned to his/her educational program.

Written Notice to Expel

The Principal or designee following a decision of the Administrative Panel to expel shall send written notice within 30 days of the decision to expel, including the Administrative Panel's adopted findings of fact, to the student or parent/guardian. This notice shall also include the following:

1. Notice of the specific offense(s) committed by the student
2. Notice of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with MSA-6
3. The reinstatement eligibility review date; a copy of the rehabilitation plan; the type of educational placement during the period of expulsion, and notice of appeal rights/procedures
4. Information regarding rights to, how, timelines, and to whom a student/parent may appeal an expulsion decision

The Principal or designee shall send a copy of the written notice of the decision to expel to the student's district of residence. This notice shall include the following:

1. The student's name
2. The specific expellable offense committed by the student

Disciplinary Records

MSA-6 shall maintain records of all student suspensions and expulsions at MSA-6. Such records shall be made available to the District upon request.

Expulsion Appeals

To appeal an expulsion, the student/parent/guardian must submit a written appeal to the CEO of MPS outlining the reason for the appeal, attaching any supporting documentation, within ten (10) calendar days of receiving the written notice of the expulsion.

In response to the written request for an appeal, the CEO of MPS shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors. The Board shall convene a hearing on the appeal within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of a timely written request for an appeal.

At the hearing on the appeal, the student or his/her representative shall have the right to present evidence. The Board will consider the evidence and/or testimony presented to the Administrative Panel as appropriate and will render a contemporaneous written decision, which shall be immediately communicated to the appellant at the conclusion of the hearing, in the best interest of the student and the Charter School. That decision shall be final.

Interim Placement

The Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of the Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students, including, but not limited to, programs within the County or their school district of residence.

The Charter School shall work with the District for an interim placement at a community day school or other alternative program. Should the Charter School determine after the referral that the student will remain at the Charter School pending the expulsion hearing based on the best interest of the student, or if the Charter School secures another alternative interim placement at another Charter School or school within its CMO, if appropriate and aligned with applicable charter petitions, the Charter School will notify the District of such determination.

Readmission/Reinstatement

The decision to readmit a pupil previously expelled from MSA-6 shall be at the discretion of the Governing Board following a meeting with the Principal or designee, the pupil and parent/guardian or representative to determine whether the pupil has successfully completed the rehabilitation plan and to determine whether the pupil continues to pose a threat to others or will be disruptive to the school environment. The Principal or Designee will make a recommendation to the Board following the meeting regarding his/her recommendation. The Board shall then make a final decision regarding reinstatement during closed session of a public meeting, reporting out any actions taken during closed session as required of the Brown Act. The pupil's readmission is also contingent upon MSA-6's capacity at the time the student seeks readmission. These procedures will be made available to the pupil and his/her parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is issued.

Rehabilitation Plans

Pupils who are expelled from MSA-6 shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by the Administrative Panel at the time of the expulsion order. The rehabilitation plan includes improved behavior, attendance, and academic performance and shall include a date no later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to MSA-6 for readmission.

MSA-6 shall mail written notification to parent/guardian within thirty (30) days prior to the end of the expulsion term. This notice will request the parent or guardian to submit written documentation to the school showing that the student has met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan. The board shall review these documents and make a final decision regarding reinstatement. If the student does not meet the requirements of the rehabilitation plan as

determined by the board, the board will revisit at a later date not to exceed one (1) year.

Procedures for Notifying Teachers about Dangerous Pupils

To fulfill the requirements made by Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 that state teachers must be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing “Attendance Reporting screen”. On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The teacher can access the suspension by looking at the student’s discipline screen. The information provided is for the student’s current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list, so students and others may not view it.

Pursuant to Welfare & Institution Code 827(b) and Education Code 48267, the Court notifies the Superintendent of the LAUSD regarding students who have engaged in certain criminal conduct. This information is forwarded to the site Principal. The site Principal is responsible for prompt notification of the student’s teachers. Per Education Code 49079, this information must be kept confidential. This information is also forwarded to all administrators and the student’s counselor.

1. The School Principal will inform teachers and other relevant staff of students who are defined as dangerous as set forth in the California Education Code sec. 48900, including the exceptions to this rule provided therein. The School will provide this information to the teacher based upon any records that the school maintains in its ordinary course of business, or receives from a law enforcement agency, regarding a pupil described in this Section. The School is not civilly or criminally liable for providing information unless it is proven that the information was false and that the School employee knew or should have known that the information was false, or the information was provided with a reckless disregard for its truth or falsity.
2. Any information received by a teacher pursuant to this Section shall be received in confidence for the limited purpose for which it was provided and shall not be further disseminated by the teacher.

This notification will be provided on our school letterhead:

To: ALL CERTIFICATED STAFF
From: **Admin**
Re: Student Suspension Information

*Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 require that teachers be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it.*

The following are examples of Ed. Code 48900 and 48915 violations that may appear on your report.

E.C. 48900 (a)(1) Mutual fight (a)(2) Assault/Battery

(b) Possessed, sold or furnished dangerous object

(c) Controlled substance/alcohol

(d) Imitation controlled substance

(e) Robbery/extortion

(f) Vandalism

(g) Theft

(h) Tobacco/nicotine products

(i) Obscene act, habitual profanity/vulgarity

(j) Drug paraphernalia

(k) Disruptive/willfully defiant behavior (grades 4-12)

(l) Received stolen property

(m) Imitation firearm

(n) Sexual assault or battery

(o) Harassed/threatened witness

(p) Sale of soma

(q) Hazing

(r) Bullying/cyberbullying

(s) Aiding and abetting

E.C. 48900.2 Sexual harassment (gr 4-12)

E.C. 48900.3 Hate Violence (gr 4-12)

E.C. 48900.4 Severe or pervasive harassment, threats and intimidation (grades 4-12)

E.C. 48900.7 Terrorist threats against school officials or property

E.C. 48915

(a)(1)(A) Serious physical injury

(a)(1)(B) Possession: knife or dangerous object

(a)(1)(C) Controlled substance

(a)(1)(D) Robbery or extortion

(a)(1)(E) Assault/battery of school employee

E.C. 48915

(c)(1) Possessing, selling, furnishing firearm

(c)(2) Brandishing a knife at another person

(c)(3) Selling a controlled substance

(c)(4) Committing or attempting to commit sexual assault or battery

(c)(5) Possession of an explosive

If you have any questions or want more information, please see me.

Sample

Confidential

Memorandum

To: _____, Teacher

From: _____, Principal

Date:

Re: Students having committed specified crime

The student named below has been convicted of a penal code violation.

Welfare and Institutions Code 827 requires teachers to be informed when a student has engaged in certain criminal conduct.

NOTE: SUCH INFORMATION IS CONFIDENTIAL AND CANNOT BE FURTHER DISSEMINATED BY THE TEACHER OR OTHERS. UNLAWFUL DISSEMINATION OF THIS INFORMATION IS PUNISHABLE BY A SIGNIFICANT FINE. (EC 49079)

PLEASE DESTROY THIS NOTE IMMEDIATELY AFTER READING.

_____ was found to have committed the following criminal activity:

If you have any questions, please see me.
Principal

Sexual Harassment Policy

Policy Prohibiting Unlawful Harassment

MPS is committed to providing a work and educational atmosphere that is free of unlawful harassment. MPS's policy prohibits sexual harassment and harassment based upon race, color, creed, gender (including gender identity and gender expression), religion, marital status, registered domestic partner status, age, national origin or ancestry, physical or mental disability, medical condition (including cancer and genetic characteristics), genetic information, sexual orientation, military or veteran status, or any other consideration made unlawful by federal, state, or local laws. MPS will not condone or tolerate harassment of any type by any employee, independent contractor or other person with which the School does business. This policy applies to all employee actions and relationships, regardless of position or gender. MPS will promptly and thoroughly investigate any complaint of harassment and take appropriate corrective action, if warranted.

Prohibited Unlawful Harassment:

- Verbal conduct such as epithets, derogatory jokes or comments or slurs;
- Physical conduct including assault, unwanted touching, intentionally blocking normal movement or interfering with work because of sex, race or any other protected basis;
- Retaliation for reporting or threatening to report harassment; or
- Deferential or preferential treatment based on any of the protected classes above.

Prohibited Unlawful Sexual Harassment:

In accordance with existing discrimination on the basis of gender in education institutions is prohibited. All persons, regardless of the gender, are afforded equal rights and opportunities and freedom from unlawful discrimination in education programs or activities conducted by the School.

MPS is committed to provide a workplace free of sexual harassment and considers such harassment to be a major offense, which may result in disciplinary action, up to, and including dismissal, of the offending employee.

Sexual harassment consist of sexual advances, request for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, regardless of whether or not the conduct is motivated by sexual desire, when: (1) submission of the conduct is either made explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; (2) an employment decision is based upon an individual's acceptance or rejection of that conduct; (3) that conduct interferes with an individual's work performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

It is also unlawful to retaliate in any way against an employee who has articulated a good faith concern about sexual harassment against him or her or against another individual. All supervisors of staff will receive sexual harassment training within six (6) months of their assumption of a supervisory position and will receive further training once every two (2) years thereafter. All staff will receive sexual harassment training and/or instruction concerning sexual harassment in the workplace as required by law. Each employee has the responsibility to maintain a workplace free from any form of sexual harassment. Consequently, should any

individual, in particular those with supervisory responsibilities, become aware of any conduct that may constitute sexual harassment or other prohibited behavior, immediate action should be taken to address such conduct. Employees and students are expected to act in a positive and professional manner and to contribute to a policy, productive School environment that is free from harassing or disruptive activity. Any employee who believes they have been sexually harassed or has witnessed sexual harassment is encouraged to immediately report such harassment to the Principal (or MPSCO Human Services for MPSCO employees).

Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- Physical assaults of a sexual nature, such as:
 - Rape, sexual battery, molestation or attempts to commit these assaults and
 - Intentional physical conduct that is sexual in nature, such as touching, pinching, patting, grabbing, brushing against another's body, or poking another's body.

Unwanted sexual advances, propositions or other sexual comments, such as:

- Sexually oriented gestures, notices, remarks, jokes, or comments about a person's sexuality or sexual experience.
- Preferential treatment or promises of preferential treatment to an employee for submitting to sexual conduct, including soliciting or attempting to solicit any employee to engage in sexual activity for compensation or reward or deferential treatment for rejecting sexual conduct.
- Subjecting or threats of subjecting an employee to unwelcome sexual attention or conduct or intentionally making performance of the employee's job more difficult because of the employee's sex.

Sexual or discriminatory displays or publications anywhere at the workplace by employees, such as:

- Displaying pictures, cartoons, posters, calendars, graffiti, objections, promotional materials, reading materials, or other materials that are sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic or bringing to work or possessing any such material to read, display or view at work.
- Reading publicly or otherwise publicizing in the work environment materials that are in any way sexually revealing, sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic; and
- Displaying signs or other materials purporting to segregate an employee by sex in an area of the workplace (other than restrooms or similar rooms).

The illustrations of harassment and sexual harassment above are not to be construed as an all-inclusive list of prohibited acts under this policy. Moreover, please note that while in most situations a personal relationship is a private matter, these relationships are not appropriate in a professional setting, particularly where one of the parties has management or supervisory responsibilities. As such, consensual relationships in the workplace may violate MPS Policy.

Complainants and witnesses under these policies will be protected from further harassment and will not be retaliated against in any aspect of their employment due to their participation in an investigation, filing of a complaint or reporting sexual harassment.

MPS will investigate complaints promptly and provide a written report of the investigation and decision as soon as practicable. The investigation will be handled in as confidential a manner as possible consistent with a full, fair, and proper investigation.

Sexual Abuse and Sex Trafficking

MPS will collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in order to ensure that the school site is prepared to address the threat of sexual abuse and sex trafficking in accordance with EC 49380.

Harassment and Discrimination

Harassment and Discrimination are prohibited. They include the following:

- Verbal Threats
- Threatening Behavior
- Hazing
- Intimidation
- Gang Behavior
- Fights

Policies for dealing with harassment and discrimination are described in the *MPS Employee Handbook* and *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.

If harassment or discrimination occurs, school staff should:

1. Evaluate the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed. If intervention is required, contact support staff. Where threats of serious bodily injury and/or weapons are involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved and give specific verbal directions to discuss the situation. Where a physical altercation is occurring, or is about to occur, call for staff support and immediately separate the parties involved.
3. Document the incident, including the names of witnesses and any statements.
4. Give incident reports to the School Principal, or his/her designee, as soon as possible.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should:

1. Assess the seriousness of the incident. If assistance is needed, call necessary support staff. Where a threat of serious bodily injury or weapons is involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved.
3. Seek written documentation from witnesses.
4. Determine disciplinary consequences. See *MPS Employee Handbook* and *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.

5. Determine what intervention or follow-up is necessary, including reference to a school counselor, psychologist, or local law enforcement.
6. Notify parents or legal guardian and appropriate school personnel of incident.
7. Complete a report with a description of the incident and include the names of witnesses and any statements. Summarize the disciplinary procedures used in resolution of the incident.

Internal Complaint Review

The purpose of the “Internal Complaint Review Policy” is to afford all employees of the School the opportunity to seek internal resolution of their work-related concerns. All employees have free access to the CEO or Board of Directors to express their work-related concerns.

Specific complaints of unlawful harassment are addressed under the School’s “Policy Against Unlawful Harassment.”

Internal Complaints:

(Complaints by Employees Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a School employee raises a complaint or concern about a coworker.

If reasonably possible, internal complaints should be resolved at the lowest possible level, including attempts to discuss/resolve concerns with your direct supervisor. However, in the event an informal resolution may not be achieved or is not appropriate, the following steps will be followed by the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees):

- The complainant will bring the matter to the attention of the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees) as soon as possible after attempts to resolve the complaint with the immediate supervisor have failed or if not appropriate; and
- The complainant will reduce his or her complaint to writing, indicating all known and relevant facts. The Principal (or the CEO for MPSCO employees) (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the Principal, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the CEO (or designee.) The CEO (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the CEO, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the President of the Board of Directors of the School, who will then confer with the Board and may conduct a fact-finding or authorize a third party investigator on behalf of the Board. The Board President or investigator will report his or her findings to the Board for review and action, if necessary.

This policy cannot guarantee that every problem will be resolved to the employee’s satisfaction. However, the School values each employee’s ability to express concerns and the need for resolution without fear of adverse consequence to employment.

Policy for Complaints Against Employees (Complaints by Third Parties Against Employees):

This section of the policy is for use when a nonemployee raises a complaint or concern about a School employee.

If complaints cannot be resolved informally, complainants may file a written complaint with the office of the Principal or the CEO (if the complaint concerns the Principal) or the Board President (if the complaint concerns the CEO) as soon as possible after the events that give rise to the complainant's concerns. The written complaint should set forth in detail the factual basis for the complaint.

In processing the complaint, the Principal (or the CEO (or the Board President)) (or designee) shall abide by the following process:

- The Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) shall use his or her best efforts to talk with the parties identified in the complaint and to ascertain the facts relating to the complaint.
- In the event that the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) finds that a complaint against an employee is valid, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may take appropriate disciplinary action against the employee. As appropriate, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may also simply counsel/reprimand employees as to their conduct without initiating formal disciplinary measures.
- The Principal's (or the CEO's) (or designee's) decision relating to the complaint shall be final unless it is appealed to the Board of Directors of the School. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final.

General Requirements:

- Confidentiality: All complainants will be notified that information obtained from the complainants and thereafter gathered will be maintained in a manner as confidential as possible, but in some circumstances absolute confidentiality cannot be assured.
- Non-Retaliation: All complainants will be advised that they will be protected against retaliation as a result of the filing of any complaints or participation in any complaint process.
- Resolution: The Board (if a complaint is about the CEO) or the CEO (if a complaint is about the Principal or MPSCO employees) or the Principal or designee will investigate complaints appropriately under the circumstances and pursuant to the applicable procedures, and if necessary, take appropriate remedial measures to ensure effective resolution of any complaint.

HARASSMENT COMPLAINT FORM

It is the policy of the School that all of its employees be free from harassment. This form is provided for you to report what you believe to be harassment, so that the School may investigate and take appropriate disciplinary or other action when the facts show that there has been harassment.

If you are an employee of the School, you may file this form with the Principal (or CEO (or Board President.))

Please review the School's policies concerning harassment for a definition of harassment and a description of the types of conduct that are considered to be harassment.

MPS will undertake every effort to handle the investigation of your complaint in a confidential manner. In that regard, the School will disclose the contents of your complaint only to those persons having a need to know. For example, to conduct its investigation, the School will need to disclose portions of your factual allegations to potential witnesses, including anyone you have identified as having knowledge of the facts on which you are basing your complaint, as well as the alleged harasser.

In signing this form below, you authorize the School to disclose to others the information you have provided herein, and information you may provide in the future. Please note that the more detailed information you provide, the more likely it is that the School will be able to address your complaint to your satisfaction.

Charges of harassment are taken very seriously by the School both because of the harm caused to the person harassed, and because of the potential sanctions that may be taken against the harasser. It is therefore very important that you report the facts as accurately and completely as possible and that you cooperate fully with the person or persons designated to investigate your complaint.

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s):

Name of Person(s) you believe sexually harassed you or someone else:

List any witnesses that were present:

Where did the incident(s) occur?

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid

the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I acknowledge that I have read and that I understand the above statements. I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation.

I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date: _____ Signature of Complainant _____

Print Name _____

Received by: _____ Date: _____

COMPLAINT FORM

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged
Incident(s): _____

Name of Person(s) you have a complaint
against: _____

List any witnesses that were present:

Where did the incident(s) occur?

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by
providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any,
physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid
the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it
finds necessary in pursuing its investigation. I hereby certify that the information I
have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my
knowledge and belief. I further understand providing false information in this
regard could result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Signature of Complainant Date: _____

Print Name

To be completed by School:

Received by: _____ Date: _____

Staff/Student Interaction Policy

MPS recognizes its responsibility to make and enforce all rules and regulations governing student and employee behavior to bring about the safest and most learning-conducive environment possible.

Corporal Punishment

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain on a student.

For purposes of this policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to property.

For clarification purposes, the following examples are offered for direction and guidance of School personnel:

Examples of PERMITTED actions (NOT corporal punishment):

- Stopping a student from fighting with another student;
- Preventing a pupil from committing an act of vandalism;
- Defending yourself from physical injury or assault by a student;
- Forcing a pupil to give up a weapon or dangerous object;
- Requiring an athletic team to participate in strenuous physical training activities designed to strengthen or condition team members or improve their coordination, agility, or physical skills;
- Engaging in group calisthenics, team drills, or other physical education or voluntary recreational activities.

Examples of PROHIBITED actions (corporal punishment):

- Hitting, shoving, pushing, or physically restraining a student as a means of control;
- Making unruly students do push-ups, run laps, or perform other physical acts that cause pain or discomfort as a form of punishment;
- Paddling, swatting slapping, grabbing, pinching, kicking, or otherwise causing physical pain.

Acceptable and Unacceptable Staff/Student Behavior

This policy is intended to guide all School faculty and staff in conducting themselves in a way that reflects the high standards of behavior and professionalism required of school employees and to specify the boundaries between students and staff.

Although this policy gives specific, clear direction, it is each staff member's obligation to avoid situations that could prompt suspicion by parents, students, colleagues, or school leaders. One viable standard that can be quickly applied, when you are unsure if certain conduct is acceptable, is to ask yourself, "Would I be engaged in this conduct if my family or colleagues were standing next to me?"

For the purposes of this policy, the term “boundaries” is defined as acceptable professional behavior by staff members while interacting with a student. Trespassing the boundaries of a student/teacher relationship is deemed an abuse of power and a betrayal of public trust.

Some activities may seem innocent from a staff member’s perspective but can be perceived as flirtation or sexual insinuation from a student or parent point of view. The objective of the following lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors is not to restrain innocent, positive relationships between staff and students, but to prevent relationships that could lead to, or may be perceived as, sexual misconduct.

Staff must understand their own responsibility for ensuring that they do not cross the boundaries as written in this policy. Disagreeing with the wording or intent of the established boundaries will be considered irrelevant for disciplinary purposes. Thus, it is crucial that all employees learn this policy thoroughly and apply the lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors to their daily activities. Although sincere, competent interaction with students certainly fosters learning, student/staff interactions must have boundaries surrounding potential activities, locations and intentions.

Duty to Report Suspected Misconduct

When any employee becomes aware of another staff member having crossed the boundaries specified in this policy, he or she must speak to this staff member if the violation appears minor, or report the matter to school administrators. If the observed behavior appears significant, it is the duty of every staff member to immediately report it to an administrator. All reports shall be confidential. It is the duty of the administrator to investigate and thoroughly report the situation. Employees must also report to the administration any awareness or concern of student behavior that crosses boundaries or where a student appears to be at risk for sexual abuse.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors (Violations of this Policy)

- Giving gifts to an individual student that are of a personal and intimate nature;
- Kissing of any kind;
- Any type of unnecessary physical contact with a student in a private situation;
- Intentionally being alone with a student away from the school;
- Making or participating in sexually inappropriate comments;
- Sexual jokes;
- Seeking emotional involvement with a student for your benefit;
- Listening to or telling stories that are sexually oriented;
- Discussing inappropriate personal troubles or intimate issues with a student in an attempt to gain their support and understanding;
- Becoming involved with a student so that a reasonable person may suspect inappropriate behavior.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors without Parent and Supervisor Permission

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a staff member has parent and supervisor permission.)

- Giving students a ride to/from school or school activities;
- Being alone in a room with a student at school with the door closed;
- Allowing students in your home.

Cautionary Staff/Student Behaviors

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a reasonable and prudent person, acting as an educator, is prevented from using a better practice or behavior. Staff members should inform their supervisor of the circumstance and occurrence prior to or immediately after the occurrence)

- Remarks about the physical attributes or development of anyone;
- Excessive attention toward a particular student;
- Sending emails, text messages or letters to students if the content is not about school activities. Acceptable and Recommended Staff/Student Behaviors:
- Getting parents' written consent for any after-school activity;
- Obtaining formal approval to take students off school property for activities such as field trips or competitions;
- E-mails, text, phone and instant messages to students must be very professional and pertaining to school activities or classes (Communication should be limited to school technology);
- Keeping the door open when alone with a student;
- Keeping reasonable space between you and your students;
- Stopping and correcting students if they cross your own personal boundaries;
- Keeping parents informed when a significant issue develops about a student;
- Keeping after-class discussions with a student professional and brief;
- Asking for advice from fellow staff or administrators if you find yourself in a difficult situation related to boundaries;
- Involving your supervisor if conflict arises with the student;
- Informing the Executive Director about situations that have the potential to become more severe;
- Making detailed notes about an incident that could evolve into a more serious situation later;
- Recognizing the responsibility to stop the unacceptable behavior of students or coworkers;
- Asking another staff member to be present if you will be alone with any type of special needs student;
- Asking another staff member to be present when you must be alone with a student after regular school hours;
- Giving students praise and recognition without touching them;
- Pats on the back, high fives and handshakes are acceptable;
- Keeping your professional conduct a high priority;
- Asking yourself if your actions are worth your job and career.

School-wide Dress Code Prohibiting Gang-related Apparel

Disruption and/or intimidation caused by the wearing of any type of clothing/jewelry or by writing of any signs identified as or associated with gangs is not permitted on campus at any time. No gang activity or gang association will be permitted at school or school-sponsored activities. Gang symbols on notebooks, lockers, book bags, etc. are not permitted and will be documented.

DRESS CODE

MPS has a uniform policy to help create a safe, orderly environment, instill discipline, and eliminate the competition and distractions caused by varied dress styles. Students are expected to arrive in a clean and neat uniform every day. Students will not be allowed to enter the campus if they are not in proper uniform. This uniform policy will be enforced, without exception, from the very first day of school. Please cooperate, display modesty and neatness, and take pride in the MPS uniform. We rely on your understanding and your parents' and/or guardians' support in helping to maintain this uniform policy and follow it daily.

In addition to wearing the school uniform, MPS requires that you follow these additional guidelines in terms of uniform appearance and personal appearance. If you are still unsure about how you should look, or how the uniform should fit, check with administration. Religious head coverings shall be permitted. **If any aspect of the uniform, including clothes, shoes, jewelry, cosmetics, or any type of body adornment, is not explicitly listed as acceptable in this handbook, then that item is not permitted to be worn when the student is at school or representing the school.**

If a student is unable to wear the school uniform to school due to extenuating circumstances, you need to obtain written permission from the school's administration.

MPS STUDENT UNIFORM POLICY

Pants, shorts, skirts, skorts, or capris are acceptable. Must be khaki, black, or navy blue.

Pants/Skirts/Skorts/Shorts/Capris:

- May not be baggy or tight fitting. May not be rolled at waist. Waist size must be same as student's waist size. Top of garment must be at or above hip bone.
- Skorts/shorts should be no shorter than your longest finger when standing with your hands by your sides.
- Skirts that are above the top of the kneecap should be worn with leggings/tights, and must be no shorter than the longest fingertip.
- Pants may not be made from legging or jegging material.
- Pants must touch the top of the shoes when the student is standing, but not be long enough to bunch up around the ankle.

- The bottom of the skirt, skort, and/or shorts must be no higher than 1 inch above the middle of the kneecap when the student is standing.
- Socks may not be worn over pants.
- Rubber bands are not allowed on the bottom of pants or ankles.
- No jean/denim style pants.
- No Cargo pants/shorts.
- Must have a built in pocket not a sewn on pocket.

Undergarments:

- Should not be noticeable through or outside of clothing, tops and bottoms.

Uniform:

- Woven Shirt or Polo Shirt must be tucked in neatly at the waist at all times on campus, inside and outside. These shirts may not fit tightly or be baggy.
- Undershirts must be short-sleeved if worn.
- The student may choose to button, or not button, the top button of the woven shirt. All other buttons of the woven shirt must be buttoned.
- Under shirt may not hang out of sleeves.

Shoes:

- Acceptable athletic shoes must be low-profile with minimal design. They must be modest and not attract attention. Shoe laces must match shoes and be in solid color.

Jewelry and accessories/Cosmetics:

- Should be modest, appropriate for school, and not attract undue attention.
- Necklaces: If worn must be underneath uniform. If visible through an open collar, it must be tasteful and formal (no leather or string). Pendants must not be large or attract attention. Must be tucked in collar of shirt.
- No “glitter”, decorations, or drawing of any kind should be visible on the skin, hair, body, or uniform.
- Facial, tongue, and body piercing are not allowed.
- Bracelets: Must be tasteful and not attract undue attention.
- Visible tattoos are not acceptable. Permanent visible tattoos must be covered by a flesh-tone bandage while at school or representing the school.
- Cosmetics must be appropriate for school and not attract undue attention.
- No brightly colored or glitter eye shadow, or blush.
- Mascara and eyeliner should be minimal.
- Lipstick should be a natural color.
- Earrings must be studs or one (1) inch hoops and worn on earlobe.

Belts (required for all variations of dress uniform):

- Smooth, straight edge, all black, all blue or all brown belts no wider than 1½ inches with a plain, unadorned buckle (no mesh, rope, or all metal).
- The buckle may only have one catch.
- Belt must be of correct waist size, so that there is minimal excess length (less than five inches).
- Any excess length of belt must be tucked through a belt loop and may not hang down.

TOP

- White, gray, black or navy-blue polo shirts must have the school logo. They may be either short or long sleeved.
- Hoods may not be worn at school.
- Top of garment must be no lower than the level of the navel when student is standing. Top of garment must be at or above hip bone when student is standing up.

FOOTWEAR

- Most of the shoe must be black, brown, white or gray. Small logos are acceptable. (Shoes must be closed toe.)
- “Athletic” shoes for the dress code must be completely black, white or brown.
- Plain, unadorned socks or tights (for girls) must always be worn. Color of socks or tights: Black, dark brown, navy blue, or white
- No sandals, boots, clogs, mules, slippers, flip flops, high heels, platform shoes or shoes with wheels.

PE UNIFORM

- TOP: Students will wear a solid gray t-shirt, preferably with the MPS logo. MPS sweatpants and MPS sweatshirts may also be worn during PE.
- BOTTOM: Properly fitting MPS Navy shorts of comfortable length for active participation. Waist size of shorts must be appropriate to student’s waist size. The same rules which apply to the level at which the tops of the dress pants are worn, also apply to PE shorts.
- FOOTWEAR: Any athletic shoes suitable for basketball, tennis, and field sports. PE shoes may be the same black athletic shoes discussed in the dress uniform section.

OUTERWEAR

- Hats, hoods, caps, and other headgear may not be worn in school buildings, except for religious head coverings. No gloves or finger lacing of any sort are allowed.

For colder weather:

- MPS Navy Crew-Neck and zip V-Neck Sweatshirt, and Jackets are recommended and preferred to be worn on campus, inside and outside.
- Sweatshirts and jackets must be solid navy blue or gray.

Procedures for Safe Ingress and Egress from School

Maps are available in our front office to facilitate with the safe comings and goings of pupils, parents, visitors and school employees to and from school. In addition, evacuation maps and routes are in the front office.

***Please see school map at bottom of this Safety Plan**

Visitors and guests are welcome at the school. However, to safeguard students and staff, reasonable precautions should be taken.

Visitors should:

1. Always report and sign in at the office.
2. Be provided with a visitor's badge.
3. Be prepared to provide identification to school personnel.
4. Respect school rules.

School personnel should:

1. Insure all exterior doors are marked with a notice to visitors to first report to the office.
2. Exterior doors should remain locked, except doors near the office area.
3. Staff should receive training on how to greet visitors. The first question is "May I help you?"
4. Someone should greet every visitor.
5. Any intruder found roaming the building should be escorted to the office. Someone can then provide any additional information or directions. (NOTE: An intruder is anyone without a visitor's badge or lacking visible identification stating who they are, i.e., school employee)

Visitors who fail to comply with school procedures:

1. Should verbally be informed they are in violation of school policy. (Example - "Sir, you must report to the office immediately. If you fail to do so, you will be considered a trespasser, and school security will be called.")
2. If this fails:
 - Notify the office of the situation.
 - Follow the person if possible, and continue to give notice of the violation of school rules.
3. Police should be notified or call 911.
4. Office should activate building-wide notification plan concerning intruder:
 - PA announcement using predetermined code phrase.
 - Classroom doors should be closed.
 - Students should remain in current areas.

Procedures to Ensure a Safe and Orderly Environment

[The Social Climate and the Physical Environment](#)

The Social Climate and The Physical Environment are two components used to identify our school's strengths, areas of desired change and future plans.

[The Social Climate-People and Programs \(Component 1\)](#)

Our school creates a caring and connected school climate. We make Students and Staff feel that the school is a caring community in numerous ways:

- Parents are involved in the following ways at our current school site:
 - § Home Visit Program
 - § Parent Task Force Meetings
 - § Parent Volunteer Opportunities/School-wide Events
 - § Open House/Family Nights
 - § Back to School Nights

- § Parent-Teacher Conferences
- § Illuminate Communication Logs
- § Parent Volunteer Opportunities
- § Schoolwide Phone Call News Distribution
- § Email Newsletters
- § School Site Council
- § Public Meetings on School Policy Issues
- § Parent Trainings and Workshops

- The cultural richness of our school community is recognized and will be built upon in the following ways:

- § Partnerships with local nonprofit community organizations such as M.E.N.D, The Los Angeles Food Bank, and St. Jude Children’s Hospital
- § Partnership with Cal State Northridge’s Art Department
- § Partnership with Arts for All

- We provide training so staff can meet the unique needs of the student body in the following ways:

- § Implement monthly staff-wide professional development on socio-emotional development issues
- § Provide training to staff on the CSUN Counseling and EDGE programs we have on site

- Set high academic and behavior goals

- § Teachers and the leadership team will monitor student progress in ELA and Math as measured by in-class/benchmark assessments and technology-based adaptive standardized tests aligned to Common Core State Standards. (2017-18 school year)
- § School staff will continue to implement and improve upon our current Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)

- Improve curriculum and teaching practices

- § Teachers will provide CCSS aligned instruction using SDAIE and GLAD strategies. (2017-18 school year)

- Include health and resiliency curriculum

- § During the 2017-2018 school year, msa6 will continue to offer Character Education lessons and weekly Health classes to all students.
- § Students will continue to participate in CSUN Counseling and EDGE programs as needed.

- Address multiple learning styles

- § The leadership team will place students into appropriate intervention groups and teachers provide targeted ELA & Math support and interventions. (September 2017)
- § Charter School will select a research-based reading intervention program that targets the individual literacy needs of struggling students and English Learners and includes ongoing assessments of student growth. (2017-18 school year)
- § ELA and Math Intervention Teachers will continue to provide small group intervention to targeted students.
- § Charter School will identify and group ELs by proficiency level, provide ELD instruction aligned to the new standards, and monitor student progress in program implementation. (2017-18 school year)

§ Charter School will continue providing services for Special Populations: Building increasingly robust programs to effectively support all students, especially English Language Learners, students with IEPs and our most advanced student

- Promote caring, supportive relationships with students

§ Support the Socio-Emotional Learning of all students.

- Charter School will implement Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS). (Expanding upon these practices in the 2017-18 school year)

- Continue piloting the EDGE (executive functions) coaching program in which selected students meet weekly with extensively trained staff members to be coached in setting and achieving goals

- Continue employing an onsite school psychologist and counselors from California State University Northridge

§ Charter School will identify immigrant student needs and provide counseling support and necessary resources to meet the needs of immigrant students such as provision of tutorials, mentoring, curricular and instructional materials. (2017-18 school year)

§ Charter School will schedule PD in areas, including but not limited to, Common Core ELA/Literacy, math, ELD Standards and integration of ELD standards into content areas and training in strategies to support ELs with common core ELA/ELD and math curricula, and immigrant education. (2017-18 school year)

- Provide opportunities for student to have meaningful participation in school and community service

§ Partnerships with local nonprofit community organizations such as M.E.N.D, The Los Angeles Food Bank, and St. Jude Children’s Hospital

- Communicate clear discipline standards

§ Parent meetings, Illuminate online behavior support systems, parent calls, communication logs, posters in the hallway and classrooms all communicate clear discipline standards

- Communicate procedures to report and deal with threats

§ Trainings are provided to deal with threats on and off campus to staff and students in accordance with the above procedures stated in the Emergency section of the plan.

- Train staff on bullying prevention and tolerance

§ Staff will continue to be training on bullying prevention and tolerance, including through PD’s at staff meetings as well as online trainings.

- Provide training for student and staff on dangers of drugs and alcohol

§ Staff will continue to receive trainings on dangers of drugs through staff online trainings and in PD’s

§ School will continue to include strategies to create and maintain a positive school climate, promote school safety, and increase pupil achievement, and prioritize mental health and intervention services, restorative and transformative justice programs, and positive behavior interventions and support. In addition, school will take all necessary steps to address mental health care of pupils who have witnessed a violent act at any time, related to school activity, in accordance with the addendum to EC 32281.1

The Physical Environment-Place (Component 2)

Our school creates a physical environment that communicates respect for learning and for individuals and safety in the following ways:

- MSA 6 maintains a clean environment through utilizing custodial staff in the general areas (hallways/ restrooms and other common areas), and the teachers and students also are encouraged to maintain classrooms that are clean, orderly settings that contribute to the learning environment.
- MSA 6 involves itself in the community by participating in numerous community events throughout the school year.
- Make your campus secure from outside criminal activity
 - § Our campus is a closed campus and entrance and exit gates are locked at all times
- Monitor and supervise all areas
 - § Students are limited to certain areas during the morning, lunch and after school to limit students from loitering and to maximize supervision efforts.
 - § Administrators supervise campus during lunch as well as before and after school.
 - § Teachers and our Campus Aid help supervise students on campus throughout the day
- Provide a pleasant eating area and healthy food
 - § Students receive healthy snacks and meals at the on-site cafeteria
 - § Food choices include options such as salads, yogurt, milk and vegetables
- Maintain clean and safe restrooms
 - § We have custodial staff who clean the restrooms daily with disinfectant and restock supplies including toilet paper and soap in each restroom prior to the beginning of the next day. Floors are mopped, and toilets as well as sinks are scrubbed.
- Provide adequate lighting in all areas
 - § Lighting is provided throughout outdoor parts of campus and surrounding school area with large lights that help ensure safety
- Provide student with current textbooks and materials
 - § Students receive textbooks for all classes that are aligned with the latest Common Core State Standards. In addition, online support resources are provided to supplement learning
- Maintain a variety of sports facilities and equipment
 - § A large outdoor field is available on campus for students to play soccer, football, frisbee, and other outdoor sports. In addition, basketball and volleyball courts are located on paved adjacent courts. Further, two outdoor playground areas are available for students to play. These facilities are utilized, during recess, lunch and PE, and after school during ASES club time.
- Provide a well-stocked library
 - § Our campus library is stocked with books that cover a broad range of topics and AR reading levels. Students are able to use the library to pick books to reach which they may check out three days per week.

- Deal with vandalism before students return to school
§ Before students return to school, photo documentation is recorded to keep information and proof about the type of vandalism that occurs. When property damage is discovered, students and their families are contacted to discuss a plan to have responsible parties replace damaged goods. Also, community service restorative practices are established to provide an opportunity to resolve issue. Also, if graffiti occurs, gang task experts will be consulted to see if danger is an issue for students as well to see if a student who might be affiliated with gang will have the opportunity to receive support interventions.

- Inventory Identify and store valuable property
§ Computer Lab is locked nightly. Also, the computers are numbered in the lab and classrooms to be able to keep an inventor. Teachers keep inventory of their valuable belongings at the beginning of the year in their classroom, as well as at the end of the year on a tracker that is sent to the Admin.

- Provide training for security personnel and staff
§ Training is provided to security and personnel staff during PD's where collaboration takes place. At the district symposium, break-off sessions related to position and responsibility occur.

- Engage students and the community in campus beautification projects
§ Students are invited to volunteer and beautify the school during lunch and after school as well as family days.

- Promote policy that weapons and drugs are not on campus
§ Our school policy prevents weapons and drugs from being on campus.

The Social Climate and the Physical Environment (Continued)

Our staff believes that safety and education is a shared responsibility between parents, teachers and students. The successful operation of this school depends on the cooperation of everyone concerned. Each group is responsible for doing its part to make school a place where we can learn, be safe and play together in harmony. Everyone has the right to feel safe, secure, and accepted regardless of color, race, gender, popularity, ability, religion or nationality. Our handbook allows us to share our vision with the students and parents of our team.

MPS is a reflection of all of us. All of our policies are intended to provide a safe and orderly environment that will be conducive to learning. Our faculty and staff look forward to sharing their expertise in academics, special programs, and extracurricular activities. We encourage you to get to know the school, its programs, activities, and schedule. Become an active participant in your education. Get involved through classes, clubs, and activities.

MPS is aware of the fact that a school environment is viable only with clearly defined and implemented rules. MPS compiled the student-parent handbook, which addresses the schools regulations and policies to set a standard.

Effective Communication

When issues or concerns arise with a teacher, staff member or administrator, students and parents are encouraged to address the situation with the person involved first.

If students express that they are having a problem at school, it is important for parents to understand the best way to address these problems. If the problem involves a classroom situation or a situation with a teacher, the following remedies are recommended:

1. Parents should encourage their child to talk with the teacher.
2. Parents can encourage their child to talk with an administrator.
3. If the child is reluctant to talk with a teacher or administrator, a parent may offer to accompany their child and talk with the teacher.

It is very important to demonstrate to children how to actively and constructively solve a problem. If the problem is important enough for the child to talk about, it is important for the child to learn how to be a part of the solution.

If parent feels there is a concern they should:

1. Talk with the teacher. Teachers can explain classroom situations from an adult perspective and from a professional perspective, and usually that will resolve misunderstandings.
2. If the problem persists after a reasonable time, talk with the teacher again.
3. If the problem is still not resolved, make an appointment with the related administrator.

For example, if you are unsure of a decision made in the classroom about a consequence given for a behavior, you should discuss the situation with the teacher first. If after this discussion, you feel the situation is unresolved, it should be brought to the attention of the Dean of Students. If it is still not handled to your satisfaction, the Principal should be notified.

If after meeting with the Principal, you still have concerns, MPS Central Office and the MPS Board and, after that, the School District/County/State would be the next avenue of communication.

Teachers, staff, and administration are available through email, phones, in person and by appointment. Due to the busy schedules of the teachers and administration, parents are asked to not "drop in" for appointments, but to set up a meeting in advance. Parents should not talk to teachers, other parents, students, or administrators in a disrespectful or threatening manner.

Students' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of all school rules and regulations.
- To have access to your student account in Illuminate.
- To have a safe and educational environment.
- To attend class regularly and on time.
- To obey school rules and regulations.
- To respect your rights and the rights of your peers.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To be prepared for class with appropriate materials and ready to work.
- To respect all school personnel and their authority (administrators, teachers, office personnel, janitorial staff, security guards, etc.).

Parents' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of the school's rules and regulations.

- To be informed of all school actions related to their child.
- To have access to your personal parent accounts in Illuminate.
- To contact school to participate in conferences pertaining to academic and behavioral status of their child.
- To provide a supportive environment at home making sure their child gets enough sleep and adequate nutrition before coming to school.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To contact teachers directly via phone or email to schedule a conference.
- To be familiar with the handbook, which was signed at the beginning of the school year.
- To monitor your child's academic progress and behavior records on a weekly basis.
- To ensure that your child does his/her homework on a daily basis and to facilitate a home environment conducive to home study.

Teachers' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To expect students to behave in a positive manner that will not interfere with other students' learning.
- To expect parental support related to academic and social progress.
- To expect all students to participate and put forth effort in order to expand their education and earn a passing grade.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To inform parents through progress reports, report cards, and conferences about the academic progress and behavior of their child.
- To conduct a well-planned and effective classroom program.
- To initiate and enforce a set of classroom rules, consistent with the school's discipline policies.
- To keep assignments, grading, and attendance current in Illuminate.
- To have administrative support for discipline in and outside the classroom. To explain the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy to their students.
- To enforce the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy in a consistent manner.
- To function as a positive role model for their students.
- To contact parents as deemed necessary to enforce the Student Code of Conduct and to maintain parent/guardian involvement.

Administrators' Rights and Responsibilities:

- The right to address the Board of Trustees on any issue.
- To hold students to strict accountability for any disorderly conduct in school or around school.
- To take appropriate action in dealing with students who choose not to follow the rules.
- "All students shall comply with the regulations, pursue the required course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers of the school." Education Code, § 48900 et seq.
- To recommend in-school suspension, suspension, or expulsion as the situation demands.
- To provide rich leadership that will establish, encourage and promote effective teaching and learning.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To establish, promote, and enforce school rules that facilitate effective learning and positive habits and attitudes of excellent citizenship among students.

Illuminate provides the following information:

1. **Attendance:** Each student's attendance (tardy/absence) is recorded daily (by each teacher) in 'real-time.' This is one method our parents can monitor their child's attendance in each class daily.
2. **Grades:** Our teachers input all academic grades online for each assignment, quiz, and examination.
3. **Behavior:** Each student receives a 'Behavior' grade that is recorded on Illuminate.
4. **Homework/Assignments:** Our teachers upload and document all homework assignments on Illuminate. This information is useful for students who were absent from class and also provides a reminder for those who may have forgotten to record their homework assignment for a course.
5. **Illuminate Point System:** we believe that students should be rewarded for good work, positive behavior and exuding the school's expected school-wide learning results which students earn points and are recorded on Illuminate. The Illuminate point system serves as an incentive program that our teachers use to encourage students to improve. However, when students fail to demonstrate positive behavior, and/or the school-wide goals then points are deducted.
6. **Communication:** Illuminate provides another effective method for parents, students and teachers and the school's leadership team to communicate online and leave messages that are documented through a communication log. The types of communications include but are not limited to: informing parents about their child's academic progress, progress reports, mandatory tutoring letters, announcements, articles posted on the school's website, honor roll, behavior, recognition of perfect attendance, upcoming Parent Task Force meetings/events, and upcoming awards for recognition. Also, teachers can post updates, upcoming deadlines and leave messages for students and parents using Illuminate. For parents who do not have access to a computer, the front office has a computer available for their use anytime during school hours and after-school. Illuminate provides yet another way for our parents to become involved in their child's education, and our teachers have the support of the families in doing so.

Parent Task Force (PTF)

Our parent association holds annual elections for the following positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Approximately 10% of our parents continuously attend monthly PTF meetings. Our PTF supports our school and students through fundraising, recruiting volunteer for our school, and student outreach/recruitment. The purpose is to support the school staff and students in the school's areas of needs and as family to create a community within our school. Our goal is to increase the percentage of parents attending. We understand that our parents lead hectic lives, so we are having parent meetings in the evenings to help facilitate ease of parent participation and coordinate better with work schedules.

Professional Development

Professional development occurs on a regular basis to address the diverse needs of our students and their various learning styles. Prior to the start of the academic school year, teachers receive extensive trainings on school wide academic expectations and how to meet the needs of all learners. Teachers are trained on the rules and regulations students are expected to uphold, including but not limited to illegal substances (drugs, alcohol, and related paraphernalia) and the risks and factors related to this. Also, trainings on bullying awareness and bullying prevention occur throughout the school year to help minimize bullying related altercations.

We collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in accordance with EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015.

Physical Environment

Our school provides a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment characterized by trust, caring and professionalism. We have adopted and implemented a comprehensive set of health, safety, and risk management policies to create a safe and secure learning environment. These policies comply with all applicable state and local health and safety laws and regulations. It is the responsibility of the on-site school administration to consistently monitor all activities to ensure safety and security of the students. Parents and students are also made aware of these policies as it regards to them in the form of student and parent handbooks. We are dedicated to enforcing school functions as a drug-free, alcohol-free, and tobacco-free zone, as well as a zero-tolerance policy for sexual harassment for all employees, students, and parents. Students are educated about bullying and cyber-bullying via school-wide assemblies and individual guest speakers. All staff members are mandated reporters in case of child abuse or violence. Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

Rules and Procedures on School Discipline

Magnolia Public Schools Student Code of Conduct: MPS is committed to excellence in academic instruction and in cooperating with parents/guardians to teach students the behaviors and skills that support social successes throughout life. To accomplish this goal, MPS is taking a proactive approach to teaching social skills as a significant component of the educational program. The curriculum includes teaching of the behaviors necessary for effective and satisfying social interaction in school, on field trips, in the community, and at home.

Expected Student Behavior

Students should always remember that their behavior and actions at school and at school sponsored activities are a reflection not only of themselves, but also of the school. The following is a guideline of what is expected from an MPS student:

Breakfast/Lunch Time:

- Proceed to the eating area as instructed by MPS staff.
- Eat and finish their breakfast/lunch in the assigned area. No food should be eaten outside the designated areas.
- Wait patiently for their food and follow the direction of the adults on duty.
- Clean up after themselves and dispose of their trash in the appropriate area.
- Remember that they are not allowed in the school building without a pass.

Remember that restroom use is at the discretion of the security guard/supervisor staff. Students must carry a pass that is given to them by security guard/supervisor staff.

On Campus:

- Stay in designated areas on-campus.
- Be courteous and respectful at all times to everyone.
- Not use profanity, lie, fight, gamble, possess inappropriate literature or material, or be involved in the abuse/harassment of others.
- Not use or have cellular phones turned on during school hours; students are allowed to use cellular phones only in the designated area after school. Phones should not be used during after school programs, such as tutoring.
- Remember that any electronic devices seen during class time will be confiscated and returned to the student's parents/guardians at the discretion of administration.
- Remember that gum chewing is not allowed anywhere on campus.
- Never ride bicycles, use roller blades or skateboards on campus nor bring them to class.
- Not leave campus without permission during school hours.
- Not use matches, lighters, or any type of explosive incendiary device on campus.
- Remember that no electronic devices such as CD/MP3/IPOD players may be visible or used on the campus grounds.
- Students are not allowed to loiter in the hallways.

Assemblies:

- Be courteous and quiet during the entire assembly.
- Be respectful to the presenter/speaker.

- Follow all teacher/staff directions.

Field Trips: Students must:

- Be on their best behavior. Pay attention to the directives given by the moderator and trip leader.
- Follow all school rules pertaining to behavior.
- Wear MPS uniform unless authorized by administration.

Public areas: Hallways, Lunchroom & Restrooms: Hallways, Lunchroom and Restrooms are areas used by all members of School.

- Use the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms only as needed and then move on to class.
- Eat only in the cafeteria or other designated area.
- Leave gum at home; chewing gum is strictly prohibited anywhere on campus.
- Maintain orderly conduct always; walk in the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms.
- Keep in mind that profanity and vulgar language at any level is unacceptable and is strictly prohibited in all areas and at school functions at all times.
- Limit excessive noise such as yelling, screaming or banging lockers while in these areas.
- Help keep the school clean by picking up after yourself and putting your belongings in their proper place.
- Respect others personal space and keep your hands to yourself even in play.
- Have a pass to be in the above areas during class time.
- Keep in mind that vandalism, littering, or graffiti in the school is prohibited and should be reported as this reflects poorly on everyone.
- Public displays of affection are prohibited.
- Bring only plastic and paper containers to school; all glass containers are prohibited on campus and will be confiscated.
- Be responsible and report any leaks, spills, or other problems in the bathroom to a teacher or the office.
 - Be responsible for cleaning up after yourself, including the disposing of or the recycling of garbage.
 - Have a hall pass if you are outside of the classroom during class time.
- Not visit with friends or interrupt another classroom.
- Not misuse the hall pass as it will result in loss of the hall pass privilege.
- Get a referral from your teacher before you go to the office. Do not use the hall pass.

Emergency Drills: Fire drills, lockdowns, and evacuation drills are conducted periodically for everyone's protection and are required by law. During these drills it is imperative that students remain silent, follow instructions given by the staff, and carry out all directions in an orderly fashion.

Classroom:

- Be seated and ready to begin their assignment when the bell rings.
- Be courteous to all teachers and students.
- Follow all school and classroom rules.
- Bring all necessary materials/supplies ready to work daily.

Classroom Procedures and Consequences: Please check the teacher's syllabus for specific consequences which may include:

1. In Class Warning
2. Student-Teacher Conference
3. Detention / Parental Notification
4. Parent Conference
5. Office Referral & Administrative Disciplinary Procedures

Illuminate Behavior Points

[For Middle & High School Only: Student behavior will be recorded on Illuminate and students will receive the following rewards or consequences based on their behavior points.

Positive Rewards (examples):

+5 Contact parent/guardian +10 Lunch speed pass +15 Treat +20 One day free dress (pass will be given) +25 Extended lunch period +30 Two day free dress (pass will be given) +35 VIP breakfast +40 Entered in a raffle +45 Free dress – every Friday for one month (pass will be given) +50 VIP lunch and “Race to the top”

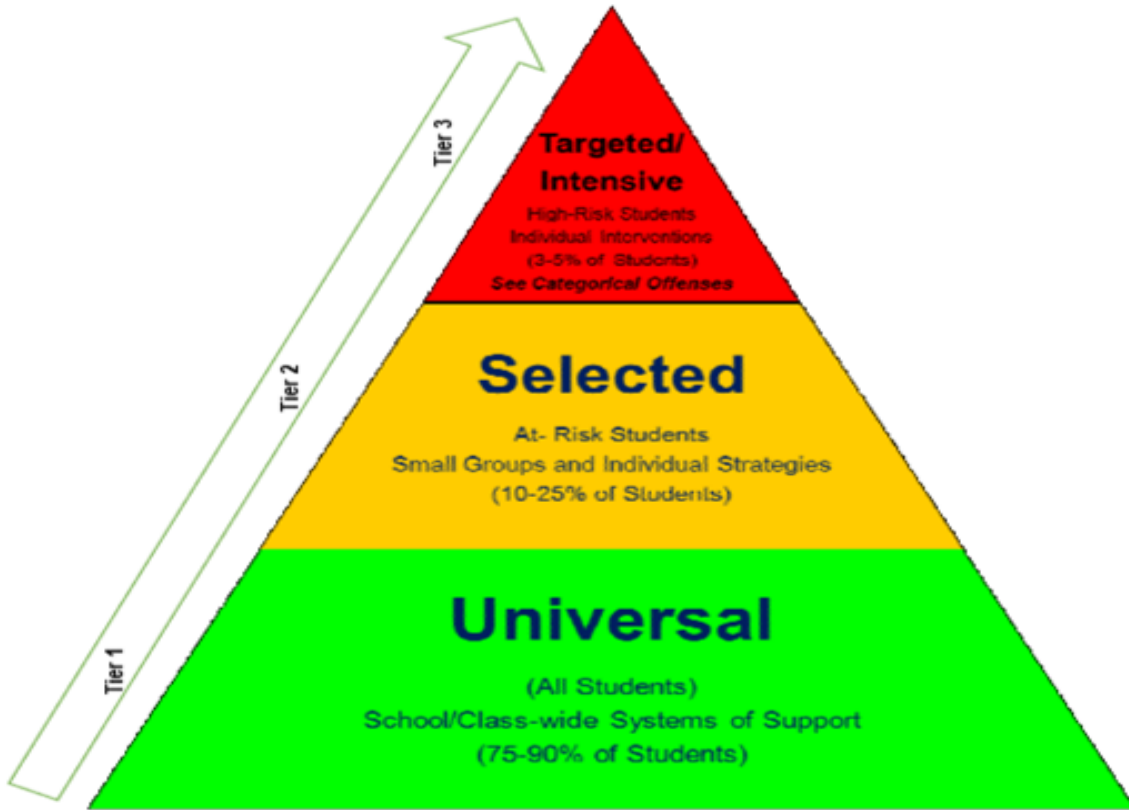
Unacceptable types of Behavior

All students at MPS are entitled to the rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights, and their rights will not be knowingly denied by the required code of conduct or by any disciplinary actions taken by the school. Accordingly, after an analysis of each case, any student who exhibits any of the unacceptable student behaviors listed in this handbook may incur consequences. These consequences range from notification of parents, detention, to emergency removal from a school activity, suspension, expulsion, and criminal prosecution. MPS reserves the right to notify the authorities and the Department of Education as required by law relating to disciplinary actions taken. It is to be noted that MPS reserves the right to discipline any act that has a nexus with MPS or the school community. In other words, MPS may discipline behavior at school or at a school related or school-sponsored function or any activity or any act that has a negative effect on the school environment or that is performed with/on/by/via school equipment or school property.

Minor/Major Behavior Entries

After three entries, students will be assigned community services and/or contact parent. MPS reserves the right to notify the authorities and the Department of Education as required by law relating to disciplinary actions taken. It is to be noted that MPS reserves the right to discipline any act that has a nexus with MPS or the school community. In other words, MPS may discipline behavior at school or at a school related or school-sponsored function or any activity or any act that has a negative effect on the school environment or that is performed with/on/by/via school equipment or school property.

Multi Tiered System of Support for Behavior



Universal

Examples of Classroom, Support and Teacher-Led Responses

These interventions are designed to teach appropriate behavior so that students may contribute to the learning community within the classroom environment. Teachers are encouraged to try a variety of instructional and classroom management strategies to support all learners.

Level 1 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invading personal space • Antagonizing others • Violation of school/class rules • Horseplaying • Violating off-limits/restricted area • Habitually tardy and/or not being in assigned location • Disrupting the learning environment/Off task • Littering • Not having proper materials, supplies, and/or equipment for class participation • Inappropriate use of electronic devices • Dress code violation • Inappropriate language/actions (hurtful, vulgar, gossip, etc.) • Passive participation in hurtful acts/words against others • Public display of affection (holding hands, kissing, hugging, etc.) • Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ School-wide PBIS ✓ Social-emotional learning program ✓ Proactive classroom management ✓ Regular, preemptive communication with families ✓ Classroom incentives ✓ Seating, assignment, behavioral accommodations ✓ Conferencing with student(s) and parents ✓ Verbal correction and redirection ✓ Reminders, role-play, daily progress sheet ✓ Loss of classroom privileges ✓ Written and/or verbal reflection

Selected

Examples of Support, Removal and Administrative Responses

These responses engage the students's support system to ensure successful learning and to alter conditions that are inappropriate or disruptive.

Level 2 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using/possessing tobacco and/or lighter • Violating traffic or safety regulations • Encouraging other students to violate school rules • Leaving school and/or school bus without permission • Fighting and/or arranging altercations • Using objects inappropriately (i.e., the use of an object to harm others or damage property) • Physical assault without serious bodily injury (i.e., pushing with intent, kicking, hitting, pinching, spitting) • Defacing and/or vandalism of school property • Plagiarism/academic dishonesty • Leaving school or classroom without permission (truancy) • Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding district filter, etc.) • Stealing and/or possessing stolen property • Failure to attend to/complete assigned restorative action • Gambling or Extortion • Habitual violations of school/class rules • Forgery of signatures • Sexually explicit behavior • Planning and/or arranging actions with malicious intent • Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures • Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) • Bullying/cyberbullying • Violation of personal boundaries • Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Behavioral contract ✓ Self-monitoring ✓ School-home communication ✓ Adult or peer mentorship ✓ Utilize check-in and check-out system ✓ Intensive academic and/or social support ✓ Reflection (lunch, after school, Saturday, etc.) ✓ Refer student to SSPT ✓ Loss of privileges ✓ Counseling ✓ Temporary removal from class ✓ Extended school day

Targeted/Intensive

Examples of support, removal and School Site Administrators and Home Office Responses.
These responses address serious behavior and potential implications for future harm. They promote safety of the school community and should be used in a progressive fashion.

See Categorical Offenses

Level 3 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physically assaulting with serious bodily injury • Conduct or habits injurious to others (peers/authority) • Using/possessing controlled and/or dangerous substances and/or paraphernalia • Bullying (harassing, intimidating, cyberbullying) • Fighting and/or arranging altercations • Using/possessing weapons and/or weapon paraphernalia including but not limited to those prohibited under federal law • Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) • Arson, attempting to commit arson and/or possession of explosives/fireworks (i.e., smoke bombs, sink bombs, etc.) • Causing a false fire alarm • Making a bomb/explosive threat • Encouraging other students to violate school rules • Student hazing • Using gang and/or secret society symbols/acts • Inappropriate use of electronic devices • Public displays of sexually explicit behavior • Defacing and/or vandalism of school property • Gambling • Habitual violations of school/class rules • Forgery of signatures • Stealing and/or possessing stolen property • Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding school filter, etc.) • Sexual explicit behavior, Lewd Conduct, Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ All Tier 1 and Tier 2 interventions ✓ FBA-based behavior intervention plans ✓ Teaching replacement behavior ✓ Home and community supports ✓ Self-management program ✓ Restricted access ✓ In-school reflection and/or suspension ✓ Short-term out-of-school suspension ✓ Extended out-of-school suspension ✓ Request for alternate educational setting ✓ Recommendation for expulsion

Assaulting, Fighting and/or Arranging Fights:

School is not a place to arrange fights, whether those fights take place on or off school grounds. Any fight and/or attempting to fight will involve disciplining all students involved.

Bringing / Using Electronic Devices:

CD Players, IPOD, MP3 players, phones, PDA, PSP, Laptops, Electronic Games, and/or similar devices are not allowed to be used at school. They disrupt classes and distract others from learning. If you choose to bring them for use outside of school it is at your own discretion. MPS assumes no liability for any damaged, destroyed, lost, stolen, misplaced or otherwise compromised electronic device brought onto MPS property.

Scholastic Dishonesty:

Scholastic dishonesty includes (but is not limited to) cheating on tests, and/or any other types of deception to obtain credit without effort. Scholastic dishonesty is unacceptable conduct. Each teacher sets their own standards of behavior for their classroom, and students are expected to know the standards and procedures for each of their classes.

Texting/Sexting:

Sexting can be defined as the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photographs electronically, primarily between mobile phones and/or any other communication devices.

Disrupting Learning:

Disrupting learning includes any behavior that prevents other students from learning. It may include but is not limited to inappropriate language, eating or drinking during class against teachers' classroom rules, chewing gum, insubordination and/or selling or trading personal possessions to other students.

Horseplay:

Rough or boisterous play including but not limited to shoving, play fighting, kicking, name calling, teasing, pushing/pulling on a student and shoulder bumps

Possession or Use of Drugs and/or Alcohol and the Sale or Intention to Sell Drugs and/or Alcohol:

Use of drugs or alcohol means a student knowingly possesses, consumes, uses, handles, gives, stores, conceals, offers to sell, sells, transmits, acquires, buys, represents, makes, applies, or is under the influence of any narcotic drug, hallucinogen, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, tranquilizer, non-prescription or prescription drug (except when under the direction of a physician/parent and within school procedure), alcohol, intoxicant, solvent, gas, or any mood-altering chemical, drug of abuse or any counterfeit-controlled substance of any kind including butane lighters. The sale, distribution, possession, or use of drugs, alcohol, fake drugs, steroids, inhalants, and look-alike drugs is prohibited everywhere on school grounds, at all school activities, and on all school transportation (drug free zone 1000 feet radius). Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by Administration and/or Law Enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

False Fire Alarms:

Issuing a false fire alarm is a violation of State law. Making false 911 calls is also violation of the State Law.

Forgery of Signatures:

Any attempt by a student to sign a teacher's, administrator's, parent/guardian's, and/or another student's name to any school document will be considered forgery.

Vulgarity, Profanity and Obscenity:

Any gesture or material of this nature is not permitted at school or school functions.

Behaving Disrespectfully towards Teachers or Staff:

Disrespect (i.e. arguing, talking back, etc.) and insubordination (failure to comply with directives) toward any member of the faculty or staff will not be tolerated. Profanity, either spoken or written is considered a form of disrespect.

Smoking or Use of Other Tobacco Products:

Possession of tobacco products in any part of the school (drug free zone 1000 feet radius) or on the student is prohibited under this policy. This includes cigarettes, cigars, herbs, and smokeless tobacco. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched if the presence of such items is suspected.

Stealing and/or Vandalizing School/Private Property & Graffiti:

This means to cause or attempt to cause damage to private property, stealing or attempting to steal private property either on school grounds or during school activities, functions or events. Students and their parents or guardians will be held responsible for any theft/vandalism/graffiti (including graffiti tools such as permanent markers) that the student commits. Theft or vandalism of school property carries heavy legal penalties.

Displaying Threatening Behavior:

Threatening behavior includes: verbal threats, both face to face and over electronic media (phone and/or computers), non-verbal threats ("hard" stares, gestures), willfully causing or attempting to cause physical injury to another person, causing or attempt to cause any student, teacher, administrator, or staff member to feel frightened or intimidated.

Bringing Weapon in School:

A weapon includes, but is not limited to, conventional objects like guns, pellet guns, knives, smoke bombs, fireworks, club of any type, mace, tear gas, or other chemicals. This may also include any toy that is presented as a real weapon. It also includes objects converted from their original use to threaten or injure another. The Administration reserves the right to all final decisions regarding the definition of a weapon. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by administration or law enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

Possession or Use of Fireworks:

Using or possessing any amusement device, smoke bomb, stink bomb, etc.

Arson:

Intentionally starting any fire or combustion on school property

Public Display of Affection:

Public displays of affection are not allowed.

Provoking/Intimidating Behavior Encouraging or Urging Other Students to Violate School Rules:

Any student who, by means of provocation, intimidation, encouragement, request, or other means of promotion, induces or attempts to induce another student to violate a MPS school rule shall be subject to the following discipline.

Students with an IEP:

If a student has a behavior plan in his/her IEP, the consequences cited in that plan will be used in the event of specific misbehavior. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team shall meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved. Suspensions of students with disabilities cannot exceed ten days without a "manifestation determination." A student cannot be suspended for more than ten days for misconduct that is a manifestation of their disability. State law defers to federal law for most of the rules governing suspension and expulsion of special education students.

Hate Crime Policies and Procedures

Additional information prohibiting other forms of unlawful discrimination or harassment, inappropriate behavior, and/or hate-motivated incidents/crimes may be found in local District/State policies. It is the intent of MPS that all such policies be reviewed consistently to provide the highest level of protection from unlawful discrimination in the provision of educational services and opportunities.

Bullying Prevention Policies and Procedures

Bullying is not permitted at MPS. In addition, MPS will not tolerate unlawful intimidation and bullying due to actual or perceived characteristics such as age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, disability, nationalist, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or a person's association with a person, or group, with or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Each student deserves an equal opportunity to obtain an education without dealing with the negative pressures of peers. Bullying consists of any of the following: pushing, shoving, hitting, and spitting, name calling, picking on, making fun of, laughing at, and excluding someone physically or via social media or electronic communications. Bullying causes pain and stress to those who are victims and is never justified or excusable as "kids being kids", "just teasing", "joking", "playing around" or any other rationalization. This includes the use of social media for wrongful purposes.

Each MPS student agrees to:

- Value student differences and treat others with respect.
- Not become involved in bullying incidents or be a bully.

Harassment of Students, Teachers, Administrators, or Staff:

Harassment means making unwelcome advances or any form of improper physical contact or sexual remark and any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating or offensive learning environment.

Harassment can be verbal, physical and visual. (Education Code, § 212.5) Harassment is a violation of Federal Law and is contrary to the School Board's commitment to provide a physically and psychologically safe environment in which to learn.

Student Hazing:

Hazing is defined as doing any act or coercing another person for initiation into any organization that causes or creates a substantial risk or causes mental or physical harm. Permission, consent or assumption of the risk by an individual subjected to hazing does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy. Hazing may carry heavy legal consequences

Safety Goals and Objectives

Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

Component 1 - School Climate

- Goal(s): All employees will uphold and implement all stated policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.

Objective: Annually, all employees will review the policies and procedures as noted in the comprehensive safe school's plan.

- Related Activities: Review regularly during Professional Development, committee meetings and safety meetings.
- Resources needed: Safety plan,
- Person(s) responsible for implementation: Designated administrator, safety committee
- Budget: None
- Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

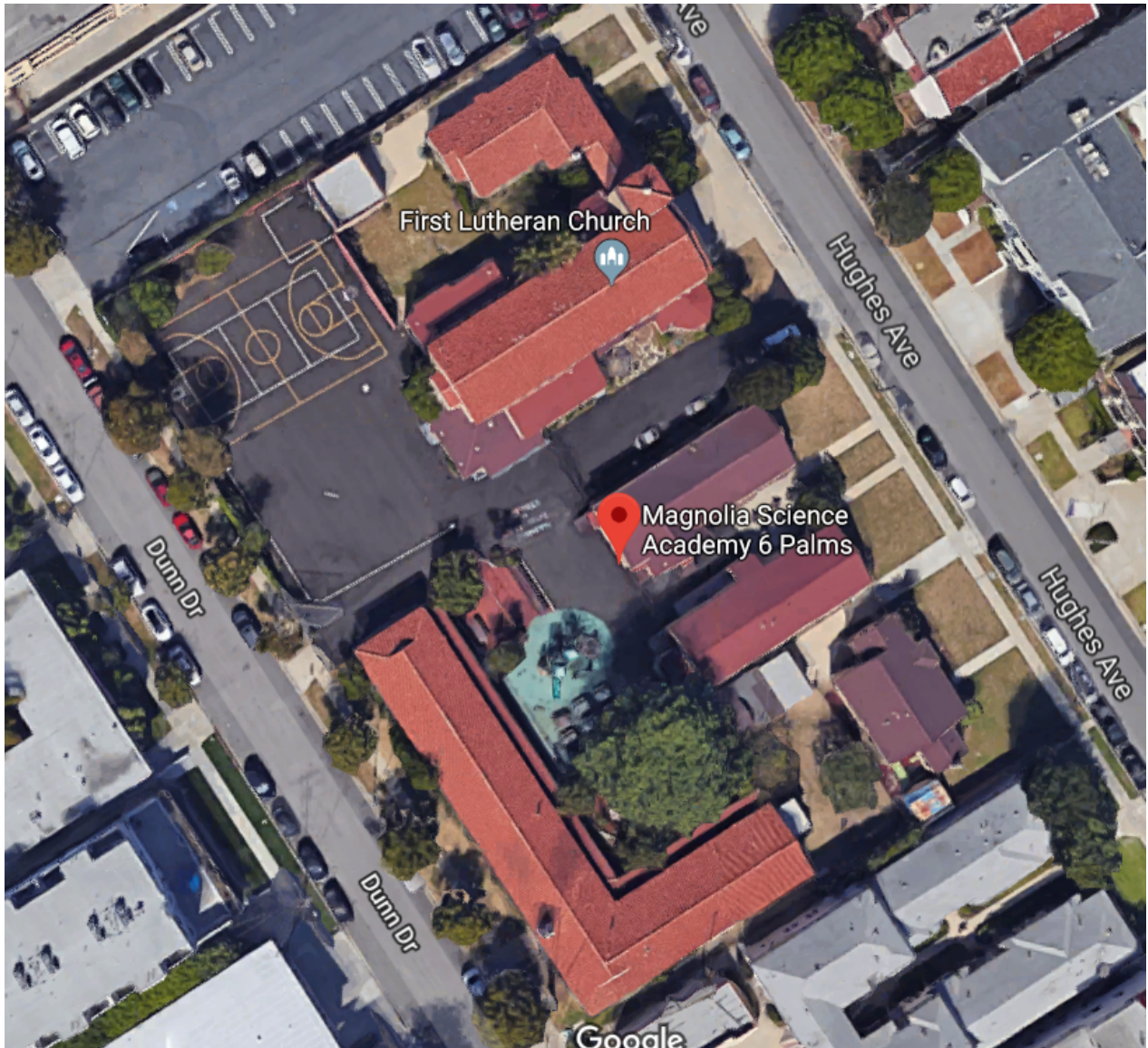
Component 2 - Physical Environment

- Goal(s): Maintain and upkeep a safe school campus

Objective: Monthly school personnel will complete a campus walk-thru form to identify any areas of need.

- Related Activities: Teachers can report concerns during weekly staff meetings.
- Resources needed: Walk-thru form, building supplies
- Person(s) responsible for implementation: Plant manager
- Budget: Refer to schools' annual budget
- Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

MSA-6 School Map



MSA-6 Emergency Map



Emergency Drill Status Report

Magnolia Science Academy

DATE: _____

DRILL/EMERGENCY STATUS REPORT

RETURN TO THE ASSEMBLY AREA/INCIDENT COMMAND CENTER

TEACHER'S NAME _____ ROOM _____

TEACHER'S ASSISTANT'S NAME: _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

PARENT VOLUNTEER(S): _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

STUDENT VOLUNTEER(S): _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

TYPE OF EMERGENCY DRILL:

FIRE: _____ DROP/TAKE COVER: _____ EARTHQUAKE: _____ LOCK DOWN: _____

SHELTER IN-PLACE: _____ EVACUATION: _____ OTHER: _____

ALL STUDENTS ACCOUNTED FOR: YES: _____ NO: _____
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MISSING OR UNACCOUNTED FOR:



INJURED STUDENTS/PERSONS & LOCATION:

STUDENT(S)	LOCATION

OTHER:

STUDENT WHO ARE ABSENT:	STUDENT WHO LEFT EARLY:

Emergency Drill Data Sheet

MAGNOLIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS EMERGENCY DRILL DATA WORKSHEET

Use this form to record your drill information

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire | <input type="checkbox"/> Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop" |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earthquake drill with evacuation | <input type="checkbox"/> Campus Protection or "Lockdown" |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter in Place | |

Date: ___/___/___

Name: _____ Position: _____

E-Mail: _____ Location Code: _____

1. What type of alert system did you use to alert students/staff of the drill?
 Fire Alarm/Bell Voice through Intercom/PA Bull Horn Whistle

(Omit #2 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

2. Time Drill Started: _____ (am / pm) Time Drill Completed: _____ (am / pm)

3. Total number of staff involved in the drill activity? _____
 4. Total number of students involved in the drill activity? _____
 5. Did any special needs students participate in the drill? If yes, about how many? _____
 6. Did you encounter any challenges with the special needs children? (Y/N) _____
 7. If yes, please describe challenges: _____

(Omit #8 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Shelter-in-Place", "Drop" & "Lockdown")

8. How long did it take to evacuate all buildings? _____ (minutes)
(Time from START of drill to the time when last staff or student arrived at the staging area.)

(Omit #9 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

9. Did you establish an Incident Command Post? (Y/N) _____
 10. Did staff bring the School Emergency Response Box to the assembly area? (Y/N) _____
(Omit #11, 12 & 13 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

11. Did you use any supplies during the drill? (Check all that apply)
 Yes, our staff took supplies out their storing area.
 Yes, our staff used the supplies during the drill.
 No, we did not use emergency supplies.

12. Were parents notified either before or after the drill? (Y/N) _____
 13. How were parents notified? (method) _____
 14. Did any parents participate in drill? If yes, about how many? _____
 15. What did parents do? _____
 16. Did you encounter any behavioral problems (non-participation, student/staff distractions, etc.) during the drill? If yes, please briefly describe any problems.

17. Did you encounter problems with any of the following?

(Omit # d, e, & f for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

(Omit # f for Campus Protection or "Lockdown")

	Yes	No	Briefly describe these problems:
a. Alert System	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Parents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Supplies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Evacuation Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

18. Did you debrief after the drill? (Y/N) _____

19. What were the three top lessons learned?

1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____

20. How can this drill be improved in the future?

Administrator's Name

Administrator's Signature

Emergency Drill Calendar

2019-2020 and 2020-2021

August

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

September

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)
- Lockdown Drill

October

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill
- Take Cover Drill

November

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

December

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

January

- Fire Drill
- Lockdown Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

February

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill
- Take Cover Drill

March

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)
- Lockdown Drill

April

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

May

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

June

- Fire Drill

Insurance Claim Forms

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Liability Incident Call-In Report

(This form is confidential and should **NOT** be given to parents, guests, or third parties.)

Charter School: _____ Location / Site: _____

School Administrator's name: _____

Title: _____

Address where incident occurred: _____

Type of Incident:

Parent/guest incident ____ Parent/guest complaint/allegation ____ Employee
complaint/allegation ____

Name of person(s) filing complaint: _____

Date of incident: _____ Time: _____ AM _____ PM _____

Legal complaint or attorney letter received? ____ Yes ____ No (if yes, please fax a copy
with this report)

Specific location (e.g. *northwest corner of Building G*) where incident occurred: _____

Staff member responsible at the time of this incident: _____

Contact Information: Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Name of person to whom the incident/complaint was reported: _____

Contact Information: Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

If the incident/complaint was not reported immediately, why not?

Cause of incident or complaint (check any that apply):

____ Trip/slip/fall

____ Employment dispute

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_____ Allegation of neglect/unsafe conditions _____ Wrongful termination complaint
_____ Allegation of discrimination or abuse _____ Special education complaint

(Please describe in detail): _____

Check any of the following possible causes which may apply:

_____ Failure to follow proper policy _____ Retaliation
_____ Inattention _____ Act of other
_____ Carelessness _____ Alcohol/drug use
_____ Unreasonable demands _____ Unsafe act

What steps have been taken or recommended to prevent or reduce the likelihood of a recurrence?

Comments: _____

WITNESS INFORMATION (use separate sheet for additional witnesses)

Name: _____ Name: _____
Address: _____ Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Phone: _____
Email: _____ Email: _____

**Please call in to hotline to report as a claim.
(877) 263-9904
Do not fax report; the JPA will receive a copy from the hotline.**

HOST Crisis Help

Home Office Support Team

Always call 911 first when a life-threatening emergency is in place! You can call the Suat Acar, Chief Operations Officer anytime by skipping the below process to get direct guidance. In case you cannot reach the Chief Operations Officer you may call our CEO Mr. Rubalcava or Assistant Director of Student Services Dr. Brenda Lopez for immediate assistance.

- 1- The principal or the dean (Admin) is informed about an emergency or a crisis situation
- 2- If possible, the admin investigates and provides an incident report to the host@magnolia email. In case of urgency the admin or designee sends an email to host@magnolia immediately then provides the incident report later.
- 3- Suat Acar directs the conversation to the related, appropriate home office staff for further follow-up. Either Suat or related home office staff start a text message conversation for quick, instant communication
- 4- Case follow up report to be provided to host@magnolia by the related home office staff and the school admin.
- 5- If the case investigation, follow up needs further time the related home office staff will follow up with the admin.

Possible emergency cases, crisis situations:

- * Lock downs (Active shooters or etc.)
- * Natural Catastrophes, major tragic events that took place on or around the school grounds that may affect the school's schedule or programs

Additionally, the following number is used as the crisis group call in line as necessary

Phone Number: 1 (669) 224-3412
Access Code: 921-759-077

Comprehensive School Safety Plan
Magnolia Science Academy-7
LAUSD

Fatih Metin, Principal
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fmetin@magnoliapublicschools.org

A meeting for public input was held on October 10, 2018
at Magnolia Science Academy-7

Reviewed by Law Enforcement October 25, 2018

Plan Adopted by School Site Council October 16, 2018

Plan approved by Magnolia Public Schools Board

Committee members

Fatih Metin, Principal
Meagan Wittek, Designee
Gilbert Yoon, Teacher Representative
Adam Jacobs, Parent Representative
Veronica Romero, Classified Employee
Senior Lead Officer, Peteque, LAPD - West Valley
Robyn Vega, Administrative Assistant, Life House Church,
Community Member

This document is available for public inspection on our school's website at msa7.magnoliapublicschools.org

Public Inspection

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School Site Mission

Mission and Vision

MPS provides a college preparatory educational program emphasizing science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM) in a safe environment that cultivates respect for self and others.

MPS's vision is that graduates of Magnolia Public Schools are scientific thinkers who contribute to the global community as socially responsible and educated members of society.

MPS has identified the following core values, which are reinforced through the Life Skills curriculum, student learning outcomes (SLOs), and all school activities:

Excellence

Academic Excellence is the desire to pursue knowledge and excellence and to contribute original and provocative ideas in a learning environment, in diverse settings, and as a catalyst to future academic knowledge. We foster academic excellence through project based learning using a constructivist approach, student portfolios, assessments of and for learning and academic discourse and argumentative writing. Scholars learn where and how to access the needed information to advance their academic pursuits and societal contributions.

Innovation

Students will have the freedom to choose how and what they learn. Individualized scheduling, early identification of learning styles, personalities, interest and career plans will support students' college and career readiness. This will include student participation in their four-year plans, after school enrichment programs, STEAM program choice options, adaptive assessments and blended learning strategies, differentiated instruction and differentiated and adaptive assessments.

Connection

School communities are integrated partnerships with the school site staff, families, students and all other stakeholders. This sense of connection creates a safe place for all learners and stakeholders to affirm individual strengths, celebrate character, provide academic support through mentorship and internship, promote unity and better decision making through the implementation of restorative justice practices. Additionally, community cultivates identity and gives each member a sense of belonging and pride. MPS utilizes home visits, student surveys, field trips, life skills classes and coaching to support our overall community-based goals. We work with community partners to establish mentoring relationships and other social capital to support our students' development of personal and academic networks for long-term resilience and connection.

Statement of Purpose

A comprehensive School Safety Plan helps to ensure a safe school environment, thereby enhancing the learning experience and improving student academic achievement. This plan is implemented to protect the safety of students and staff and to provide emergency preparedness and guidelines. This plan addresses the following objectives:

- Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff.
- Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations.
- Protect the school's facilities and property.
- In the case of an emergency, allow the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible.
- Provide for coordination between the school and local emergency services when necessary.

Employee Preparedness

A number of measures are taken on an ongoing basis to ensure that school staff is prepared to respond immediately and appropriately to disasters. These include:

- Review of this Plan and any other emergency policies and procedures;
- Review of an employee's role during an emergency;
- Knowledge of how to conduct and evaluate required drills;
- Familiarity with the layout of buildings, grounds and all emergency procedures;
- Review of the location of all emergency exits, fire extinguishers, fire alarms and emergency equipment and supplies;
- Attend update training in first aid, CPR, use of fire extinguishers and search and rescue as necessary.

Employee Skills

At the beginning of each school year, all instructional and non-instructional staff will be asked by the School Principal, or his/her designee, to identify those with special skills or experience that may be helpful during an emergency. These employees may be asked to fulfill certain emergency management roles (i.e., first aid, CPR, search & rescue and/or fire extinguisher training & certification).

Instructional staff is responsible for the following:

- Present instruction to students about emergency preparedness plans for the site and student responsibilities in case of a major emergency;
- Keep attendance sheets readily accessible at all times in order to check attendance in the event of evacuation;
- Update the contents of classroom emergency kit and keep it in a safe, accessible location;
- Participate fully in fire, earthquake and evacuation drills;
- Have planned activities for students for use during periods of confinement during an emergency situation.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, is responsible for the following:

- Assign employees to roles and responsibilities for an emergency, taking into consideration the skills, abilities and normal functions of employees;
- Ensure that all employees are familiar with the site maps and evacuation plans and are trained in emergency response and preparedness roles and responsibilities;
- Update the list of employees who are trained in first aid, CPR, the use of fire extinguishers, and search and rescue. Arrange for update training as necessary;
- Update as necessary the site floor plan showing evacuation routes and the location of assembly areas, emergency supplies and equipment, fire extinguishers, fire alarm pulls, master electrical panels, and main water and gas shut off valves;
- Ensure that emergency procedures are posted in classrooms, hallways, school office, cafeterias and employee lounges;
- Update the list of any disabled students or employees or those who may need evacuation assistance or other special assistance;
- Test the site warning system and ensure that the system's signal(s) is recognized and understood by employees and students;
- Conduct an inventory of all emergency supplies and equipment and replace used or outdated supplies and equipment;
- Maintain a list of emergency phone numbers in a readily accessible location.

Employee/Student Special Needs

Staff with temporary or permanent impairments of sight, hearing or mobility may self-identify indicating what assistance may be required in the event of an emergency. Students with special

needs are identified at the beginning of each school year. Parents are asked to provide written information/instructions concerning specific needs.

Those areas of the school that have employees and/or students with permanent mobility impairments should maintain any necessary evacuation device on each floor where such employees and/or students are located.

Emergency On-Site Personnel

Staff emergency phone contacts will be kept on file at the school office. Staff with specific training in emergency response, safety, CPR, etc. will also be noted on a list kept at the school.

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Assessment of the Current Status of School Crime

1. Data sources the committee reviewed:
 - a. Local law enforcement crime data
 - i. Top three crime violations in our area last year, based on www.crimemapping.com/map/region/lapdWestValleyArea were:
 1. Robbery
 2. Theft/Larceny
 3. Burglary from Vehicle
 - b. Suspension/Expulsion data:
 - i. Student information data was used to identify top suspendable/expellable offenses at our campus. A tremendous decrease in suspensions/expulsions were noted due to the implementation of positive behavior support model.
 - ii. Behavior referrals, Coolsis/Illuminate was used to identify and segregate all behavior referrals.
 - c. School Improvement Plan
 - i. Reviewed current years plan to identify any additional areas of improvement needed.
 - d. Property Damage data
 - i. Reviewed Coolsis/Illuminate behavior data to identify any property damage that has occurred.
 - e. Attendance rates
 - i. Student attendance rates were pulled from Coolsis/Illuminate.
 - ii. Truancy data was pulled from Illuminate
2. The committee reviewed the data and identified the appropriate strategies and programs that provide high-level school safety.
 - a. Parent/Student Handbook
 - b. School Safety Committee
 - c. PBIS Committee
 - d. Administration
 - e. Local School Administration
 - f. School Site Council
 - g. Parent Task Force
 - h. Local Law Enforcement Collaboration
3. We will continue to review data in the upcoming academic year to continually revise and identify appropriate strategies and programs that provide/maintain a high level of school safety, both on and off campus.

Child Abuse Reporting Procedures

Child abuse shall be reported in compliance with the procedures set forth in the MPS Employee Handbook and in accordance with California law. The reporting of suspected child abuse is mandatory. Our staff will continue to receive training to establish best practices for school personnel to prevent abuse, including sexual abuse, of children on school grounds, by school personnel, or in school-sponsored programs, and post on our department's Internet Web site links to existing training resources, in compliance with EC 44691.

Mandated reporters include, but are not limited to, teachers; instructional aides; teacher's aides or assistants; classified employees; certificated pupil personnel employees; administrative officers or supervisors of child attendance; administrators and employees of a licensed day care facility; Head Start teachers; district police or security officers; licensed nurses or health care providers; and administrators, presenters, and counselors of a child abuse prevention program. (Penal Code [11165.7](#))

Reasonable suspicion means that it is objectively reasonable for a person to entertain a suspicion, based upon facts that could cause a reasonable person in a like position, drawing when appropriate on his/her training and experience, to suspect child abuse or neglect. However, reasonable suspicion does not require certainty that child abuse or neglect has occurred nor does it require a specific medical indication of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code [11166](#))

Reportable Offenses

A mandated reporter shall make a report using the procedures provided below whenever, in his/her professional capacity or within the scope of his/her employment, he/she has knowledge of or observes a child whom the mandated reporter knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code [11166](#))

Responsibility for Reporting

The reporting duties of mandated reporters are individual and cannot be delegated to another person. (Penal Code [11166](#))

No supervisor or administrator shall impede or inhibit a mandated reporter from making a report. (Penal Code [11166](#))

Reporting Procedures

1. Initial Telephone Report

Immediately or as soon as practicable after knowing or observing suspected child abuse or neglect, a mandated reporter shall make an initial report by telephone to any police department (excluding a school district police/security department), sheriff's department, county probation department if designated by the county to receive such reports, or county welfare department. (Penal Code [11165.9](#), [11166](#))

Department of Child and Family Services
800-540-4000

2. Written Report

Within 36 hours of knowing or observing the information concerning the incident, the mandated reporter shall then prepare and either send, fax, or electronically submit to the appropriate agency a written follow-up report, which includes a completed Department of Justice form (SS 8572). (Penal Code [11166](#), [11168](#))

Victim Interviews by Social Services/Law Enforcement

Whenever a representative from the Department of Social Services or another government agency investigating suspected child abuse or neglect deems it necessary, a suspected victim may be interviewed during school hours, on school premises, concerning a report of suspected child abuse or neglect that occurred within the child's home or out-of-home care facility. The child shall be given the choice of being interviewed in private or in the presence of any adult school employee or volunteer aide selected by the child. (Penal Code [11174.3](#))

A staff member or volunteer aide selected by a child may decline to be present at the interview. If the selected person accepts, the principal or designee shall inform him/her of the following requirements: (Penal Code [11174.3](#))

1. The purpose of the selected person's presence at the interview is to lend support to the child and enable him/her to be as comfortable as possible.
2. The selected person shall not participate in the interview.
3. The selected person shall not discuss the facts or circumstances of the case with the child.
4. The selected person is subject to the confidentiality requirements of the Child Abuse and Neglect

Reporting Act, a violation of which is punishable as specified in Penal Code [11167.5](#).

If a staff member agrees to be present, the interview shall be held at a time during school hours when it does not involve an expense to the school. (Penal Code [11174.3](#))

Release of Child to Peace Officer

When a child is released to a peace officer and taken into custody as a victim of suspected child abuse or neglect, the designee and/or principal shall not notify the parent/guardian, but rather shall provide the peace officer with the address and telephone number of the child's parent/guardian. It is the responsibility of the peace officer or agent to notify the parent/guardian of the situation. (Education Code [48906](#))

Disaster Response Procedures

General Policies and Procedures for Handling Safety and Specific Emergency Situations:

The purpose of the safety and emergency sections of this Plan is to provide safety and emergency preparedness and response instructions to protect the safety and well being of students and staff at the time of an emergency. Specific goals include:

1. Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff;
2. Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations;
3. Protect the school's facilities and property;
4. Enable the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible;
5. Provide for interface and coordination between the school and local authorities and resources.

Emergencies

In the case of an emergency, the general policy is that actions should be taken to allow the school to remain in operation to the extent possible. The situation should be addressed to minimize interruption of normal operations at the school, and students will usually be cared for until regular dismissal time. Where an emergency situation poses a serious threat to the safety and well being of students and staff, evacuation will occur until any danger has passed. When necessary, school may be dismissed by the School Principal, or his/her designee. Home Office will also be informed using the Home Office Support Team (HOST) email system. (Refer to HOST attachment). In the event of the following scenarios, the Principal or designee will communicate with stakeholders using the school's mass communication system.

Fire

In the case of a school fire, the following procedures should be implemented:

- Sound building fire alarm.
- Notify Fire Department by dialing 911. The Fire Department is to be notified of any fires larger in size than a wastebasket. The Fire Department should be given the following information:
 - School name and phone number.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location of the fire within the building.
- Have students and staff evacuate the building in accordance with established procedures.
- Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
- All doors leading to the fire should be closed. Do not re-enter the area for belongings. If the area is full of smoke, students and staff should be instructed to crawl along the floor, close to walls, thus making breathing easier and providing direction. Before opening any

door, place a hand one inch from the door near the top to see if it is hot. Be prepared to close the door quickly at the first sign of fire to avoid the spread of fire.

- Clear access routes for emergency vehicles. Remain at a safe distance from the fire and away from fire fighting equipment.
- Render first aid as necessary.
- Check attendance. Remain with students.

Medical Emergency

Medical emergencies and accidents can occur at any time and may involve a student or employee. Some emergencies may only require first aid care, while others may require immediate medical attention. When in doubt, it is better to err on the side of caution and dial 911.

- Medical emergencies involving any student or employee must be reported to the School Principal, or his/her designee. Dial 911 or direct someone to do so.
- Provide the following information:
 - School name and phone number.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Exact location within the building.
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Nature of the emergency.
 - Do not hang up until advised to do so by dispatcher.
- Notify the school office that an individual has been injured and an ambulance has been called.
- Ask someone to dispatch a first aid/CPR trained employee to the victim.
- Stay calm. Keep victim warm with a coat or blanket.
- Do not move the victim unless there is danger of further injury. Do not give the victim anything to eat or drink.
- Draft written incident report and submit it to School Principal, or his/her designee, before the end of the next workday.

Earthquakes

Earthquakes strike without warning and the major shock is usually followed by numerous aftershocks, which may last for weeks or months. An earthquake's effect on buildings will vary from building to building.

The major threat of injury during an earthquake is from falling objects and debris, and many injuries are sustained while entering or leaving buildings. Therefore, it is important to remain inside the building and quickly move away from windows, glass, partitions and shelves. In the case of an earthquake, the following procedures should be followed:

- Take cover under a sturdy desk or table, in a doorway, or against an inside wall until the shaking stops. Give DROP AND COVER command.

- After shaking stops, check for injuries, and render first aid.
- If ordered by School Principal or his/her designee, evacuate.
- Do not return to building.
- Do not light any fires.
- Keep a safe distance from any downed power lines.
- Check attendance whether or not evacuation takes place. Report any missing students to School Principal, or his/her designee.
- Stay alert for aftershocks.
- Beware that shaking may activate fire alarm or sprinkler systems.
- Elevators and stairways will need to be inspected for damage before they can be used.
- School principal, or his/her designee, will issue further instructions.
- Certificated and classified school staff are trained annually on emergency earthquake procedures

Assaults

Assaults involve acts of striking or inflicting injury to a person and are regarded as serious matters. Any threat or assault on students or employees should be reported immediately to the School Principal, or his/her designee. The School Principal (or designee) will determine if law enforcement officials should be notified.

If a serious assault occurs:

- Dial 911.
- Seek first aid or medical attention, if indicated.
- Have photographs taken of any injuries.
- Write down a physical description of the assailant (sex, age, height, weight, race, clothing, and any weapon used) as soon as possible after the incident.
- Obtain names and telephone numbers of any witnesses.
- Draft incident report and submit it to the School Principal, or his/her designee.
- School Principal or his /her designee will submit incident report to the local law enforcement if incident is serious.

Hazardous Materials

Hazardous material spills may occur inside a building, such as a spill in a chemistry lab. Incidents of disaster magnitude may occur outside, such as a tank truck accident involving large quantities of toxic material.

Procedures:

- If a spill is minor and inside, notify buildings and grounds personnel immediately for clean up. Open windows for ventilation.
- If a more serious spill occurs inside or outside:
- Call 911. Notify Fire Department, Emergency Response Unit, and/ or Public Health Department.

- Provide the following:
 - School name.
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - Your name and phone number.
 - Location of the spill and/or materials released.
 - Characteristics of spill (colors, smells, visible gases).
 - Name of substance, if known.
 - Injuries, if any.
 - Notify buildings and grounds personnel.
 - Close all windows and doors if the spill is outside.

- Request that buildings personnel shut off mechanical ventilating systems if it might spread toxic material.
- Remain inside building unless ordered to evacuate by the Fire Department.
- Fire Department will advise of further actions to be taken.
- Do not eat or drink anything or apply cosmetics.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, if necessary, will give approval for student release or site evacuation.

Civil Disturbance

A civil disturbance is any situation where a person or group of persons disrupts operations or threatens the safety of individuals. The following precautionary protective measures should be taken:

- Notify local law enforcement authorities-Dial 911.
- If participants enter the building, remain calm and do not provoke aggression. Report disruptive circumstances to school Principal, or his/her designee.
- Do not argue with participant(s).
- Have all students and employees leave the immediate area of disturbance.
- If the disturbance is outside the building, remain inside building, unless instructed otherwise by the School Principal or police officials. Lock all doors. Stay away from windows and exterior doors.
- If the disturbance is inside the building, follow procedures for evacuation of the school site.
- Follow further instructions as police officials and other local law enforcement authorities issue them.
- Draft incident report for School Principal, or his/her designee.

Vandalism

The following procedures should be used in the case of school vandalism:

- Notify school principal, or his/her designee.
- Notify building and ground maintenance personnel.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, will assess the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed, including local law enforcement.
- If possible, identify the parties involved.
- Interview witnesses and obtain written statements.
- Document the incident as soon as possible and give the incident report, with any witness statements, to the School Principal or his/her designee.
- Notify parents or legal guardian.
- Determine what disciplinary measures are appropriate (in-house or police involvement).
- Determine any monetary restitution issues and amounts.

Utility or Power Failure

The following procedures should be used in case of utility or power failure:

- Staff and students should remain in classroom until further instruction.
- Custodial and maintenance personnel should determine cause of incident and seek outside assistance if necessary.
- Staff and students outside of a classroom at the time of the incident should report to main office.
- Building and grounds personnel report to utility company if necessary.
- If situation requires long-term maintenance and repair and prevents class activities, the School Principal, or his/her designee, may take measures to dismiss school for the day.
- Where utility failure presents an emergency, evacuation procedures should be implemented immediately.

Bomb Threat

Person receiving call:

- Listen - Do not interrupt caller.
- If possible, alert other staff by a pre-arranged signal while the caller is on the line.
- In the event that a bomb threat is received, it is important for the person receiving the call to attempt to keep the caller on the telephone as long as possible. It is also important to listen carefully to all information provided by the caller and to make a note of any voice characteristics, accents, or background noises.
- Attempt to ask questions and elicit the information required to determine the severity of the threat.
- Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, immediately.

The School Principal, or his/her designee will:

- Notify Police Department – Dial 911.
- With the assistance of responding law enforcement personnel, conduct a thorough search of the building & surrounding areas:
- Classrooms and work areas.
- Public areas - foyers, office bathrooms and stairwells.
- Lockers and unlocked closets.
- Exterior areas -- shrubbery, trash cans, debris boxes, gas valves, etc.
- Power sources -- electric panels, telephone panels, computer rooms, etc.
- With assistance from responding law enforcement personnel and/or Fire Department, the School Principal, or his/her designee, will evaluate the threat and will determine whether to evacuate the building and/or to continue to search the premises.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought. The School Principal, or his/her designee, must grant approval for student release.
- An incident report should be drafted before the end of the workweek.

Explosions

If an explosion occurs at the school, the following procedures should be used:

- Give DROP AND COVER command.
- Sound building fire alarm. This will automatically implement action to leave the building.
- Notify Fire Department – Dial 911.
- Provide the following information:
- School name.
- Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
- Exact location within the building.
- Your name and phone number.
- Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
- Check attendance. Remain with students.
- Render first aid as necessary.
- Notify grounds and building personnel.
- Keep students and staff at a safe distance from the building(s) and away from fire fighting equipment.
- Public safety officials will determine when the building is safe for re-entry, and along with School Principal, or his/her designee, whether student release from the school site is necessary.
- Draft incident report by the end of the week.

Fighting or Riot

School staff should follow these guidelines when a fight occurs:

- Send a reliable student to the office to summon assistance.
- Speak loudly and let everyone know that the behavior should stop immediately.
- Obtain help from other teachers if at all possible.
- If students are starting to gather, attempt to get students away from the commotion as quickly as possible.
- Call out the names of the involved students (if known) and let them know they have been identified.
- For the safety of all students, get additional help from law enforcement personnel if confronted with a serious fight, especially one that involves weapons.
- Attempt to separate the involved students by speaking to them in an assertive tone of voice. Consider the age and/or size of the students, as well as personal safety, before stepping between/among those involved in an altercation. If successful in separating the students, try to avoid using further confrontational behavior.
- Remember that no one can "cool down" instantly; give the students time to talk in a calm setting and gradually change the climate of the situation.

Staff should follow these guidelines when a riot occurs:

- The School Principal, or his/her designee, should encourage teachers and staff to be sensitive to the emotional climate of the campus and attempt to defuse any tensions prior to the eruption of problems.
- Notify local law enforcement of the disturbance and meet at a pre-designated site to evaluate the situation.
- Have a law enforcement officer evaluate and call for any necessary resources such as back-up help, emergency medical help, etc.
- Activate needed emergency plans, which may include:
 - Instructing office staff to handle communications and initiate lockdown orders.
 - Notify transportation to bring appropriate numbers of buses for evacuation or transportation if necessary.
- Assign staff a temporary detention facility, such as a gymnasium, to secure students and log information.
- Direct a teacher or designee to initiate lockdown and immobilize the campus.
- Brief a representative to meet the media.
- Assign staff to a pre-designated medical treatment/triage facility.

Hostage Situation

- In case there is a hostage situation at the school, staff should attempt to follow these guidelines:
 - Stay calm.
 - Don't be a hero.

- Follow instructions of captor.
- Cooperate; be friendly if possible; don't argue with or antagonize captor or other hostages. Inform captors of medical or other needs.
- Be prepared to wait; elapsed time is a good sign.
- Don't try to escape; don't try to resolve situation by force.
- Be observant and remember everything that is seen or heard.
- If a rescue takes place, lie on the floor and await instructions from rescuers.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should be responsible for the following:

- Immediately notify law enforcement.
- Move other students and teachers completely away from those who are in the hostage situation.
- Keep everyone as calm as possible.
- Be prepared to answer questions from media or family.

Death of a Student

By far, the worst crisis situation is the death of a student. When a student dies, emotional trauma is a natural occurrence for students, faculty, and staff. A student's death, which occurs on campus, particularly as a result of school violence, is admittedly the most extreme case of trauma for family and the school community. There is no procedure that fits every scenario; each case requires individual attention. Certainly, there is no prescribed method for dealing with such tragedy; however, the following are suggestions for a school's response to death, particularly death that occurs as a result of school violence:

- After the initial response, administrators and counselors will meet immediately to review what has happened. Responding to the psychological needs of both staff and students as soon as possible is the best prevention for the development of post-traumatic stress.
- Get as much information as possible from the family and ask their permission to share it with the students, faculty, and staff. Ask if they have any objection to students, faculty, and staff attending the funeral.
- Relay the information to the students in a factual way, careful to avoid breaching the student or family's privacy. The School Principal and a counselor might consider moving from room to room to tell the students what has happened. They should tell the truth, allow for expression of feelings, and affirm any expressions or feelings the students have. Students need to be told that they may visit a counselor's office for special assistance if they need to talk.
- If possible, allow a break after telling the students in order to give them an opportunity to express their grief with other students.
- Upon returning to school, students should be allowed time to discuss their feelings, talk about the deceased, and discuss memories. Give students, faculty, and staff information about the funeral and allow them to attend, provided the family has granted permission.

- Watch for trouble signs among the students. Be prepared to call in extra counselors if necessary.

Intruder or Individual with Deadly Weapon/Active Shooter

If someone enters the school grounds or buildings with a deadly weapon, the staff should follow these guidelines:

- Avoid confronting the student or gunman.
- Notify the School Principal, or his/her designee, or school office immediately.
- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should follow these guidelines:

- Notify law enforcement immediately.
- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.
- Determine the level of threat. If the level of threat is high, call for additional backup.
- Attempt to get the weapon from the gunman or student through negotiation, or take other appropriate action with the aid of local law enforcement.
- If the level of threat is low, call the student to the office and have law enforcement take the appropriate action.

Lock Down

This action is taken when the threat of violence or gunfire is identified or directed by law enforcement and it is necessary to prevent the perpetrator(s) from entering any occupied campus areas. During Lock Down, students are to remain in the classrooms or designated locations at all times.

- The Principal or Admin designee will make an announcement on the P.A. system and walkie talkies that the school is going into a Lock Down situation. If P.A. system is not available, other means of communication, i.e., texting or email to staff or sending messengers. The Principal or Admin designee should remain calm and under control and give clear directions.
- Teachers will lock their doors and shut their blinds and instruct students to stay away from the doors and windows.
- If outside, students will continue to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into the nearby classrooms or school buildings.
- Teachers and students will remain in the classroom or secured area until further instructions are given by the Principal/Admin Designee or law enforcement.
- All entrances to the school are to be locked and no visitors other than appropriate law enforcement or emergency personnel are to be allowed on campus.

Use of School Facilities for Mass Care and Welfare Shelters

In the case of disasters or other emergencies, the school will support the emergency procedure systems mandated by all law enforcement, government, or public safety agencies to ensure that pupils, and both certificated and classified staff follow necessary protocols to allow the school to serve as a mass care and welfare shelter.

Evacuation

In the event conditions in the community or within the school itself necessitate a site evacuation, the following steps should be taken:

The School Principal or his/her designee should:

- Notify the school district office, county official or designee.
- Notify local law enforcement authorities.
- Notify school transportation support.
- Note the special needs of students or staff.
- Direct clerical staff to take schools master enrollment list.
- Direct school nurse or designee to prepare emergency medications to be transported.
- Direct all personnel to leave the building and secure the building.
- Notify students' parents or legal guardians as situation permits.

School staff should:

- Plan to evacuate his/her class and ride the bus or walk as situation dictates.
- Take a copy of class enrollment list.
- Take emergency instructional materials and first aid kits in the event the evacuation lasts several hours.
- Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, of any special needs of students and their requirements.

The first choice for a shelter during a building site evacuation is another building designated by the school district, county or other local authority. Once staff and students have arrived at the host site, the following steps should be taken:

- Notify school nurse or local medical personnel of any medical emergencies.
- Consider how students will be fed and restroom needs met.
- Activate crisis intervention team to deal with any emotional trauma.
- Provide area and materials for parents who may arrive to pick up students.
- Provide an area for non-school community evacuees.

Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco

The use or possession of drugs, alcohol or tobacco is strictly prohibited at the school or around school grounds. If a member of staff suspects that a student is in the possession of a controlled substance, he or she should:

- Identify the parties involved.
- Notify the School Principal or his/her designee immediately.
- Follow-up with a written incident report, including any witness statements.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should do the following:

- Assess the situation and determine the level of assistance needed (i.e. school counselor, police)
- Isolate the parties involved for interview/investigation.
- Notify parent or legal guardian.
- Obtain witness statements and document in a written incident report.
- Determine disciplinary consequences. See *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.
- Determine what intervention or follow-up procedures are necessary including counseling.

Floor Plan

A floor plan of the school site buildings and grounds, which indicates the location of all exits, utility shut-offs, fire extinguishers, and emergency equipment and supplies, will be maintained and updated, as necessary. The floor plan should also indicate outdoor assembly area(s) and evacuation route(s) from the site. (This item is stored with the plant manager and also located in the office of the School Principal)

A copy of the floor plan will be posted in each classroom at the school, in the school hallway and at the school's main office. Staff should familiarize themselves with the contents of the floor plan and with evacuation procedures.

Fire Drills

The school shall conduct fire drills on a regular basis to prepare for possible evacuation in case of an emergency. The School Principal, or his/her designee, will specify the date and time of emergency drills. All students and staff are required to participate in these mandated drills.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, will designate an outdoor assembly area(s) where students and staff will gather whenever the building is evacuated. Unless instructed otherwise by public safety officials, students and staff will gather by class and attendance will be taken. The names of any missing individuals will be relayed to search and rescue teams and public safety officials.

School Safety Management Team

Management Organization Chart

The Principal is the overall director of the School Safety Management Team and will appoint those members of the staff necessary to respond to issues of safety at the School and in the case of an emergency. Depending upon the nature of an emergency, additional administrative, teaching and support staff may also be part of the team, but may act only when assigned specific duties by the Principal.

Guidelines for Handling the Media

Whenever a natural disaster or crisis situation occurs, media coverage is a certainty. School staff and administrators are encouraged to follow these guidelines when dealing with the media. The School Principal should assign a school spokesperson to deal directly with the media.

- Develop a written statement for dissemination.
- Get the maximum amount of information out to the media - and thus the public - as rapidly as possible.
- Appoint a spokesperson (usually the principal).
- Keep the staff informed through one person.
- Be proactive with the media.
- Contact the media before they contact the school.
- Set geographic and time limits.
- Explain restrictions.
- Hold the press accountable.
- Create positive relations with the media before an emergency crisis occurs.
- Stress positive actions taken by the school.
- Announce new changes made after the incident has passed.

Annual Inspections

The School Principal, or his/her designee, with the assistance of local support personnel where necessary, will conduct an annual inspection for situations that pose potential hazards. Of particular importance is proper storage of chemicals and correct labeling of all containers. Failure of one or more of the utilities (electricity, gas, water) constitutes a condition that must be dealt with on a situational basis. A walk-through inspection of each area of each building will be conducted using a checklist of the following:

- Classroom
- Corridors
- Cafeteria
- Office
- Teacher's Workroom and Employee Lounge
- Restrooms

- Custodial
- Storage Room
- Yard (or Grounds)

Where multiple rooms of the same type are to be inspected (e.g., classrooms, offices), be sure to note the exact identification (e.g., Room 7; women’s restroom). Complete each section of the checklist. Provide a brief description of the problem in the section provided.

Appropriate measures will be taken to correct the problem at the direction of the School Principal. When possible, personnel at the site (e.g., custodian) will handle corrections or repairs and may provide an estimate of the necessary repairs and corrections. The custodian or other buildings and grounds personnel will advise the School Principal, or his/her designee, of problems that cannot be corrected by site staff.

Parental Notification

In the case of an emergency requiring evacuation of the school site, parents will be notified as soon as possible. At the beginning of each school year, all parents will be asked to provide emergency contact information, sign an emergency medical release form for their child, and designate persons who are authorized to pick-up their child in the event of an emergency.

Classroom Safety Kits

Emergency and first aid supplies are necessary when an emergency or injury occurs at the school. Emergency and first aid supplies should be kept in the school’s central office and in individual classrooms as needed. At the beginning of each school year, each classroom will receive a classroom safety kit. Suggested items in case of an emergency:

- Blankets
- Matches
- Pillows
- Bottled Water
- Flashlights
- Paper Towels
- Batteries
- Wet Wipes
- Radio (battery operated)
- Sheets
- Candles

Suggested first aid items:

- Assorted Band Aids
- Gauze
- Sterile Water (for burns)
- Tape

- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Bandages
- Instant Ice Packs
- Ace Bandages
- Package of Sewing Needles
- Slings
- Anti-bacterial salve
- Steri-strips or butterfly stitches
- Disposable gloves
- Face masks
- CPR (disposable mouthpieces)
- Current first aid book

In case of an emergency evacuation, staff will take this kit to the evacuation site, along with an attendance sheet.

Suspension and Expulsion Policies

General Provisions:

Charter School shall provide due process for all students, including adequate and timely notice to parents/guardians and students of the grounds for all suspension and expulsion recommendations and decisions and their due process rights regarding suspension and expulsion, including rights of appeal.

Charter School shall ensure that its policies and procedures regarding suspension and expulsion will be periodically reviewed, and modified as necessary, in order to conform to changes in state law.

Charter School shall ensure that its staff is knowledgeable about and complies with the District's Discipline Foundation Policy and/or current equivalent policy, as required by the Modified Consent Decree. Charter School shall comply with the terms of the School Discipline Policy and School Climate Bill of Rights resolution adopted by the LAUSD Board of Education on May 6, 2013.

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

Charter School shall document and implement the alternatives to suspension and expulsion that Charter School utilizes in response to attendance-related concerns, e.g. truancy or excessive tardiness.

Students with an IEP:

Charter School shall establish and implement policies and procedures to ensure full compliance with federal and state laws and regulations regarding the discipline of students with disabilities. If a student is recommended for expulsion and the student receives or is eligible for special education, pending the completion of the expulsion process, Charter School shall identify and provide special education programs and services at an appropriate interim educational placement determined in coordination with the LAUSD Division of Special Education.

In the case of a student who has an Individualized Education Program (“IEP”), or a student who has a Section 504 Plan, Charter School shall ensure that it follows correct disciplinary procedures to comply with the mandates of state and federal laws, including IDEA and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Plan of 1973. As set forth in the MOU regarding special education between the District and Charter School, an IEP team will meet to conduct a manifestation determination and to discuss alternative placement utilizing the District’s Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual. Prior to recommending expulsion for a student with a Section 504 Plan, Charter School’s administrator will convene a Link Determination meeting to ask the following two questions:

1. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student’s disability?
2. Was the misconduct a direct result of the Charter School’s failure to implement Section 504?

Notification of the District:

Upon expelling any student, Charter School shall notify the Charter Schools Division by submitting an expulsion packet to the CSD immediately or as soon as practicable, which shall contain:

- Completed “Notification of Charter School Expulsion” [form available from the CSD website or office], including attachments as required on the form
- Documentation of the expulsion proceeding, including statement of specific facts supporting the expulsion and documentation that Charter School’s policies and procedures were followed
- Copy of parental notice of expulsion hearing
- Copy of expulsion notice provided to parent stating reason for expulsion, term of expulsion, rehabilitation plan, reinstatement notice with eligibility date and instructions for providing proof of student’s compliance for reinstatement, appeal process, and options for enrollment
- If the student is eligible for Special Education, documentation related to expulsion in compliance with IDEA and the MCD, including the Expulsion Analysis page of the pre-expulsion IEP
- If the student is eligible for Section 504 accommodations, documentation that Charter School conducted a Link Determination meeting to address two questions:

A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student's disability?

B. Was the misconduct a direct result of Charter School's failure to implement Section 504 Plan?

Notwithstanding and apart from the documentation sent to the Charter Schools Division as indicated above, if the student is a resident of a school district other than LAUSD, Charter School must notify the superintendent of the student's district of residence within 30 days of the expulsion. Additionally, upon request of the receiving school district, Charter School shall forward student records no later than 10 school days from the date of the request as stated in Education Code section 49068 (a) and (b).

SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION PROCEDURES

Outcome Date:

Charter School shall gather and maintain all data related to placement, tracking, and monitoring of student suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements, and make such outcome data readily available to the District upon request.

Rehabilitation Plans:

Pupils who are expelled from Charter School shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by Charter School's governing board at the time of the expulsion order, which may include, but is not limited to, periodic review as well as assessment at the time of review for readmission. Terms of expulsion should be reasonable and fair with the weight of the expelling offense taken into consideration when determining the length of expulsion. Therefore, the rehabilitation plan should include a date not later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to Charter School for readmission. Charter School shall inform parents in writing of its processes for reinstatement and applying for expungement of the expulsion record.

Readmission:

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for the filing and processing of requests for readmission and the process for the required review of all expelled pupils for readmission. Upon completion of the readmission process, Charter School's governing board shall readmit the pupil, unless Charter School's governing board makes a finding that the pupil has not met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan or continues to pose a danger to campus safety. A description of the procedure shall be made available to the pupil and the pupil's parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is entered and the decision of the governing board, including any related findings, must be provided to the pupil and the pupil's parent/guardian within a reasonable time.

Reinstatement:

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for processing reinstatements, including the review of documents regarding the rehabilitation plan. Charter School is responsible for reinstating the student upon the conclusion of the expulsion period in a timely manner.

Gun-Free Schools Act:

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun-Free Schools Act.

In accordance with E.C. 47605(J)

J) The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled from the Charter School for disciplinary reasons or otherwise involuntarily removed from the Charter School for any reason. These procedures, at a minimum, shall include an explanation of how the Charter School will comply with federal and state constitutional procedural and substantive due process requirements that is consistent with all of the following:

(i) For suspensions of fewer than 10 days, provide oral or written notice of the charges against the pupil and, if the pupil denies the charges, an explanation of the evidence that supports the charges and an opportunity for the pupil to present his or her side of the story.

(ii) For suspensions of 10 days or more and all other expulsions for disciplinary reasons, both of the following:

(I) Provide timely, written notice of the charges against the pupil and an explanation of the pupil's basic rights.

(II) Provide a hearing adjudicated by a neutral officer within a reasonable number of days at which the pupil has a fair opportunity to present testimony, evidence, and witnesses and confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses, and at which the pupil has the right to bring legal counsel or an advocate.

(iii) Contain a clear statement that no pupil shall be involuntarily removed by the Charter School for any reason unless the parent or guardian of the pupil has been provided written notice of intent to remove the pupil no less than five schooldays before the effective date of the action. The written notice shall be in the native language of the pupil or the pupil's parent or guardian or, if the pupil is a foster child or youth or a homeless child or youth, the pupil's educational rights holder, and shall inform him or her of the right to initiate the procedures specified in clause (ii) before the effective date of the action. If the pupil's parent, guardian, or educational rights holder initiates the procedures specified in clause (ii), the pupil shall remain enrolled and shall not be removed until the Charter School issues a final decision. For purposes of this

clause, “involuntarily removed” includes disenrolled, dismissed, transferred, or terminated, but does not include suspensions specified in clauses (i) and (ii).

Discipline Foundation Policy:

The following Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy (Policy) has been established in order to promote learning and protect the safety and well-being of all students at MSA-7. Staff shall enforce disciplinary rules and procedures fairly and consistently among all students. In creating the Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy, the Charter School has reviewed Education Code Section 48900 et seq. which describes the non-Charter Schools’ list of offenses and procedures to establish its list of offenses and procedures for suspensions and expulsions. The language that follows closely mirrors the language of Education Code Section 48900 et seq. The Charter School is committed to annual review of policies and procedures surrounding suspensions and expulsions and, as necessary, modification of the lists of offenses for which students are subject to suspension or expulsion.

When the Policy is violated, it may be necessary to suspend or expel a student from regular classroom instruction. This Policy shall serve as MSA-7’s policy and procedures for student suspension and expulsion, and it may be amended from time to time without the need to amend the charter so long as the amendments comport with legal requirements and are not material revisions. Suspended or expelled students shall be excluded from all school and school-related activities unless otherwise agreed during the period of suspension or expulsion.

This Policy and its Procedures will clearly describe discipline expectations, and it will be printed, distributed and discussed with students and families as part of the Student/Parent Handbook which is sent to each student at the beginning of the school year and signed by their guardian.

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of or willfully causing the infliction of physical pain on a student. For purposes of the Policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee’s use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to school property.

Discipline includes but is not limited to advising and counseling students, conferring with parents/guardians, detention during and after school hours, use of alternative educational environments, suspension and expulsion.

PROGRESSIVE POSITIVE DISCIPLINE

Positive Consequences

MPS school staff has committed itself to encouraging and supporting the attainment of academic skills as well as social skills, such as listening, friendship-making, problem solving, and alternatives to aggression. To inspire and encourage students to develop their potential in all of these areas, the following reinforcements will be used for positive behavior:

- Individual awards/recognition
- Classroom awards/recognition
- Certificates
- Displays
- Positive contact with parent/guardian
- Special activities (field trips, movie nights, picnics, etc.)
- Publications
- Assemblies
- Positive SIS points

Positive student behavior and improvements will be acknowledged and encouraged by the MSA-7 staff. Teachers will not only report discipline issues on the school information system, Illuminate or equivalent, but also positive behaviors and accomplishments. Parents will also be informed of positive behavior and improvements via phone, email, and home visits. Students will receive certificates and/or rewards for outstanding performance and behaviors.

Reflection:

Reflection will be held on assigned day either during the lunch period or after school for up to 60 minutes. Students will have at least one (1) day notice that they must serve a reflection that is longer than twenty (20) minutes in order to make arrangements to be picked up from school. Parents may request in person a delay of the reflection; no phone calls, emails, or notes will be accepted for this request.

In School Suspension (ISS):

Notice of In School Suspension (ISS) and the reasons for the ISS will be given to the student and the parent in writing. The student will remain on campus during school hours in a designated area not in their regular class setting. The student will have no or limited contact with students and teachers while serving an ISS. Student is expected to complete their classroom assignments and school community service during ISS.

Alternatives to Suspension

To intervene in student behavior, MPS has a progressive discipline plan in place at MSA-7. This plan is published at the beginning of each school year in the Student/Parent handbook. The Student/Parent Handbook also includes a school-parent-student compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the Charter School and parents will develop a partnership to help students achieve high academic and behavioral standards. The discipline plan includes information about student expectations and progression of disciplinary procedures from day-to-day discipline to suspension and expulsion. MSA-7 provides its staff with Professional Development in the area of restorative practices alternatives to suspension, and positive behavior supports.

As part of its Multi-tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) framework and Response to Intervention (RTI) Programs, MSA-7 implements Positive Behavior and Interventions and Supports (PBIS) to address student discipline issues including suspension. This tiered approach lists intervention strategies and programs based on the level of fractions.

MSA-7 implements prevention strategies for each tier as presented below:

Tier	Prevention Description
I. Primary (Universal)	Preventing the development of new cases (incidence) of problem behaviors by implementing high quality learning environments for all students and staff and across all settings (i.e., school-wide, classroom, and non- classroom).
II. Secondary (Targeted)	Reducing the number of existing cases (prevalence) of problem behaviors that are presenting high risk behaviors and/or not responsive to primary intervention practices by providing more focused, intensive, and frequent small group-oriented responses in situations where problem behavior is likely.
III. Tertiary (Intensive)	Reducing the intensity and/or complexity of existing cases (prevalence) of problem behavior that are resistant to and/or unlikely to be addressed by primary and secondary prevention efforts by providing most individualized responses to situations where problem behavior is likely.



MSA-7 believes that alternatives to suspension align with our schoolwide positive behavior support plan. Following is a list of alternatives to be considered before suspending a student: warning, phone call home, parent conference, home visit, school reflection time with administration, written assignment/research/presentation, loss of privileges, behavior contract, parent shadowing, mentorship (peer/teacher), referral (counseling, SSPT, Principal/Assistant Principal), assigning volunteer work/community service, and in-school suspension.

GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION

Jurisdiction:

A student may be suspended for prohibited misconduct as identified below under the heading, “Enumerated Offenses,” if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MSA-7; or (3) a MSA-7 sponsored event. A student may be suspended for acts that are enumerated below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

Enumerated Offenses

Discretionary Suspension Offenses

Students may be suspended for any of the following acts when it is determined the student:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in minor harm.
2. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in minor injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, or otherwise furnished nominal amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully was under the influence of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property resulting in negligible loss.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property.

9. Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including but not limited to cigars, cigarettes, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets and betel. This section does not prohibit the use of his or her own prescription products by a pupil.
10. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
11. Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.
12. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
13. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
14. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
15. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
16. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, "hazing" does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
17. Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, "terroristic threat" shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a

person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family's safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.

18. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently offensive as to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
19. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
20. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
21. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.
 - 1) "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:
 - i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.
 - ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
 - iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic performance.

iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.

- 2) "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
- i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
 - ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.
 - (b) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.
 - (c) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.
 - iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - (a) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.
 - (b) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.
- 3) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.
22. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this section.

23. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee's concurrence.

Mandatory Suspension Offenses

Students shall be suspended when the following occur on school campus or at a school activity\ off campus, for any of the following reasons:

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
2. Brandishing a knife at another person.
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance.
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committing a sexual battery, as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined in Education Code Section 48915(h).

Suspension Procedures

Suspensions shall be initiated according to the following procedures:

Conference

Suspension shall be preceded, if possible, by a conference conducted by the Principal or the Principal's designee with the student and his or her parent and, whenever practical, the teacher, supervisor or Charter School employee who referred the student to the Principal. The conference may be omitted if the Principal or designee determines that an emergency situation exists. An "emergency situation" involves a clear and present danger to the lives, safety or health of students or Charter School personnel. If a student is suspended, by Principal or Designee, without this conference, both the parent/guardian and student shall be notified of the student's right to return to school for the purpose of a conference.

At the conference, the student shall be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action and the evidence against him or her and shall be given the opportunity to present his or her version and evidence in his or her defense. This conference shall be held within two (2) school days, unless the student waives this right or is physically unable to attend for any reason including, but not limited to, incarceration or hospitalization. No penalties may be imposed on a student for failure of the student's parent or guardian to attend a conference with Charter School Principal or

Designee. Reinstatement of the suspended student shall not be contingent upon attendance by the student's parent or guardian at the conference.

MSA-7 assures that the process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence will be fair and thorough.

As an alternative to out of school suspension, MSA-7 utilizes in-school suspension as a way to redirect student choices and provide an opportunity to reflect in a space that ensures students will also be responsible for completing assigned academic work. The in-school suspension for students will be in a designated working area in the main office with access to a supervising administrator who holds a teaching credential. During in-school suspension, access to instructional materials will be coordinated by the Assistant Principal. The Assistant Principal will reach out to the students' teachers prior to the in-school suspension and the teachers will share the materials and assignments students will be working on while they are serving their in-school suspension. Since students have access to online platforms, students will be provided with a one to one device just like their peers to complete assignments. If the in-school suspension is related to a technology infraction, a hard copy will be provided as an alternative for having access to work and submitting assignments. Office staff will work alongside administrators to determine any accommodations students may need during their in-school suspension. For example, scheduled breaks, as well as providing breakfast and lunch for the student. A restorative justice team consisting of teachers and the Assistant Principal will meet to develop a positive behavioral plan to support the student during and after the in-school suspension. This plan is shared with parent/ guardian when informing them of the in-school suspension and parent/ guardian feedback is also welcomed regarding follow up support for their child. In addition to the meeting, a form will be provided to families regarding the in-school suspension and the parent can sign giving their acknowledgment of the in-school suspension guidelines. A student may be suspended in-school for a maximum of five school days per incident and a maximum of 20 school days per academic year.

During the in-school suspension, the Assistant Principal will work directly with the student and together they will create a plan for how to re-enter the school environment following an incident. There will also be additional support added during this reflection time which may include speaking to a counselor. Every incident is unique and should there be an opportunity to restore the relationship and redirect the student's actions during the in-school suspension, this connection and established trust will be leveraged. In an effort to ensure the safety of all stakeholders, the following offenses may result in in-school suspension:

- Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence,
- Engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation against a pupil or group of pupils or school district personnel,
- Made terrorist threats against school officials or school property, or both.

The above-mentioned offenses are addressed in a serious manner and depending on the details may not be able to be rectified with an in-school suspension. The school administrator will report the incident to the appropriate authorities under the direction of the local authorities who will assess the level of risk and will act in accordance with the recommendations. The authorities will determine whether or not the situation should be handled “administratively” or by the police. The administrative team will then move forward with the appropriate support. In order to comply with Ed Code Section 48900, the school administrator will notify all stakeholders by the end of the school day.

Notice to Parents/Guardians

At the time of the suspension, the Principal or designee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the parent/guardian by telephone or in person. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian shall be notified in writing, by the Principal or Designee, of the suspension and the date of return following suspension. This notice shall state the specific offense committed by the student. In addition, the notice will also state the date and time when the student may return to school and will provide information about the appeal right and process. If Charter School administrators wish to ask the parent/guardian to confer regarding matters pertinent to the suspension, the notice will request that the parent/guardian respond to such requests without delay.

Suspension Time Limits

Suspensions, when not including a recommendation for expulsion, shall not exceed five (5) consecutive school days per suspension. A student may be suspended from school for not more than 20 school days in any school year unless, for purposes of adjustment, the student enrolls in or is transferred another regular school, an opportunity school, or continuation school or class, in which case suspension shall not exceed 30 days in any school year. However, this restriction on the number of days of suspension does not apply when the suspension is extended pending an expulsion. (Education Code Sections 48903, 48911, and 48912) The expulsion process shall not take longer than 30 days from the first day of the initial suspension. Disciplining students with Disabilities is outlined in the section below.

Suspension Appeals

Students and parent/guardian may appeal a suspension within five (5) school days of the suspension. This appeal will be made, verbally or in writing, to the Principal and heard by a Reflection Committee. The Reflection Committee is an advisory committee to the Principal, trained quarterly in restorative practices and PBIS, and will be comprised of at least one school administrator, and at least two teachers, and may also include a non-certificated employee. Current teachers of the student are not eligible to participate as a member of the Reflection Committee. All Reflection Committee hearings on suspensions will be held within two (2) school days of the appeal being made. The decision of the Reflection Committee is final. Based on the

information submitted or requested, the Reflection Committee may make one of the following decisions regarding the suspension:

- Uphold the suspension
- Determine that the suspension was not within school guidelines, overturn the suspension, and order that all records and documents regarding the disciplinary proceeding be destroyed. No information regarding the suspension will be placed in the student's permanent record, or shared with anyone not directly involved in the proceedings. The Charter School administrators shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom materials and assignments for the duration of student's absence. Student will be provided the opportunity to make academic progress, make up assignments, and earn credit missed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Charter School will maintain student records in accordance with Education Code Sections 35253 and 49076 and 5 CCR 16024.

Recommendation for Placement/Expulsion

Upon a recommendation of Placement/Expulsion by the Principal, the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative will be invited to a conference with school site administrators to determine if the suspension for the student should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. In such instances when the Principal or Designee has determined a suspension period shall be extended, such extension shall be made only after a conference is held with the student or the student's parent/guardian or representative, unless the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative fail to attend the conference, at which time the school shall proceed with the extension.

This determination will be made by the Principal or designee upon either of the following findings: (1) the student's presence will be disruptive to the education process; or (2) the student poses a threat or danger to others. Upon either determination, the student's suspension will be extended pending the results of an expulsion hearing.

Access to Education

For suspensions that are not pending an expulsion hearing, the Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom material and current assignments to be completed at home during the length of the suspension. For suspensions pending an expulsion hearing, the Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students. Please see "Interim Placement" below for details.

Grounds for EXPULSION

Jurisdiction

A student may be expelled for prohibited misconduct, that are described below under the heading, "Discretionary Expellable Offences and Mandatory Expulsion Offenses," if the act is (1)

related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MSA-7 or at any other school; or (3) a MSA-7 sponsored event. A student may be expelled for offenses that are described below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

The length of an expulsion is addressed above, under "Rehabilitation Plans."

Expulsion (Discretionary and Mandatory Offenses)

Discretionary Expellable Offenses

Students may be recommended for expulsion for any of the following acts when it is determined the pupil:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in serious bodily harm.
2. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in serious bodily injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, or otherwise furnished significant amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully under the influence of any controlled substance, as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion in excess of \$1,000.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
9. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.

10. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
11. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, “hazing” means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, “hazing” does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
12. Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, “terroristic threat” shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family’s safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.
13. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual’s academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
14. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
15. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
16. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.

a. “Bullying” means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students

that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:

- i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.
- ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a substantially detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
- iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience substantial interference with his or her academic performance.
- iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience substantial interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.

b. "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the school site, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

- i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
- ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:
 - i. Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.
 - ii. Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.
 - iii. Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.
- iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - i. For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a

pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.

ii. For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.

2. Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.
18. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this section.
 19. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee’s concurrence.

Mandatory Expulsion Offenses

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
2. Brandishing a knife at another person.
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance.
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committing a sexual battery, as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined in Education Code 48915(h).

Gun Free Schools Act

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun Free Schools Act.

Expulsion Procedures

Authority to Expel

If determined necessary upon the referral by the discipline committee; a student may be expelled by an Administrative Panel following a hearing before it. The Administrative Panel will include three or more certificated persons, none of whom have been members of the Board or on the staff of the Charter School in which the student is enrolled. It is important for the Administrative Panel members to have experience in education law and student discipline. Typical Administrative Panel members include teachers, school administrators and Home Office Chiefs/Directors. The Home Office will coordinate all administrators and teachers who serve on the Reflection Committee at their school sites to be "on call" for a particular month should their presence be needed at an Administrative Panel hearing. A member who served on the Reflection Committee may not serve on the Administrative Panel for the same student. The Administrative Panel may expel any student found to have committed an expellable offense.

A decision to expel a pupil for an expellable offense shall be based on a finding of one or both of the following:

- (1) Other means of correction are not feasible or have repeatedly failed to bring about proper conduct.
- (2) Due to the nature of the act, the presence of the pupil causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the pupil or others.

The process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence will be fair and thorough.

Expulsion Hearing

Students recommended for expulsion are entitled to a hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled. Unless postponed for good cause, the hearing shall be held within thirty (30) school days after the Principal determines that the Student has committed an expellable offense.

After an Administrative Panel hears the case, it will make a determination whether to expel. The hearing shall be held in closed session (complying with all pupil confidentiality rules under FERPA) unless the pupil makes a written request for a public hearing in open session three (3) days prior to the date of the scheduled hearing.

Written notice of the hearing shall be forwarded to the student and the student's parent/guardian by the Principal or Designee, at least ten (10) calendar days before the date of the hearing. Upon mailing the notice, it shall be deemed served upon the student. The notice shall include:

1. The date and place of the expulsion hearing;
2. A statement of specific facts, charges and offenses upon which the proposed expulsion is based;
3. A copy of MSA-7's disciplinary rules which relate to the alleged violation;
4. Notification of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to provide information about the student's status at the Charter School to any other school district or school to which the student seeks enrollment;
5. The opportunity for the student or the student's parent/guardian to appear in person or to employ and be represented by counsel or a non-attorney advisor;
6. The right to inspect and obtain copies of all documents to be used at the hearing;
7. The opportunity to confront and question all witnesses who testify at the hearing;
8. The opportunity to question all evidence presented and to present oral and documentary evidence on the student's behalf including witnesses.

Special procedures for Expulsion Hearings Involving Sexual Assault or Battery Offenses

MSA-7 may, upon finding a good cause, determine that the disclosure of either the identity of the witness or the testimony of that witness at the hearing, or both, would subject the complaining witness to an unreasonable risk of psychological or physical harm. Upon this determination, the testimony of the witness may be presented at the hearing in the form of sworn declarations which shall be examined only by the Administrative Panel. Copies of these sworn declarations, edited to delete the name and identity of the complaining witness, shall be made available to the Panel.

1. The complaining witness in any sexual assault or battery case must be provided with a copy of the applicable disciplinary rules and advised of his/her right to (a) receive five (5) days notice of his/her scheduled testimony, (b) have up to two (2) adult support persons of his/her choosing present in the hearing at the time he/she testifies, which may include a parent, guardian, or legal counsel, and (c) elect to have the hearing closed while testifying.
2. MSA-7 administrators must also provide the victim a room separate from the hearing room for the complaining witness' use prior to and during breaks in testimony.

3. At the discretion of the Administrative Panel conducting the hearing, the complaining witness shall be allowed periods of relief from examination and cross-examination during which he or she may leave the hearing room.
4. The Administrative Panel conducting the expulsion hearing may also arrange the seating within the hearing room to facilitate a less intimidating environment for the complaining witness.
5. The Administrative Panel conducting the expulsion hearing may also limit time for taking the testimony of the complaining witness to the hours he/she is normally in school, if there is no good cause to take the testimony during other hours.
6. Prior to a complaining witness testifying, the support persons must be admonished that the hearing is confidential. Nothing in the law precludes the entity presiding over the hearing from removing a support person whom the presiding Administrative Panel finds is disrupting the hearing. The Administrative Panel conducting the hearing may permit any one of the support persons for the complaining witness to accompany him or her to the witness stand.
7. If one or both of the support persons is also a witness, MSA-7 administrators must present evidence that the witness' presence is both desired by the witness and will be helpful to MSA-7. The Administrative Panel presiding over the hearing shall permit the witness to stay unless it is established that there is a substantial risk that the testimony of the complaining witness would be influenced by the support person, in which case the Administrative Panel shall admonish the support person or persons not to prompt, sway, or influence the witness in any way. Nothing shall preclude the presiding entity from exercising his or her discretion to remove a person from the hearing whom he or she believes is prompting, swaying, or influencing the witness.
8. The testimony of the support person shall be presented before the testimony of the complaining witness and the complaining witness shall be excluded from the hearing during that testimony.
9. Especially for charges involving sexual assault or battery, if the hearing is to be conducted in the public at the request of the student under investigation, the complaining witness shall have the right to have his/her testimony heard in a closed session when testifying at a public meeting would threaten serious psychological harm to the complaining witness and there are no alternative procedures to avoid the threatened harm. The alternative procedures may include videotaped depositions or contemporaneous examination in another place communicated to the hearing by means of closed-circuit television.
10. Evidence of specific instances of a complaining witness' prior sexual conduct is presumed inadmissible and shall not be heard absent a determination by the Administrative Panel conducting the hearing that extraordinary circumstances exist requiring the evidence be heard. Before such a determination regarding extraordinary circumstances can be made, the witness shall be provided notice and an opportunity to present opposition to the introduction of the evidence. In the hearing on the admissibility of the evidence, the complaining witness shall be entitled to be represented by a parent, legal counsel, or other support person. Reputation or

opinion evidence regarding the sexual behavior of the complaining witness is not admissible for any purpose.

Record of Expulsion Hearing

A record of the hearing shall be made and may be maintained by any means, including electronic recording, as long as a reasonably accurate and complete written transcription of the proceedings can be made.

Presentation of Evidence

While technical rules of evidence do not apply to expulsion hearings, evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. A determination by the Administrative Panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed an expellable offense. Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. While hearsay evidence is admissible, no decision to expel shall be based solely on hearsay. Sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses of whom the Panel determines that disclosure of their identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to an unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm.

If, due to a written request by the accused student, the hearing is held at a public meeting, and the charge is committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery as defined in Education Code Section 48900, a complaining witness shall have the right to have his or her testimony heard in a session closed to the public.

The decision of the Administrative Panel shall be in the form of written findings of fact.

If the Administrative Panel decides not to expel, the student shall immediately be returned to his/her educational program.

Written Notice to Expel

The Principal or designee following a decision of the Administrative Panel to expel shall send written notice within 30 days of the decision to expel, including the Administrative Panel's adopted findings of fact, to the student or parent/guardian. This notice shall also include the following:

1. Notice of the specific offense(s) committed by the student
2. Notice of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with MSA-7
3. The reinstatement eligibility review date; a copy of the rehabilitation plan; the type of educational placement during the period of expulsion, and notice of appeal rights/procedures

4. Information regarding rights to, how, timelines, and to whom a student/parent may appeal an expulsion decision

The Principal or designee shall send a copy of the written notice of the decision to expel to the student's district of residence. This notice shall include the following:

1. The student's name
2. The specific expellable offense committed by the student

Disciplinary Records

MSA-7 shall maintain records of all student suspensions and expulsions at MSA-7. Such records shall be made available to the District upon request.

Expulsion Appeals

In order to appeal an expulsion, the student/parent/guardian must submit a written appeal to the CEO of MPS outlining the reason for the appeal, attaching any supporting documentation, within ten (10) calendar days of receiving the written notice of the expulsion.

In response to the written request for an appeal, the CEO of MPS shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors. The Board shall convene a hearing on the appeal within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of a timely written request for an appeal.

At the hearing on the appeal, the student or his/her representative shall have the right to present evidence. The Board will consider the evidence and/or testimony presented to the Administrative Panel as appropriate and will render a contemporaneous written decision, which shall be immediately communicated to the appellant at the conclusion of the hearing, in the best interest of the student and the Charter School. That decision shall be final.

Interim Placement

The Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of the Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students, including, but not limited to, programs within the County or their school district of residence.

The Charter School shall work with the District for an interim placement at a community day school or other alternative program. Should the Charter School determine after the referral that

the student will remain at the Charter School pending the expulsion hearing based on the best interest of the student, or if the Charter School secures another alternative interim placement at another Charter School or school within its CMO, if appropriate and aligned with applicable charter petitions, the Charter School will notify the District of such determination.

Readmission/Reinstatement

The decision to readmit a pupil previously expelled from MSA-7 shall be at the discretion of the Governing Board following a meeting with the Principal or designee, the pupil and parent/guardian or representative to determine whether the pupil has successfully completed the rehabilitation plan and to determine whether the pupil continues to pose a threat to others or will be disruptive to the school environment. The Principal or Designee will make a recommendation to the Board following the meeting regarding his/her recommendation. The Board shall then make a final decision regarding reinstatement during closed session of a public meeting, reporting out any actions taken during closed session as required of the Brown Act. The pupil's readmission is also contingent upon MSA-7's capacity at the time the student seeks readmission. These procedures will be made available to the pupil and his/her parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is issued.

Rehabilitation Plans

Pupils who are expelled from MSA-7 shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by the Administrative Panel at the time of the expulsion order. The rehabilitation plan includes improved behavior, attendance, and academic performance and shall include a date no later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to MSA-7 for readmission.

MSA-7 shall mail written notification to parent/guardian within thirty (30) days prior to the end of the expulsion term. This notice will request the parent or guardian to submit written documentation to the school showing that the student has met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan. The board shall review these documents and make a final decision regarding reinstatement. If the student does not meet the requirements of the rehabilitation plan as determined by the board, the board will revisit at a later date not to exceed one (1) year.

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

Bullying

Bullying is listed as an offense for which a student may be suspended or expelled. The Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Safe Place to Learn Act, Education Code Section 234 *et seq.* MPS' policy on bullying prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified in the

definition of hate crimes. MPS' process for receiving and investigating complaints includes complaints of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified, and a requirement that Charter School personnel who witness such acts take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so, a timeline to investigate and resolve complaints, and an appeal process.

Procedures for Notifying Teachers about Dangerous Pupils

In order to fulfill the requirements made by Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 that state teachers must be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The teacher can access the suspension by looking at the student's discipline screen. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it.

Pursuant to Welfare & Institution Code 827(b) and Education Code 48267, the Court notifies the Superintendent of the LAUSD regarding students who have engaged in certain criminal conduct. This information is forwarded to the site Principal. The site Principal is responsible for prompt notification of the student's teachers. Per Education Code 49079, this information must be kept confidential. This information is also forwarded to all administrators and the student's counselor.

1. The School Principal will inform teachers and other relevant staff of students who are defined as dangerous as set forth in the California Education Code sec. 48900, including the exceptions to this rule provided therein. The School will provide this information to the teacher based upon any records that the school maintains in its ordinary course of business, or receives from a law enforcement agency, regarding a pupil described in this Section. The School is not civilly or criminally liable for providing information unless it is proven that the information was false and that the School employee knew or should have known that the information was false, or the information was provided with a reckless disregard for its truth or falsity.

2. Any information received by a teacher pursuant to this Section shall be received in confidence for the limited purpose for which it was provided and shall not be further disseminated by the teacher.

Sexual Harassment Policy

Policy Prohibiting Unlawful Harassment

MPS is committed to providing a work and educational atmosphere that is free of unlawful harassment. MPS's policy prohibits sexual harassment and harassment based upon race, color, creed, gender (including gender identity and gender expression), religion, marital status, registered domestic partner status, age, national origin or ancestry, physical or mental disability, medical condition (including cancer and genetic characteristics), genetic information, sexual orientation, military or veteran status, or any other consideration made unlawful by federal, state, or local laws. MPS will not condone or tolerate harassment of any type by any employee, independent contractor or other person with which the School does business. This policy applies to all employee actions and relationships, regardless of position or gender. MPS will promptly and thoroughly investigate any complaint of harassment and take appropriate corrective action, if warranted.

Prohibited Unlawful Harassment:

- Verbal conduct such as epithets, derogatory jokes or comments or slurs;
- Physical conduct including assault, unwanted touching, intentionally blocking normal movement or interfering with work because of sex, race or any other protected basis;
- Retaliation for reporting or threatening to report harassment; or
- Deferential or preferential treatment based on any of the protected classes above.

Prohibited Unlawful Sexual Harassment:

In accordance with existing discrimination on the basis of gender in education institutions is prohibited. All persons, regardless of the gender, are afforded equal rights and opportunities and freedom from unlawful discrimination in education programs or activities conducted by the School.

MPS is committed to provide a workplace free of sexual harassment and considers such harassment to be a major offense, which may result in disciplinary action, up to, and including dismissal, of the offending employee.

Sexual harassment consist of sexual advances, request for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, regardless of whether or not the conduct is motivated by sexual desire, when: (1) submission of the conduct is either made explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; (2) an employment decision is based upon an individual's acceptance or rejection of that conduct; (3) that conduct interferes with an individual's work performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

It is also unlawful to retaliate in any way against an employee who has articulated a good faith concern about sexual harassment against him or her or against another individual.

All supervisors of staff will receive sexual harassment training within six (6) months of their assumption of a supervisory position and will receive further training once every two (2) years thereafter. All staff will receive sexual harassment training and/or instruction concerning sexual harassment in the workplace as required by law. Each employee has the responsibility to maintain a workplace free from any form of sexual harassment. Consequently, should any individual, in particular those with supervisory responsibilities, become aware of any conduct that may constitute sexual harassment or other prohibited behavior, immediate action should be taken to address such conduct. Employees and students are expected to act in a positive and professional manner and to contribute to a policy, productive School environment that is free from harassing or disruptive activity. Any employee who believes they have been sexually harassed or has witnessed sexual harassment is encouraged to immediately report such harassment to the Principal (or MPSCO Human Services for MPSCO employees).

Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- Physical assaults of a sexual nature, such as:
 - Rape, sexual battery, molestation or attempts to commit these assaults and
 - Intentional physical conduct that is sexual in nature, such as touching, pinching, patting, grabbing, brushing against another's body, or poking another's body.

Unwanted sexual advances, propositions or other sexual comments, such as:

- Sexually oriented gestures, notices, remarks, jokes, or comments about a person's sexuality or sexual experience.
- Preferential treatment or promises of preferential treatment to an employee for submitting to sexual conduct, including soliciting or attempting to solicit any employee to engage in sexual activity for compensation or reward or deferential treatment for rejecting sexual conduct.
- Subjecting or threats of subjecting an employee to unwelcome sexual attention or conduct or intentionally making performance of the employee's job more difficult because of the employee's sex.

Sexual or discriminatory displays or publications anywhere at the workplace by employees, such as:

- Displaying pictures, cartoons, posters, calendars, graffiti, objections, promotional materials, reading materials, or other materials that are sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic or bringing to work or possessing any such material to read, display or view at work.
- Reading publicly or otherwise publicizing in the work environment materials that are in any way sexually revealing, sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic; and

- Displaying signs or other materials purporting to segregate an employee by sex in an area of the workplace (other than restrooms or similar rooms).

The illustrations of harassment and sexual harassment above are not to be construed as an all-inclusive list of prohibited acts under this policy. Moreover, please note that while in most situations a personal relationship is a private matter, these relationships are not appropriate in a professional setting, particularly where one of the parties has management or supervisory responsibilities. As such, consensual relationships in the workplace may violate MPS Policy.

Complainants and witnesses under these policies will be protected from further harassment and will not be retaliated against in any aspect of their employment due to their participation in an investigation, filing of a complaint or reporting sexual harassment.

MPS will investigate complaints promptly and provide a written report of the investigation and decision as soon as practicable. The investigation will be handled in as confidential a manner as possible consistent with a full, fair, and proper investigation.

Sexual Abuse and Sex Trafficking

MPS will collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in order to ensure that the school site is prepared to address the threat of sexual abuse and sex trafficking in accordance with EC 49380.

Harassment and Discrimination

Harassment and Discrimination are prohibited. They include the following:

- Verbal Threats
- Threatening Behavior
- Hazing
- Intimidation
- Gang Behavior
- Fights

Policies for dealing with harassment and discrimination are described in the *MPS Employee Handbook* and *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.

If harassment or discrimination occurs, school staff should:

1. Evaluate the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed. If intervention is required, contact support staff. Where threats of serious bodily injury and/or weapons are involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved and give specific verbal directions to discuss the situation. Where a physical altercation is occurring, or is about to occur, call for staff support and immediately separate the parties involved.
3. Document the incident, including the names of witnesses and any statements.
4. Give incident reports to the School Principal, or his/her designee, as soon as possible.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should:

1. Assess the seriousness of the incident. If assistance is needed, call necessary support staff. Where a threat of serious bodily injury or weapons is involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved.
3. Seek written documentation from witnesses.
4. Determine disciplinary consequences. See *MPS Employee Handbook* and *MPS Student-Parent Handbook*.
5. Determine what intervention or follow-up is necessary, including reference to a school counselor, psychologist, or local law enforcement.
6. Notify parents or legal guardian and appropriate school personnel of incident.
7. Complete a report with a description of the incident and include the names of witnesses and any statements. Summarize the disciplinary procedures used in resolution of the incident.

Internal Complaint Review

The purpose of the “Internal Complaint Review Policy” is to afford all employees of the School the opportunity to seek internal resolution of their work-related concerns. All employees have free access to the CEO or Board of Directors to express their work-related concerns.

Specific complaints of unlawful harassment are addressed under the School’s “Policy Against Unlawful Harassment.”

Internal Complaints:

(Complaints by Employees Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a School employee raises a complaint or concern about a coworker.

If reasonably possible, internal complaints should be resolved at the lowest possible level, including attempts to discuss/resolve concerns with your direct supervisor. However, in the

event an informal resolution may not be achieved or is not appropriate, the following steps will be followed by the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees):

- The complainant will bring the matter to the attention of the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees) as soon as possible after attempts to resolve the complaint with the immediate supervisor have failed or if not appropriate; and
- The complainant will reduce his or her complaint to writing, indicating all known and relevant facts. The Principal (or the CEO for MPSCO employees) (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the Principal, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the CEO (or designee.) The CEO (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the CEO, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the President of the Board of Directors of the School, who will then confer with the Board and may conduct a fact-finding or authorize a third party investigator on behalf of the Board. The Board President or investigator will report his or her findings to the Board for review and action, if necessary.

This policy cannot guarantee that every problem will be resolved to the employee's satisfaction. However, the School values each employee's ability to express concerns and the need for resolution without fear of adverse consequence to employment.

Policy for Complaints Against Employees:

(Complaints by Third Parties Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a nonemployee raises a complaint or concern about a School employee.

If complaints cannot be resolved informally, complainants may file a written complaint with the office of the Principal or the CEO (if the complaint concerns the Principal) or the Board President (if the complaint concerns the CEO) as soon as possible after the events that give rise to the complainant's concerns. The written complaint should set forth in detail the factual basis for the complaint.

In processing the complaint, the Principal (or the CEO (or the Board President)) (or designee) shall abide by the following process:

- The Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) shall use his or her best efforts to talk with the parties identified in the complaint and to ascertain the facts relating to the complaint.

- In the event that the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) finds that a complaint against an employee is valid, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may take appropriate disciplinary action against the employee. As appropriate, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may also simply counsel/reprimand employees as to their conduct without initiating formal disciplinary measures.
- The Principal's (or the CEO's) (or designee's) decision relating to the complaint shall be final unless it is appealed to the Board of Directors of the School. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final.

General Requirements:

- Confidentiality: All complainants will be notified that information obtained from the complainants and thereafter gathered will be maintained in a manner as confidential as possible, but in some circumstances absolute confidentiality cannot be assured.
- Non-Retaliation: All complainants will be advised that they will be protected against retaliation as a result of the filing of any complaints or participation in any complaint process.
- Resolution: The Board (if a complaint is about the CEO) or the CEO (if a complaint is about the Principal or MPSCO employees) or the Principal or designee will investigate complaints appropriately under the circumstances and pursuant to the applicable procedures, and if necessary, take appropriate remedial measures to ensure effective resolution of any complaint.

HARASSMENT COMPLAINT FORM

It is the policy of the School that all of its employees be free from harassment. This form is provided for you to report what you believe to be harassment, so that the School may investigate and take appropriate disciplinary or other action when the facts show that there has been harassment.

If you are an employee of the School, you may file this form with the Principal (or CEO (or Board President.))

Please review the School's policies concerning harassment for a definition of harassment and a description of the types of conduct that are considered to be harassment.

MPS will undertake every effort to handle the investigation of your complaint in a confidential manner. In that regard, the School will disclose the contents of your complaint only to those persons having a need to know. For example, to conduct its investigation, the School will need to disclose portions of your factual allegations to potential witnesses, including anyone you have identified as having knowledge of the facts on which you are basing your complaint, as well as the alleged harasser.

In signing this form below, you authorize the School to disclose to others the information you have provided herein, and information you may provide in the future. Please note that the more detailed information you provide, the more likely it is that the School will be able to address your complaint to your satisfaction.

Charges of harassment are taken very seriously by the School both because of the harm caused to the person harassed, and because of the potential sanctions that may be taken against the harasser. It is therefore very important that you report the facts as accurately and completely as possible and that you cooperate fully with the person or persons designated to investigate your complaint.

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s):

Name of Person(s) you believe sexually harassed you or someone else:

List any witnesses that were present:

Where did the incident(s) occur?

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I acknowledge that I have read and that I understand the above statements. I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation.

I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date: _____ Signature of Complainant _____

Print Name _____

Received by: _____ Date: _____

COMPLAINT FORM

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s): _____

Name of Person(s) you have a complaint against: _____

List any witnesses that were present:

Where did the incident(s) occur?

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation. I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further understand providing false information in this regard could result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

_____ Date: _____

Signature of Complainant

Print Name

To be completed by School:

Received by: _____ Date: _____

Staff/Student Interaction Policy

MPS recognizes its responsibility to make and enforce all rules and regulations governing student and employee behavior to bring about the safest and most learning-conducive environment possible.

Corporal Punishment

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain on a student.

For purposes of this policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to property.

For clarification purposes, the following examples are offered for direction and guidance of School personnel:

Examples of PERMITTED actions (NOT corporal punishment):

- Stopping a student from fighting with another student;
- Preventing a pupil from committing an act of vandalism;
- Defending yourself from physical injury or assault by a student;
- Forcing a pupil to give up a weapon or dangerous object;
- Requiring an athletic team to participate in strenuous physical training activities designed to strengthen or condition team members or improve their coordination, agility, or physical skills;
- Engaging in group calisthenics, team drills, or other physical education or voluntary recreational activities.

Examples of PROHIBITED actions (corporal punishment):

- Hitting, shoving, pushing, or physically restraining a student as a means of control;
- Making unruly students do push-ups, run laps, or perform other physical acts that cause pain or discomfort as a form of punishment;
- Paddling, swatting slapping, grabbing, pinching, kicking, or otherwise causing physical pain.

Acceptable and Unacceptable Staff/Student Behavior

This policy is intended to guide all School faculty and staff in conducting themselves in a way that reflects the high standards of behavior and professionalism required of school employees and to specify the boundaries between students and staff.

Although this policy gives specific, clear direction, it is each staff member's obligation to avoid situations that could prompt suspicion by parents, students, colleagues, or school leaders. One viable standard that can be quickly applied, when you are unsure if certain conduct is acceptable, is to ask yourself, "Would I be engaged in this conduct if my family or colleagues were standing next to me?"

For the purposes of this policy, the term "boundaries" is defined as acceptable professional behavior by staff members while interacting with a student. Trespassing the boundaries of a student/teacher relationship is deemed an abuse of power and a betrayal of public trust.

Some activities may seem innocent from a staff member's perspective, but can be perceived as flirtation or sexual insinuation from a student or parent point of view. The objective of the following lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors is not to restrain innocent, positive relationships between staff and students, but to prevent relationships that could lead to, or may be perceived as, sexual misconduct.

Staff must understand their own responsibility for ensuring that they do not cross the boundaries as written in this policy. Disagreeing with the wording or intent of the established boundaries will be considered irrelevant for disciplinary purposes. Thus, it is crucial that all employees learn this policy thoroughly and apply the lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors to their daily activities. Although sincere, competent interaction with students certainly fosters learning, student/staff interactions must have boundaries surrounding potential activities, locations and intentions.

Duty to Report Suspected Misconduct

When any employee becomes aware of another staff member having crossed the boundaries specified in this policy, he or she must speak to this staff member if the violation appears minor, or report the matter to school administrators. If the observed behavior appears significant, it is the duty of every staff member to immediately report it to an administrator. All reports shall be confidential. It is the duty of the administrator to investigate and thoroughly report the situation. Employees must also report to the administration any awareness or concern of student behavior that crosses boundaries or where a student appears to be at risk for sexual abuse.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors (Violations of this Policy)

- Giving gifts to an individual student that are of a personal and intimate nature;
- Kissing of any kind;
- Any type of unnecessary physical contact with a student in a private situation;
- Intentionally being alone with a student away from the school;
- Making or participating in sexually inappropriate comments;
- Sexual jokes;

- Seeking emotional involvement with a student for your benefit;
- Listening to or telling stories that are sexually oriented;
- Discussing inappropriate personal troubles or intimate issues with a student in an attempt to gain their support and understanding;
- Becoming involved with a student so that a reasonable person may suspect inappropriate behavior.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors without Parent and Supervisor Permission

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a staff member has parent and supervisor permission.)

- Giving students a ride to/from school or school activities;
- Being alone in a room with a student at school with the door closed;
- Allowing students in your home.

Cautionary Staff/Student Behaviors

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a reasonable and prudent person, acting as an educator, is prevented from using a better practice or behavior. Staff members should inform their supervisor of the circumstance and occurrence prior to or immediately after the occurrence)

- Remarks about the physical attributes or development of anyone;
- Excessive attention toward a particular student;
- Sending emails, text messages or letters to students if the content is not about school activities. Acceptable and Recommended Staff/Student Behaviors:
- Getting parents' written consent for any after-school activity;
- Obtaining formal approval to take students off school property for activities such as field trips or competitions;
- E-mails, text, phone and instant messages to students must be very professional and pertaining to school activities or classes (Communication should be limited to school technology);
- Keeping the door open when alone with a student;
- Keeping reasonable space between you and your students;
- Stopping and correcting students if they cross your own personal boundaries;
- Keeping parents informed when a significant issue develops about a student;
- Keeping after-class discussions with a student professional and brief;
- Asking for advice from fellow staff or administrators if you find yourself in a difficult situation related to boundaries;
- Involving your supervisor if conflict arises with the student;
- Informing the Executive Director about situations that have the potential to become more severe;
- Making detailed notes about an incident that could evolve into a more serious situation later;

- Recognizing the responsibility to stop the unacceptable behavior of students or coworkers;
- Asking another staff member to be present if you will be alone with any type of special needs student;
- Asking another staff member to be present when you must be alone with a student after regular school hours;
- Giving students praise and recognition without touching them;
- Pats on the back, high fives and handshakes are acceptable;
- Keeping your professional conduct a high priority;
- Asking yourself if your actions are worth your job and career.

School-wide Dress Code Prohibiting Gang-related Apparel

Disruption and/or intimidation caused by the wearing of any type of clothing/jewelry or by writing of any signs identified as or associated with gangs is not permitted on campus at any time. No gang activity or gang association will be permitted at school or school-sponsored activities. Gang symbols on notebooks, lockers, book bags, etc. are not permitted and will be documented.

DRESS CODE

MPS has a uniform policy to help create a safe, orderly environment, instill discipline, and eliminate the competition and distractions caused by varied dress styles. Students are expected to arrive in a clean and neat uniform every day. Students will not be allowed to enter the campus if they are not in proper uniform. This uniform policy will be enforced, without exception, from the very first day of school. Please cooperate, display modesty and neatness, and take pride in the MPS uniform. We rely on your understanding and your parents' and/or guardians' support in helping to maintain this uniform policy and follow it daily.

In addition to wearing the school uniform, MPS requires that you follow these additional guidelines in terms of uniform appearance and personal appearance. If you are still unsure about how you should look, or how the uniform should fit, check with administration. Religious head coverings shall be permitted. **If any aspect of the uniform, including clothes, shoes, jewelry, cosmetics, or any type of body adornment, is not explicitly listed as acceptable in this handbook, then that item is not permitted to be worn when the student is at school or representing the school.**

If a student is unable to wear the school uniform to school due to extenuating circumstances, you need to obtain written permission from the school's administration.

MPS STUDENT UNIFORM POLICY

Pants, shorts, skirts, skorts, or capris are acceptable. Must be khaki, black, or navy blue.

Pants/Skirts/Skorts/Shorts/Capris:

- May not be baggy or tight fitting. May not be rolled at waist. Waist size must be same as student's waist size. Top of garment must be at or above hip bone.
- Skorts/shorts should be no shorter than your longest finger when standing with your hands by your sides.
- Skirts that are above the top of the kneecap should be worn with leggings/tights, and must be no shorter than the longest fingertip.
- Pants may not be made from legging or jegging material.
- Pants must touch the top of the shoes when the student is standing, but not be long enough to bunch up around the ankle.
- The bottom of the skirt, skort, and/or shorts must be no higher than 1 inch above the middle of the kneecap when the student is standing.
- Socks may not be worn over pants.
- Rubber bands are not allowed on the bottom of pants or ankles.
- No jean/denim style pants.
- No Cargo pants/shorts.
- Must have a built in pocket not a sewn on pocket.

Undergarments:

- Should not be noticeable through or outside of clothing, tops and bottoms.

Uniform:

- Woven Shirt or Polo Shirt must be tucked in neatly at the waist at all times on campus, inside and outside. These shirts may not fit tightly or be baggy.
- Undershirts must be short-sleeved if worn.
- The student may choose to button, or not button, the top button of the woven shirt. All other buttons of the woven shirt must be buttoned.
- Under shirt may not hang out of sleeves.

Shoes:

- Acceptable athletic shoes must be low-profile with minimal design. They must be modest and not attract attention. Shoe laces must match shoes and be in solid color.

Jewelry and accessories/Cosmetics:

- Should be modest, appropriate for school, and not attract undue attention.
- Necklaces: If worn must be underneath uniform. If visible through an open collar, it must be tasteful and formal (no leather or string). Pendants must not be large or attract attention. Must be tucked in collar of shirt.

- No “glitter”, decorations, or drawing of any kind should be visible on the skin, hair, body, or uniform.
- Facial, tongue, and body piercing are not allowed.
- Bracelets: Must be tasteful and not attract undue attention.
- Visible tattoos are not acceptable. Permanent visible tattoos must be covered by a flesh-tone bandage while at school or representing the school.
- Cosmetics must be appropriate for school and not attract undue attention.
- No brightly colored or glitter eye shadow, or blush.
- Mascara and eyeliner should be minimal.
- Lipstick should be a natural color.
- Earrings must be studs or one (1) inch hoops and worn on earlobe.

Belts (required for all variations of dress uniform):

- Smooth, straight edge, all black, all blue or all brown belts no wider than 1½ inches with a plain, unadorned buckle (no mesh, rope, or all metal).
- The buckle may only have one catch.
- Belt must be of correct waist size, so that there is minimal excess length (less than five inches).
- Any excess length of belt must be tucked through a belt loop and may not hang down.

TOP

- White, gray, black or navy blue polo shirts must have the school logo. They may be either short or long sleeved.
- Hoods may not be worn at school.
- Top of garment must be no lower than the level of the navel when student is standing. Top of garment must be at or above hip bone when student is standing up.

FOOTWEAR

- The majority of the shoe must be black, brown, white or gray. Small logos are acceptable. (Shoes must be closed toe.)
- “Athletic” shoes for the dress code must be completely black, white or brown.
- Plain, unadorned socks or tights (for girls) must always be worn. Color of socks or tights: Black, dark brown, navy blue, or white
- No sandals, boots, clogs, mules, slippers, flip flops, high heels, platform shoes or shoes with wheels.

PE UNIFORM

- TOP: Students will wear a solid gray t-shirt, preferably with the MPS logo. MPS sweatpants and MPS sweatshirts may also be worn during PE.

- BOTTOM: Properly fitting MPS Navy shorts of comfortable length for active participation. Waist size of shorts must be appropriate to student's waist size. The same rules which apply to the level at which the tops of the dress pants are worn, also apply to PE shorts.
- FOOTWEAR: Any athletic shoes suitable for basketball, tennis, and field sports. PE shoes may be the same black athletic shoes discussed in the dress uniform section.

OUTERWEAR

- Hats, hoods, caps, and other headgear may not be worn in school buildings, except for religious head coverings. No gloves or finger lacing of any sort are allowed.

For colder weather:

- MPS Navy Crew-Neck and zip V-Neck Sweatshirt, and Jackets are recommended and preferred to be worn on campus, inside and outside.
- Sweatshirts and jackets must be solid navy blue or gray.

Procedures for Safe Ingress and Egress from School

Maps are available in our front office to facilitate with the safe comings and goings of pupils, parents, visitors and school employees to and from school. In addition, evacuation maps and routes are located in the front office.

***Please see school map at bottom of this Safety Plan**

Visitors and guests are welcome at the school. However, to safeguard students and staff, reasonable precautions should be taken.

Visitors should:

1. Always report and sign in at the office.
2. Be provided with a visitor's badge.
3. Be prepared to provide identification to school personnel.
4. Respect school rules.

School personnel should:

1. Insure all exterior doors are marked with a notice to visitors to first report to the office.
2. Exterior doors should remain locked, except doors near the office area.
3. Staff should receive training on how to greet visitors. The first question is "May I help you?"
4. Someone should greet every visitor.

5. Any intruder found roaming the building should be escorted to the office. Someone can then provide any additional information or directions. (NOTE: An intruder is anyone without a visitor's badge or lacking visible identification stating who they are, i.e., school employee)

Visitors who fail to comply with school procedures:

1. Should verbally be informed they are in violation of school policy. (Example - "Sir, you must report to the office immediately. If you fail to do so, you will be considered a trespasser, and school security will be called.")
2. If this fails:
 - Notify the office of the situation.
 - Follow the person, if possible, and continue to give notice of the violation of school rules.
3. Police should be notified, or call 911.
4. Office should activate building-wide notification plan concerning intruder:
 - PA announcement using predetermined code phrase.
 - Classroom doors should be closed.
 - Students should remain in current areas.

Procedures to Ensure a Safe and Orderly Environment

The Social Climate and the Physical Environment

The Social Climate and The Physical Environment are two components used to identify our school's strengths, areas of desired change and future plans.

The Social Climate-People and Programs (Component 1)

Our school creates a caring and connected school climate. We make Students and Staff feel that the school is a caring community in numerous ways:

Parents are involved in the following ways at our current school site:

- Home Visit Program
- Parent Task Force Meetings
- Parent Volunteer Opportunities/School-wide Events
- Open House/Family Nights
- Back to School Nights
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Illuminate Communication Logs
- Schoolwide Phone Call News Distribution
- Email Blasts and Monthly Newsletters
- School Site Council
- ELAC Committee
- Parent Trainings and Workshops

The cultural richness of our school community is recognized and will be built upon in the following ways:

- Partnerships with local nonprofit community organizations such as M.E.N.D, The Los Angeles Food Bank, and St. Jude Children's Hospital
- Partnership with The Music Center (three-year grant recipient)
- Partnership with Cal State Northridge Art Department
- Partnership with Chicago School of Psychology (counseling & tutoring services)
- Partnership with CSUN Mitchell Family Clinic (counseling)

We provide training so staff can meet the unique needs of the student body in the following ways:

- Implement monthly staff-wide professional development on socio-emotional development issues
- Provide training to staff on the Counseling and Social-emotional programs we have on site
 - Set high academic and behavior goals
- Teachers and the leadership team will monitor student progress in ELA and Math as measured by in-class/benchmark assessments and technology-based adaptive standardized tests aligned to Common Core State Standards.
- School staff will continue to implement and improve upon our current Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)
 - Improve curriculum and teaching practices
- Teachers will provide CCSS aligned instruction using ELD strategies.
 - Include health and resiliency curriculum
- During the 2019-2020 school year, MSA7 will continue to offer Character Education lessons and weekly Health classes to all students.
- Students will continue to participate in CSUN and Chicago School Counseling programs as needed.
 - Address multiple learning styles
- The leadership team will place students into appropriate intervention groups and teachers provide targeted ELA & Math support and interventions. (September 2017)
- Charter School will select a research-based reading intervention program that targets the individual literacy needs of struggling students and English Learners and includes ongoing assessments of student growth. (2017-18 school year)
- ELA and Math Intervention Teachers will continue to provide small group intervention to targeted students.
- Charter School will identify and group ELs by proficiency level, provide ELD instruction aligned to the new standards, and monitor student progress in program implementation. (2017-18 school year)
- Charter School will continue providing services for Special Populations: Building increasingly robust programs to effectively support all students, especially English Language Learners, students with IEPs and our most advanced student

-Promote caring, supportive relationships with students

- Support the Socio-Emotional Learning of all students.
- Charter School will implement Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS). Continue employing an onsite school psychologist and counselors from California State University Northridge
- Charter School will identify immigrant student needs and provide counseling support and necessary resources to meet the needs of immigrant students such as provision of tutorials, mentoring, curricular and instructional materials.
- Charter School will schedule PD in areas, including but not limited to, Common Core ELA/Literacy, math, ELD Standards and integration of ELD standards into content areas and training in strategies to support ELs with common core ELA/ELD and math curricula, and immigrant education.

-Provide opportunities for students to have meaningful participation in school and community service

- Partnerships with local nonprofit community organizations such as M.E.N.D, The Los Angeles Food Bank, and St. Jude Children's Hospital
- Communicate clear discipline standards
- Parent meetings, illuminate online behavior support systems, parent calls, communication logs, posters in the hallway and classrooms all communicate clear discipline standards
- Communicate procedures to report and deal with threats
- Trainings are provided to deal with threats on and off campus to staff and students in accordance with the above procedures stated in the Emergency section of the plan.
- Train staff on bullying prevention and tolerance
- Staff will continue to be training on bullying prevention and tolerance, including through PD's at staff meetings as well as online trainings.
- Provide training for student and staff on dangers of drugs and alcohol
- Staff will continue to receive trainings on dangers of drugs through staff online trainings and in PD's
- School will continue to include strategies to create and maintain a positive school climate, promote school safety, and increase pupil achievement, and prioritize mental health and intervention services, restorative and transformative justice programs, and positive behavior interventions and support. In addition, school will take all necessary steps to address mental health care of pupils who have witnessed a violent act at any time, related to school activity, in accordance with the addendum to EC 32281.1

The Physical Environment-Place (Component 2)

Our school creates a physical environment that communicates respect for learning and for individuals and safety in the following ways:

- MSA 7 maintains a clean environment through utilizing custodial staff in the general areas (hallways/ restrooms and other common areas), and the teachers and students also are encouraged to maintain classrooms that are clean, orderly settings that contribute to the learning environment.
- MSA 7 involves itself in the community by participating in numerous community events throughout the school year.

Make your campus secure from outside criminal activity

- Our campus is a closed campus and entrance and exit gates are locked at all times
- Monitor and supervise all areas
- Students are limited to certain areas during the morning, lunch and after school to limit students from loitering and to maximize supervision efforts.
- Administrators supervise campus during lunch as well as before and after school.
- Teachers and our Campus Aid help supervise students on campus throughout the day

Provide a pleasant eating area and healthy food

- Students receive healthy snacks and meals at the on-site cafeteria
- Food choices include options such as salads, yogurt, milk and vegetables

Maintain clean and safe restrooms

- We have custodial staff who clean the restrooms daily with disinfectant and restock supplies including toilet paper and soap in each restroom prior to the beginning of the next day. Floors are mopped, and toilets as well as sinks are scrubbed.

Provide adequate lighting in all areas

- Lighting is provided throughout outdoor parts of campus and surrounding school area with large lights that help ensure safety

Provide student with current textbooks and materials

- Students receive textbooks for all classes that are aligned with the latest Common Core State Standards. In addition, online support resources are provided to supplement learning

Maintain a variety of sports facilities and equipment

- A large outdoor field is available on campus for students to play soccer, football, frisbee, and other outdoor sports. In addition, basketball and volleyball courts are located on paved adjacent courts. Further, two outdoor playground areas are available for students to play. These facilities are utilized, during recess, lunch and PE, and after school during arc club time.

Provide a well stocked library

- Our campus library is stocked with books that cover a broad range of topics and AR reading levels. Students are able to use the library to pick books to reach which they may check out three days per week. We have two community volunteers who help maintain the library and help students while they visit.

Deal with vandalism before students return to school

- Before students return to school, photo documentation is recorded to keep information and proof about the type of vandalism that occurs. When property damage is discovered, students and their families are contacted to discuss a plan to have responsible parties replace damaged goods. Also, community service restorative practices are established to provide an opportunity to resolve issue. Also, if graffiti occurs, gang task experts will be consulted to see if danger is an issue for students as well to see if a student who might be affiliated with gang will have the opportunity to receive support interventions.

Inventory, Identify and store valuable property

- Computer Lab is locked nightly. Also, the computers are numbered in the lab and classrooms to be able to keep an inventor. Teachers keep inventory of their valuable belongings at the beginning of the year in their classroom, as well as at the end of the year on a tracker that is sent to the Admin.

Provide training for security personnel and staff

- Training is provided to security and personnel staff during PD's where collaboration takes place. At the district symposium, break-off sessions related to position and responsibility occur.
- Engage students and the community in campus beautification projects
- Students are invited to volunteer and beautify the school during lunch and after school as well as family days.

Promote policy that weapons and drugs are not on campus

- Our school policy prevents weapons and drugs from being on campus.

The Social Climate and the Physical Environment (Continued)

Our staff believes that safety and education is a shared responsibility between parents, teachers and students. The successful operation of this school depends on the cooperation of everyone concerned. Each group is responsible for doing its part to make school a place where we can learn, be safe and play together in harmony. Everyone has the right to feel safe, secure, and accepted regardless of color, race, gender, popularity, ability, religion or nationality. Our handbook allows us to share our vision with the students and parents of our team.

MPS is a reflection of all of us. All of our policies are intended to provide a safe and orderly environment that will be conducive to learning. Our faculty and staff look forward to sharing their expertise in academics, special programs, and extracurricular activities. We encourage you to get to know the school, its programs, activities, and schedule. Become an active participant in your education. Get involved through classes, clubs, and activities.

MPS is aware of the fact that a school environment is viable only with clearly defined and implemented rules. MPS compiled the student-parent handbook, which addresses the schools regulations and policies to set a standard.

Effective Communication

When issues or concerns arise with a teacher, staff member or administrator, students and parents are encouraged to address the situation with the person involved first.

If students express that they are having a problem at school, it is important for parents to understand the best way to address these problems. If the problem involves a classroom situation or a situation with a teacher, the following remedies are recommended:

1. Parents should encourage their child to talk with the teacher.
2. Parents can encourage their child to talk with an administrator.
3. If the child is reluctant to talk with a teacher or administrator, a parent may offer to accompany their child and talk with the teacher.

It is very important to demonstrate to children how to actively and constructively solve a problem. If the problem is important enough for the child to talk about, it is important for the child to learn how to be a part of the solution.

If parent feels there is a concern they should:

1. Talk with the teacher. Teachers can explain classroom situations from an adult perspective and from a professional perspective, and usually that will resolve misunderstandings.
2. If the problem persists after a reasonable time, talk with the teacher again.
3. If the problem is still not resolved, make an appointment with the related administrator.

For example, if you are unsure of a decision made in the classroom about a consequence given for a behavior, you should discuss the situation with the teacher first. If after this discussion, you feel the situation is unresolved, it should be brought to the attention of the Dean of Students. If it is still not handled to your satisfaction, the Principal should be notified.

If after meeting with the Principal, you still have concerns, MPS Central Office and the MPS Board and, after that, the School District/County/State would be the next avenue of communication.

Teachers, staff, and administration are available through email, phones, in person and by appointment. Due to the busy schedules of the teachers and administration, parents are asked to not "drop in" for appointments, but to set up a meeting in advance. Parents should not talk to teachers, other parents, students, or administrators in a disrespectful or threatening manner.

Students' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of all school rules and regulations.
- To have access to your student account in Illuminate.
- To have a safe and educational environment.
- To attend class regularly and on time.
- To obey school rules and regulations.
- To respect your rights and the rights of your peers.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To be prepared for class with appropriate materials and ready to work.
- To respect all school personnel and their authority (administrators, teachers, office personnel, janitorial staff, security guards, etc.).

Parents' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of the school's rules and regulations.
- To be informed of all school actions related to their child.
- To have access to your personal parent accounts in Illuminate.
- To contact school to participate in conferences pertaining to academic and behavioral status of their child.
- To provide a supportive environment at home making sure their child gets enough sleep and adequate nutrition before coming to school.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To contact teachers directly via phone or email to schedule a conference.
- To be familiar with the handbook, which was signed at the beginning of the school year.
- To monitor your child's academic progress and behavior records on a weekly basis.
- To ensure that your child does his/her homework on a daily basis and to facilitate a home environment conducive to home study.

Teachers' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To expect students to behave in a positive manner that will not interfere with other students' learning.
- To expect parental support related to academic and social progress.

- To expect all students to participate and put forth effort in order to expand their education and earn a passing grade.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To inform parents through progress reports, report cards, and conferences about the academic progress and behavior of their child.
- To conduct a well-planned and effective classroom program.
- To initiate and enforce a set of classroom rules, consistent with the school's discipline policies.
- To keep assignments, grading, and attendance current in Illuminate.
- To have administrative support for discipline in and outside the classroom. To explain the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy to their students.
- To enforce the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy in a consistent manner.
- To function as a positive role model for their students.
- To contact parents as deemed necessary to enforce the Student Code of Conduct and to maintain parent/guardian involvement.

Administrators' Rights and Responsibilities:

- The right to address the Board of Trustees on any issue.
- To hold students to strict accountability for any disorderly conduct in school or around school.
- To take appropriate action in dealing with students who choose not to follow the rules.
- "All students shall comply with the regulations, pursue the required course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers of the school." Education Code, § 48900 et seq.
- To recommend in-school suspension, suspension, or expulsion as the situation demands.
- To provide rich leadership that will establish, encourage and promote effective teaching and learning.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To establish, promote, and enforce school rules that facilitate effective learning and positive habits and attitudes of excellent citizenship among students.

Illuminate provides the following information:

1. Attendance: Each student's attendance (tardy/absence) is recorded daily (by each teacher) in 'real-time.' This is one method our parents can monitor their child's attendance in each class daily.
2. Grades: Our teachers input all academic grades online for each assignment, quiz, and examination.

3. Behavior: Each student receives a ‘Behavior’ grade that is recorded on Illuminate.
4. Homework/Assignments: Our teachers upload and document all homework assignments on Illuminate. This information is useful for students who were absent from class and also provides a reminder for those who may have forgotten to record their homework assignment for a course.
5. Illuminate Point System: we believe that students should be rewarded for good work, positive behavior and exuding the school’s expected school-wide learning results which students earn points and are recorded on Illuminate. The Illuminate point system serves as an incentive program that our teachers use to encourage students to improve. However, when students fail to demonstrate positive behavior, and/or the school-wide goals then points are deducted.
6. Communication: Illuminate provides another effective method for parents, students and teachers and the school’s leadership team to communicate online and leave messages that are documented through a communication log. The types of communications include but are not limited to: informing parents about their child’s academic progress, progress reports, mandatory tutoring letters, announcements, articles posted on the school’s website, honor roll, behavior, recognition of perfect attendance, upcoming Parent Task Force meetings/events, and upcoming awards for recognition. Also, teachers can post updates, upcoming deadlines and leave messages for students and parents using Illuminate. For parents who do not have access to a computer, the front office has a computer available for their use anytime during school hours and after-school. Illuminate provides yet another way for our parents to become involved in their child’s education, and our teachers have the support of the families in doing so.

Parent Task Force (PTF)

Our parent association holds annual elections for the following positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Approximately 10% of our parents continuously attend monthly PTF meetings. Our PTF supports our school and students through fundraising, recruiting volunteer for our school, and student outreach/recruitment. The purpose is to support the school staff and students in the school’s areas of needs and as family to create a community within our school. Our goal is to increase the percentage of parents attending. We understand that our parents lead hectic lives so we are having parent meetings in the evenings to help facilitate ease of parent participation and coordinate better with work schedules.

Professional Development

Professional development occurs on a regular basis to address the diverse needs of our students and their various learning styles. Prior to the start of the academic school year, teachers receive extensive trainings on school wide academic expectations and how to meet the needs of all learners. Teachers are trained on the rules and regulations students are expected to uphold, including but not limited to illegal substances (drugs, alcohol, and related paraphernalia) and the risks and factors related to this. Also, trainings on bullying awareness

and bullying prevention occur throughout the school year to help minimize bullying related altercations.

We collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in accordance with EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015.

Physical Environment

Our school provides a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment characterized by trust, caring and professionalism. We have adopted and implemented a comprehensive set of health, safety, and risk management policies to create a safe and secure learning environment. These policies comply with all applicable state and local health and safety laws and regulations. It is the responsibility of the on-site school administration to consistently monitor all activities to ensure safety and security of the students. Parents and students are also made aware of these policies as it regards to them in the form of student and parent handbooks. We are dedicated to enforcing school functions as a drug-free, alcohol-free, and tobacco-free zone, as well as a zero-tolerance policy for sexual harassment for all employees, students, and parents. Students are educated about bullying and cyber-bullying via school-wide assemblies and individual guest speakers. All staff members are mandated reporters in case of child abuse or violence. Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

Rules and Procedures on School Discipline

Magnolia Public Schools Student Code of Conduct: MPS is committed to excellence in academic instruction and in cooperating with parents/guardians to teach students the behaviors and skills that support social successes throughout life. To accomplish this goal, MPS is taking a proactive approach to teaching social skills as a significant component of the educational program. The curriculum includes teaching of the behaviors necessary for effective and satisfying social interaction in school, on field trips, in the community, and at home.

Expected Student Behavior

Students should always remember that their behavior and actions at school and at school sponsored activities are a reflection not only of themselves, but also of the school. The following is a guideline of what is expected from an MPS student:

Breakfast/Lunch Time:

- Proceed to the eating area as instructed by MPS staff.
- Eat and finish their breakfast/lunch in the assigned area. No food should be eaten outside the designated areas.
- Wait patiently for their food, and follow the direction of the adults on duty.
- Clean up after themselves and dispose of their trash in the appropriate area.
- Remember that they are not allowed in the school building without a pass.

Remember that restroom use is at the discretion of the security guard/supervisor staff. Students must carry a pass that is given to them by security guard/supervisor staff.

On Campus:

- Stay in designated areas on-campus.
- Be courteous and respectful at all times to everyone.
- Not use profanity, lie, fight, gamble, possess inappropriate literature or material, or be involved in the abuse/harassment of others.
- Not use or have cellular phones turned on during school hours; students are allowed to use cellular phones only in the designated area after school. Phones should not be used during after school programs, such as tutoring.
- Remember that any electronic devices seen during class time will be confiscated and returned to the student's parents/guardians at the discretion of administration.
- Remember that gum chewing is not allowed anywhere on campus.
- Never ride bicycles, use roller blades or skateboards on campus nor bring them to class.
- Not leave campus without permission during school hours.
- Not use matches, lighters, or any type of explosive incendiary device on campus.
- Remember that no electronic devices such as CD/MP3/IPOD players may be visible or used on the campus grounds.
 - Students are not allowed to loiter in the hallways.

Assemblies:

- Be courteous and quiet during the entire assembly.
- Be respectful to the presenter/speaker.
- Follow all teacher/staff directions.

Field Trips: Students must:

- Be on their best behavior. Pay attention to the directives given by the moderator and trip leader.
- Follow all school rules pertaining to behavior.
- Wear MPS uniform unless authorized by administration.

Public areas: Hallways, Lunchroom & Restrooms: Hallways, Lunchroom and Restrooms are areas used by all members of School.

- Use the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms only as needed and then move on to class.
- Eat only in the cafeteria or other designated area.

- Leave gum at home; chewing gum is strictly prohibited anywhere on campus.
- Maintain orderly conduct always; walk in the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms.
- Keep in mind that profanity and vulgar language at any level is unacceptable and is strictly prohibited in all areas and at school functions at all times.
- Limit excessive noise such as yelling, screaming or banging lockers while in these areas.
- Help keep the school clean by picking up after yourself and putting your belongings in their proper place.
- Respect others personal space and keep your hands to yourself even in play.
- Have a pass to be in the above areas during class time.
- Keep in mind that vandalism, littering, or graffiti in the school is prohibited and should be reported as this reflects poorly on everyone.
- Public displays of affection are prohibited.
- Bring only plastic and paper containers to school; all glass containers are prohibited on campus and will be confiscated.
- Be responsible and report any leaks, spills, or other problems in the bathroom to a teacher or the office.
 - Be responsible for cleaning up after yourself, including the disposing of or the recycling of garbage.
 - Have a hall pass if you are outside of the classroom during class time.
- Not visit with friends or interrupt another classroom.
- Not misuse the hall pass as it will result in loss of the hall pass privilege.
- Get a referral from your teacher before you go to the office. Do not use the hall pass.

Emergency Drills: Fire drills, lockdowns, and evacuation drills are conducted periodically for everyone's protection and are required by law. During these drills it is imperative that students remain silent, follow instructions given by the staff, and carry out all directions in an orderly fashion.

Classroom:

- Be seated and ready to begin their assignment when the bell rings.
- Be courteous to all teachers and students.
- Follow all school and classroom rules.
- Bring all necessary materials/supplies ready to work daily.

Classroom Procedures and Consequences: Please check the teacher's syllabus for specific consequences which may include:

1. In Class Warning
2. Student-Teacher Conference
3. Detention / Parental Notification
4. Parent Conference
5. Office Referral & Administrative Disciplinary Procedures

Illuminate Behavior Points

[For Middle & High School Only: Student behavior will be recorded on Illuminate and students will receive the following rewards or consequences based on their behavior points.

Positive Rewards:

+5 Contact parent/guardian +10 Lunch speed pass +15 Treat +20 One day free dress (pass will be given) +25 Extended lunch period +30 Two day free dress (pass will be given) +35 VIP breakfast +40 Entered in a raffle +45 Free dress – every Friday for one month (pass will be given) +50 VIP lunch and “Race to the top”

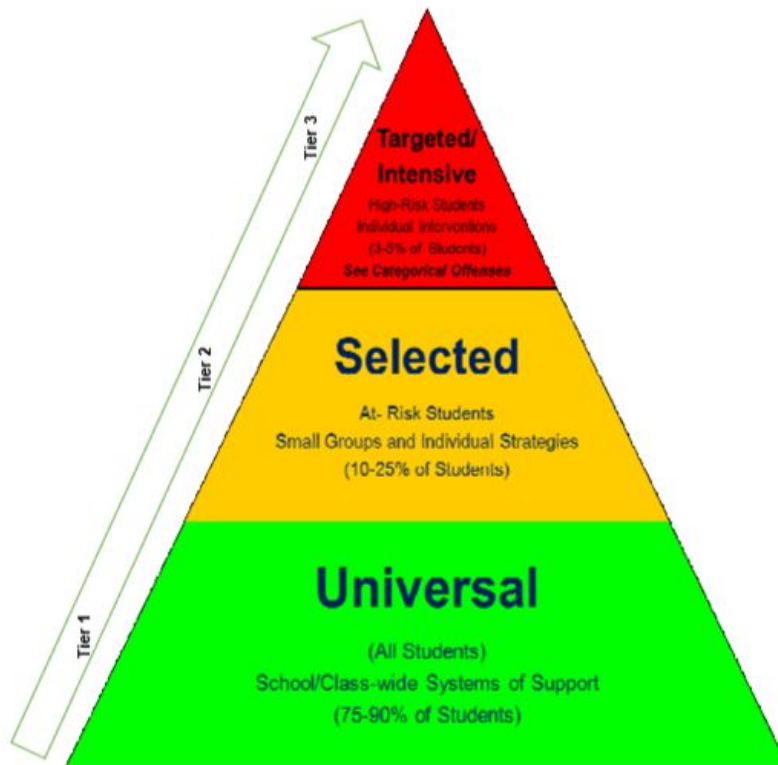
Minor/Major Behavior Entries:

After three minor behavior entries or one major behavior entry, parents will be notified and a conference will be held. School-wide behavior and reflection procedures will be followed as aligned with the MPS Student/Parent Handbook.

Unacceptable types of Behavior

All students at MPS are entitled to the rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights, and their rights will not be knowingly denied by the required code of conduct or by any disciplinary actions taken by the school. Accordingly, after an analysis of each case, any student who exhibits any of the unacceptable student behaviors listed in this handbook may incur consequences. These consequences range from notification of parents, detention, to emergency removal from a school activity, suspension, expulsion, and criminal prosecution. MPS reserves the right to notify the authorities and the Department of Education as required by law relating to disciplinary actions taken. It is to be noted that MPS reserves the right to discipline any act that has a nexus with MPS or the school community. In other words MPS may discipline behavior at school or at a school related or school-sponsored function or any activity or any act that has a negative effect on the school environment or that is performed with/on/by/via school equipment or school property.

Multi Tiered System of Support for Behavior



Universal

Examples of Classroom, Support and Teacher-Led Responses

These interventions are designed to teach appropriate behavior so that students may contribute to the learning community within the classroom environment. Teachers are encouraged to try a variety of instructional and classroom management strategies to support all learners.

Level 1 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invading personal space • Antagonizing others • Violation of school/class rules • Horseplaying • Violating off-limits/restricted area • Habitually tardy and/or not being in assigned location • Disrupting the learning environment/Off task • Littering • Not having proper materials, supplies, and/or equipment for class participation • Inappropriate use of electronic devices • Dress code violation • Inappropriate language/actions (hurtful, vulgar, gossip, etc.) • Passive participation in hurtful acts/words against others • Public display of affection (holding hands, kissing, hugging, etc.) • Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ School-wide PBIS ✓ Social-emotional learning program ✓ Proactive classroom management ✓ Regular, preemptive communication with families ✓ Classroom incentives ✓ Seating, assignment, behavioral accommodations ✓ Conferencing with student(s) and parents ✓ Verbal correction and redirection ✓ Reminders, role-play, daily progress sheet ✓ Loss of classroom privileges ✓ Written and/or verbal reflection

Selected

Examples of Support, Removal and Administrative Responses

These responses engage the students's support system to ensure successful learning and to alter conditions that are inappropriate or disruptive.

Level 2 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using/possessing tobacco and/or lighter • Violating traffic or safety regulations • Encouraging other students to violate school rules • Leaving school and/or school bus without permission • Fighting and/or arranging altercations • Using objects inappropriately (i.e., the use of an object to harm others or damage property) • Physical assault without serious bodily injury (i.e., pushing with intent, kicking, hitting, pinching, spitting) • Defacing and/or vandalism of school property • Plagiarism/academic dishonesty • Leaving school or classroom without permission (truancy) • Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding district filter, etc.) • Stealing and/or possessing stolen property • Failure to attend to/complete assigned restorative action • Gambling or Extortion • Habitual violations of school/class rules • Forgery of signatures • Sexually explicit behavior • Planning and/or arranging actions with malicious intent • Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures • Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) • Bullying/cyberbullying • Violation of personal boundaries • Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Behavioral contract ✓ Self-monitoring ✓ School-home communication ✓ Adult or peer mentorship ✓ Utilize check-in and check-out system ✓ Intensive academic and/or social support ✓ Reflection (lunch, after school, Saturday, etc.) ✓ Refer student to SSPT ✓ Loss of privileges ✓ Counseling ✓ Temporary removal from class ✓ Extended school day

Targeted/Intensive

Examples of support, removal and School Site Administrators and Home Office Responses:
 These responses address serious behavior and potential implications for future harm. They promote safety of the school community and should be used in a progressive fashion.

See Categorical Offenses

Level 3 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physically assaulting with serious bodily injury • Conduct or habits injurious to others (peers/authority) • Using/possessing controlled and/or dangerous substances and/or paraphernalia • Bullying (harassing, intimidating, cyberbullying) • Fighting and/or arranging altercations • Using/possessing weapons and/or weapon paraphernalia including but not limited to those prohibited under federal law • Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) • Arson, attempting to commit arson and/or possession of explosives/fireworks (i.e., smoke bombs, sink bombs, etc.) • Causing a false fire alarm • Making a bomb/explosive threat • Encouraging other students to violate school rules • Student hazing • Using gang and/or secret society symbols/acts • Inappropriate use of electronic devices • Public displays of sexually explicit behavior • Defacing and/or vandalism of school property • Gambling • Habitual violations of school/class rules • Forgery of signatures • Stealing and/or possessing stolen property • Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding school filter, etc.) • Sexual explicit behavior, Lewd Conduct, Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ All Tier 1 and Tier 2 interventions ✓ FBA-based behavior intervention plans ✓ Teaching replacement behavior ✓ Home and community supports ✓ Self-management program ✓ Restricted access ✓ In-school reflection and/or suspension ✓ Short-term out-of-school suspension ✓ Extended out-of-school suspension ✓ Request for alternate educational setting ✓ Recommendation for expulsion

Assaulting, Fighting and/or Arranging Fights:

School is not a place to arrange fights, whether those fights take place on or off school grounds. Any fight and/or attempting to fight will involve disciplining all students involved.

Bringing / Using Electronic Devices:

CD Players, IPOD, MP3 players, phones, PDA, PSP, Laptops, Electronic Games, and/or similar devices are not allowed to be used at school. They disrupt classes and distract others from learning. If you choose to bring them for use outside of school it is at your own discretion. MPS assumes no liability for any damaged, destroyed, lost, stolen, misplaced or otherwise compromised electronic device brought onto MPS property.

Scholastic Dishonesty:

Scholastic dishonesty includes (but is not limited to) cheating on tests, and/or any other types of deception to obtain credit without effort. Scholastic dishonesty is unacceptable conduct. Each teacher sets their own standards of behavior for their classroom, and students are expected to know the standards and procedures for each of their classes.

Texting/Sexting:

Sexting can be defined as the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photographs electronically, primarily between mobile phones and/or any other communication devices.

Disrupting Learning:

Disrupting learning includes any behavior that prevents other students from learning. It may include but is not limited to inappropriate language, eating or drinking during class against teachers' classroom rules, chewing gum, insubordination and/or selling or trading personal possessions to other students.

Horseplay:

Rough or boisterous play including but not limited to shoving, play fighting, kicking, name calling, teasing, pushing/pulling on a student and shoulder bumps

Possession or Use of Drugs and/or Alcohol and the Sale or Intention to Sell Drugs and/or Alcohol:

Use of drugs or alcohol means a student knowingly possesses, consumes, uses, handles, gives, stores, conceals, offers to sell, sells, transmits, acquires, buys, represents, makes, applies, or is under the influence of any narcotic drug, hallucinogen, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, tranquilizer, non-prescription or prescription drug (except when under the direction of a physician/parent and within school procedure), alcohol, intoxicant, solvent, gas, or any mood-altering chemical, drug of abuse or any counterfeit-controlled substance of any kind including butane lighters. The sale, distribution, possession, or use of drugs, alcohol, fake drugs, steroids, inhalants, and look-alike drugs is prohibited everywhere on school grounds, at all school activities, and on all school transportation (drug free zone 1000 feet radius).

Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by Administration and/or Law Enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

False Fire Alarms:

Issuing a false fire alarm is a violation of State law. Making false 911 calls is also violation of the State Law.

Forgery of Signatures:

Any attempt by a student to sign a teacher's, administrator's, parent/guardian's, and/or another student's name to any school document will be considered forgery.

Vulgarity, Profanity and Obscenity:

Any gesture or material of this nature is not permitted at school or school functions.

Behaving Disrespectfully towards Teachers or Staff:

Disrespect (i.e. arguing, talking back, etc.) and insubordination (failure to comply with directives) toward any member of the faculty or staff will not be tolerated. Profanity, either spoken or written is considered a form of disrespect.

Smoking or Use of Other Tobacco Products:

Possession of tobacco products in any part of the school (drug free zone 1000 feet radius) or on the student is prohibited under this policy. This includes cigarettes, cigars, herbs, and smokeless tobacco. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched if the presence of such items is suspected.

Stealing and/or Vandalizing School/Private Property & Graffiti:

This means to cause or attempt to cause damage to private property, stealing or attempting to steal private property either on school grounds or during school activities, functions or events. Students and their parents or guardians will be held responsible for any theft/vandalism/graffiti (including graffiti tools such as permanent markers) that the student commits. Theft or vandalism of school property carries heavy legal penalties.

Displaying Threatening Behavior:

Threatening behavior includes: verbal threats, both face to face and over electronic media (phone and/or computers), non-verbal threats ("hard" stares, gestures), willfully causing or attempting to cause physical injury to another person, causing or attempt to cause any student, teacher, administrator, or staff member to feel frightened or intimidated.

Bringing Weapon in School:

A weapon includes, but is not limited to, conventional objects like guns, pellet guns, knives, smoke bombs, fireworks, club of any type, mace, tear gas, or other chemicals. This may also include any toy that is presented as a real weapon. It also includes objects converted from their original use to threaten or injure another. The Administration reserves the right to all final

decisions regarding the definition of a weapon. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by administration or law enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

Possession or Use of Fireworks:

Using or possessing any amusement device, smoke bomb, stink bomb, etc.

Arson:

Intentionally starting any fire or combustion on school property

Public Display of Affection:

Public displays of affection are not allowed.

Provoking/Intimidating Behavior Encouraging or Urging Other Students to Violate School Rules:

Any student who, by means of provocation, intimidation, encouragement, request, or other means of promotion, induces or attempts to induce another student to violate a MPS school rule shall be subject to the following discipline.

Students with an IEP:

If a student has a behavior plan in his/her IEP, the consequences cited in that plan will be used in the event of specified misbehavior. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team shall meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved. Suspensions of students with disabilities cannot exceed ten days without a "manifestation determination." A student cannot be suspended for more than ten days for misconduct that is a manifestation of their disability. State law defers to federal law for most of the rules governing suspension and expulsion of special education students.

Hate Crime Policies and Procedures

Additional information prohibiting other forms of unlawful discrimination or harassment, inappropriate behavior, and/or hate-motivated incidents/crimes may be found in local District/State policies. It is the intent of MPS that all such policies be reviewed consistently to provide the highest level of protection from unlawful discrimination in the provision of educational services and opportunities.

Bullying Prevention Policies and Procedures

Bullying is not permitted at MPS. In addition MPS will not tolerate unlawful intimidation and bullying due to actual or perceived characteristics such as age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, disability, nationalist, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or a person's association with a person, or group, with or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Each student deserves an equal opportunity to obtain an education without dealing with the negative pressures of peers. Bullying consists of any of the following: pushing, shoving, hitting, and spitting, name calling, picking on, making fun of, laughing at, and excluding someone physically or via social media or electronic communications. Bullying causes pain and stress to those who are victims and is never justified or excusable as "kids being kids", "just teasing", "joking", "playing around" or any other rationalization. This includes the use of social media for wrongful purposes.

Each MPS student agrees to:

- Value student differences and treat others with respect.
- Not become involved in bullying incidents or be a bully.

Harassment of Students, Teachers, Administrators, or Staff:

Harassment means making unwelcome advances or any form of improper physical contact or sexual remark and any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating or offensive learning environment.

Harassment can be verbal, physical and visual. (Education Code, § 212.5) Harassment is a violation of Federal Law and is contrary to the School Board's commitment to provide a physically and psychologically safe environment in which to learn.

Student Hazing:

Hazing is defined as doing any act or coercing another person for initiation into any organization that causes or creates a substantial risk or causes mental or physical harm. Permission, consent or assumption of the risk by an individual subjected to hazing does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy. Hazing may carry heavy legal consequences

Safety Goals and Objectives

Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

Component 1 - School Climate

- Goal(s): All employees will uphold and implement all stated policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.

Objective: Quarterly all employees will review the policies and procedures as noted in the comprehensive safe schools plan.

- Related Activities: Review regularly during Professional Development, committee meetings and safety meetings.
- Resources needed: Safety plan,
- Person(s) responsible for implementation: Designated administrator, safety committee
- Budget: None
- Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

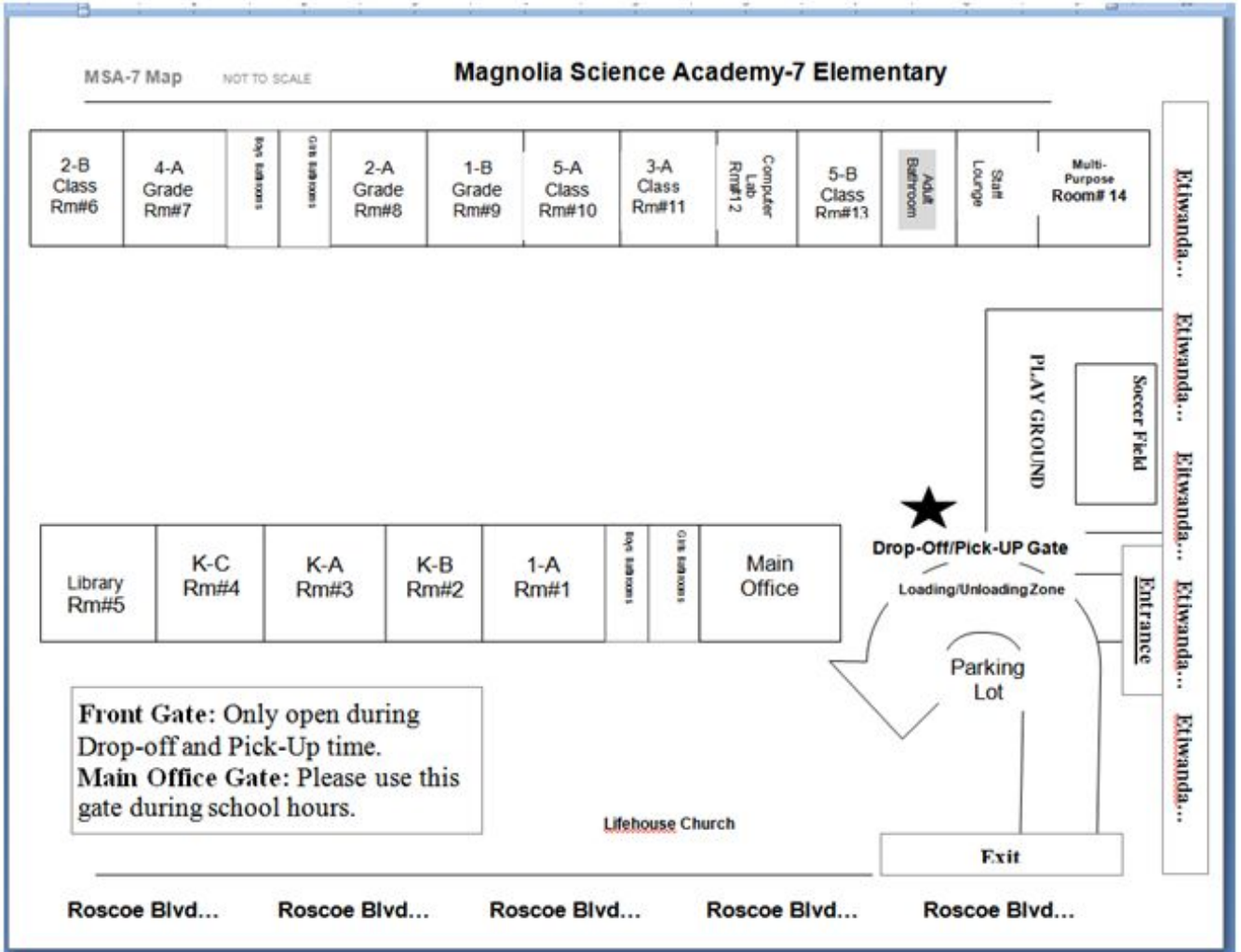
Component 2 - Physical Environment

- Goal(s): Maintain and upkeep a safe school campus

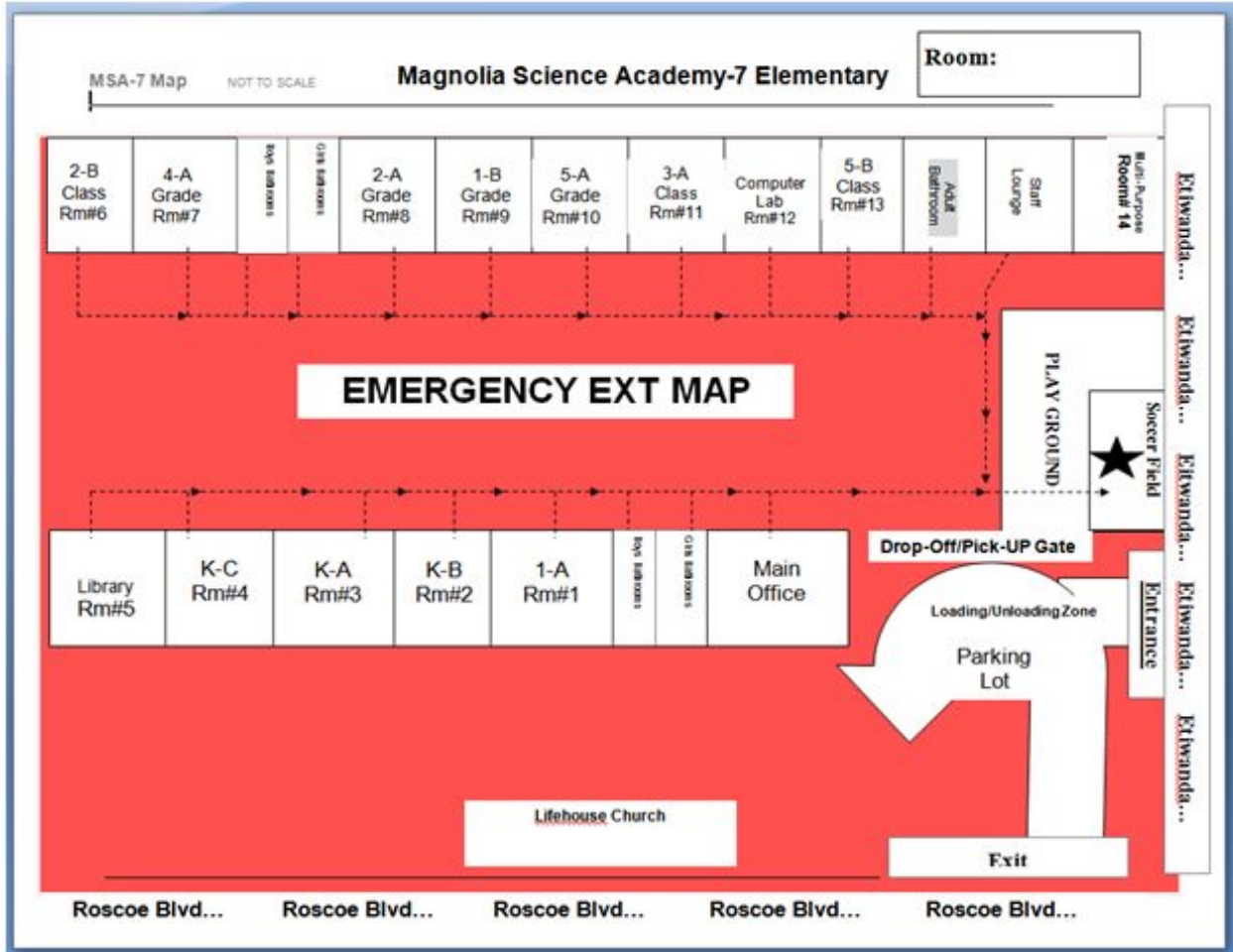
Objective: Monthly school personnel will complete a campus walk-thru form to identify any areas of need.

- Related Activities: Teachers can report concerns during weekly staff meetings.
- Resources needed: Walk-thru form, building supplies
- Person(s) responsible for implementation: Plant manager
- Budget: Refer to schools annual budget
- Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

MSA-7 School Map



MSA-7 Emergency Map



Emergency Drill Status Report

Magnolia Science Academy

DATE: _____

DRILL/EMERGENCY STATUS REPORT

RETURN TO THE ASSEMBLY AREA/INCIDENT COMMAND CENTER

TEACHER'S NAME _____ ROOM _____

TEACHER'S ASSISTANT'S NAME: _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

PARENT VOLUNTEER(S): _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

STUDENT VOLUNTEER(S): _____ PRESENT: YES ___ NO ___

TYPE OF EMERGENCY DRILL:

FIRE: _____ DROP/TAKE COVER: _____ EARTHQUAKE: _____ LOCK DOWN: _____

SHELTER IN-PLACE: _____ EVACUATION: _____ OTHER: _____

ALL STUDENTS ACCOUNTED FOR: YES: _____ NO: _____

MISSING OR UNACCOUNTED FOR:



INJURED STUDENTS/PERSONS & LOCATION:

STUDENT(S)	LOCATION

OTHER:

STUDENT WHO ARE ABSENT:	STUDENT WHO LEFT EARLY:

Emergency Drill Data Sheet

MAGNOLIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS EMERGENCY DRILL DATA WORKSHEET

Use this form to record your drill information

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire | <input type="checkbox"/> Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop" |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earthquake drill with evacuation | <input type="checkbox"/> Campus Protection or "Lockdown" |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter in Place | |

Date: ___/___/___

Name: Meagan Alonso Position: Assistant Principal

E-Mail: malonso@magnoliapublicschools.org Location Code: 8014

1. What type of alert system did you use to alert students/staff of the drill?
 Fire Alarm/Bell Voice through Intercom/PA Bull Horn Whistle

(Omit #2 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")
 Time Drill Started: ___ (am / pm) Time Drill Completed: ___ (am / pm)

3. Total number of staff involved in the drill activity? ___
 4. Total number of students involved in the drill activity? ___
 5. Did any special needs students participate in the drill? If yes, about how many? ___
 6. Did you encounter any challenges with the special needs children? (Y/N) ___
 7. If yes, please describe challenges: _____

(Omit #8 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Shelter-in-Place", "Drop" & "Lockdown")
 8. How long did it take to evacuate all buildings? ___ (minutes)
(Time from START of drill to the time when last staff or student arrived at the staging area.)

- (Omit #9 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")*
 9. Did you establish an Incident Command Post? (Y/N) ___
 10. Did staff bring the School Emergency Response Box to the assembly area? (Y/N) ___
(Omit #11, 12 & 13 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

11. Did you use any supplies during the drill? (Check all that apply)
 Yes, our staff took supplies out their storing area.
 Yes, our staff used the supplies during the drill.
 No, we did not use emergency supplies.
 12. Were parents notified either before or after the drill? (Y/N) ___
 13. How were parents notified? (method) ___
 14. Did any parents participate in drill? If yes, about how many? ___
 15. What did parents do? _____
 16. Did you encounter any behavioral problems (non-participation, student/staff distractions, etc.) during the drill? If yes, please briefly describe any problems.

17. Did you encounter problems with any of the following?

(Omit # 'd, e, & f' for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")
(Omit # "f" for Campus Protection or "Lockdown")

	Yes	No	Briefly describe these problems:
a. Alert System	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b. Students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
c. Staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
d. Parents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
e. Supplies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
f. Evacuation Route	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

18. Did you debrief after the drill? (Y/N) ___
19. What were the three top lessons learned?
 1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____
20. How can this drill be improved in the future?

Administrator's Name _____ Administrator's Signature _____

Emergency Drill Calendar **2019-2020 and 2020-2021**

August

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

September

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)
- Lockdown Drill

October

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill
- Take Cover Drill

November

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

December

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

January

- Fire Drill
- Lockdown Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

February

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill
- Take Cover Drill

March

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)
- Lockdown Drill

April

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

May

- Fire Drill
- Earthquake Drill (Drop/Cover/Hold)

June

- Fire Drill

Insurance Claim Forms

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Liability Incident Call-In Report

*(This form is confidential and should **NOT** be given to parents, guests, or third parties.)*

Charter School: _____ Location / Site: _____

School Administrator's name: _____

Title: _____

Address where incident occurred: _____

Type of Incident:

Parent/guest incident ____ Parent/guest complaint/allegation ____ Employee
complaint/allegation ____

Name of person(s) filing complaint: _____

Date of incident: _____ Time: _____ AM _____ PM _____

Legal complaint or attorney letter received? ____ Yes ____ No (if yes, please fax a copy
with this report)

Specific location (e.g. *northwest corner of Building G*) where incident occurred: _____

Staff member responsible at the time of this incident: _____

Contact Information: Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Name of person to whom the incident/complaint was reported: _____

Contact Information: Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

If the incident/complaint was not reported immediately, why not?

Cause of incident or complaint (check any that apply):

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Trip/slip/fall | <input type="checkbox"/> Employment dispute |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Allegation of neglect/unsafe conditions | <input type="checkbox"/> Wrongful termination complaint |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Allegation of discrimination or abuse | <input type="checkbox"/> Special education complaint |

(Please describe in detail): _____

Check any of the following possible causes which may apply:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Failure to follow proper policy | <input type="checkbox"/> Retaliation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inattention | <input type="checkbox"/> Act of other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carelessness | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol/drug use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unreasonable demands | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsafe act |

What steps have been taken or recommended to prevent or reduce the likelihood of a recurrence?

Comments:

WITNESS INFORMATION (use separate sheet for additional witnesses)

Name: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

Please call in to hotline to report as a claim.

(877) 263-9904

Do not fax report; the JPA will receive a copy from the hotline.

HOST Crisis Help

Home Office Support Team

Always call 911 first when a life-threatening emergency is in place! You can call Suat Acar, the Chief Operations Officer, anytime by skipping the below process to get direct guidance. In case you cannot reach the Chief Operations Officer you may call our CEO Mr. Rubalcava or Dr. Brenda Lopez for immediate assistance.

- 1- The principal or the dean (Admin) is informed about an emergency or a crisis situation
- 2- If possible, the admin investigates and provides an incident report to the host@magnolia email. In case of urgency the admin or designee sends an email to host@magnolia immediately then provides the incident report later.
- 3- Suat Acar directs the conversation to the related, appropriate home office staff for further follow-up. Either Suat or related home office staff start a text message conversation for quick, instant communication
- 4- Case follow up report to be provided to host@magnolia by the related home office staff and the school admin.
- 5- If the case investigation, follow up needs further time the related home office staff will follow up with the admin.

Possible emergency cases, crisis situations:

- * Lock downs (Active shooters or etc.)
- * Natural Catastrophes, major tragic events that took place on or around the school grounds that may affect the school's schedule or programs

Additionally, the following number is used as the crisis group call in line as necessary

Phone Number: 1 (669) 224-3412

Access Code: 921-759-077



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INCIDENT COMMAND TEAM

POSITION	ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES	PRIMARY NAME	BACKUP NAME
Incident Commander	During a crisis, directs all crisis operations, verifies facts, contacts LD, and coordinates all crisis response and intervention services.	Hernandez, Jason	Prado, Arturo
Crisis Team Leader	Coordinates all crisis team response, including triage, assessment, and crisis counseling for students, staff, & parents.	Prado, Arturo	Hernandez, Jason
Public Information Officer (PIO)	Official spokesperson for an incident. Includes preparing Blackboard Connect and other communications for staff and parents, identification of media locations and updates.	Hernandez, Jason, and/or MPS, and/or LAUSD	Lopez, Marisol
Psychological First Aid	Team provides psychological/emotional support and crisis counseling for students, staff, and parents.	Prado, Arturo	Gutierrez, Ashley
First Aid/Medical	Team ensures that first aid supplies are available and performs medical first aid/triage.	Lopez, Marisol	Elias, Leslie
Security	Team ensures school site security, secures gates, and performs short-term repairs and shutoff of utilities as necessary.	Escarzaga, Jaime (LAUSD)	Padilla-Perez, Marvin (LAUSD)
Request Gate	Team processes requests for student pick-up.	Acosta, Fabiola	Elias, Leslie
Reunion Gate	Team reunites students and parents at Reunion Gate.	Cervantes, Wilkins	Gomez, Jazmin
Logistics	Provides all incident support needs such as facilities, transportation, communications, supplies/equipment and food services; includes adjusting schedules and menus, as needed.	Escarzaga, Jaime (LAUSD)	Padilla-Perez, Marvin (LAUSD)

Communications	Team maintains log of incident actions and all documents associated with the emergency; maintains status board of incident actions, monitors phone calls, television, radio and social media for information.	Prado, Arturo	Lopez, Marisol
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THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAM CHART

<p>This chart identifies the members of the suicide/threat risk assessment team and their responsibilities at the school site. "Backup" staff should be identified for each team member in the event of an absence.</p> <p>A threat is defined as the expression of a willful intent or desire to inflict harm that would likely result in death, bodily injury, physical damage to property, or disruption to institutions or District-sponsored activities. A threat may be direct, indirect, verbal, non-verbal, written, or electronic and may target an individual, a particular group on campus, the entire school, or the community. The multi-disciplinary Threat Assessment Team may include, but not be limited to, an Administrator, a Los Angeles School Police Department Officer, and a mental health professional (e.g., for students, a Psychiatric Social Worker, School Psychologist, Pupil Services and Attendance Counselor, or School Mental Health Administrator if the person making the threat is an adult). The person making the threat, the targeted individual(s), or witness(es) should not be part of the threat assessment team meeting.</p>			
POSITION	ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES	PRIMARY NAME	BACKUP NAME
Administrator (Principal, Assistant Principal, or Administrative designee)	Takes charge of the suicide/threat risk incident, convenes the Suicide/Threat Risk Assessment Team, designates specific roles to team members (securing campus safety, assessment, gathering information, documentation, etc). Coordinates all information, referrals, safety planning, and monitoring.	Prado, Arturo	Hernandez, Jason

<p>Mental Health Professional (For Student Suicide/Threat Risk Assessment: Psychiatric Social Worker, PSA Counselor, School Psychologist) (For Adult/Employee Workplace Violence Risk Assessment: School Mental Health Administrator)</p>	<p>Assists with the risk assessment, gathering background information, including interviews and statements from the person of interest & witnesses. Identified as the Suicide Prevention Liason. Brings mental health and trauma expertise in working with students & families.</p>	<p>Prado, Arturo (Student Threat Assessment) Hernandez, Jason (Adult Workplace Violence Assessment)</p>	<p>Gutierrez, Ashley (Student Threat Assessment Backup) Prado, Arturo (Adult Workplace Violence Assessment Backup)</p>
<p>Law Enforcement (Los Angeles School Police Officer-resident or patrol officer; Los Angeles Police Department; LA County Sheriff's Department)</p>	<p>Responds to situations of risk of violence to self or others. Assists with assessment and application/ transport for a psychiatric evaluation, as needed. Determines whether threat is a criminal threat; actions may include arrest, citation, or other investigative responsibilities. Assists with identifying criminal background of person of interest.</p>	<p>Navarro, Alfredo</p>	<p>LASP at Bell High School</p>

SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM

The Search and Rescue Team performs search and rescue operations.			
Meeting Location (Inside)	OUTDOOR BASKETBALL COURTS		
Meeting Location (Outside)	DEBS PARK		
Search and Rescue Team 1			
The Search and Rescue Team is responsible for preparing and performing search and rescue operations during an emergency. All Search and Rescue Team 1 Must have FOUR members.			
Team Leader	Member 2 / Alternative Leader	Member 3	Member 4
Prado, Arturo	Morales, Hugo	Hernandez, Corina	Yao, Lauren

SECURITY/UTILITIES TEAM

Ensures site security of the school site and short-term repairs.			
Meeting Location (Inside)	CONFERENCE ROOM		
Meeting Location (Outside)	TRIAGE		
Team Leader	Member 2 / Alternative Leader	Member 3	Member 4
Escarzaga, Jaime (LAUSD)	Padilla-Perez, Marvin (LAUSD)	Cervantes, Wilkins	

FIRST AID/MEDICAL TEAM

Ensures first aid supplies available and administered.
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Meeting Location (Inside)	CONFERENCE ROOM		
Meeting Location (Outside)	TRIAGE		
Team Leader	Member 2 / Alternative Leader	Member 3	Member 4
Lopez, Marisol	Elias, Leslie		

FIRE SUPPRESSION/HazMat TEAM

Extinguishes fires and evaluate the potential chemical spills			
Meeting Location (Inside)	CONFERENCE ROOM		
Meeting Location (Outside)	TRIAGE		
Team Leader	Member 2 / Alternative Leader	Member 3	Member 4
Payton, Geoffrey (LAUSD)	Canchola, Joseph (LAUSD)		

PSYCHOLOGICAL FIRST AID/CRISS TEAM

Provides psychological counseling for students and staff.			
Meeting Location (Inside)	CONFERENCE ROOM		
Meeting Location (Outside)	TRIAGE		
Team Leader	Member 2 / Alternative Leader	Member 3	Member 4

Gutierrez, Ashley	Prado, Arturo		
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REQUEST/REUNION GATE TEAM

Request Gate team - Processes requests for student pick-up	Reunion Gate Team - Reunites parents with students
Request Gate Team Meeting Location (Outside) Ernest Debs Park	Reunion Gate Team Meeting Location (Outside) West Gate
Team Leader - Fabiola Acosta Alternative - Leslie Elias	Team Leader - Wilkins Cervantes Alternative - Jazmin Gomez

SUPPLY/EQUIPMENT TEAM

Ensures adequate supplies and equipment			
Meeting Location (Inside)	CONFERENCE ROOM		
Meeting Location (Outside)	TRIAGE		
Team Leader	Member 2 / Alternative Leader	Member 3	Member 4
Prado, Arturo	Hernandez, Jason		

DOCUMENTATION/COMMUNICATION

Maintains emergency log including financial information and analyzes situation and updates Incident Command			
Team Leader	Member 2 / Alternative Leader	Member 3	Member 4

Lopez, Marisol	Hernandez, Jason		
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ADDITIONAL CONTACTS

Complex Project Manager - Escarzaga, Jaime (LAUSD)	LD Administrator of Operations - Webb, Alfonzo (LAUSD)
LD Operations Coordinator - Hernandez, Paul	LAUSD Office of Communications - (213) 241-6766
School Nurse - Okiyefa, Justina (LAUSD)	Bus Dispatch - (800) 522-8737
Electric Company - SCE	Gas Company - The Gas Company
Nearest Pediatric Emergency Room (up to age 20) - St. Francis Medical Center	
Nearest Hospital - St. Francis Medical Center	Hospital Phone Number - (310) 900-8900
Nearest Medical Clinic - Clinica Medica	Medical Clinic Phone Number - (323) 581-8485
Fire Station - LA County Fire Department 165	Police/Sheriff Station - Bell Police Department

**ORCHARD ACADEMIES
SCHOOL SITE MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION CHART**

2A	ROOMS	2B	ROOMS	2C	ROOMS
SEARCH & RESCUE		SEARCH & RESCUE		SEARCH & RESCUE	
TEAM 1		TEAM 2		TEAM 4	
Hugo Morales Corina Hernandez Lauren Yao	D106, D107	1.E. Rios 2.U. Villa	D210, D209	1. D. Palacios 2. L. Rivas	D310, D309
	D108, D109		D208, D212		D308, D312
	D110, D111		D207, D212		D307, D312
	D112, D113		D206, D213		D306, D313
	D114, E101		D204, D214		D304, D314
BACK-UP	Boys and Girls Restrooms		Textbook, Fitness, Gym (Boys & Girls) Boys and Girls Restrooms		Boys and Girls Restrooms, Main Office, Parent Center,
Justin Mitchell Daniel Cortez		TEAM 3		TEAM 5	
	E104, E105	1. N. Diaz 2. F. Bustamante	E201, E222	1. P. Sanders 2. I. Gomez	E301, E322
	E106, E107		E204, E205		E304, E305
	E102, E103		E206, E203		E306, E303
	E125		E202, E207		E302, E307
	C125		BOYS, GIRLS		Library, Music, Drama, Dance (C203, C202)
			Cafeteria (student & Staff),		
Security/Utilities		First Aid/Medical	Crisis Team	Request Gate	Reunion Gate
J. Escarzaga		1. Nurse 2. S. Perkins (2B) 3. A. Arteaga (2B) 4. L.Conde-Leite(2B) 5. M. Lopez (2A)	1. A. Gutierrez (2A) 2. B. Padilla (2B) 3. I. Ruiz (2C) 4. Psychologist 5. PSA 6. PSW	1. S. Herrera (2C) 2. M. Padron (2C) 3. A Brunet 4. D.J. Jimenez (2B) 5. F. Acosta (2A) 6. L. Elias (2A)	1. W.Cervantes(2A) 2. C. Moran (2C) 3. Y. Herrera (2C) 4. L. Galindo (2C) 5 L. Colin (2B) 6. J. Gomez (2A)
Command Center	Room Clear		Room Clear	Emergency Bins	Room Clear
1. G. Llamas (2C) 2. J. Hernandez (2A)	J. Hernandez A Prado (2A)		L. Gomez (2B)	1. L. Gomez Alt. J. Escarzaga	G. Llamas

Emergency Evacuation Procedures:

Search & Rescue Teams - after taking attendance inform the teacher next to you and report to the emergency bins and wait until your team has assembled. Classrooms and all non-instructional rooms will be cleared by **L. Gomez**

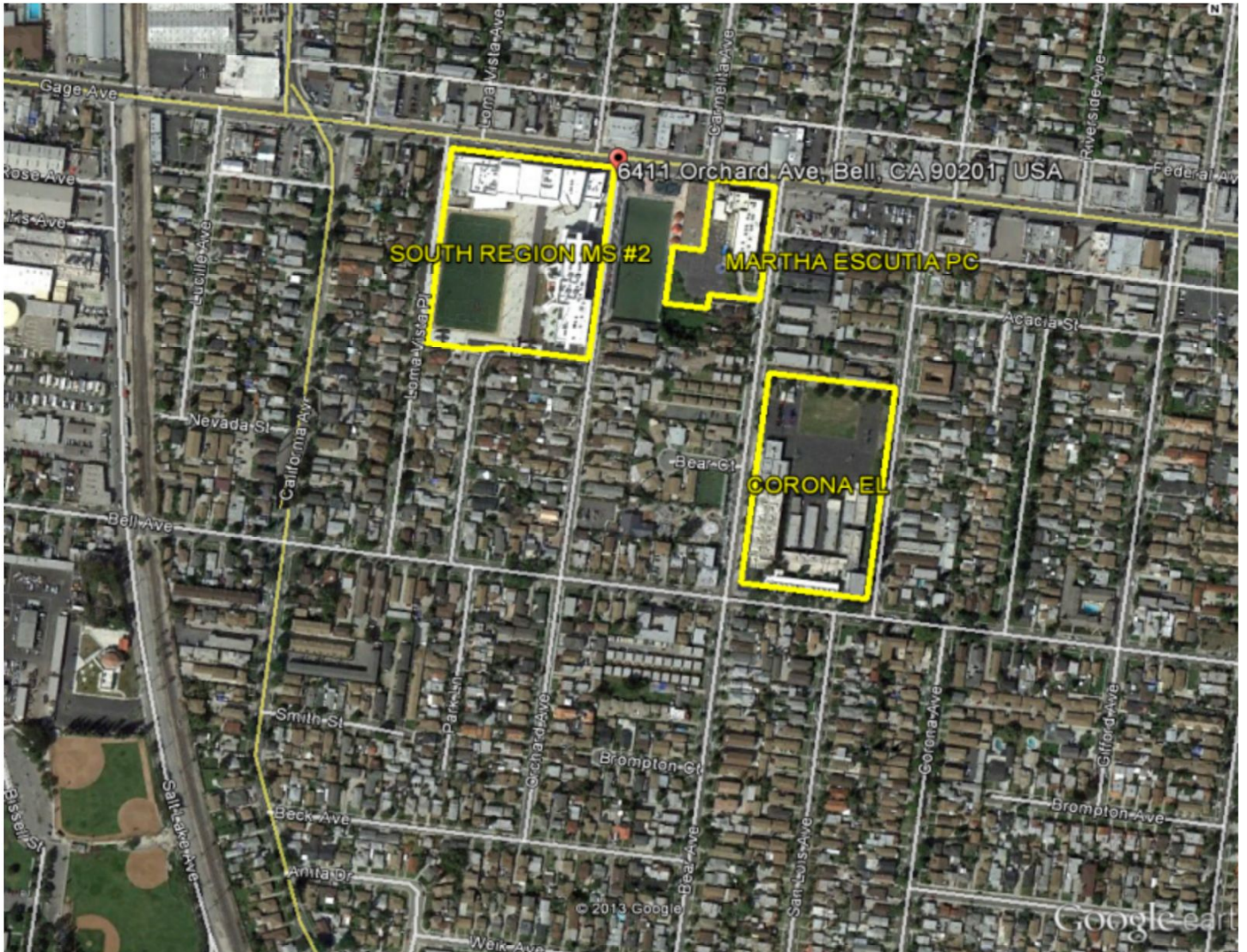
Command Center – Ensure that all students, teachers, and staff are accounted for and will be cleared by **G. Llamas** and **J. Hernandez**. *Campus Aides, Custodial Staff, Cafeteria Staff, Request Gate and Reunion Gate Personnel* will report to **Command Center: G. Llamas and J. Hernandez**.

Triage – First Aid/Medical and Crisis Team personnel need to report to **S. Pekins and Nurse**.

Security/Utilities – Secure gates and entry points – Shutdown: gas, electrical, and water when necessary.

Shelter In Procedures/Lock Down: Listen for PA announcement – Students and Staff are to remain in doors and account for all students. During non-instructional time, students and staff are to enter the nearest building/classroom with teacher supervision. **Classroom door needs to be locked, windows and blinds need to be closed and students need to move away from windows. Office staff** will contact classrooms/rooms and account for teachers and students. **Administrators, counselors and campus aides** will secure individual floors and entrances. Administrator(s) will send Blackboard Connect message to parents and provide script to office staff. **Custodial staff** will secure perimeter gates and follow shutdown procedures as necessary.

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1. Introductory Material

1.1 Certification Page

Los Angeles United School District
Integrated Safe School Plan

School: ORCHARD ACADEMIES 2B

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The Safe School Plan was developed and approved using a collaborative process respectful of representation/input from all stakeholders Groups. All required Committee members must sign the certification page.

Title:	Name:	Signature:	Date Signed:
Required Committee Members:			
Principals:	GOMEZ, LUIS	_____	_____
UTLA Chapter Chair:	REINA, KARLA	_____	_____
Classified Representative:	PERKINS, SHARON	_____	_____
Student (Secondary) Representative:	Padron, Diana	_____	_____
Parent (of an attending student) Representative:	Padron, Maria	_____	_____
Law Enforcement			
Los Angeles School Police:		_____	_____
Or			
LAPD/LA County Sheriff/ Local Jurisdiction Agency:		_____	_____

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1.2 Record of Changes

Change Number	Date of Change	Name	Summary of Change
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1.3 Overview

National preparedness efforts, including planning, are now informed by Presidential Policy Directive (PPD) 8, which was signed by the President in March 2011 and describes the nation's approach to preparedness. This directive represents an evolution in our collective understanding of national preparedness, based on the lessons learned from terrorist attacks, hurricanes, school incidents, and other experiences.

PPD-8 defines preparedness around five mission areas: Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery.



Prevention means the capabilities necessary to avoid, deter, or stop an imminent crime or threatened or actual mass casualty incident. Prevention is the action schools take to prevent a threatened or actual incident from occurring.

Protection means the capabilities to secure schools against acts of violence and manmade or natural disasters. Protection focuses on ongoing actions that protect students, teachers, staff, visitors, networks, and property from a threat or hazard and the capabilities necessary to avoid, deter, or stop an imminent crime or threatened or actual mass casualty incident.

Mitigation means the capabilities necessary to eliminate or reduce the loss of life and property damage by lessening the impact of an event or emergency and reducing the likelihood that threats and hazards will happen.

Response means the capabilities necessary to stabilize an emergency once it has already happened or is certain to happen in an unpreventable way; establish a safe and secure environment; save lives and property; and facilitate the transition to recovery.

Recovery means the capabilities necessary to assist schools affected by an event or emergency in restoring the learning environment.

2. Plan Development

State law requires that schools be adequately prepared to respond to earthquakes, fires, and other emergencies. To assist schools in complying with these requirements, the LAUSD developed the Integrated Safe School Plan for use as a template in the preparation of emergency procedures for each of the LAUSD schools. Emergency management teams and procedures outlined in this plan are consistent with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) developed by the State of California. This plan presents specific procedures using Incident Command System (ICS) principles to prepare for, and respond to, school emergencies.

1.4 Goals

People and Programs Goal #1: Our discipline committee will continue to meet throughout the year to address commitments to revisit issues that need to be addressed.

People and Programs Goal #2: We continue to have 96% or greater in daily attendance. We will focus on students that fall under the chronic absent category.

Threat / Hazard: Earthquake

Threat / Hazard Goal: As a school site we will have an "Drop-cover- and hold on" drill at a minimum of every other month, as well as participating in the annual shake out drill.

Emergency Function: Lockdown

Emergency Goal: As a school site we will have an "Lockdown" drill at a minimum of every other month.

1.5 Plan Organization and Concept of Operations

The effective management of emergencies requires both adequate *emergency preparedness* and *emergency response* capabilities. This plan is organized into ten sections. Sections 1-4 give a plan overview and covers the mitigation and prevention activities that schools can implement before an emergency. Sections 5-6 focus on emergency preparedness, identifies the school's emergency response teams and defines the roles and responsibilities of team member. Sections 7- 8 presents guiding laws and guidance for determining the nature and extent of an emergency, as well as a series of initial response actions to be taken in an emergency. Section 9 describes the detailed emergency response procedures that will be used for the many types of emergencies that may be encountered in a school setting. Section 10 provides a series of appendices of supplemental emergency information including contact information, supply lists and evacuation routes. Standard forms, site maps, assessment results and other supporting information are also contained in the appendices.

2. Plan Development

2.1 School Safety Planning Committee Team

LAUSD recognizes that everyone, from the administration and staff to the parents and the community, has a role in helping schools create safe environments. Every school is responsible

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for establishing a School Safety Planning Committee, composed of all stakeholder groups, which is accountable for writing, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating a comprehensive, integrated plan unique to its safety needs. District personnel are to be aware of and must comply with District, State, and federal safety policies.

Required Team Members

Title	Name
Principal/Designee	GOMEZ, LUIS
UTLA Chapter Chair	REINA, KARLA
Classified Representative	PERKINS, SHARON
Student(Secondary) Representative	Padron, Diana
Parent(of an Attending student)Representative	Padron, Maria
Los Angeles School Police -OR-	
LAPD/LA County Sheriff/Local Jurisdictional Agency	
School Safety Planning Committee Chair	PAYTON, GEOFFREY

Suggested Team Members

Title	Name
Teacher	RIOS, EDGAR
Dean	
Cafeteria Manager	JUAREZ, ELENA
Plant Manager	ESCARZAGA, JAIME
School Psychologist	CLEMENS, JACOB
Counselor	
Physical Education Teacher	HOUGH, MARCUS
Nurse	OKIYEFA, JUSTINA
Health Education Teacher	PAYTON, GEOFFREY
PSW	GOMEZ VASQUEZ, YAJAIRA
Parent Center Director	PINEDA, MIRNA
PSA	CORONADO, SILVIA
Coach	

2.2 Mitigation and Preparation

To effectively prepare for emergencies, a series of assessments are presented in this section regarding mitigation and preparation.

2.3 Safe School Planning Committee Checklists

Essential Checklist: Safe School Planning Committee

- The School Safety Planning Committee is established and contains a broad representation of all stakeholder groups (students, parents, staff, and community).
- Schedule and publish the meeting dates for School Safety Committee.
- Send out a survey to faculty to ascertain who has the training, skills, interest, and aptitude for each assignment in the Safe School Plan. Log on to: <http://emergencyservices.lausd.net> and look under “Administrator’s Corner” for “Staff Survey”. You can also find examples of memos and letters you can use.
- Make the staff assignments in the Integrated Safe School Plan based on the results of the survey, recommendations from the School Safety Committee and consultation with the principal.
- Prior to adoption, the Integrated Safe School Plan has been reviewed and discussed by the School Safety Planning Committee and the administrative staff.
- A current copy of the Integrated Safe School Plan is available for public review in the Main Office. Additional copies are in the faculty cafeteria or lounge(s).
Staff members are made aware of how to access the Integrated Safe School Plan online, their emergency roles in the Plan, and how to print it.
- Verification of the public meeting is on file and includes the meeting announcement, meeting agenda, and sign-in sheets.
- The Integrated Safe School Plan has been evaluated and amended as needed by the School Safety Planning Committee no less than once a year to ensure that the comprehensive school safety plan is properly implemented [Ed. Code Section 35294.2(e)].
- Check all emergency supplies in the emergency bin, nurse’s office, classrooms and School Emergency Response Box. Check for expired or obsolete supplies. Order replacement supplies from the warehouse.
- Establish a “Continuity of Operations Plan” (COOP). Who will replace critical staff if they are absent for a prolonged period of time? Make sure the replacement staff has keys and job descriptions for their new duties. For an example of a COOP, see the Emergency Services web site: emergencyservices.lausd.net
- Check all school radios. If there is a problem, contact the Radio Unit at (323) 224-2411.
- Have faculty pick their neighboring classroom “buddy” that will check on each other during an evacuation. Create a list to make sure no one is omitted.

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- Create/update the staff cell phone contact list and add it to the appendices.
- Check your school's emergency contact phone list of District offices and support personnel to make sure it is current and accurate.
- Schedule fire drills and other emergency drills on the school's master calendar.
- Ensure that the school's emergency response box contains current and accurate lists.
- Review the school's emergency response procedures with your office/clerical/custodial and support staff. Make sure they are prepared.
- Review the school's emergency response procedures with Beyond the Bell, L.A.'s Best, Youth Services, and any other before or after-school staff. Make sure they are prepared and know how to respond to an emergency. Make sure they have access to any and all emergency supplies. Print them copies of the Integrated Safe School Plan and all contact lists.
- Direct staff to <http://STEPS.lausd.net> for online emergency training. Administrators can use the STEPS website to access on-line classes from FEMA in Emergency Management.
- Conduct a Vulnerability Assessment using the template provided on the Emergency Services website. Take STEPS class 406, "Conducting a Vulnerability Assessment," to learn more.

2.4 Plant Inspections

Inspecting and ensuring that all schools are clean, secured, all paths of egress are open and well-lit is essential to the safety and well-being of all students and employees of the Los Angeles Unified School District.

Essential Checklist: Plant Inspections

- A walk-through will be performed at least twice annually by the principal and plant manager to ascertain any unsafe conditions that are hazardous to the employees' or students' physical or mental well-being.
- The complete routes used by all students to travel to and from the assembly are used in an emergency should be inspected. Insure that there are no barriers to students with specific mobility needs.
- Within a month of the start of the new school year, the School Safety Committee will review the walk-through. A timeline for completion of necessary corrections will be reviewed and assessed monthly.
- ESCARZAGA, JAIME will be responsible for inspecting the campus regularly for the following conditions:
 - All non-structural hazards in classrooms and other sites where students are served will be eliminated. These hazards may include: Incompatible chemical storage; unsecured objects on high shelves; trees or shrubs that require pruning; trip hazards; exposed nails; screws or bolts; equipment in need of repair, or any other condition that could constitute a hazard. (See Form I - Safe Classroom Chart, found in Appendix A.)
 - All damaged fences will be reported and corrected as soon as possible.
 - Playground facilities and equipment will be inspected regularly for hazards. Repairs must be made as soon as possible.
 - All non-functioning lighting fixtures must be reported and corrected as soon as possible.

2.5 Hazards In The Community – Vulnerability Assessment

An LAUSD Vulnerability Assessment that assesses and evaluates hazards on and off-campus is available to schools at <http://achieve.lausd.net/2309> and is designed to be completed by the School Safety Committee. Completing this assessment provides additional information that will help the committee create a robust and informed Safe School Plan.

School administration should be aware of potential hazards in the community that can impact the school during an emergency. For example, knowing that a nearby facility uses toxic chemicals will assist in planning evacuation routes. The LAUSD Office of Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS) has conducted a survey of the facilities near every school. Site administrators should meet with their school safety officer and walk the neighborhood to be familiar with potential hazards in the community that could impact the school. These findings can be recorded on Form A - Emergency Hazard Assessment Summary, found in the appendices.

Site administrators should visit <http://www.lausd-oehs.org/industrial.asp> and select their school to see a list of the facilities near their campus. They should then print out the map of their school community that shows the exact location of these facilities. On the map of the school community they can mark any of the following hazards:

- Facilities containing toxic chemicals or radioactive materials.
- High voltage power lines and transformers.
- Transportation routes of vehicles carrying hazardous materials (truck routes or railroad right-of-way).
- Underground gas or oil pipelines.
- Water towers or tanks.
- Unreinforced masonry buildings that may collapse during an earthquake.
- Unique Site Specific Considerations.

The map and Form A from Appendix A should be retained with the Safe School Plan and be a reference during emergencies and evacuations.

2.6 Preparation and Mitigation for Students with Disabilities

Additional information is available in the Learning Zone STEPS courses 210 and 410.

Educators need to be aware of the needs and challenges of all students in their care. All emergency planning and preparation must take into account the requirements of students with disabilities and other specific needs. These students include some special education students as well as general education students who may need additional assistance during an emergency. It is crucial to prepare for the needs of these students and provide the necessary materials, resources, and personnel. Specific needs can be categorized into several, general groups:

- Mobility
- Visual
- Hearing
- Communication
- Cognitive
- Special Healthcare Needs

The needs of these students must be analyzed to accommodate student needs in emergency procedures including emergency notification, evacuation, and sheltering.

Employees who will assist students with disabilities need to be identified before the emergency, and practice techniques for assisting those students. They need to understand the capabilities and limitations of the population that they serve. They should rehearse their role at every emergency drill so that they and the children they assist will have confidence in the process. All students should participate in all emergency drills, which enables the students with specific needs and the employees who assist them to become familiar with one another and address any concerns before an emergency occurs.

Identification of Students with Specific Needs

The School Safety Committee and other stakeholders should compile a list of students with specific needs. The list should include students with temporary physical challenges as well as students with injuries or issues that may not qualify them for special education services, but who are still going to need additional assistance during or immediately after an emergency. Knowing the most fragile and dependent members of the school population will allow the school to prepare for the challenges and be successful during an emergency.

Information about students with specific needs can be gathered from many sources, including:

- School Nurse
- Parents
- Teachers
- IEP Meetings
- LRE Counselors

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- Students
- 504 Plan
- Counselors
- Meetings

The list of students with specific needs can be entered in the "Emergency Conditions" field of the Welligent database that stores LAUSD student medical condition information. Specific equipment and supplies needed to care for each student should be listed here as well. Periodically, the site administrator can print out an updated list. Details on using the Emergency Conditions field in Welligent are in the online Learning Zone course STEPS 422.

Lists of students with specific needs should be kept in the School Emergency Response Box and shared with the Operations Team Leader, who is in charge of the Search and Rescue Teams and the First Aid/Medical Teams. Both of these teams need to know the names and challenges faced by these students as it directly impact the response actions of those teams. The following items should be stored in the School Emergency Response Box in folders marked "Confidential":

- Class schedules for students with specific needs, so that Search and Rescue Teams will know where to look for students.
- Student emergency contact information for each identified student with specific needs.
- Welligent (Student Health Program) print-outs for students with chronic conditions who may require special or additional support from the Search and Rescue Team or First Aid/Medical Team.
- Information is available in the [LAUSD School Emergency Response Box Reference Guide](#).

Before an emergency, this information should also be shared with the Logistics Team Leader to make sure that specific supplies are available such as diapers, wheelchairs, etc. The Logistic Team should also be aware of the approximate number this population in the event that they need to order resources, such as buses, etc.

All students with specific needs during an emergency have been identified. The list of these students and their needs has been placed in the School Emergency Response Box.

The leaders of the Search and Rescue Teams, First Aid/Medical Team and the Logistics Team Leader know where to get copies of the list so that their sections can adequately address the needs of students with specific needs.

Emergency Notification for Students with Specific Needs

School administration must ensure that emergency notification systems at the school site are functional for all students in all locations on campus. Conducting regular emergency drills incorporating an emergency notification system, such as the fire alarm system and PA system, tests the system and identifies any non-functional elements. Drilling with the school's emergency notification systems also creates familiarity with the sounds and lights associated

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with emergencies for students with specific needs. Supplemental online alarm systems training courses STEPS 411 and 418 are offered through the Learning Zone.

- All students are familiar with the sound of emergency alert systems, as well as the location of alarms and lights.
- All students, including students with communications challenges, are aware of the procedures used to report an emergency.
- All students, as appropriate for their age and cognition, know the emergency actions to take associated with each emergency alert system or emergency PA announcement.
- Appropriate alternate emergency notification systems should be in place for students who cannot hear, including alternatives to emergency PA announcements (such as for a lockdown).

Administration should make sure that all alarm systems, PA systems, and telephone systems are functional as part of the regular campus inspection process. Back-up plans, such as a cell phone list should note individuals with specific needs.

Evacuation Concerns for Students with Specific Needs

As part of their planning process, schools will need to consider how they will assist specific needs students who cannot evacuate the building on their own. In almost all situations, students can be assisted or carried down stairs by two to four adults on the Search and Rescue Team. Rescue technique training is available online through the Learning Zone course STEPS 210. Multiple-story schools that need a Rescue Seat or Evac+ Chair, or training on using the Evac+ Chair should contact the Office of Emergency Services.

On an ordinary school day, some students with mobility issues attend classes on the upper floors of buildings and use the elevator to travel from one floor to another. If there is an emergency that includes a power failure or activation of the fire alarm system, the elevator will not function, and these students will need assistance getting to the ground floor. In addition, disaster debris or damage may be disorienting to others who normally use the stairs, such as blind students. Relocating upstairs classrooms of students with significant evacuation challenges to the ground floor should be considered for student safety.

Teachers are to use the buddy system during evacuation, so that one teacher can take two or more classes to the Assembly Area, while the second teacher or designated adult aide assists or waits with students who cannot evacuate on their own.

During an emergency, Search and Rescue Teams may need to rescue students who are trapped and cannot evacuate the building on their own accord. As they search buildings, the Search and Rescue Teams need to check for any students who cannot go down stairs.

To make sure that these students, identified assistants, and Search and Rescue Team members are familiar with each other, all students must take part in all campus emergency drills. It will only be through practice that team members become familiar with the students and their

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capabilities. Drills should also pose a variety of challenges, such as blocked stairways and compromised access to direct exits, so that students and staff learn alternate routes to the Assembly Area. Information is available in the [LAUSD Emergency Drills and Procedures Reference Guide](#).

All students with evacuation challenges have been identified and know: GOMEZ, LUIS

- Who will assist them during an emergency
- How they will be rescued during an emergency
- Where they should wait, if there is a designated location
- What equipment will be used (Rescue, Seat, Evac+ Chair, etc.)
- Where assistive evacuation equipment is kept

All staff members responsible for assisting students during evacuations are familiar with the evacuation buddy system and applicable assistive rescue devices and techniques.

A critical part of daily campus inspections is making sure that all access to the Assembly Area is open. All doors and exits should be open and work the way they were designed. Paved surfaces should be free of any obstruction. Blockages that are easily maneuvered by many can become overwhelming impediments to people with mobility challenges. All routes should be inspected to make sure they will service everyone on campus. This is especially true around construction sites, holiday decorations, and inclement weather.

Any person using a wheelchair who can travel without additional assistance proceeds directly to the school site Assembly Area. This school's specific plans for evacuation assistance includes:

Teachers will assist when needed.

Preparing to Shelter and Care for Students with Specific Needs

Once all students with specific needs have been evacuated from the building, the next challenge will be maintaining their physical and emotional safety until they can be reunited with a custodial adult.

Before an emergency, identify what specific supplies or materials are needed to provide round-the-clock care for students with chronic conditions or special healthcare needs. Much of this information may already be in the Welligent student database, although items only needed outside of school hours may not be included. The greater the student's needs, the more supplies that may be needed to be stored for emergency use.

Students who have greater or more individual needs will need additional support. School staff can create a backpack "go kit" with the necessary supplies in it, tagged with the student's name. The backpack should contain any and all materials needed to support that student, as well as any documentation that may be needed by first responders or outside support agencies such as paramedics or hospitals. The bag can be stored in the classroom with the teacher or in the emergency bin if none of supplies can be damaged by heat. Whenever the students

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evacuate the building, classroom employees must bring the backpacks with them. This school's specific plans for disaster assistance for students with specific needs includes:

2.7 Public Shelters

Please note that there are procedures that are followed by LAUSD before any school is used as a public disaster shelter. Public shelters are managed by the American Red Cross, and all shelter operations are coordinated through the Office of Emergency Services. Information is available in the [LAUSD Use of School Facilities in an Emergency or Disaster Situation Bulletin](#).

2.8 Assessments

The school site self-assessments that are completed online as part of the Integrated Safe School Plan process contain critical elements of safe and healthy school planning that must be completed to be in compliance with Federal law, State law, and District policy and procedures. A copy of each completed assessment is available in the Section 8, Appendices.

2.8.1 Health and Nutrition

Health services are provided by a school nurse to meet federal and state mandates and the health needs of students. The school ensures immediate and reliable access to medications, special diets, treatments and emergency care.

Information about the food services division is available and there are activities to increase participation in the school meal program. There is adequate time for students to obtain and consume their meals. Schools that have an after-school program offer healthy snacks provided by food the services branch.

2.8.2 Positive Safe School Environment

Student and Employee Security

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Review the information contained in [Bulletin 5721.1 "Student and Employee Security,"](#) with the students and staff at the school.
- Assign custodial personnel to check the campus for loiterers and trespassers, especially restroom areas, when opening and closing the building and grounds.
- Call School Police at (213) 625-6631 when assistance is needed on or adjacent to the campus.
- Develop in the event that regular means of communication are unavailable, classroom-to-office emergency communication plans.
- Implement a neighborhood school-watch program. Request residents to report any unusual activities on campus to the principal during regular business hours and to

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School Police or the local law enforcement agency during nights, weekends, and holidays.

- Develop strategies to control rumors concerning school or community incidents.
- Organize, under the supervision of appropriate school personnel, a team of volunteer parents, other community residents, and staff members to patrol the campus and the perimeter.
- Enforce dress code that prohibits the wearing of gang apparel or the use of gang-related symbols.

Responsibilities of Staff:

- Report to the Main Office or other designated office prior to proceeding to assigned classrooms or work areas.
- Lock classroom doors when working alone before or after school hours.
- Establish and maintain a buddy system when working in isolated areas or traveling to and from parking areas at the start and close of school.
- Exercise stringent control of assigned school keys and secure all personal valuables.
- Report any person loitering in or adjacent to parking areas, etc., or sitting in a parked car.
- Instruct students to avoid strangers and provide strategies for avoiding contact with strangers. Utilize the following resources as appropriate: LAUSD crime prevention programs, drug resistance programs (SANE), child abuse and traffic safety bulletins.

Campus Supervision

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Maintain a current supervision plan and schedules for staff carrying out the plan.
- Provide training regarding campus safety and campus supervision and schedule meetings for campus supervision updates.
- Inform all staff, students, and parents of the campus supervision plan.
- Have custodial personnel check the campus for loiterers and/or trespassers especially restroom areas when opening and closing the buildings and grounds.
- Review and post at all utilized entrances appropriate signs regarding weapons, visitors, trespassing, loitering, etc.
- Monitor or prohibit student access to cars during school hours
- Review with campus supervision personnel procedures related to the proper use, maintenance and security of issued hand-held and base radios. See “LAUSD Radio Unit Handbook for Local Campus Radio System,” or call the Radio Unit at (323) 224-2203.
- See that the school adheres to the District’s policy on closed campus. All exit gates, except the main gate, will be locked after the start of school. Student exit gates will be unlocked prior to dismissal time.

Locked Campus Policy

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Assign school staff member, volunteer parent, etc., to monitor the main entrance, issue a “Visitor’s Pass,” and direct all visitors to report to the Main Office upon arrival.
- Assign available school staff to monitor campus perimeter, known trouble spots, and all building and gate entrances during the course of the school day.
- Inform all students and parents/guardians that schools are closed campuses and that students are not allowed to leave the campus during the school day without the permission of the principal and the parent/guardian.

Key Control

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Maintain current records of the distribution of all keys.
- The issuance and receipt of all keys shall be acknowledged in writing and only with the written approval of the site-key administrator.
- Maintain a key safe or school vault in which keys that have not been issued are to be stored every night. Ensure that when not actually in the possession of authorized school staff, all keys, including custodial keys, are to be kept in a locked key safe or vault.
- Arrange to have all exterior doors of buildings opened and closed, as necessary.

Key Distribution:

- **Master Keys:** It is important to keep the number of master and specialized keys to a minimum to maintain site security. Master keys (“A” and “K”) shall be issued only to the plant manager, administrative staff, and Campus Police Officer. In addition, a maximum of five master keys may be requested for use by disaster emergency teams. These shall be maintained on a single ring at the site (in the key safe or vault) for emergency use only and are not to be used for other purposes.
- **Sub-master Keys:** Sub-master keys are to be issued only to school personnel who absolutely need them in the daily course of their responsibilities. They shall be returned to the key safe or vault nightly.
- **Classroom Teacher Keys:** Classroom teachers are to be issued only the keys to his/her classroom, storeroom, and cabinets and will be responsible for said keys. At no time shall a classroom teacher be issued a master key.
- **Substitute Teacher Keys:** Keys issued to substitute teachers and other District employees (maintenance, etc.) shall be returned daily.
- **Alarm Keys:** Three alarm keys will be issued to the site administrator who will be responsible for these keys. The administrator will designate the keys accordingly. No site will be issued more than three intrusion alarm keys without approval of the School Police Chief.

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Key Control Guidelines:

- Staff members shall be notified that unauthorized possession by any person, including employees, of any site key is a misdemeanor (Penal Code 469).
- Keys are never to be kept in classroom cupboards, filing cabinets, in or on teachers' desks, offices, or in staff mailboxes.
- Keys are never to be in the possession of students without the expressed written permission of the site key administrator. Keys are not to be loaned to students to open doors or gates.
- Staff is to be advised that prior to leaving any room, office, or work location, it is the employees' responsibility to double check that all doors and windows are closed shut and locked.
- Authorized personnel needing keys for the weekend or holiday activities will be issued keys which limit access to the room(s) or area(s) necessary for the weekend assignment. Prior written approval by the site key administrator must be obtained.
- At sites equipped with intrusion alarm systems, the School Police must be notified the week before the weekend or holiday that authorized personnel are scheduled to enter the site.
- All keys shall be checked and left with the site key administrator at the end of the school year or in the event of an assignment change.

Loss or Theft of Keys

The loss or theft of keys shall be reported to the Local District Office and School Police. In addition, the Maintenance and Operations Central Shops Lock Department shall be notified, via the trouble call line. The Lock Department will immediately rekey sensitive areas (such as the library, computer lab, cum room, etc.) only.

Plant Inspections

Responsibilities of the Designee for Inspecting the Campus Regularly:

Inspect the campus regularly for the following conditions:

- All nonstructural hazards in classrooms and other sites where students are served will be eliminated.
- All damage to fences will be reported and corrected as soon as possible.
- All graffiti must be removed as soon as possible (take photographs if necessary).
- All litter must be removed as soon as possible.
- Playground facilities and equipment will be inspected regularly for hazards. Repairs must be made as soon as possible.
- All nonfunctioning lighting fixtures must be reported and corrected as soon as possible.

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- Ensure that the following signs are posted, visible, and legible: Visitors' policy, a drug-, tobacco, weapon-, and violence-free school, and nondiscrimination and sexual harassment policies.
- The designated person shall be responsible for contacting the appropriate Maintenance and Operation department or District Unit responsible for correcting or repairing any hazardous or unsafe element on the school campus.

Restroom Cleanliness

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Site plans for each secondary school are to specify where student restrooms are located and when they will be open each day, and that they are adequate to serve student needs.
- Provide adequate supervision of restroom areas throughout the school day.
- Announce and encourage all students, including student leadership, to prevent vandalism and keep restroom areas clean.
- Involve parents in setting behavior standards to maintain clean, functioning restrooms on campus.

Responsibilities of the Plant Manager:

- Randomly monitor restrooms daily, daily inventory of any fixtures needing repair, and place a "trouble call" to report needed repairs.
- At secondary schools, supervise and monitor restroom attendant personnel.
- Before students arrive at school each day, inspect student restrooms to ensure that overnight crews have cleaned and stocked each restroom with paper and soap supplies.
- Assign restroom attendant or custodial staff so that, at a minimum of twice during each day, restrooms are spot-cleaned, cleared of trash, restocked with soap and paper supplies, and have floors that are dry and hazard-free.
- Schedule with the appropriate Maintenance and Operations department the "deep cleaning" of all restrooms three times per year.
- Complete and maintain daily restroom service logs at a disclosed site on the school campus.

Visitors to School Campuses

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Schools must develop and post a visitor's policy. The policy must not set arbitrary time limits regarding frequency and duration of visits and must be distributed to parents and staff annually.
- Inform parents in advance of the procedures for visiting the school.

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- Have all visitors report to the Main Office upon arrival. Visitors must wear a visitor pass and return the pass upon departure.
- Conduct a review to ensure that the appropriate and approved signs are posted regarding visitors, trespassing, loitering, and other requirements at all utilized entrances. Report persons loitering or trespassing on or adjacent to the campus to LASPD.
- Administrators have the authority under the California Penal Code, Los Angeles Municipal Code and the Education Code to report to the appropriate police agency any adult or minor over 16 years of age who enters a school campus and fails to adhere to the posted “Visitor’s Policy.”
- Responsibilities of the Parents/Visitors:
 - All campus visitors must have the consent and approval of the principal/designee within a reasonable period of time after making a request to visit the school.
 - Parents have the right to observe in the classroom in which their child is enrolled within a reasonable period of time after making a request.
 - Visitors are not to converse with the students, teacher, or instructional aides during the visitation.
 - Visitors are to keep the frequency of classroom visits reasonable (to be determined by the activity being observed).
 - Parents do not have the right to willfully interfere with the discipline, order, or conduct in any school classroom or activity with the intent to disrupt, obstruct, or cause substantial disorder in a place where a school employee is required to perform his or her duties.

Traffic Patterns and Drop-off/Pick-up Points

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Work with OEHS or School Police to develop an appropriate drop-off and pickup plan.
- Ensure through daily monitoring by designated staff that loading and unloading areas are “curbside” and designated to minimize student proximity to moving vehicles and that these areas are readily accessible to students.
- Confer with School Police as necessary to establish traffic patterns, and drop-off and pickup points that ensure student safety and minimize traffic congestion.

Safe School Collaborative

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- To identify key community stakeholders in relation to safety, including but not limited to, law
- Enforcement, probation, city attorney’s office, city and county human relations.
- To identify key LAUSD central and Local District personnel to provide consultation and

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- Support from for example School Operations, Organization Facilitators, Human Relations, Crisis Counseling, etc.
- To identify a multidisciplinary school safety team composed of members such as administrators, parents, teachers, campus police or security officers, health and mental health professionals (i.e., PSW, PSAC, School Psychologist, or School Counselor), after-school staff, etc.
- To identify a designated chair to convene the meetings, establish a need's assessment for the school and community related to safety concerns, identify goals and objectives, and assign roles and responsibilities.
- To work towards the development of safe passage to and from school for students.

Safe Passage To and From School

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Collaborate with the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS) to assess traffic, warning signs, school bus and parent loading zones, crossing guards, crosswalks, traffic signals, stop signs, etc. OEHS may be reached at (213) 241-3199.
- Confer with the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) or School Police in establishing safe pedestrian routes to and from school and appropriate student pickup and drop-off points. Schools may request copies of "Safe Routes to School" map from OEHS.
- Work with the Safe School Collaborative on safe passage.
- Review, distribute, and post "Back-to-School Safety Tips," which may be obtained from the School Traffic Zone Program.
- At elementary schools, encourage parents to walk their children to school.
- Schedule Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety assemblies through School Safe Traffic Zone at (213) 241- 7887 and/or Safe Moves at (818) 908-5341. The Principal should also ensure that teachers incorporate pedestrian and bicycle safety into classroom curricula.
- Recruit volunteers to participate in "Safe Crossings," a LAPD Volunteer Crossing Guard program. They will provide training and purchase of basic equipment (Schools must provide 15-20 volunteers).
- Inform students, staff and parents of designated "Safe Routes," student drop-off and pickup points, and safety procedures to be observed whenever there are moving vehicles in or around the school. This information should include bike helmet usage and should be distributed in a brochure to students and parents at the start of the school year.
- Report continuing traffic noncompliance problems to School Police at (213) 625-6631 or local enforcement agency.
- Ensure bus loading areas are designated and that loading and unloading of passengers takes place only within these areas.

Random Metal-Detector Searches

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- At the beginning of each academic year, inform all students and send a notice to the parents and guardians of all enrolled students advising parents and guardians of the existence and general terms of the District’s random metal-detector policy.
- Post signs in several prominent locations at the site advising that all persons on the premises are subject to search for weapons by the metal detector.
- Ensure that the search team is composed of certificated employees and augmented with other staff, as necessary. School Police may be requested to accompany the search team, but may not participate in the actual searching or wandling.
- Ensure that all search team members are fully informed of the metal detector search procedures and their responsibility to be respectful and sensitive to the right of privacy and other concerns of the individual being searched.
- Maintain documents containing the following information regarding all random metal detector searches conducted at the school:
 - Dates, times, and locations of searches conducted.
 - Classes where searches are conducted and the basis on which classes were selected.
 - The basis for selecting students within those classes who are searched and the number of student searches.
 - Name of the staff conducting the searches.
 - Items found or confiscated as a result of searches conducted.
 - Whether students were disciplined as a result of searches conducted, why they were disciplined, and how they have been disciplined.

Guidelines for Conducting Random Metal Detector Searches:

- Random searches are searches conducted without reasonable suspicion and must be “truly” random. Specifically, in advance of selecting particular students for a search, a pattern indicating which students are to be searched must be established. Search team officials must not deviate from the established pattern at any time during the course of the search.
- The search team official must be of the same gender as the student being searched.
- School administrators may not conduct, or allow to be conducted, random wand style metal detector searches of students’ persons, bags, backpacks, or purses in the classroom while class is in session
- Once students are selected for a search, they should be asked to bring their bags, backpacks, or purses with them to the location where the search will be conducted.
- School administrators may conduct or authorize pat-down searches of students when (1) the student gives consent or (2) reasonable suspicion exists. Administrators may not

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conduct, or allow to be conducted, pat-down searches to which students do not consent unless there is reasonable suspicion.

- “Pat-down searches” are defined as searches in which a school official or designated agent places hands directly upon the person or clothing of students.
- Circumstances giving rise to a reasonable suspicion exists when the metal detector activates during the course of a random search or when administrators receive a reliable tip that a particular student is in possession of a gun, weapon, or other dangerous object.
- Visually or manually inspecting the contents of students’ bags, backpacks, or purses can be conducted only when reasonable suspicion exists or when the student gives the searcher permission.
- Wanding the outside of a student’s bag is permissible. Prior to wanding, officials may ask students to empty their bags or pockets of any metal objects.
- Any person found to be in possession of a gun or other dangerous weapon as defined either in the California State Penal or Education Code shall be arrested. If during the course of a search, contraband that is in violation of published District or school policy or other regulations is observed, such items may be confiscated.
- Students who refuse to submit to a wand search consistent with the guidelines may be subject to
- Disciplinary action for defying the valid authority of school personnel.
- Searching Other Areas of the School:
 - A locker search plan of a minimum of ten lockers a day should be implemented.
 - These searches should be conducted on a daily basis and in a random selection pattern.
 - At the beginning of the academic school year, notification must be given to both students and parents regarding the implementation of daily random locker searches.

School Police/Local Law Enforcement

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Meet with the assigned School Police Officer and area Sergeant on a regular basis to share and discuss information related to campus activity and the site’s security operations and service needs.
- Review with staff the appropriate notification and protocol in reporting campus crime and incidents.
- Review with staff, on an ongoing basis, procedures related to the proper use and security of issued hand-held and base radios, with the assistance of LASPD, as necessary.
- Alert appropriate law enforcement agencies near school campuses and the respective Local District about incidents and events that may have repercussions at other locations.

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- Provide to staff safety bulletins and available information regarding incidents or situations that might impact personal safety or the school's education environment.
- Solicit neighbor support to assist with student safety to and from school by implementing a neighborhood watch program (such as the Safe House Program).
- Provide appropriate law enforcement telephone numbers to area residents and businesses and solicit their support in reporting unusual activities on and around the campus to School Police and the local law enforcement agency during nights, weekends, and holidays.
- When a local law enforcement agency notifies a site administrator with a request to disseminate information pertaining to a sex offender, contact School Police's Watch Commander (213) 625- 6631 and advise him/her of the material received. LASPD will serve as the District's liaison with the agency to determine the expectations for the information, distribution, and the scope of the disclosure.

Procedures When Calling for Service from Law Enforcement Agencies:

- Identify yourself and your location. Give callback numbers (office, cell, or pager) where you can be reached most easily.
- Summarize the nature of the problem or incident.
- Give the location of the problem incident.
- Describe the person(s) or suspect(s) involved: Provide a physical description (gender, ethnicity, age, height, weight, hair color and style, color of eyes, and clothing worn) and other known information (i.e., student, staff member, nonstudent, parent, other known or suspected gang affiliation, etc.).
- Describe weapon(s) involved, if any: Type, location (on person, in vehicle, etc.), and manner used (actual use, threat, etc.).
- Describe method of transportation used by person(s) or suspect(s) involved and last known direction of travel. Indicate motor vehicle, motorcycle, bicycle, bus, skateboard, skates, etc., (if motor vehicle, give color, year, make, model, and license plate number) and any other information (i.e., number of passengers in the vehicle).
- Request medical assistance, if needed (not if already requested through 911).
- Advise School Police Department if another law enforcement agency has also been contacted.

Responsibilities of the Los Angeles School Police Department (LASPD)

As peace officers, School Police Officers are expected to take appropriate steps to discourage potential law violations and head off potentially threatening situation. Their primary responsibility is to "keep the peace" by protecting students and staff from physical assault and school property from theft and destruction. The LASPD, while deployed at secondary schools will work closely with school-site administration, students, staff, community members, and local agencies to create a safe and secure school learning environment. Safe Passages and other

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specialized units, including detective personnel will work with the Campus Police Officer to ensure safety around the campus, enforcing all applicable laws fairly and impartially and providing a high visibility presence within safe passages area. Truancy, pedestrian, and motor vehicle violations will be addressed with the “spirit of the law” posture rather than a “letter of the law” posture in enforcement efforts.

Campus Police Officers will:

- Maintain a high visibility and patrol of the school premises, the prime objectives being the protection of pupils and District personnel, the security of District property, and the prevention of theft and malicious mischief to cars and other personal property of school personnel while on the school site.
- Investigate incidents that occur at any location that impacts the school and affects the orderly conduct of its operation.
- Develop and maintain a positive, professional and ongoing working relationship with the school-site administration, students, staff, school community members, and outside local and law enforcement agencies, to address and problem-solve safety crime and safety issues and to meet the school’s safety objectives and goals as established.
- Follow all procedures consistent with the District-established policies and School Police directives.
- Act in an advisory capacity regarding the need to involve local law enforcement agencies.
- Assist in the preparation, evaluation, and updating of the Integrated Safe School Plan.
- Serve as a member of the school’s Crisis Team and School Threat Management Team.

Responsibilities of Law Enforcement (School Police and Local Agencies):

- In instances, where law enforcement statutory requirements apply, the appropriate legal decisions are made by the police officer. While in most cases the situations will be obvious, in other less obvious instances, the legal decision will be made by the involved police officer, consistent with current Police Department and District directives and policies and in consultation with a LASPD department supervisor.
- A “Lockdown” of the campus is called by either a law enforcement agency or a site administrator to secure the school during police actions, campus intrusions, community incidents, or other real or perceived threats to the security of the school. The site administrator terminates the lockdown, after consulting with law enforcement.
- Properly identified law enforcement officer(s) are allowed to interview a student “in the presence of the principal or a teacher.”
- Properly identified law enforcement officers may remove a student from a school. Responsibility for parent notification of a student’s removal by law enforcement personnel rests with the school administration. The involved officer is also obligated to make parent notification.

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- The difficult task of delivering death notifications to next of kin is the responsibility of law enforcement personnel or the Los Angeles County Coroner's Office, who have been provided with the training and resources necessary to carry out such notifications. If a death has occurred on campus and a member(s) of the victim's family arrives at the school prior to being notified of the death by law enforcement, the family member(s) should be escorted to a private comfortable setting until law enforcement personnel arrive. If a member of the victim's family calls the school prior to notification by law enforcement, he or she should be asked to come to the school.

Role of Law Enforcement Personnel When a School Becomes a Crime Scene:

- Law Enforcement personnel will establish a crime scene at any time when preservation of evidence to a crime, or an investigation of a crime is in progress, to include, but not limited to: murder, suicide, death due to suspicious circumstances, or for other serious crimes involving students, staff, or others (crimes that include, but not limited to, vandalism, burglary, or arson). Only authorized law enforcement and fire department personnel are allowed inside the designated crime-scene area.
- The first police officer(s) to arrive on scene will have specific duties to perform to insure the protection of the crime scene and to assure that the crime is investigated properly. Despite the sometimes-chaotic nature that characterizes many crime scenes, the police must be permitted to do their job according to established procedures.
- A police supervisor or police officer will serve as the liaison with the school's administration.
- The law enforcement officer in charge will determine if and when crisis team members or other support personnel from outside the school can enter the campus to begin their intervention assessments and follow-up activities.
- Once potential witnesses have been identified, it is essential to keep witnesses separate to maintain and preserve the integrity, clarity, and objectivity of each person's account. Therefore, school administrators may be asked to provide multiple locations on campus to isolate witnesses for questioning by law enforcement personnel.

Inventory/Marking of School Equipment/Property

Responsibility for all school property rests with the principal. Teachers and other employees are held responsible for the care of all school property in their control. The principal ensures that District equipment is not loaned to any District employee, group, or other persons for personal use.

Child Abuse Reporting

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Discuss the child abuse reporting policy in depth with all employees two times a year (at the beginning of each semester).

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- Collect and file all individually signed statements acknowledging legal requirements and District policy concerning child abuse reporting.
- Ensure all employees have viewed and passed the on-line Child Abuse Awareness Training and conduct the Spring Child Abuse Awareness Training for all employees.
- Notify the appropriate Local District Administrator when a District employee is alleged to be the perpetrator in a child abuse report.
- When an allegation of child abuse has been made, District personnel are precluded from conducting an investigation or taking any action prior to or during the child protective agency/law enforcement investigation. Action includes, but is not limited to, interviewing witnesses, interviewing the alleged perpetrator, contacting parents of alleged victim, taking written statements, seeking verification of information, and taking disciplinary action. (Exceptions to this may include the temporary relocation of an employee.)
 - Always take some form of administrative action with documentation when advised to “handle it administratively” by law enforcement or when law enforcement has completed its investigation.
 - Maintain a confidential log of all known/reported child abuse cases.

Responsibilities of All Employees:

- View and pass the on-line Child Abuse Awareness Training and participate in the Spring Child Abuse Awareness Training conducted at the school site.
- Any District employee who has knowledge of, observes, or reasonably suspects an instance of child abuse shall report the known or suspected instance of child abuse to a child protective agency/law enforcement immediately or as soon as practically possible by telephone and shall prepare and send a written report thereof within 36 hours of receiving the information concerning the incident.
- The employee reporting suspected child abuse is not to verify the suspicion or prove that abuse has occurred.
- Investigation (questioning witnesses, obtaining written statements), notification (family, alleged perpetrator), counseling, and family intervention are the responsibilities of the child protective agency/law enforcement agency.
- District policy and State law requires that every employee who entered into employment on or after January 1, 1981, shall sign a statement to the effect that he/she knows of the requirements to report known or suspected instances of child abuse and will comply with such requirements. The employee need only sign the statement once at each site, not every year.

Guidelines for Child Abuse Reporting:

- Reportable victims include: child-person under the age of 18, and dependent adult, person 18-64 years of age who is dependent upon others for care.

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- Child abuse includes: physical abuse, sexual abuse, neglect, life endangerment, willful cruelty, and emotional abuse.
- If a child discloses that he/she was abused or an allegation of abuse is brought to the attention of any District employee, a report **MUST** be made as soon as reasonably possible and should not be put off until the end of the school day. School procedures may not require the reporter to disclose his/her identity to school personnel prior to or subsequent to making a report.
- A Child Abuse Report is to be made to only one child protective/law enforcement agency. School Police is **NOT** a child protective agency, and reports made to School Police are **NOT** a means of complying with the law.
- Child abuse reports are confidential. Reports are to be completed only by the designated reporter. The written report is to be completed and filed with the appropriate agency within 36 hours from the time that the allegation is received.
- The law enforcement officer or children's services worker who receives a report of suspected child abuse or neglect determines the course of action and has specific legal authority and responsibilities. The official may interview anyone in the course of the investigation and may take the alleged child victim into protective custody.
- Any person mandated by the California Penal Code who fails to report any instance of child abuse, which he or she knows or reasonably suspects to exist, can incur criminal, civil, and/or professional liability.
- No employee mandated under provisions of the California Penal Code shall be civilly or criminally liable for reporting suspected child abuse.

Incident Reporting

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Inform all staff as to the reporting/notification process.
- Identify and manage the users that will have access to the on-line ISTAR System.
- Report all incidents using the ISTAR System. Reports should be timely and thorough.
- The incident report is to be called into the Local District Operations Coordinator for appropriate follow-through.
- Regularly review incident reports, particularly those involving crimes, for trends and to identify and implement strategies to prevent future incidents.

Incident Reporting Guidelines:

An Incident Report is to be filed with the appropriate Local District for the following types of incidents:

- Any threat, including bomb and terrorist threats, to the school, individual student(s), or staff.
- Student or staff member injured or missing.

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- An assault or battery on a staff member.
- Serious infraction by a staff member.
- Any event involving police or fire departments.
- Life-threatening incidents and safety hazards.
- Serious campus disturbances (major fight, demonstration).
- Other emergencies.
- In anticipation of a serious event.
- Evacuations, lockdowns.
- Utility problem, i.e. shut-off or disruption of service.
- Construction problem preventing access.
- Noteworthy or media situations.

Parent Notification - *Parent-Student Handbook*

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Discuss the contents of the *Parent-Student Handbook* with all staff members.
- Require that each parent/student return a signed receipt indicating that they have received and read the *Parent-Student Handbook*.
- Implement a school-site system for collecting and maintaining a signed return receipt from each parent/student.

Responsibilities for Violence Prevention and Intervention:

Definitions:

Gang: A closely (or loosely) structured group of individuals who may express their identification by adopting certain dress attire and/or adoption of symbolic behavior to include nicknames of individuals, tattoos, hand signs, and the claiming of territory in a neighborhood. The activities of this group include criminal acts of violence, bullying/threats, and anti-social behavior.

Gang Member: A person who wears colors or symbols for purposes of declaring affiliation and committing illegal acts related to the gang, often, but not exclusively, of a violent nature.

Gang crime: An activity as defined by the penal code as against the law and committed as part of gang membership. This activity may include criminal acts of violence, bullying/threats, or anti-social behavior.

Primary Prevention: Taking action to decrease the likelihood that an emergency or crisis will occur. It is reducing risk factors and stressors, building protective factors, and increasing support. Primary Prevention includes activities aimed at the general population.

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Secondary Prevention: Taking action to decrease the likelihood that an emergency or crisis will occur. It is reducing risk factors and stressors, building protective factors, and increasing support. Secondary Prevention includes activities aimed at targeted at-risk students.

Intervention: The ability of staff or police to problem-solve situations prior to escalation by using all resources and means available. This could include counseling and mentoring programs.

Suppression: Heightened efforts by staff and police towards a particular problem which includes identifying the origin of the problem, such as iPod theft/robberies, increased communications to students and parents regarding the problem, as well as trying to identify the suspects. Suppression should always include efforts made towards ending the problem on a long-term basis, rather than the short term fix of catching the suspects and moving on.

Recruitment: Youth gang involvement may begin as early as elementary school. Children as young as 7-8 years are extremely vulnerable and may start acting out, adopting the style and language of a gang, and acquiring the status of a “wannabee.”

Reentry: The placement of students who are returning from Juvenile Camp School, Juvenile Hall, California Youth Authority (CYA), or other placement facilities. Counselors work to ensure student(s) enrollment in an appropriate instructional setting, where they are most likely to succeed.

Community Education: The use of a collaborative response to ensure that teachers, students, administrators, parents, community members, and all those charged with keeping children safe continue to be vigilant of all the complex issues involving youth gangs and youth gang recruitment efforts.

Bullying & Hazing Policy

Responsibilities for the Administrator:

- Investigate allegation of bullying thoroughly and maintain confidentiality throughout the investigation.
- Respond to incidents whether the involved parties are students or staff members.
- Take appropriate actions to resolve the situation.
- Notify the appropriate law enforcement authorities, when necessary.
- Document the investigation, interventions and resolution.

Responsibilities of Staff and Student Rights:

- Teachers must discuss with their students relevant aspects of the Bullying & Hazing Policy.
- Personnel are responsible for taking corrective action to prevent bullying in school, at school events, and to and from school.

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- A student has the right to report an incident(s) of bullying at any time without reprisal or retaliation.
- Bullying is a form of aggression in which a more dominant person(s) targets a specific person for the purpose of causing harm, fear or humiliation, and the behavior is unwanted and unprovoked on the part of the recipient.
- Bullying may be physical, verbal or electronic, and may be carried out in indirect ways, such as manipulating friendships, ostracizing classmates, or spreading rumors.

Hate-Motivated Incidents

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Respond quickly to incidents, whether the victims are students, staff, or community members.
- Ensure the physical safety of the victim and offer victim assistance, as appropriate.
- Investigate incident and take appropriate disciplinary action. If necessary, involve law enforcement and preserve evidence.
- Submit hate-motivated incident/hate crime report to the Local District office.
- Develop and implement educational programs and activities that foster human relations skills
- And combat behaviors of name-calling, harassment, discrimination, hate and bigotry.

Sexual Harassment Policy

Key Elements:

- All allegations of sexual harassment are to be treated seriously and investigated in a way that respects the privacy of all parties.
- All known incidents of sexual harassment should be documented. The “Complaint Record: Student Sexual Harassment” form found in [Bulletin 3349.1, “Sexual Harassment Policy-Students,”](#) is to be utilized once a complaint investigation is concluded, and a copy of the complaint record is to be forwarded to the Educational Equity Compliance Office.
- For procedures regarding employee-to-employee complaints of sexual harassment refer to District [Bulletin 1893.1 “Sexual Harassment Policy \(Employees\).”](#)
- Students and/or parents who file a complaint are to be informed of any remedial or corrective actions that are instituted to resolve the complaint.
- Complaints of sexual harassment are often sensitive, complex, and difficult to handle. There are both informal and formal processes described in responding to such complaints as outlined in [Bulletin 3349.1, “Sexual Harassment Policy \(Students\).”](#)

Title IX-Gender Equity

Key Elements:

Students have the right to equal learning opportunity in their school.

Students may not be required to take and/or may not be denied enrollment in a course because of sex, sexual orientation, or gender.

- Students shall be provided with counseling and guidance that is not discriminatory.
- Sexual harassment of or by school employees or students is a form of gender discrimination and is prohibited.
- Students and/or parents who file a complaint are to be informed of the findings of the complaint.
- Schools shall offer female and male students equal opportunities to play sports.
- Equipment, supplies, game and practice schedules, budgets, facilities, etc., offered to teams shall provide equal athletic opportunities for members of both sexes.
- No student applying for enrollment will be subject to discrimination on the basis of that student's pregnancy, childbirth, termination of pregnancy, or recovery.
- Any complaints of discrimination shall be handled in a confidential manner. The District will not tolerate retaliation in any form against the complainant for filing of a complaint.
- The informal and formal processes for investigating the complaints are found in [Bulletin 3349.1, "Sexual Harassment Policy."](#)

Intergroup Relations

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Designate a person(s) who may serve as a human relations coordinator of activities and services.
- Conduct a schoolwide assessment using surveys and dialogue questions provided by the Office of Human Relations, Diversity and Equity.
- Have in place a procedure where rumors may be reported and investigated. A mechanism such as a "problem box" could be centrally located and monitored regularly by an LAUSD designated staff member.
- Have in place a communication system that emphasizes facts and dispels rumors about people or events.
- Provide ongoing activities to support and encourage students, staff, and parents to intermingle for the purposes of promoting an appreciation of diversity and building community. Activities and resources are available from the Office of Human Relations, Diversity and Equity Tool Kit.

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- Trainings and workshops may be provided by LAUSD’s Office of Human Relations, Office of Educational Equity Compliance, and a variety of other approved local government or community organizations.
- Designate a point person(s) and procedures for managing peaceful resolutions of conflicts (e.g., LAUSD Restorative Justice Program, Peace Builders, and Safe School Ambassadors).

Gang Risk Intervention

Key Elements:

- Become familiar with gang groups, related activities, graffiti, apparel, etc.
- Provide staff development regarding gang prevention and intervention strategies.
- Provide parent in-service training regarding gang membership and activities.
- Develop a forum for discussion that brings together influential students (“natural leaders”) who represent all segments of the student population, including selected gang members.
- Collect information from law enforcement, probation, community-based organizations, and others to understand the scope of the school/community gang problem.
- Contact law enforcement agencies, gang experts, and formal/informal counselors to obtain strategies and related information. Probation officers can assist with students who are on probation.

School-Site Crisis Team

Responsibilities of the Administrator/Designee:

- Establish a safe, civil, and secure school environment.
- Establish a multi-disciplinary School Site Crisis Team, in accordance with the Integrated Safe School Plan (ISSP), Volume 3
- Ensure that the CPRR policy and all applicable protocols (see Section III) are implemented.

Suicide Prevention, Intervention and Postvention

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Designate Suicide Prevention Liaison(s) in the ISSP’s School Site Suicide/Threat Assessment Team.
- Respond to reports of students at risk for suicide or exhibit self-injurious behaviors immediately or as soon as practically possible.
- Monitor and follow-up to ensure that the risk has been mitigated through support and resources.

2. Plan Development

- Ensure that the Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention (SPIP) Policy (BUL 2637.3) is implemented.
- Provide follow-up to relevant staff such as Local District Operations, as needed.
- Report incident in Incident System Tracking Accountability Report (iSTAR) as appropriate and update, as needed.

Responsibility of all District employees:

- Beginning in 2018, all District employees must complete the online Suicide Prevention and Awareness Training annually. The training certifies that employees know the warning signs and risk factors for suicide, as well as what to do if they are concerned about a student who might be suicidal. See MEM-6910 Suicide Prevention and Awareness Training.
- Inform the school site administrator/designee and/or Suicide Prevention Liaison immediately or as soon as practically possible of concerns, reports, or behaviors relating to students who might be suicidal and/ engaging in self-injury.
- Adhere to the SPIP policy.

Student Threat Assessment and Management

Responsibilities of the Administrator/Designee:

- Establish a safe and respectful school environment.
- Establish a multi-disciplinary School-Site Threat Assessment Team, in accordance with the Coordinated Safe and Healthy School Plan, Volume 3.
- Ensure that the [Threat Assessment Management Policy](#) (BUL-5799.0) is implemented, including all applicable protocols (see Section III).
- Report incident in iSTAR as appropriate and update, as needed.

Responsibilities of all District employees:

- Adhere to the [Threat Assessment and Management \(TAM\) Policy](#) (BUL-5799.0) and act in accordance with the policy.
- Report any suspected threats to the site administrator or designee immediately or as soon as practically possible.
- Cooperate in the investigation of complaints by providing relevant information.

Employee or Associated Adult Workplace Violence, Bullying and Threats

Responsibilities of the Administrator/Designee:

- Establish a safe and respectful school or workplace environment.
- Ensure that the [Workplace Violence \(WPV\) Policy \(BUL-5798.0\)](#) is implemented.

2. Plan Development

- Investigate and respond to any verbal or written reports of violence, bullying or threatening behavior (see Attachment D).
- Monitor and follow-up to ensure that the behavior has stopped.
- Report incident in iSTAR as appropriate and update, as needed.

Responsibilities of all District employees:

- Adhere to the [WPV Policy \(BUL-5798.0\)](#) and act in accordance with the policy.
- Promptly report any suspected workplace violence behaviors to your site administrator or designee by completing the Workplace Violence Complaint Form, Attachment D.
- Cooperate in the investigation of employee workplace violence complaints by providing relevant information.

Discipline Foundation Policy <http://Disciplinepolicy.lausd.net>

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Assume a leadership role in School-wide Discipline Review Team. Everyone has a stake in responsible, respectful, safe behavior at school. This forms a foundation and an atmosphere that promotes learning and instruction. Administrative leadership is an essential ingredient of that foundation.
- Establish the School Discipline Review Team; support and monitor the Team's implementation of the School-wide Discipline Plan; evaluate the outcomes; and modify strategies as needed.
- Ensure school procedures effectively support the collection of data that accurately reflect students' behavior needs.
- Inform at the beginning of each academic year or as students enroll all students and parents/guardians about the school's behavioral expectations, responsibilities, and procedures.
- Ensure that students, parents/guardians, and staff have access to copies of the School-wide Discipline Plan, that students understand their responsibilities in learning the behavioral expectations, and the reinforcement and corrective procedures.
- Observe all due process rights when working with students whose behavior impedes learning or the learning of others, suspending a student, issuing an opportunity transfer to a student, or recommending that a student be expelled.
- Provide staff development on strategies, methods, and tools of implementing the School-wide Discipline Plan.

Responsibilities of Discipline Staff:

- Identify, teach, model, and reinforce behavioral expectations and correct misbehavior.

2. Plan Development

- Utilize office referral data and other disciplinary data to identify professional development needs, organize support systems for staff and students, and to analyze effectiveness of instruction on behavioral expectations.
- Utilize school resources including, but not limited to, SST, COST, IEP, to develop behavior support plan for students who exhibit behavioral challenges and implement the behavior support plan.
- Partner with parent/guardian and engage in parent education if necessary to bring about changes in student behavior.

Discipline Designee (Formal Discipline)

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Ensure that the District policy and procedures regarding student suspension and expulsion are fully implemented.
- Designate discipline staff and provide training focusing on investigation and school-site procedures of student suspension and expulsion.
- Students are only to be suspended from school when he/she has committed an act listed under Education Code section 48900, 48900.2, 48900.3, 48900.4, 48900.7, or 48915.
- Ensure that recommendations for expulsion are pursued when students violate Education Code 48915(c). Refer to Matrix for Student Suspension and Expulsion Recommendations.
- Do not suspend a student in absentia (i.e., suspend the student when the student is not present).
- Refer to [Bul-5655.3 Guidelines for Student Suspension](#).
- Students shall not to be suspended from school for any reason for more than five consecutive school days. Refer to Education Code 48911.
- Students in the general education program, including students served under a 504 Plan, shall not to be suspended for more than 20 school days in any school year or 30 days if the student transfers to another school. Refer to Education Code 48903.
- Students with disabilities shall not be suspended for more than 10 days in any school year.
- Refer to the Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual.
- Once a student has been issued a suspension, the suspension can only be rescinded by the Local District Administrator through an appeal process. The school site is not able to rescind suspensions. Refer to [Bul-5655.3 Guidelines for Student Suspension](#).
- Ensure that the school sends a certificated staff member and appropriate witness(es) to present an expulsion case or testify at the expulsion hearing.
- The school is responsible for sending a certificated staff member and appropriate witnesses to present the case or testify at the ERC hearing.

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Responsibilities of Discipline Staff:

- Conduct a thorough investigation, collaborate with other school staff including law enforcement, and provide evidence to the school principal/designee for a decision on the formal discipline.
- Notify the parent/guardian in a timely manner whenever his or her child is referred for disciplinary action.
- Enter all suspension information (school suspension, in-school suspension, and class suspension) into Student Information System (SIS) and record all remedial interventions.
- Advise the parent/guardian regarding the appeal process whenever the parent/guardian disagrees with the administrator's decision to suspend.
- Do not practice "informal suspension" (e.g., telling a parent to keep a child home without an official suspension notice) Refer to [Bul-5655.3 Guidelines for Student Suspension](#).

A teacher may suspend a student from class for any of the acts enumerated in Education Code 48900.

1. A teacher should report the suspension to the principal and send the student to the principal/designee for appropriate action, which includes appropriate supervision. [Bul-5655.3 Guidelines for Student Suspension](#) and Education Code 48910.
2. A student shall not be placed in another regular class during the period of suspension.
3. The student shall not return to the class during the period of suspension without the concurrence of the principal and the teacher. If the student is assigned to more than one class per day, he or she must attend the classes from which he or she was not suspended. Refer to Education Code 48910.
4. A student can be suspended from class for the remainder of that day (elementary) or period (secondary) and for the following day or period when the class meets. Refer to Education Code 48910.
5. School staff may assign a student who was suspended for any of the reasons enumerated in Education Code 48900 and 48900.2 to a supervised suspension classroom for the entire period of suspension if the student poses no imminent danger or threat to the campus, students, or staff, or if an action to expel the student has not been initiated. Refer to Education Code 48911.1.
6. Students who caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence (Education Code 48900.3); engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation against a pupil or a group of pupils, or school district personnel (Education Code 48900.4); or made terroristic threats against school officials or school property or both (Education Code 48900.7) are precluded by law for in-school suspension (Education Code 48911.1).

Opportunity Transfer Guidelines:

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- Opportunity Transfer (OT) for discipline may be issued either for a single serious act or as part of progressive discipline. Prior to implementing an OT for a student for progressive discipline, the school must have first implemented a systematic approach to behavioral change (which may include a behavior support plan, mentoring, and behavioral contracts).
- An OT may not exceed one calendar year unless both the parent and the school agree.
- Opportunity Transfers for disciplinary reasons may be issued only one time during the student's attendance in elementary school, twice during middle school, and twice during high school.
- It is the responsibility of the sending school to ensure that the student has enrolled at the receiving school. If an OT is cancelled, the sending school must ensure that the student has reenrolled.
- There is no such thing as an "OT" for a student with disabilities. In order to ensure a change of placement is appropriate, an IEP team must convene and conduct a thorough review of the student's program and services, including a "manifestation determination" to ensure that the student's Behavior Support Plan (BSP) is appropriately developed or modified.
- The "Stay Put" clause in federal law (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) prohibits schools from transferring a student with an IEP for discipline if a parent disagrees with the IEP (The exception to this prohibition is the authorized 45-day alternative placement when the violation involves weapons or drugs.)

Expulsion Guidelines:

- School principals are required to recommend the expulsion of any student who engages in behavior described in E.C. Section 48915(c).
- A student who is recommended for expulsion is entitled to an educational placement the day his or her suspension is over (e.g., day six of a five-day suspension).
- For a student with an IEP, a comprehensive pre-expulsion IEP must be conducted, which includes a manifestation determination, prior to recommending that a student with an IEP be expelled.
- No student can be expelled by the Board of Education unless evidence, in the form of oral testimony, is presented at the District's administrative (Expulsion Review Committee [ERC]) hearing.
- The school is responsible for sending a certificated staff member and appropriate witnesses to present the case or testify at the ERC hearing. 5.3 Ed. Code 49079

Maintenance of E.C. 49070 Information:

- Each teacher informed of E.C. 49079 students shall be advised of the opportunity to review the student's file and shall be admonished regarding the confidentiality of information.

2. Plan Development

- E.C. 49079 information can be obtained from the following District-maintained records: student expulsions, opportunity transfers, school suspensions, classroom suspensions, arrest reports, or Juvenile Court notices. This information is to be documented in the student's yellow discipline folder in accordance with District policy.
- Pupil Accounting Reports (PAR), other formal District documents, and law enforcement or Juvenile Court notices shall be included in the E.C. 49079 file.
- Notice of E.C. 49079 shall be inputted into the Student Information System (SIS).
- Any information received under this law shall be received in confidence for the limited purpose for which it was provided and shall not be further disseminated by the teacher, counselor, or administrator. Any intentional violation of the confidentiality provisions of this law is a misdemeanor.
- Information received from the court under the Welfare Information Code Section 827 shall be maintained in the school's E.C. 49079 file, but the court's form must be destroyed by school authorities twelve months after its receipt from the court or twelve months after the minor returns to public school, whichever occurs later.

Guidelines When a Student Described in E.C. 49079 Is Transferred to Another LAUSD School:

- A Pupil Accounting Report (PAR) ID must be issued.
- Section One (1) must be completed.
- "E.C. 49079" shall be noted in Section Two (2)-"additional comments."
- Applicable portions of Section Four (4) must be completed.
- Within five school days of the student's enrollment, the receiving school shall request from the sending school, copies of information regarding the E.C. 49079 yellow file of the student.
- District offices responsible for assigning expelled or reinstated students must immediately notify the principal of the newly assigned school.

Responsibilities of Juvenile Courts:

- Welfare and Institutions Code (W.I.C.) Section 827 (b)(2) mandates that the Juvenile Courts submit to the superintendent of the district of attendance written notice whenever a minor who is enrolled in any of Grades K through 12 has been found by the court to have committed any of certain specified offenses.
- It is required that the information furnished be expeditiously transmitted to any administrator, counselor, or teacher who has direct supervisory or disciplinary responsibility over the minor and who is deemed to need the information in order to work with the student in an appropriate fashion to avoid being needlessly vulnerable, and/or to protect other persons from needless vulnerability.

Student Dress Code/Uniform Policy

Key Elements:

2. Plan Development

- A committee composed of representatives from all stakeholder groups will revise policies on dress code and on uniforms yearly.
- A student's dress and grooming shall not cause distraction from or disturbance of any school activity.
- The manner of a student's dress and/or grooming must not create a hazard to health or safety.
- Consistent with the above guidelines, hair, sideburns, mustaches, and beards may be worn at any length or in any style, and clothing may be of any fashion, style, or design, as determined by the student and his or her parents.
- If possible, to assist parents in purchasing clothes for the upcoming year, dress code/uniform policies will be communicated to students and parents prior to the beginning of the academic year. If this is not feasible, said policies will be communicated at the beginning of the school year and to new enrollees at the time of their enrollment.

2.8.3 Attendance and Dropout Prevention

Responsible Administrator:

Truancy/Tardiness Abatement

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Implement and supervise all state and District attendance policies and procedures.
- Ensure that a comprehensive School Attendance Plan has been developed that involves all school staff, including teachers, nurse, counselors, PSA, etc., as well as appropriate community
- Health or other agencies. For a template to develop a comprehensive Attendance Plan and Dropout Prevention Plan, please visit the Pupil Services Website at <http://pupilservices.lausd.net/>.
- Ensure that students and parents are informed of the school attendance and tardy policy, as well as all applicable laws relating to compulsory attendance.
- Ensure that the Pupil Services and Attendance Counselor or designated staff member is responsible for coordinating efforts on truancy and tardiness abatement.

Responsibilities of the Teacher:

- Ensure that phone calls to home are made (teacher or other designated staff) when students are absent.
- Ensure that attendance is submitted the first 15 minutes of each class or period.
- Ensure that all reason codes and times (if applicable) are entered.

E.C. Section 48200-Compulsory Attendance Law:

Each person between the ages of 6 and 18 years not exempted shall attend the public full-time day school or continuation school or classes for the full time designated as the length of the

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school day by the governing board of the school district in which the residency of either the parent or legal guardian is located and each parent, guardian, or other person having control or charge of the pupil shall send the pupil to the public full time day school or continuation school or classes for the full-time designated as the length of the school day by the governing board of the school district in which the residence of either the parent or legal guardian is located.

E.C. Section 48260-Definition of Truancy:

Any pupil subject to compulsory full-time education or to compulsory continuation education who is absent from school without valid excuse three full days in one school year or tardy or absent for more than any 30-minute period during the school day without a valid excuse on three occasions in one school year, or any combination thereof, is a truant and shall be reported to the attendance supervisor or to the superintendent of the school district.

Anti-Loitering/Truancy Ordinance:

The LAUSD and the Community Development Department at 13 Youth Worksource Centers in collaboration with the Los Angeles School Police Department and the Los Angeles Probation Department, through the Truancy Diversion Program (TDP), will serve as an intervention and diversion alternative to citing students in violation of the daytime curfew. The TDP will assist in reducing daytime curfew citations and guide youth through an assessment and self-inventory process that helps them identify their interests, preferences, motivations, educational options and assesses the root causes of their attendance-related issues.

If the minor fails to complete the Diversion program within the time allotted, the law enforcement agency issuing the Diversion form will be notified. The law enforcement agency will then issue a citation to the minor which may require a court appearance.

Early Intervention Dropout

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Ensure that the Pupil Services and Attendance (PSA) Counselor or a designated staff member is responsible for coordinating efforts on dropout prevention and recovery.
- Ensure that all school staff have read and follow Bulletins: [BUL-3720.0 Dropout Prevention and Intervention and Recovery Strategies](#), [BUL-3833.1 Closing the Achievement Gap](#), [BUL- 4926.2 Attendance Manual: Policy and Procedures for Elementary, Secondary and Option Schools](#), and [BUL-6231.0 Discipline Foundation Policy](#).
- Ensure school staff are trained and have access to LAUSD systems such as MyData, ESIS, SSIS, ISIS as well as classroom referrals to help identify and monitor/track at-risk students.
- Ensure that transition programs are in place to support incoming students and matriculating students as they adjust to their new school environments.

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- Ensure that the school climate welcomes and invites parent involvement through the use of a parent center, parent conferences, parent meetings, phone calls to parents, and that selected staff makes home visits when necessary to engage parents in their student's educational needs.
- Administration in conjunction with support staff utilize the [Bul 3720.0](#) assessment tool to identify any areas in which the school needs to improve best practices for dropout prevention, intervention, and recovery.
- Ensure that there is a multidisciplinary team that looks at student and school data on attendance and dropout information in order to make decisions at the school regarding student-intervention programs and policies.
- Ensure the multidisciplinary team consists of Pupil Services and Attendance Counselor, Psychiatric Social Worker, deans, and APSCS and other designated staff.

Responsibilities of the Multidisciplinary Team:

- Meet regularly to discuss coordination of services.
- Assess student and school data, establish a uniform referral process, and provide consistent follow-up on referrals.
- Responsibilities of Staff:
- Staff is trained and is aware of District mandates and procedures with respect to Dropout Prevention and Recovery.
- School staff identifies and monitors students who are not making progress and inform instruction in order to make needed adjustments to support student academic functioning.
- Collaborate in the delivery of services to students.
- Be aware and utilizes resources both within the school and in the community.
- School staff systematically monitors, update, and review student records.
- System for personalized interventions for students at risk of dropping out of school or who have recently left school.

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Create a school culture that reflects mutual support, caring, and safety for everyone.
- Ensure that selected school staff are trained on all District and non-District educational alternative placement options and that there is a process in place for referring at-risk students to educational alternative placements (using the Guide to Educational Alternative Placements for At-Risk Students) such as, but not limited to, community college classes, continuation schools, AEWs, Charter schools, or Division of Adult and Career Education.
- Ensure that school staff are trained to work with at-risk students and utilize available resources to assist those students-such as training on how to complete accurate enrollments and checkouts in SIS and ISIS, how to identify at-risk students based on

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multiple risk factors (using the MyData), how to create a welcoming, safe, and supportive school culture for all students, and how to link students/families up to necessary resources (academic, food, clothing, tutoring, etc.) to help students achieve their high school diplomas.

- Ensure that their school has a variety of different academic programs in place to meet the individual needs of students at-risk for school failure or dropout, concurrent enrollment in ROP classes, online courses, summer school, tutoring, CAHSEE Boot Camp, intersession classes and community resources.
- Ensure that student records are accurate. This includes ensuring that school clerical staff are trained on how to accurately enter student data into the SIS and ISIS systems upon enrollment and check-out (i.e. correct leave/enrollment codes are being used, field 212 is updated upon every check out, and student records are sent to the next school of enrollment in a timely manner).
- The school has partnerships and collaborates with community agencies that can provide resources and options to students who are at-risk of school failure and dropping out of school.

Responsibilities of School Staff:

- Work with parents/guardians and students to systematically monitor and follow-up with students regarding the supports/interventions and referrals provided to ensure access and effectiveness.
- School staff reviews student-level data to identify which students require supplemental educational services (i.e., tutoring, online courses, etc.,) and link those students and parents up to the educational resources they need.
- All staff work collaboratively to identify students in need of prevention/intervention.

System to Recover, Enroll, or Provide Alternative Education Referrals

Responsibilities of the Administrator:

- Assign a multidisciplinary team of school staff to work collaboratively on clearing/locating and recovering students from the three potential dropout lists that are provided three times a year (February, May, and September) to school principals.
- Ensure that staff is trained and follow all Bulletins, Memos, and Reference Guides regarding LAUSD policy for CASHEE non-grads and 5th year seniors.
- Ensure that school staff knows how to re-enroll or provide educational alternative options to students who may have left school for a period of time but have chosen to return to school and work towards their high school diploma.
- Require SIS coordinators to run monthly reports on all checkouts each month and ensure that designated staff follows up to find out if students are currently enrolled.
- Stress to staff the importance of accurate record keeping and tracking.

Responsibility of Staff:

- Staff clearly defines their role in recovering dropout students to avoid duplication of services.
- School support staff and clerical staff stay up to date on all new District bulletins, Reference guides, and memorandums relating to the input of student information into SIS or ISIS.
- The multidisciplinary team utilize the “Potential Dropout List Protocol” provided by the Pupil Services Unit to assist them in clearing students off their potential dropout lists.
- Staff provides to parents/guardians and students information about the educational alternative options available to help them be successful in school.

2.8.4 Parent and Community Involvement

Parents are encouraged to provide a healthy diet and to promote physical activity for their child. Parents are also encouraged to participate in the planning for their child’s academic progress/success. School-based resources should be utilized by parents to support their child’s academic achievement. Promoting community-based programs on campus will also benefit parents.

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3.1 Incident Command

The Incident Command System (ICS) is used by first responders and government agencies to manage emergencies, crises, and disasters nationwide. LAUSD also uses ICS - a system where people are grouped by functions according to aptitude and skills, instead of rank/title. Every position reports to someone (see the ICS School Organization Chart in the chart at the end of this section), which greatly facilitates the flow of information and resources among the multiple teams participating in response to an emergency. ICS consists of the following five functions:

- Command
- Operations
- Planning & Intelligence
- Logistics
- Finance & Administration

All District employees, and especially those staff members assigned to an ICS team, are highly encouraged to download the emergency plan app. It is also recommended that team members and other District employees take CERT training. Disaster supplies lists can be found in [REF 5451.2 School Site Emergency/Disaster Supplies](#). LAUSD personnel can learn more about ICS by taking online video training courses STEPS_400, 420 and 421, available through the Learning Zone. Additional on-line Emergency Management classes appropriate for District employees are offered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and are linked at <http://achieve.lausd.net/fema>.

Command GOMEZ, LUIS; RIOS, EDGAR

During an emergency, the Incident Commander is responsible for setting the response objectives and directing activities from a designated Command Post. To effectively direct response actions, the Incident Commander must constantly assess the situation and develop and implement appropriate strategies. The Incident Commander must be familiar with the available resources, accurately document all response actions, and effectively communicate response strategies to others participating in the response. This function is typically directed by the principal, as the Incident Commander. The principal is assisted in carrying out this function by a Public Information Officer, Safety Coordinator, and Agency Liaison, as needed. The Incident Commander should use “management by objectives” by setting specific goals and objectives for the total response. The objectives should be SMART - Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Timely.

Planning/Intelligence PADILLA, BLANCA; ARTEAGA, ALMA

During an emergency, ICS Planning and Intelligence involves the use of various methods to efficiently gather information, weigh and document the information for significance, and

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actively assess the status of the emergency. This understanding and knowledge about the situation at hand is vital to the effective management of a response. Under ICS, this function is supported by two staff members, one involved with “Documentation” and the other with “Communications”. Both of these positions, if assigned at the discretion of the principal, will report directly to the Incident Commander (principal) unless a Planning/Intelligence Chief is assigned. The ICS Planning and Intelligence Section also predicts future needs and trends and constantly answers the following questions:

- “How big is this problem?”
- “Who is affected?”
- “What are we going to need in the next hour, day or week?”

Planning and Intelligence people are forward thinkers. They like to seek out facts and make predictions. A natural choice may be librarians or history teachers.

Operations PAYTON, GEOFFREY; RIOS, EDGAR

Under ICS, all tactics for the emergency response are implemented under the Operations function. This function is supported by staff performing first aid, crisis intervention, search and rescue, site security, damage assessment, evacuations, and the release of students to parents. Within LAUSD, these activities are performed by the following teams: First Aid/Medical Team; Security/Utilities Team; Assembly Area Team; Psychological First Aid Team; Supply/Equipment Team; Request Gate Team; Reunion Gate Team; Fire Suppression/HazMat Team; and Search and Rescue Teams. Operations people are “Problem Solvers” who can work in a non-structured environment. These are the “Doers”.

Logistics ESCARZAGA, JAIME; PADILLA-PEREZ, MARVIN

The Logistics function of ICS supports emergency operations by coordinating personnel; assembling and deploying volunteer teams; providing supplies, resources, equipment and services. Within LAUSD, these activities are performed by Supply/Equipment Team.

The Logistics section deals with resources. When the Operations Section needs something, they get it from the Logistics Section. Logistics works closely with the Planning and Intelligence Section to develop resources for future needs. These people are the “Getters”. A natural choice may be your plant manager or supply clerk.

Finance/Administration PERKINS, SHARON; CONDE LEITE, ELIZABETH

The Finance/Administration function of ICS involves the purchasing of all necessary materials, tracking financial records, timekeeping for emergency responders, and recovering school records following an emergency. These people are known as the “Payers”. They will keep track of personnel time and costs. A natural person for this function would be your payroll clerk who knows everybody on campus. Another choice may be your financial manager.

Figure 2.1 presents an Emergency Management Organization Chart modeled after ICS and adapted for LAUSD schools. The organization depicted on the chart can be expanded or abridged to meet the scope of the emergency. Not every emergency will require all of the teams listed on the chart.

ICS can be adopted for schools with limited personnel. If no one is assigned to a ICS position, it is assumed that the person who manages that position is keeping, and doing, the responsibility for the unfilled position. For example: in some emergencies, the Incident Commander may not assign a person to be in charge of finance. In that case, the Incident Commander is still responsible for the financial documentation.

3.2 Command Team

The Command Team is responsible for directing school emergency response activities. The Command Team is led by the principal, who acts as the Incident Commander. The Command Team includes the school's Public Information Officer and the Safety Coordinator. The team leader for each of the other four functions (Operations, Planning & Intelligence, Logistics, and Finance & Administration) also report to the Incident Commander. The Incident Commander sets goals and objectives for the activities of all other teams.

Team Assembly Location

Inside: MPR

Outside: BASKETBALL COURTS

3.2.1 Incident Commander GOMEZ, LUIS; RIOS, EDGAR

The Incident Commander (principal) is responsible for directing emergency operations and shall remain at the Command Post to observe and direct all operations. The only role of this person is to make decisions. Specific duties of the Incident Commander may include:

- Setting goals and objectives for the response team as a whole
- Periodically assessing the situation
- Directing the Command Team
- Determining the need for, and requesting, outside assistance
- Communicating with the Local District Administrator of Operations and central staff.

3.2.2 Public Information Officer GOMEZ, LUIS; PADILLA, BLANCA

The Public Information Officer (PIO) is the official spokesperson for the school site in an emergency and is responsible for communicating with the media and delivering public announcements. Specific duties of the Public Information Officer may include:

- Periodically receiving updates and official statements from the Incident Commander
- Posting approved messages to Blackboard Connect for parents
- Maintaining a log of PIO actions and all communications
- Periodically interacting with the media and District Communications

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- Preparing statements for dissemination to the public
- Ensuring announcements and other public information are translated into other languages as needed
- Monitoring news broadcasts about the incident and correcting any misinformation

3.2.3 Safety Coordinator RIOS, EDGAR; RIOS, EDGAR

The Safety Coordinator is responsible for ensuring that all emergency activities are conducted in as safe a manner as possible. Specific duties of the Safety Coordinator may include:

- Stopping any and all unsafe activities
- Periodically checking with the Incident Commander for situation briefings and updates
- Maintaining all records and documentation as assigned by the Incident Commander
- Monitoring drills, exercises, and emergency response activities for safety
- Identifying safety hazards
- Ensuring that team members use appropriate safety equipment

Supplies and Equipment for Command Team

- School Emergency Response Boxes ([REF 5450.1 School Emergency Response Boxes](#))
- Copy of the Safe School Plan and contact information
- Campus maps
- Staff cell phone lists
- Staff e-mail lists

Master keys – Note: These must be kept in a very secure location or with specific authorized individuals

- Copies of staff and students rosters
- Hand-held two-way radios
- Bullhorn
- Battery-operated AM/FM radio
- First Aid kit
- Clipboard, paper, pens
- Hard hat
- Vest or position identifier
- Large campus map

3.3 First Aid/Medical Team

The First Aid/Medical Team is responsible for ensuring that first aid supplies are available and that first aid and triage is rendered during an emergency.

Assignments

First Aid/Medical Team Leader: OKIYEFA, JUSTINA

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Alternate Team Leader: OKIYEFA, JUSTINA

First Aid/Medical Team Member:

First Aid/Medical Team Member:

School Nurse: OKIYEFA, JUSTINA

Team Assembly Location

Inside: Conference Room

Outside: Triage

First Aid/Medical Team Leader

The First Aid/Medical Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities by periodically interacting with Operations to determine medical needs and planned actions. Specific duties of the First Aid/Medical Team Leader may include:

- Assigning First Aid personnel, coordinating training, and assessing available inventory of supplies & equipment
- Designating and setting up First Aid/Medical treatment and/or triage areas, with access to emergency vehicles
- Determining the need for skilled medical assistance, and overseeing care, treatment, and assessment of patients
- Periodically keeping Operations informed of overall status
- Completing the Injury Report

First Aid/Medical Team Members

The members of the First Aid/Medical Team are responsible for assessing injuries and administering necessary first aid and medical treatment as indicated during an emergency. All team members should have First Aid/CPR/AED training. Supplemental online training course STEPS 213 is offered through the Learning Zone. Specific duties of the members of the First Aid/Medical Team may include:

- Setting up first aid area, triage and/or temporary morgue
- Triage/First Aid Response
- Keeping accurate records of care given and tagging each of the injured with name, address, injury and any treatment rendered
- Reporting critical injuries or deaths immediately to First Aid/Medical Team Leader
- Recording information on transport to hospital by first responders
- Supplies and Equipment for First Aid/Medical Team
- Vest or position identifier
- First aid supplies

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- Non-Latex disposable exam gloves
- AED (if school has one on campus)
- Triage tags
- Hand-held two-way radios
- Stretchers
- Blankets
- Wheelchairs
- Ground covers, tarps
- Patient record forms
- Site map
- Injury Report

In a disaster, it may be a while before patients can be transported for medical care. When possible, have students transported to the nearest emergency department approved for pediatrics (up to age 22) as listed in the Safe School Plan.

3.4 Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team

The Psychological First Aid Team, or Crisis Team, is responsible for the social-emotional well-being and safety of all students on campus during an emergency. The team provides psychological first aid as needed in the immediate aftermath of a critical incident or emergency, pursuant to the District's *Crisis Preparedness, Response and Recovery* policy.

Assignments

Psychological First Aid Team Leader: PADILLA, BLANCA

Alternate Team Leader: ARROCHA, ROBIN

Psychological First Aid Team Member:

Psychological First Aid Team Member:

Team Assembly Location

Inside: TRIAGE

Outside: CONFERENCE ROOM

Psychological First Aid Team Leader

The Psychological First Aid Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and periodically interacting with Operations to identify concerns and report status. The Psychological First Aid Team Leader is also responsible for assigning personnel as needed and ensuring appropriate training is provided. Information is available in the District's *Crisis Preparedness, Response and Recovery* Bulletin. Supplemental online training courses STEPS 212 and 409 are offered through the Learning Zone.

Psychological First Aid Team Members

The members of the Psychological First Aid Team are responsible for monitoring the social-emotional safety and well-being of the students and staff in the Assembly Area and First Aid Area. Specific duties of the members of the Psychological First Aid Team may include:

- Psychological triage/first aid
- Providing reassurance to students
- Updating records of the number of students and staff in need of support
- Documenting students or staff who may need additional support in the days to weeks following the incident
- Coordinating with Operations to provide water and food to students and staff when necessary
- Supporting other teams, as needed

Supplies and Equipment for the Psychological First Aid Team

- Vest or position identifier
- Hand-held two-way radio
- Ground cover and tarps
- First aid kit
- Paper, pens and pencils

3.5 Search and Rescue Team

The Search and Rescue Team is responsible for preparing and performing search and rescue operations during an emergency. There may be two or more Search and Rescue teams at a school. Each team must have four members.

Assignments

Search and Rescue Team Leader: RIOS, EDGAR

Alternate Team Leader: BUSTAMANTE, FERNANDO

SAR Team 1 Members: RIOS, EDGAR; BUSTAMANTE, FERNANDO; VILLA, UBALDO; PAYTON, GEOFFREY

SAR Team 2 Members: CANCHOLA, JOSEPH; ARTEAGA, ALMA; COLIN, LIZZETTE; DRUGGE, BRETT

SAR Team 3 Members: ; ; ;

SAR Team 4 Members: ; ; ;

Team Assembly Location

Inside: Conference Room

Outside: Emergency Bin

Search and Rescue Team Leader

The Search and Rescue Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities, keeping Operations informed of overall status, and coordinating appropriate training. Supplemental online training course STEPS 214 is offered through the Learning Zone. Specific duties of the Search and Rescue Team Leader may include:

- Obtaining briefings from Operations and the Assembly Area Team, noting missing students and any other situations requiring response
- Assigning and recording search and rescue teams based on available manpower, maintaining 4 persons per team
- Updating teams' reports on site map and recording exact location of damage and triage tally

Search and Rescue Team Members

The members of the Search and Rescue Team are responsible for performing search and rescue operations during an emergency. Specific duties of the members of the Search and Rescue Team may include:

- Searching assigned area
- Reporting gas leaks, fires, or structural damage to Team Leader upon discovery
- Rescuing trapped survivors on campus
- Evacuating survivors with mobility challenges
- Working with the Utilities Team and Fire Suppression Team in shutting off gas or extinguishing fires as appropriate
- Periodically reporting to the Team Leader the location, number, and condition of injured or missing survivors
- Conducting pre-established search and rescue patterns, checking each classroom, office, storage room, auditorium and other rooms
- Sealing off and posting areas where hazardous conditions exist
- Contacting Security/Utilities Team to secure the building from reentry after the search

Supplies and Equipment for Search and Rescue Teams

- Vest or position identifier
- Hard hat
- Work and non-latex gloves
- Eye protection
- Dust mask
- Whistle with master keys on neck lanyard
- Hand held two-way radio
- Clipboard with job duties
- Map indicating search plan
- Fire extinguisher
- Water bib key
- Blankets
- Bolt cutters (for cutting grates from around windows)
- Shovel
- Rope
- Triage tags
- Bucket or duffel bag
- Flashlight
- Pry bar
- Grease pencil
- Pencils
- Duct tape
- Caution tape
- Masking tape
- First aid backpack/fanny pack (one team member wears it)

Many of these materials are found in the search and rescue kit, which can be purchased through the LAUSD Warehouse.

3.6 Security/Utilities Team

The Security/Utilities Team is responsible for the security of the school site and its population during an emergency. The Security/Utilities Team will coordinate activities with Operations as required. Close coordination with the Reunion Gate Team is necessary to safely reunite students with their parents or lawful guardians. The Security/Utilities Team shuts down heating and air conditioning units, gas, power, and water utilities as necessary to protect students and staff and to minimize damage to school facilities. This team includes participation by the school police officer or school security officer, campus aides, and members of the custodial and cafeteria staff.

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Assignments

Security/Utilities Team Leader: ESCARZAGA, JAIME

Alternate Team Leader: PADILLA-PEREZ, MARVIN

Security/Utilities Team Member:

Security/Utilities Team Member:

Team Assembly Location

Inside: CONFERENCE ROOM

Outside: TRIAGE

Security/Utilities Team Leader

The Security/Utilities Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and interacting with Operations to identify problems and report status, and coordinates appropriate training. The Security/Utilities Team Leader is also responsible for contacting the Planning and Intelligence Section that will, in turn, notify local utility companies (water, electricity, gas, sewer) as needed.

Security/Utilities Team Members

The members of the Security/Utilities Team are responsible for securing the school and reporting that the campus is secured. They are also responsible for surveying all utilities and taking appropriate actions to shut-off utilities, as needed. Specific duties of the members of the Security/Utilities Team may include:

- Locking all external gates and doors; unlocking some gates when appropriate
- Stationing one team member at the main entrance to the school to direct emergency vehicles to area(s) of need and to greet parents
- Keeping students and staff out of buildings, as necessary
- Assisting at Reunion Gate, as appropriate
- Assessing and reporting damage to school facilities
- Checking water lines and shutting down water supply lines if leaking
- Checking gas meter/lines and, if gas is leaking, shutting down gas supply
- Shutting down electricity only if building has clear structural damage or advised to do so by Command Post

Supplies and Equipment for Security/Utilities Team

- Vest or position identifier
- Hard hat, gloves and any personal protective equipment
- Master keys

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- Hand-held two way radio
- Copy of the school's emergency procedures
- Large durable signs for providing direction and information
- Utility shut-off tools
- Site maps
- Diagrams of shut-off valves and switches

3.7 Supply/Equipment Team

The Supply/Equipment Team is responsible for ensuring the availability and delivery of adequate supplies and equipment during the course of an emergency. The team members should be familiar with the supplies cached in the emergency bin and cafeteria storage room.

Assignments

Supply/Equipment Team Leader: BUSTAMANTE, FERNANDO

Alternate Team Leader: RIOS, EDGAR

Supply/Equipment Team Member:

Supply/Equipment Team Member:

Team Assembly Location

Inside: CONFERENCE ROOM

Outside: EMRGENCY

Supply/Equipment Team Leader

The Supply/Equipment Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and keeping the Logistics Coordinator informed of overall status. Specific duties of the Supply/Equipment Team Leader may include:

- Reporting equipment and supply needs.
- Estimating the number of persons requiring food/shelter/care
- Work with Planning & Intelligence Coordinator to determine the length of time care will be needed
- Inventory supplies on hand

Supply/Equipment Team Members

The members of the Supply/Equipment Team are responsible for assessing the adequacy of available water, food, sanitation, and other supplies and organizing the distribution of resources for immediate use. Specific duties of the members of the Supply/Equipment Team may include:

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- Distributing emergency water and food supplies
- Setting up and maintaining sanitation stations
- Determining supply/equipment needs for any persons with special needs
- Controlling conservation of water

Supplies and Equipment for Supply/Equipment Team

- Hand-held two way radio
- Keys
- Bullhorn
- Emergency water supplies - water carriers, cups, hand pumps, etc.
- Emergency food supplies
- Temporary power supplies
- Cell phones
- Sanitation supplies

3.8 Assembly Area Team

The Assembly Area Team is responsible for the safe evacuation and accounting of all students and staff during an emergency. The team is also responsible for reporting missing persons to Operations. Operations will then relay reports of missing students to the Search and Rescue Team.

Assignments

Assembly Area Team Leader: PADILLA, BLANCA

Alternate Team Leader: ARTEAGA, ALMA

Assembly Area Team Member:

Assembly Area Team Member:

Team Assembly Location

Inside: MPR

Outside: BASKETBALL COURTS

Assembly Area Team Leader

The Assembly Area Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and periodically interacting with Operations to identify problems and report status. The Assembly Area Team Leader is also responsible for collecting the Missing Persons Report from team members and providing the report to the Incident Commander.

Assembly Area Team Members

The members of the Assembly Area Team are responsible for performing the safe evacuation and accounting of students and staff during an emergency. Specific duties of the members of the Assembly Area Team may include:

- Obtaining reports of missing students from teachers or other personnel
- Ensuring that students are orderly and supervised so that they can be found quickly when parents arrive
- Gathering Missing Persons Report from each teacher and submitting forms to the Assembly Area Team Leader
- Assisting the Reunion Gate Team as required

Supplies and Equipment for Assembly Area Team

- Copy of Site Plot Plan and Vicinity Map showing designated on and off site Assembly Areas
- Injury Reports and Missing Persons Reports
- Bullhorn
- Clipboard and pens for forms

3.9 Request and Reunion Gate Teams

Request Gate Team

The Request Gate Team is responsible for processing parent requests for student release during an emergency.

Assignments

Request Gate Team Leader: BRUNET, ARMIDA

Alternate Team Leader: HERRERA, YENNY

Request Gate Team Member:

Request Gate Team Member:

Team Assembly Location

Outside: Ernest Debs Park

Request Gate Team Leader

The Request Gate Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and periodically interacting with Operations to identify problems and report status, and coordinating appropriate training. The Request Gate Team Leader will refer all outside requests for information to the Public Information Officer. Supplemental online training course STEPS 419 is offered through the Learning Zone.

Request Gate Team Members

The members of the Request Gate Team are responsible for greeting parents/guardians/designees, providing them with the paperwork authorizing the holders to reunite with their students at the Reunion Gate, and checking identification. Specific duties of the members of the Request Gate Team may include:

- Greeting and quickly directing parents, guardians, or designees to the counselors, as appropriate
- Providing reassurance to parents, guardians, or designees and maintaining order. The use of large signs showing the school status in all languages is suggested.
- Checking identification
- Directing parents or guardians to the Reunion Gate
- Dispatching student runners to Assembly Area to escort students whose parents have come to claim them

Supplies and Equipment for Request Gate Teams

- Keys to Request Gate
- Student lists
- Office supplies –pens, paper, clipboards, and summons forms, etc.
- Sign-making materials
- Bullhorn
- Reunification forms

Mass Reunion Planning

The Request and Reunion Gate Teams need to have an expansion plan for a massive influx of parents. The following activities should be part of every school's Request/Reunion Gate preparedness program:

- Cross-train other teams to assist. When the Search and Rescue Team members are done with their assignment, they may be re-assigned by the Operations Section Chief to assist the Request or Reunion Gate Team.
- Ensure that there are enough supplies (pens, forms etc.) for the additional Request Gate Team members so that additional stations can be opened.

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- Have a plan to re-organize the Request Gate to divide the parents into smaller groups. They can be organized by grade level, small learning community or any other criteria that makes sense for the school.
- Ensure that there are sign making supplies to allow for reorganization.

Reunion Gate Team

The Reunion Gate Team is responsible for compassionately reuniting parents or guardians with students. Reunion gate personnel should have a plan in place to notify parents about injured or deceased students, a highly sensitive issue. The team checks identification and will keep accurate records of students leaving the campus. Members of the Psychological First Aid Team and Security Team may be asked to assist the Reunion Gate Team. In the event that a child is injured, it is recommended that the parents be invited to a private or secluded location and, away from others, be informed of their child's condition. It is suggested that a member of the Psychological First Aid team stay with the parent and assist them.

Assignments

Reunion Gate Team Leader: BRUNET, ARMIDA

Alternate Team Leader: HERRERA, YENNY

Reunion Gate Team Member:

Reunion Gate Team Member:

Team Assembly Location

Outside: Ernest Debs Park

Reunion Gate Team Leader

The Reunion Gate Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and periodically interacting with Operations to identify problems, request additional personnel, and report status. The Reunion Gate Team Leader will refer all requests for information to the Public Information Officer. The Reunion Gate Team Leader is also responsible for collecting the Student Release Log from the Team Members and should have the forms readily available to Operations.

Reunion Gate Team Members

The members of the Reunion Gate Team are responsible for greeting parents, guardians, or designees and reuniting them with their students at the designated Reunion Gate. Specific duties of the members of the Reunion Gate Team may include:

- Greeting parents, guardians, or designees at the Reunion Gate
- Verifying identification and authenticity of reunification forms

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- Confirming students recognize the authorized adults who come to claim them and requiring adult to sign student out of school
- Completing Student Release Log and submitting them to the Reunion Gate Team Leader

Supplies and Equipment

- Hand-held two way radios
- Tables and chairs
- Office Supplies –pens, paper, clipboards, release forms, etc.
- Student Lists
- Flashlights
- Keys to Reunion Gate
- Materials for sign-out log
- Student Release Log

3.10 Fire Suppression/Hazmat Team

The Fire Suppression and HazMat Team is responsible for extinguishing fires and evaluating the potential release of chemicals during an emergency. It is also responsible for evaluating the damages to school property in an emergency. This team will coordinate with Operations. Team members complete the Damage Assessment Report Forms. Operating a fire extinguisher is covered in STEPS 201, available on the Learning Zone.

Assignments

Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Leader: PAYTON, GEOFFREY

Alternate Team Leader: CANCHOLA, JOSEPH

Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Member:

Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Member:

Team Assembly Location

Inside: CONFERENCE ROOM

Outside: EMRGENCY BIN

Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Leader

The Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Leader is responsible for directing team activities and periodically interacting with Operations to identify problems and report status. The Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Leader is also responsible for gathering the Damage Assessment Report Forms from the Team Members and having forms readily available to Operations.

Fire Suppression and HazMat Team Members

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The members of the Fire Suppression and HazMat Team are responsible for extinguishing fires, evaluating the potential release of chemicals during an emergency, observing the campus for damage and hazardous conditions, logging and reporting any damage by radio to the Command Post during an emergency. Copies of the Damage Assessment Report Form will be submitted to the Team Leader. Specific duties of the members of the Fire Suppression and HazMat Team may include:

- Evaluating potential release of chemicals
- Identifying damaged areas on the Damage Assessment Report Form. Reporting will be supplemented by pictures if appropriate.
- Locating and extinguishing small fires, as necessary. Use the proper extinguisher for the type of fire:
 1. Class A, B or C for ordinary combustibles
 2. Class B or C for fires involving flammable liquids
 3. Class C only for fires involving electrical equipment
- Posting yellow caution tape around damaged or hazardous areas.

Supplies and Equipment for the Fire Suppression and HazMat Team

- Vest or position identifier
- Hard Hat, work gloves and personal protective equipment
- Fire extinguishers and other fire-fighting equipment
- Hand-held two way radios
- Master keys on lanyard
- Clipboard with job duties and Damage Assessment Forms
- Carry bucket or duffel bag with eye protection, flashlight, dust masks, yellow caution tape, and utility shut-off tools.
- Site maps

3.11 Documentation/Communications Position

The Documentation/ Communications Position works under the Planning and Intelligence Section and is responsible for maintaining a log of all emergency developments and response actions, and other necessary documentation. These records are extremely important to document what action was taken by the school in response to the emergency.

Assignments

Documentation Staff Member: PADILLA, BLANCA

Alternate Documentation Staff Member: ARTEAGA, ALMA

Assembly Location

The Documentation/Communication Staff Member will report to the Command Post.

Roles and Responsibilities

The Documentation/Communication Staff Member will maintain a log of the incident, noting all actions and reports, and filing them for reference. Specific duties may include:

- Periodically communicating with the Planning and Intelligence Section for status updates.
- Documenting all communications with the Local District Operations Center (LDOC) and outside agencies.
- Recording the number of students, staff and others on campus and updating it periodically.
- Reporting missing persons, and documenting site damage and first aid needs with the Incident Commander.
- Ensuring that accurate records are kept of all staff members, indicating hours worked.
- Supporting the Incident Commander in making any purchases and keeping track of the cost.
- Filing, maintaining and securing all emergency documentation.
- The Communications Staff Member will collect, organize and analyze situation information and provide periodic updates. Specific duties may include:
 - Listening to District AM/FM/Ham radios for information.
 - Send Blackboard Connect messages to students and staff
 - Send updates on Twitter, Face book and other internet accounts
 - Monitor other forms of social media communication (Twitter, etc)
 - Updating site maps as reports and other information are received.
 - Preserving maps as legal document.
 - Using area-wide map to record information on major incidents such as road closures, utility outages, etc. that may impact the campus.
 - Developing situation reports for the Incident Command Team.

Supplies and Equipment for the Documentation Position

- Hand-held radios
- File boxes
- Paper, pens
- AM-FM battery radios/Portable TV
- Damage Assessment Reports
- Maps of event by the hour

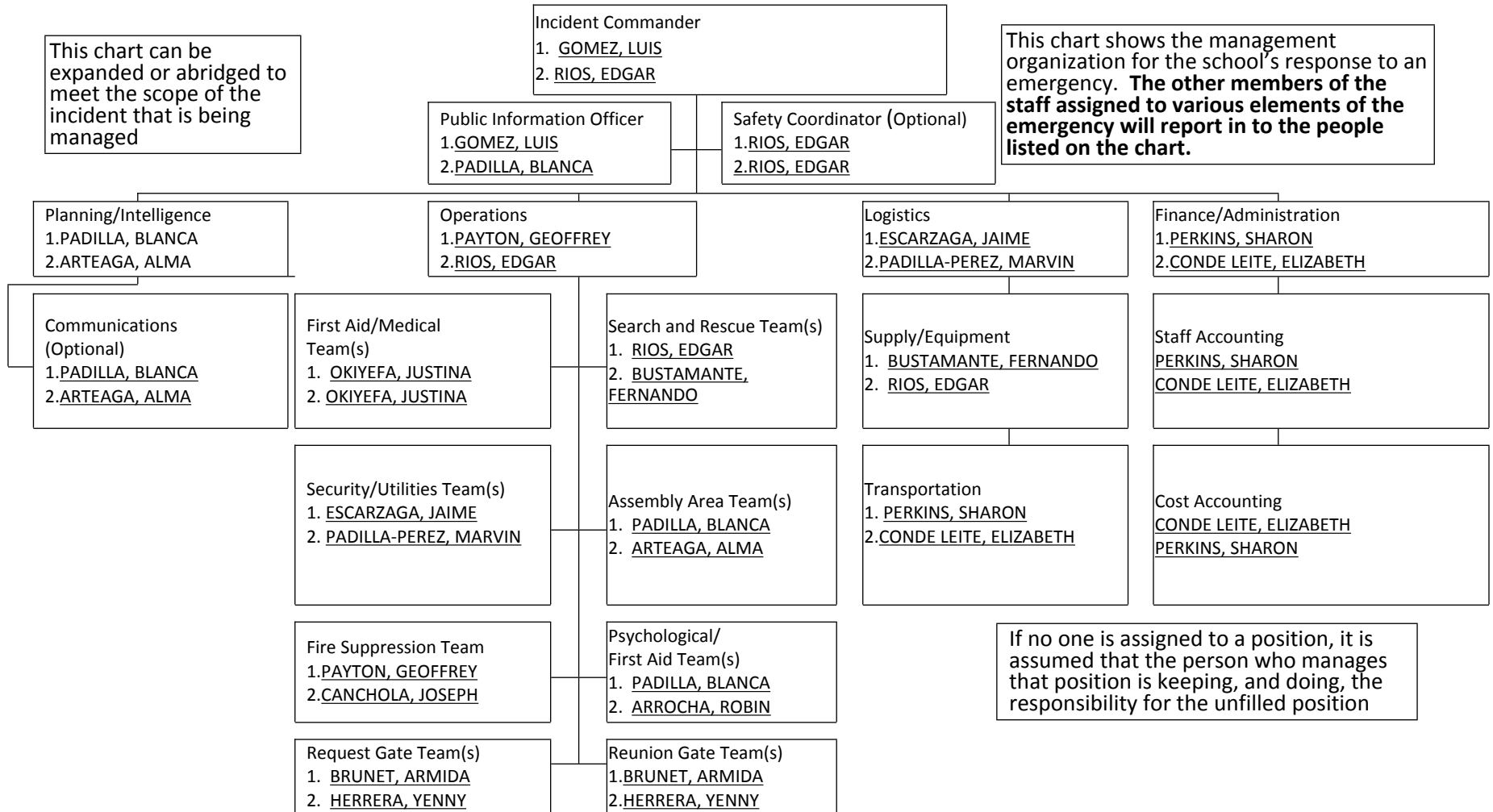
Supplies and Equipment

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7. Hand-held radios
8. Info/access to Blackboard Connect, internet, cell phones, etc
9. AM-FM battery radios / portable TV
10. Paper, pens, dry-erase pens
11. File box(es)
12. Large site map of campus, laminated or covered with plastic
13. Map of county or local area

3.13 School ICS Team Leads Chart

ORCHARD ACADEMIES 2B EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION CHART



The Incident Command System

Note: This Organization Chart is based on ICS, and adapted for LAUSD use. The Principal and School Safety Committee should use discretion in making further Modifications to address specific needs of the school. The first name in the box represents the primary responsible person; the second name denotes the backup.

3.14 School Site Crisis Team Chart

This chart provides examples of crisis team positions, roles and responsibilities at the school site. "Backup" staff should be identified for each team member in the event of an absence.

POSITION	ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES	PRIMARY STAFF	BACKUP STAFF
Incident Commander	During a crisis, directs all crisis operations, verifies facts, contacts LD, and coordinates all crisis response & intervention services.	GOMEZ, LUIS	RIOS, EDGAR
Crisis Team Leader	Coordinates all crisis team response, including triage, assessment, and crisis counseling for students, staff, & parents.	PADILLA, BLANCA	GOMEZ, LUIS
Public Information Officer (PIO)	Official spokesperson for an incident. Includes preparing Blackboard Connect and other communications for staff and parents, identification of media locations and updates.	GOMEZ, LUIS	PADILLA, BLANCA
Psychological First Aid	Provides psychological/emotional support and crisis counseling for students, staff, & parents.	PADILLA, BLANCA	ARROCHA, ROBIN
First Aid/Medical	Ensures that first aid supplies are available and performs medical first aid/triage.	OKIYEFA, JUSTINA	OKIYEFA, JUSTINA
Security	Ensures school site security, secures gates, and performs short term repairs and shutoff of utilities as necessary.	ESCARZAGA, JAIME	PADILLA-PEREZ, MARVIN
Request Gate	Processes requests for student pick-up.	BRUNET, ARMIDA	HERRERA, YENNY
Reunion Gate	Reunites students and parents at Reunion Gate.	BRUNET, ARMIDA	HERRERA, YENNY
Logistics	Provides all incident support needs such as facilities, transportation, communications, supplies/equipment and food services; includes adjusting schedules and menus, as needed.	ESCARZAGA, JAIME	PADILLA-PEREZ, MARVIN
Communications	Maintains log of incident actions and all documents associated with the emergency; maintains status board of incident actions, monitors phone calls, television, radio and social media for information.	PADILLA, BLANCA	ARTEAGA, ALMA

***The designated Crisis Team Leader and PIO should maintain ongoing communication and collaboration with the Incident Commander throughout the crisis response.**

3.15 School Site Suicide/Threat Risk Assessment Team Chart

This chart identifies the members of the suicide/threat risk assessment team and their responsibilities at the school site. "Backup" staff should be identified for each team member in the event of an absence.

POSITION	ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES	PRIMARY STAFF	BACKUP STAFF
Administrator (Principal, Assistant Principal, or Administrative Designee)	Takes charge of the suicide/threat risk incident, convenes the Suicide/Threat Risk Assessment Team, designates specific roles to team members (securing campus safety, assessment, gathering information, documentation, etc). Coordinates all information, referrals, safety planning, and monitoring.	GOMEZ, LUIS	RIOS, EDGAR
Mental Health Professional /Suicide Prevention Liaison (For Student Suicide/Threat Risk Assessment: Psychiatric Social Worker, PSA Counselor, School Psychologist) (For Adult/Employee Workplace Violence Risk Assessment: School Mental Health Administrator)	Assists with the risk assessment, gathering background information, including interviews and statements from the person of interest & witnesses. Identified as the Suicide Prevention Liaison. Brings mental health and trauma expertise in working with students & families.	PADILLA, BLANCA (Student Suicide/Threat Risk Assessment)	ESPARZA, MARCELA (Student Suicide/Threat Risk Assessment)
		GOMEZ, LUIS (Adult Workplace Violence Risk Assessment)	GOMEZ, LUIS (Adult Workplace Violence Risk Assessment)
Law Enforcement (Los Angeles School Police Officer-resident or patrol officer; Los Angeles Police Department; LA County Sheriff's Department)	Responds to situations of risk of violence to self or others. Assists with assessment and application/transport for a psychiatric evaluation, as needed. Determines whether threat is a criminal threat; actions may include arrest, citation, or other investigative responsibilities. Assists with identifying criminal background of person of interest.	Centeno	Centeno

3.16 School Emergency Contacts Chart

This chart provides Emergency Team Contact information used by School Police to contact school site administrators and employees in the event of an emergency:

Title/Role	Name	Work Number
Principal	GOMEZ, LUIS	
Assistant Principal 1	PADILLA, BLANCA	
Assistant Principal 2		
Assistant Principal 3		
Assistant Principal 4		
Administrator Assistant	PERKINS, SHARON	
Cafeteria Manager	JUAREZ, ELENA	
Financial Manager	PERKINS, SHARON	
Plant Manager	ESCARZAGA, JAIME	
Custodian	PADILLA-PEREZ, MARVIN	
Custodian Closest to Site	ESCARZAGA, JAIME	
First Person on Campus in AM	PADILLA, BLANCA	
Last Person on Campus in PM	GOMEZ, LUIS	

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Title/Role	Name
Search and Rescue Team 1	
Team leader	RIOS, EDGAR
Member 2/Alternate Leader	BUSTAMANTE, FERNANDO
Member 3	VILLA, UBALDO
Member 4	PAYTON, GEOFFREY
Search and Rescue Team 2	
Team leader	CANCHOLA, JOSEPH
Member 2/Alternate Leader	ARTEAGA, ALMA
Member 3	COLIN, LIZZETTE
Member 4	DRUGGE, BRETT
Search and Rescue Team 3	
Team leader	
Member 2/Alternate Leader	
Member 3	
Member 4	
Search and Rescue Team 4	
Team leader	
Member 2/Alternate Leader	
Member 3	
Member 4	
Security / Utilities Team	
Team leader	ESCARZAGA, JAIME
Member 2/Alternate Leader	PADILLA-PEREZ, MARVIN
Member 3	
Member 4	
First Aid / Medical Team	
Team leader	OKIYEFA, JUSTINA
Member 2/Alternate Leader	OKIYEFA, JUSTINA
Member 3	
Member 4	
Assembly Area Team	
Team leader	PADILLA, BLANCA
Member 2/Alternate Leader	ARTEAGA, ALMA
Member 3	
Member 4	
Fire Suppression / HazMat Team	

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Team leader	PAYTON, GEOFFREY
Member 2/Alternate Leader	CANCHOLA, JOSEPH
Member 3	
Member 4	
Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team	
Team leader	PADILLA, BLANCA
Member 2/Alternate Leader	ARROCHA, ROBIN
Member 3	
Member 4	
Supply / Equipment Team	
Team leader	BUSTAMANTE, FERNANDO
Member 2/Alternate Leader	RIOS, EDGAR
Member 3	
Member 4	
Request Gate Teams	
Team leader	BRUNET, ARMIDA
Member 2/Alternate Leader	HERRERA, YENNY
Member 3	
Member 4	
Reunion Gate Teams	
Team leader	BRUNET, ARMIDA
Member 2/Alternate Leader	HERRERA, YENNY
Member 3	
Member 4	
Documentation / Communication	
Team leader	PADILLA, BLANCA
Member 2/Alternate Leader	ARTEAGA, ALMA
Transportation	
Team leader	PERKINS, SHARON
Member 2/Alternate Leader	CONDE LEITE, ELIZABETH
Administrative Search Coordinator	
Team leader	
Member 2/Alternate Leader	
Manager of School Emergency Response Box	
Team leader	GOMEZ, LUIS
Member 2/Alternate Leader	ESCARZAGA, JAIME

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This chart provides Emergency Team Contact information used by School Police to contact school site administrators and employees in the event of an emergency:

Title/Role	Name	Work Number
Principal	GOMEZ, LUIS	
Assistant Principal 1		
Assistant Principal 2		
Administrator Assistant	PERKINS, SHARON	
Financial Manager		
First person on campus in AM	PERKINS, SHARON	
Last person on campus in PM	GOMEZ, LUIS	

4. Training and Exercises

4.1 District Documents Concerning Emergencies

LAUSD documents relevant to school emergencies can be found on the [“LAUSD Emergency Documents”](#) page of the Emergency Services website.

4.2 Emergency Supplies and Equipment

It is the responsibility of site administration to develop and implement plans to provide a minimum of a 72-hour supply of emergency water, food, first aid, search and rescue, sanitation and other emergency supplies and equipment at school. Emergency supplies will be maintained in each classroom and in a centralized location: [indicate location]

Emergency supply checklists are found in the appendices and the [Emergency Supply Reference Guide](#).

4.3 Training and Exercises

The Training and Exercises section describes the critical training and exercise activities the school will use in support of the plan. This includes the core training objectives and frequency to ensure that staff members, students, faculty, parents, and community representatives understand roles, responsibilities, and expectations. This section also establishes the expected frequency of exercises to be conducted by the school. Content may be influenced based on similar requirements at the District and/or local jurisdiction level(s). Exercises may range from basic fire and shelter-in-place drills to full-scale community-wide drills that realistically portray an emergency event and show the role the school plays in school District and municipal planning.

4.4 Emergency Drills

In order to be adequately prepared, emergency drills should be executed and documented at <http://emergencydrills.lausd.net>. Training for all emergency procedures can be found through the STEPS program on the Learning Zone. The [LAUSD Emergency Drills and Procedures Reference Guide](#) has more information on emergency response actions and required emergency drills. Four types of emergency drills are required as indicated in the table below, along with the required frequencies by school level.

Drill Frequency Table:

DRILL TYPE	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE	SENIOR HIGH AND ADULT
<i>Fire</i>	First week of school until proficient, then once per month at minimum, including summer school.	First week of school until proficient, then once per month at minimum, including summer school.	First week of school until proficient, then once per semester at minimum, including summer school.
<i>Earthquake (Drop/Cover/Hold On)</i>	Once per month at minimum, including summer school.	Once per month at minimum, including summer school.	Once per month at minimum, including summer school.
<i>Take Cover or "Drop"</i>	Review* once per semester at minimum, including summer school.	Review* once per semester at minimum, including summer school.	Review* once per semester at minimum, including summer school.
<i>Lockdown</i>	Once per semester at minimum, including summer school.	Once per semester at minimum, including summer school.	Once per semester at minimum, including summer school.
<i>Shelter-in-Place</i>	Review* once per semester at minimum, including summer school.	Review* once per semester at minimum, including summer school.	Review* once per semester at minimum, including summer school.

*An oral review of purpose and procedure may be done in lieu of actual practice.

4.4.1 Fire Drill

Signal: (Most sites) Series of three and one half second pulses of electronic emergency horns, followed by a short pause; sequence repeats for at least three minutes.

Fire Drill Procedures:

Teachers

1. Please refer to the evacuation map in your classroom. If the room does not have a map, please contact the principal.
2. Familiarize yourself with the route your class will take before the drill begins.
3. When the signal is given, have students form a single line outside the classroom. (Form a double line for large classes.)
4. Check to see that all students are out of the classroom; take student roster and close all doors to prevent the spread of smoke or fire.

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5. Have students walk quietly in single file to the Assembly Area. Teachers should walk at the rear of the line.
6. Have students form a single line in the designated Assembly Area.
7. Take attendance.
8. Wait for the “all clear” signal – one long, steady bell – then return quietly to your classroom in single file.

All Other Personnel: Report to Assembly Area for further instructions.

4.4.2 Earthquake Drill

An earthquake drill is held to provide maximum protection in case of earthquake or other emergency where the risk of flying or falling debris is present. No advance warning or signal normally will be given. In practice drills, teachers should supervise students and be alert to the position of each student during the entire drill.

Signal: The signal for the drill is the following PA announcement.

“Your attention, please. As you are aware, we are experiencing some seismic activity. For everyone’s protection, all students should follow drop, cover and hold on procedures, which means you should be in a protected position under a table or desk, away from windows and anything that could fall and hurt you. Hold this position until the shaking stops or you are given further instructions.”

Earthquake Drill Procedures

1. Initiate the DROP, COVER and HOLD ON action as described in Section 4.0.
2. Drop to knees facing away from windows.
3. Get under desks or tables and hold on to the furniture where possible.
4. Fold body onto floor with arms close to knees.
5. Place head as far as is possible between knees; cover crown of the head with hands.
6. Stay in this position until shaking stops.
7. Teachers will direct students to return to their seats.

After an earthquake, students will evacuate using the safest route or evacuation routes practiced during the fire drill. The students are gathered in the Assembly Area and line up in the designated space.

If an earthquake occurs during non-classroom hours i.e., passing periods, nutrition, or lunch, all persons will proceed to the Assembly Area and line up in the designated space.

4.4.3 Lockdown Drill

Signal: The signal for the drill is the following PA announcement.

“Your attention please. There is a threat to your safety near the school. For everyone’s protection, all students should go into to the nearest classroom and lock the door. You should be in a protected position, away from doors and windows and anything that can hurt you. Hold this position until you are given further instructions.”

Lockdown Drill Procedures

1. When the announcement has been given, all classes will remain in their rooms.
2. Physical education classes will proceed into the gym, auditorium or multi-purpose room.
3. Move students to the most protected areas in the room and lock the door.
4. Have students face away from windows and keep their backs toward windows.
5. Close and lock all doors and windows. If possible, cover windows by lowering blinds, closing slots, drawing curtains, or pulling shades
6. Turn off lights, power equipment, appliances, and silence cell phones. All personnel must remain in the classroom until further instructions are received from official sources.

4.4.4 Shelter-In-Place Drill

A Shelter-In-Place indicates that an emergency that requires students and staff to remain inside.

Signal: The signal for the “Shelter-In-Place” drill is the following PA announcement:

“Your attention, please. Because we have received information regarding a hazard in the community, we are instituting shelter-in-place procedures. Remember, this means students and staff are to remain inside the building away from outside air with windows and doors securely closed and air conditioning units turned off. Please cover any cracks under door or around the windows with towels. Cover any vents to the outside. All students and staff that are outside are to immediately move to the protection of an inside room. As soon as we have further information, we will share it with you.”

Shelter-in-Place Drill Procedures

1. When the announcement has been given, all classes will remain in their rooms.
2. Physical education classes will proceed into the gym, auditorium, or multi-purpose room.
3. Move students to the most protected areas in the room.
4. Have students face away from windows and keep their backs toward windows.
5. Close all doors and windows. If possible, cover windows by lowering blinds, closing slots, drawing curtains, or pulling shades.
6. Cover any vents or holes with posters, paper or plastic. Use wet paper towels to fill gaps under doors or windows. Block the exchange of air to the outside by putting laminated posters over vents.
7. Turn off gas, lights, power equipment, and appliances. All personnel must remain in the shelter area until further instructions are received from official sources.
8. Turn off HVAC and cover vents.

5. Authorities and References

This section contains a list of laws, statutes, ordinances, executive orders, regulations, and formal agreements relevant to emergencies. It provides for the succession of decision-making authority and operational control to ensure that critical emergency functions can be performed in the absence of the school administrator.

5.1 Legal Requirements

California Senate Bill 187 (1997) - Requires a comprehensive school safety plan with identified appropriate safety strategies relevant to the needs and resources of the school. It requires specific representatives from the school and community to be involved in the planning process, update the plan annually, and adopt emergency procedures and policies.

California Education Code Section 32282 - Requires that school safety plans include (among other items) disaster procedures and an earthquake procedure system including protective measures to be taken during an earthquake, and detailed “drop” procedures. Also requires training of school staff in the drop procedures.

California Education Code Section 35295-35297 - Specifies the components of the earthquake emergency procedure system for schools of more than 50 students, public and private: a school building disaster plan; a drop, cover, and hold on procedure; protective measures to be taken before, during, and after an earthquake; and a program for training students and staff in the adopted earthquake system.

California Education Code Section 35294.1 - School safety plans may include an action plan with input from law enforcement, and may determine the fiscal impact of implementing the plan. School safety plans are to be created using existing resources and are not to be developed with private consultants.

California Code of Regulations 560 - School principals are to formulate the disaster preparedness plan and submit it annually to the Superintendent for approval. Schools are required to test the plan twice a year, not including fire drills.

5.2 Other Related Laws

California Education Code 32040 - Requires each school to have a first aid kit.

California Government Code 3100 (Disaster Service Workers’ Act) - All public personnel, including school District employees and charter school employees, can be declared Disaster Service Workers. As Disaster Service Workers, employees can be held at the work site and assigned disaster relief activities to perform until released during a disaster declared by the President or the Governor, or proclaimed by the Mayor.

California Field Act of 1933 – Specifies stricter building codes for and more frequent inspections of public school buildings. It applies to new construction of school buildings and later was amended to include mandatory retrofitting of older, existing school buildings.

5. Authorities and References

No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001 Title IV Part A (Safe and Drug Free Schools & Gun Free Requirements) – Provides funding for schools to prevent violence in and around schools; to prevent the illegal use of alcohol, tobacco and drugs; and to foster a safe and drug-free learning environment.

California Code of Regulations Title 8 Section 3221 - sets forth the procedures for Fire Protection Systems.

California Education Code 3200 - Schools must have a fire alarm system and sound the alarm and conduct a fire drill at least once every calendar month at elementary schools, at least four times a year intermediate, and not less than twice a year at secondary schools.

LAUSD policies and guidance documents regarding emergencies can be found at <http://achieve.lausd.net/Page/2649>.

6. Functional Annexes

Functional annexes focus on critical operational functions and the courses of action developed to carry them out, independent of the threat or hazard requiring response. While these functions should be described separately, it is important to remember that many functions will occur consecutively. Multiple functions may be performed concurrently. For example, during an evacuation, once students are safely out of the building, the accounting for students, staff, and visitors function will begin. The evacuation function, however, will still be in effect as staff or first responders work to locate and evacuate any persons not accounted for.

Note: Only the Superintendent of the School District has the authority to cancel or close any LAUSD school.

Training for all emergency procedures can be found through the STEPS program on the Learning Zone. The [LAUSD Emergency Drills and Procedures Reference Guide](#) contains detailed information on emergency response actions and required emergency drills.

6.1 Notifications

Response actions should be accompanied by the following notifications:

- 911
- Los Angeles School Police Watch Commander's Office at (213) 625-6631
- Local District Operations
- BlackBoard Connect messages to parents and/or staff
- ISTAR incident report

6.2 Accounting for all Persons

This action is taken to account for the whereabouts and wellbeing of all students, staff members and visitors and is one of the first tasks that must be accomplished in any emergency.

Note: The below procedures are used to account for everyone after evacuating from school buildings. Schools should plan how to acquire this information, including accounting for visitors, during a lockdown, shelter-in-place, or other emergency where everyone is inside. Methods may include MISIS (for student attendance), email, calling the office via classroom phone, or hand-collected rosters/reports. Multiple methods should be planned for due to varied technology and safety factors in an emergency.

Accounting for all Persons Procedures

1. Teachers will take student rosters when leaving the building and account for their designated groups once the class is assembled in a safe location. Teachers are to list students/others as appropriate on attendance rosters and on the Missing Persons Report, Injury Report, and/or Supplemental Attendance Report.
2. Assembly Area Team members will collect student rosters, Missing Persons Report, Injury Report, and Supplemental Attendance Report from teachers and submit them to the Assembly Area Team Leader.
3. The Assembly Area Team leader will compile a master accounting of all persons on campus, and make reports available to the Operations Section Chief and Incident Commander.

6.3 All Clear

This action is taken to notify staff and students that normal school operations can resume.

All Clear Procedures

1. The Incident Commander (principal) will make the following announcement on the PA system, which signifies that the emergency is over. If the PA system is not available, the Incident Commander will use other means of communication, i.e., sending messengers to deliver instructions. “Your attention, please. You may now return to your classroom and resume usual activities. Thank you all for your cooperation”.
2. The Incident Commander will convene the school Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team if the incident was traumatic to the school community.
3. The Incident Commander will make a final notification update to District offices and parents.
4. The Incident Commander will complete an iSTAR report to document the incident, including follow-up actions.
5. If appropriate, teachers should immediately begin discussions and activities to address students’ fears, anxieties, and other concerns.

6.4 Drop, Cover, and Hold On

This action is taken to protect students and staff from flying or falling debris, and is commonly used during an earthquake or explosion.

Drop, Cover, Hold On Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will make the following announcement on the PA system. If the PA system is not available, the principal will use other means of communication, i.e., sending messengers to deliver instructions. The Incident Commander (principal) should be calm, convey reassuring comments that the situation is under control, and give clear directions. “Your attention please. We are having an earthquake. Drop, cover and hold on in a protected position under a table or desk, away from windows and anything that could fall and hurt you. Hold this position until the shaking stops or you are given further instructions.”

2. If inside, teachers will instruct students to drop under their desks and cover their heads with their arms and hold onto the desk legs.
3. If outside, teachers will instruct students to drop to the ground, place their heads between their knees, and cover their heads with their arms and hands.
4. Teachers and students should move away from windows.
5. Students with disabilities that do not allow them to get under furniture for protection should move away from items in the room that are not secured. These students should go into a structural corner of the room (away from cabinets and shelves that can spill their contents; away from windows that can break and away from suspended items that could fall), lock the wheels on any wheelchairs and protect their head and neck with their hands.
6. The Incident Commander will follow drop, cover, and hold on with evacuation to the assembly area and notifications to the District and parents.
7. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action. Online training about earthquakes is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 202 and 402.

6.5 Evacuate Building

This action is taken after the decision is made that it is unsafe to remain in the building. It is most commonly used in response to a fire, after an earthquake (following drop, cover, and hold on), or any emergency where the building and its contents are perceived to be a threat to student safety.

Evacuate Building Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS team, and will make the following announcement on the PA system. If the PA system is not available, the Incident Commander (principal) will use other means of communication, i.e., sending messengers to deliver instructions. The principal should be calm, convey reassuring comments that the situation is under control, and give clear directions. "Your attention, please. We need to evacuate all buildings. Teachers are to take their students and roll book to the assembly area and report to their designated area. Students are to remain with their teacher. Teachers need to close the classroom door when all the students have left."
2. The Incident Commander will activate the fire alarm system as a signal to evacuate.
3. Teachers will instruct students to evacuate the building, using designated routes, and assemble in their assigned Assembly Area.
4. Teachers will take student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies when leaving the building, and take attendance once the class is assembled in a safe location. List missing students on the Missing Persons Report
5. Once assembled, teachers and students will stay in place until further instructions are given.
6. The Incident Commander will make appropriate notifications to the District and parents.
7. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

Online training that includes building evacuation is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 201 and STEPS 401. Fire alarm system training is available on the Learning Zone in STEPS course 418.

6.6 Lockdown

This action is taken when the threat of violence or gunfire is identified or directed by law enforcement and it is necessary to prevent the perpetrator(s) from entering any occupied campus areas. During a lockdown, students are to remain in the locked classrooms or designated safe locations at all times.

Lockdown Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will make the following announcement on the PA system. If the PA system is not available, the Incident Commander (principal) will use other means of communication, i.e., sending messengers to deliver instructions. The principal should be calm, convey reassuring comments that the situation is under control, and give clear directions. “Your attention, please. We have an emergency and need to implement a lockdown. Teachers are to lock classroom doors and keep all students inside the classroom until further notice. Do not open the door until notified by an administrator or law enforcement. If outside, students and staff are to proceed inside to the nearest building or classroom.”
2. If inside, teachers will instruct students to stay away from doors and windows, lock all doors, sit on the floor (in some instances), and close any shades or blinds if it appears safe to do so.
3. If outside, teachers will direct students to proceed to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into nearby classrooms or school buildings (e.g. auditorium, library, cafeteria, and gymnasium). Teachers are to account for any students with a cognitive disability that may not have understood the directions. Teachers are to take roll and to notify the office the number of students in the room with them and their names.
4. Teachers and students will remain in the classroom or secured area until further instructions are given by the principal or law enforcement.
5. All entrances to the school are to be locked and no visitors other than appropriate law enforcement or emergency personnel are to be allowed on campus.
6. The Incident Commander will call the Los Angeles School Police Department Watch Commander’s Office (213) 625-6631. The Watch Commander will provide advice and support for the School Incident Commander by interfacing with municipal police and fire departments and sending an LASPD officer to the school.
7. The Incident Commander will make appropriate notifications to the District and parents.
8. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action. Supplemental online lockdown training courses STEPS 203, 302, and 403 is offered through the Learning Zone.

Details are available in the [LAUSD Lockdown and Rapid Relocation Procedures for All Schools Bulletin](#).

6.7 Psychological Trauma/School Crisis

A school crisis is a sudden, unexpected, or unanticipated critical incident that can pose a safety threat or disrupts the school day, interfering with teaching, learning, attendance and behavior. Common reactions to a school crisis may include shock, confusion and fear. Although individual students, staff, families or other school community members may experience each crisis differently, school crises can have a broad and immediate impact on many students and adults.

Examples of crises that may impact schools include:

- An accident on or near the school grounds
- A violent incident at or near school
- The death of a student, staff or one of their family members by suicide or trauma
- The terminal illness of a student or staff member
- A natural disaster
- An act of terrorism

As a result of such critical incidents and emergencies, students and staff may exhibit a variety of psychological reactions. As soon as the physical safety of those involved has been ensured, crisis responders can focus on addressing the social-emotional needs of students and staff. Online training about crisis events is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 207 and 409.

OTHER IMPORTANT DEFINITIONS

Trauma

Trauma refers to an event or a situation where an individual fears for their life. In addition, they could have been seriously injured, witnessed violence, or tragically lost a loved one. Exposure to this type of trauma overwhelms the ability of that individual to cope.

Psychological First Aid (PFA)

PFA is an evidence-informed modular approach to help children, adolescents, adults and families in the immediate aftermath of traumatic events, disasters and terrorism. PFA is designed to reduce the initial distress caused by these stressful events and to foster short-and long-term adaptive functioning and coping amongst students, staff and parents/guardians.

MULTI-TIERED CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM MODEL

There are three tiers of crisis response: school site, local district and District office. The basic structure of the multi-disciplinary support teams on all three tiers should be similar in their composition and incorporate District staff with experience in various areas of crisis. Crisis response begins at the school site level; the scope, severity and impact of an incident may activate the local district, District office, or a combination thereof (see Attachment A, Multi-Tiered Crisis Response Flow Chart).

A. Tier I: School Site Crisis Response

School site crisis teams are responsible for initiating crisis response, assessing the range of services needed, and providing direct intervention services. The school site crisis team

determines if there is a need for additional assistance from the local district crisis team. The school site crisis team may be activated as part of the Incident Command System (ICS) Team during an emergency or disaster, or may be activated as a stand-alone team, depending on the incident.

B. Tier II: Local District Crisis Response

The school site administrator/designee contacts the LD Operations administration for support and assistance if the crisis response required is beyond the scope of what the school site crisis team can provide. Assistance from the LD crisis response team includes: consultation, providing direct intervention services, assistance with communications and memos, and guidance regarding strategies for recovery in the aftermath of the critical incident.

C. Tier III: District Office Crisis Response

In collaboration with the LD Operations administration, the school site administrator/designee determines if there is a need for support from the central crisis response team. Assistance from the District office crisis response team includes: consultation, providing direct intervention services, assistance with communications and memos, and guidance regarding strategies for recovery in the aftermath of the critical incident.

Psychological Trauma/Crisis Procedures

1. As the Incident Commander, the principal or designee activates the school ICS Team, including the Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team, which has primary responsibility for addressing the social-emotional well-being and safety of students in the aftermath of a critical incident.
2. The Crisis Team Lead will work with the Incident Commander to assess the impact and triage students, staff, and parents/guardians, as needed.
3. The Crisis Team will provide direct crisis intervention services, including the implementation of PFA.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator, and request additional resources as necessary.
5. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open or update an iSTAR report on the incident, documenting the actions of the Crisis Team.
6. The Crisis Team will advise and assist the Incident Commander to restore regular school functions as efficiently and quickly as possible.
7. Crisis Team members will make every effort to limit exposure to scenes of trauma, injury, and death.
8. The Crisis Team will provide on-going assessment of needs and follow-up services as required.

School Site Crisis Response

The following are general preparedness, response and recovery protocols for the administrator/ designee to implement during any crisis in a school, at District and school-related activities, and in all areas within the District's jurisdiction.

A. Preparedness

1. Establish a school site crisis team.

School site crisis team members should be comprised of school staff, such as administrators and out-of-classroom support staff. School site crisis team composition will vary by school and must be staffed by District personnel only. Staff on the school site crisis team should be informed of their roles and have opportunities to participate in preparedness activities.

2. Schedule regular school site crisis team meetings.

School site crisis teams should meet at least quarterly to review protocols and procedures regarding preparedness, response and recovery. School site crisis team meetings should be documented by maintaining agendas and sign-in sheets. Meetings should include the development of comprehensive crisis response and recovery plans that:

- a. Define the roles of the school site crisis team members and communicate this information with other staff at the school site (i.e., staff that are not identified on the school site crisis team, such as teachers, clerical, new, substitute, before and after-school staff, and volunteers).
- b. Identify common types of crises and disasters that may impact schools and develop strategies for responding appropriately to re-establish the safety and security of the school site.
- c. Discuss possible locations on the school site to provide crisis response services, such as psychological triage, assessment and reunification, utilizing the areas identified in the Safe School Plan.
- d. Provide/coordinate staff development and training on identified topics (e.g., Psychological First Aid, immediate and long-term recovery, traumatic grief, the impact of traumatic events on students, adults and school climate, and self-care). For support with staff development and training, contact LD Operations administration, or School Mental Health, Crisis Counseling and Intervention Services at (213) 241-3841.
- e. Develop strategies to mitigate long-term impact on student mental health, well-being and academic achievement by re-engaging students in the learning process.
- f. Identify school and community-based resources.

B. Response

The following are general procedures for the administrator/designee to respond to crisis situations at the school site.

1. Ensure Campus/Office Safety

- a. Call 911 for immediate, emergency life threatening situations.
- b. Call Los Angeles School Police Department (213) 625-6631 or local law enforcement for assistance at the school site or school related activity.
- c. Secure site and implement lockdown, if necessary.
- d. Activate the ICS team, as needed.
- e. For assistance and consultation, contact LD Operations administration or School Mental Health, Crisis Counseling and Intervention Services at (213) 241-3841.

2. Determine Facts

Consider some of the following questions when gathering information to determine the appropriate response for the situation:

- a. What happened?
- b. Who was involved?
- c. How were they involved?
- d. How did it happen?
- e. Where and when did it happen?
- f. What caused the crisis?
- g. What is the condition of those involved?
- h. Other relevant sources of information (e.g., school staff, parents/guardians, local law enforcement, medical facilities)?

3. Notify

- a. LD Operations administration as soon as feasible.
- b. Administrator/designee of co-located schools.
- c. Administrator/designee of other school sites that could be affected by the crisis.
- d. Other offices, as appropriate (see the Assistance section at the end of this bulletin for a list of relevant LAUSD offices).
- e. Document the incident in the Incident System Tracking Accountability Report (iSTAR) as soon as practical, and update as necessary.

4. Assess

The school site crisis team meets to assess the impact and severity of the incident and determine the level of crisis response needed. Their assessment will guide the response and recovery methods. Variables to consider when assessing the impact of the crisis include:

- a. Type of incident
- b. Number of students and staff that might be affected
- c. Emotional proximity to the crisis incident, including the relationship of the involved individual(s) to the school community. The impact to the school may be affected by the degree to which the individual(s) were active in the school community.
- d. Physical proximity to the crisis incident
- e. History of other crises at the school or for those involved in the current crisis
- f. Time the crisis incident occurred (e.g., during school hours, after school, weekend, holiday)
- g. School and community resources available

5. Develop Action Plan

Crisis response and interventions will be determined by the impact and severity of the incident. The action plan developed by the team should be documented and managed by the school site administrator/designee.

A description of action is available at <http://ccis.lausd.net>, under Crisis Response.

Actions may include:

- Communication
- Logistics/Operations

- Psychological Triage/Crisis Counseling
- Incident Debriefing
- Documentation
- Important Considerations
- Recommendations for Short and Long-Term Recovery

The Crisis Team will provide on-going assessment of needs and follow-up services as required.

Psychological First Aid: Responding to Crisis Incidents

For a PFA handout in English and Spanish, visit <http://ccis.lausd.net> under Crisis Response.

1. LISTEN to what they say and how they act.
 - Address the feeling(s)/behavior(s) as soon as possible.
 - If a student wants to talk, be prepared to listen and focus on what they say and how you can be of help.
 - Observe nonverbal communication. Remember that student(s) may also show their feelings in nonverbal ways, such as increased behavioral problems or increased withdrawal.
 - Express compassion and calmness in your statements as well as nonverbal behaviors.
2. PROTECT by maintaining structure, stability, and consistency.
 - Maintain daily routines, activities, and structure with clear expectations and consistent rules.
 - Provide supervision and consistency to encourage successful outcomes.
 - Give information that is accurate and age-appropriate.
 - Keep the environment free of anything that could re-traumatize the student.
 - Validate the student's life experience.
 - Maintain confidentiality as appropriate.
3. CONNECT through interaction, activities and resources.
 - "Check in" with student(s) on a regular basis.
 - Become familiar with learning support staff at your school (Psychiatric Social Worker, PSA Counselor, School Psychologist, Counselor, Nurse) and community health/mental health services. Make referrals to the appropriate resources who may offer support to student(s).
 - Encourage interactions, activities, team projects with friends and teachers.
 - Keep communication open with others involved in the students' lives (parents, other teachers, coaches etc.).

Note: Consult with DCFS if you suspect child abuse and/or neglect.
4. MODEL calm and optimistic behavior.
 - Model healthy responses by remaining calm, courteous, organized and helpful.
 - Pay attention to your thoughts, feelings and reactions about the event. In the midst of a crisis, students are often watching for verbal and nonverbal cues by the adults they are with, which may influence how students cope and behave.

- Take constructive actions to assure safety.
 - Monitor conversations that students may engage in or hear.
 - Acknowledge the difficulty of the situation, but demonstrate how people can come together to cope after such an event.
 - Practice self-care.
5. TEACH about normal changes that can occur when traumatized.
- Student(s) may have different reactions even to the same event.
 - Encourage students to identify and use positive coping strategies to help them after the event.
 - Help your students to problem solve to get through each day successfully.
 - Help students set small “doable” goals and share in these achievements as “wins.”
 - Note: With time and support, students generally do better. If they do not, they should be encouraged and taught to seek assistance from a parent/guardian or a school staff member.

6.8 Relocation (Off-Site Evacuation)

This action is taken after a decision is made that it is unsafe to remain on the campus and evacuation to an off-site assembly area is required, such as during a tsunami or large hazardous materials release.

Relocation Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will make the following announcement on the PA system. If the PA system is not available, the Incident Commander (principal) will use other means of communication, i.e., sending messengers to deliver instructions. The principal should be calm, convey reassuring comments that the situation is under control and give clear directions. “Your attention, please. We need to institute an off-site relocation. Teachers are to take their students roll book, emergency supplies, and report to their designated offsite relocation point. Students are to remain with their teacher. Teachers are to lock the classroom after all students have exited.”
2. The Incident Commander will determine the safest method for evacuating the campus. This may include the use of school buses or simply walking to the designated off-site location. The off-site assembly areas are indicated on the Vicinity Map in the Safe School Plan. Teachers and students will stay together during the evacuation.
3. Teachers will take student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies when leaving the building and take attendance once the class is assembled in a pre-designated safe location.
4. Once assembled off-site, teachers and students will stay in place until further instructions are given.
5. The Incident Commander will make appropriate notifications to the District and parents.
6. Once clearance is received from appropriate agencies, the Incident Commander may authorize students and staff to return to the campus, or initiate Request/Reunion procedures from the off-site location.

7. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

6.9 Reunification

Student reunification is implemented to reunite students with their families after a critical incident or disaster (a significant fire, natural disaster, violence, school bus accident, etc.) that prevents a normal school dismissal.

Reunification Procedures

1. The Incident Commander or designee will direct the Request and Reunion Teams to activate and report to their posts once the decision to initiate reunification procedures has been made.
2. The Request Gate Team will greet parents/guardians, check identification, check student emergency cards for authorization to pick up students, provide reunification paperwork to parents, and direct them to the Reunion Gate.
3. The Request Gate should generally remain locked during the reunification process to help control access. The Request Gate Team can pass clipboards to parents through the gaps in the gate fencing.
4. Message runners will notify the Assembly Area Team of the student(s) to be escorted to the Reunion Gate.
5. The Reunion Gate Team will check parent/guardian IDs, confirm student identification and keep accurate records of students leaving the campus.
6. Members of the Psychological First Aid Team may be asked to assist the Reunion Gate Team. In the event that a child is injured or otherwise unavailable, it is recommended that the parents be invited to a private or secluded location and, away from others, be informed of their child's condition. It is suggested that a member of the Psychological First Aid team then stay with the parent and assist them.
7. The Reunion Gate should remain locked when student reunifications are not actively taking place.
8. Members of other school emergency teams may be asked to assist with crowd control, providing information, and calming parents at either gate once finished with their primary emergency assignment.

6.10 Shelter-in-Place

This action is taken to place and/or keep students indoors in order to provide a greater level of protection from airborne contaminants in outside air, inclement weather, or other hazards. Shelter-in-Place is implemented when there is a need to isolate students and staff from the outdoor environment, and may include the shutdown of classroom and/or building heating/air conditioning systems. During a Shelter-in-Place, no one should be exposed to the outside air.

The difference between Shelter-in-Place and Lockdown is that a shelter-in-place may involve the shutdown of heating and air conditioning (HVAC) systems, and allows for the free movement of students within a building. However, students in bungalows and buildings with exterior passageways will have to remain in the classroom.

Shelter-in-Place Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS team, and will make the following announcement on the PA system. If the PA system is not available, the Incident Commander (principal) will use other means of communication, i.e., sending messengers to deliver instructions. The principal should be calm, convey reassuring comments that the situation is under control and give clear directions. “Your attention, please. We are implementing a Shelter-in-Place, due to an air quality issue. Students and staff are to remain inside the building away from outside air with windows and doors securely closed and heating and air conditioning units turned off. Please cover any cracks under door or around the windows with towels. Cover any vents to the outside. All students and staff that are outside are to immediately move to the protection of an inside room. As soon as we have further information, we will share it with you”.
2. If inside, teachers will keep students in the classroom until further instructions are given.
3. If outside, teachers will direct students to proceed to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into the closest classrooms or school buildings (e.g., auditorium, library, cafeteria, or gymnasium). Teachers should consider the location and proximity of the identified hazard and, if necessary, proceed to an alternative indoor location. Teachers are to account for any students with a cognitive disability that may not have understood the directions. Teachers are to take roll and to notify the office the number of students in the room with them and their names.
4. Teachers are responsible for securing individual classrooms and the Security/Utilities Team will assist in completing the procedures as needed: shut down the classroom/building(s) HVAC system; turn off local fans in the area; close and lock doors and windows; seal gaps under doors and windows with wet towels or duct tape; seal vents with aluminum foil, plastic wrap, or laminated posters, if possible; and turn off any sources of ignition, such as pilot lights.
5. The Incident Commander will make appropriate notifications to the District and parents.
6. The Incident Commander will monitor news media for information about the incident.
7. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action. Online training about shelter in place is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 204 and 404.

6.11 Suicide Risk and Self-Injurious Behavior

Procedures for Responding to Students who Exhibit Suicidal Ideation/Behavior

For support and consultation, contact School Mental Health Crisis Counseling and Intervention Services at (213) 241-3841 Monday-Friday (8:00am-4:30pm). After hours, contact the Los Angeles School Police Department at (213) 625-6631.

A. Respond Immediately

1. Report concerns or incidents directly to the administrator/designee and/or Suicide Prevention Liaison(s) immediately or as soon as practically possible. For example, do not

wait until the end of the day or leave a note, send an e-mail, or leave a voicemail without ensuring that the message was received.

2. Ensure that a staff member, not a student, accompany the student sent to the office for an assessment.

B. Secure the Safety of the Student

1. For immediate, emergency life threatening situations call 911.
2. Supervise student at all times. Ensure the physical environment the student is in is free of any items/objects that could potentially be harmful, such as scissors, letter openers, staplers, pushpins, pencils, sharpeners.
3. If appropriate, conduct an administrative search of the student to ensure there is no access to means, such as razor blades or pills.
4. If a student is agitated, unable to be contained or there is a need for immediate assistance, contact the LASPD at (213) 625-6631 or the local law enforcement agency.
5. District employees should not transport students. Only LASPD, local law enforcement, or designated Department of Mental Health clinicians, including Psychiatric Mobile Response Team (PMRT) staff, are authorized to transport an individual for a psychiatric evaluation (5150/5585) if the current circumstances meet the criteria.
6. If the school receives information that the student may pose a danger to self and/or others but is not in attendance, contact LASPD or local law enforcement to conduct a welfare check to determine the safety and well-being of the student, as well as others.

C. Assess for Suicide Risk

1. The administrator/designee or designated Suicide Prevention Liaison(s) should gather essential background information that will help with assessing the student's risk for suicide (e.g., what the student said or did, information that prompted concern or suspicion, copies of any concerning writings, drawings, text messages, social media, or previous iSTAR history).
2. The administrator/designee or the designated Suicide Prevention Liaison should meet with the student to complete a risk assessment. Based on the information gathered and assessment of the student, the assessing party should collaborate with at least one other designated school site crisis team member to determine the level of risk. See Attachment B - Suicide Risk Assessment Tool.
3. Any consultations made by the assessing party should be in a confidential setting and not in the presence of the student of concern. Another designated staff member should supervise the student at all times
4. If the level of risk is determined to be moderate or high, contact LASPD or the PMRT. Both agencies are authorized to assess, determine if the current circumstances meet the criteria, and transport an individual for a psychiatric evaluation (5150/5585), if needed. It is not necessary to call both agencies for a response.
 - LASPD - (213) 625-6631
 - PMRT - (800) 854-7771

The privacy of all students should be protected at ALL times. Disclose confidential information only on a right to know and need to know basis

D. Communicate with Parent/Guardian

The Suicide Prevention Liaison or assessing party should contact the parent/guardian or consult the emergency card for an authorized third party. When communicating with parent/guardian:

1. Share concerns and provide recommendations for establishing safety in the home with “means restriction” (e.g., securing/removing firearms, medications, cleaning supplies, cutlery, and razor blades).
2. If the student is transported to the hospital, communicate a plan for re-entry pursuant to (Attachment E) Student Re-Entry Guidelines. Complete and provide parent/guardian with Return to School Information for Parent/Guardian (Attachment H), which outlines steps to facilitate a positive transition back to school.
3. Provide school and/or local community mental health resources, including the nearest SMH Clinic or District Wellness Center. Students with private health insurance should be referred to their provider.
4. Facilitate contact with community agencies and follow-up to ensure access to services.
5. Provide Suicide Prevention Awareness for Parents/Caregivers (Attachment M) or Self-Injury Awareness for Parents/Caregivers (Attachment N)
6. Obtain parent/guardian permission to communicate with outside mental health care providers regarding their child using Attachment F Parent/Guardian Authorization for Release/Exchange of Information.

E. Determine Appropriate Action Plan

The assessing party should collaborate with at least one other designated school site crisis team member to determine appropriate action(s) based on the level of risk. Refer to Attachment C- Suicide Risk Assessment Levels, Warning Signs & Action Plan Options. There are circumstances that might increase a student’s suicide risk. Examples may include suspension, expulsion, relationship problems, significant loss, interpersonal conflict, or being identified as a student of a vulnerable population (see Section VI – Considerations for Supporting Vulnerable Student Populations). The action plan determined should be documented and managed by the school site administrator/designee. Actions may include:

1. A safety plan is a prioritized list of coping strategies and resources that a student may use before, during, or after a suicidal crisis. See Attachments D1-D4 for recommendations and templates for developing a student safety plan.
 - a. Throughout the safety planning process, a collaborative problem solving approach should be used to assess and address any potential barriers the student may have with following through with the safety plan.
 - b. If the student enrolls in a new school, the safety plan should be reviewed with the new school site crisis team to ensure continuity of care and revised as needed.

2. See Attachment E-Student Re-entry Guidelines for a checklist of action items to consider and Attachment K-Student Re-Entry/Safety Planning Meeting sign-in sheet to document participation in any meetings regarding the student.
 - a. A student returning to school following psychiatric evaluation or hospitalization, including psychiatric and drug/alcohol inpatient treatment, must have written permission by a licensed California health care provider to attend school (Attachment I- Medical Clearance for Return to School)
 - b. If the student is absent or out of school due to a mental health evaluation/hospitalization, the school site administrator/designee should hold a re-entry meeting with key support staff, parents/guardians, and student upon their return to facilitate a successful transition.
 - c. As appropriate, consider an assessment for special education for a student whose behavioral and emotional needs affect their ability to benefit from their educational program (see BUL-5577.1 Counseling and Educationally Related Intensive Counseling Services (ERICs) for Students with Disabilities).
3. Mobilize a support system and provide resources (Attachment R-Resource Guide).
 - a. Connect student and family with social, school and community supports.
 - b. Refer the student to the nearest SMH Clinic or District Wellness Center, a community resource provider, or their health care provider for mental/physical health services
4. Monitor and manage.
 - a. The administrator/designee and/or Suicide Prevention Liaison(s) should monitor and manage the case as it develops and until it has been determined that the student no longer poses an immediate threat to self.
 - b. Maintain consistent communication with appropriate parties on a need to know basis.
 - c. If the parent/guardian is not following the safety recommendations, a suspected child abuse report may be filed. See BUL-1347.3 - Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Requirements.

F. Important Considerations

1. When Certificated Staff Accompany a Student to the Hospital
If PMRT or law enforcement determines that the student will be transported to an emergency hospital/medical facility, the school site administrator should designate a certificated staff member to accompany the student if:
 - a. The student requests the presence of a staff member.
 - b. The school is unable to make contact with the parent/guardian
 - c. Parent/guardian is unavailable to meet the student at the hospital.
 - d. Deemed appropriate pursuant to circumstances, such as age, development level, or pertinent historical student information.
2. Providing Information for a Psychiatric Evaluation
If the student will be transported, the assessing party should complete Attachment G2-Summary of Relevant Student Information, indicating summary of incident and pertinent historical information. This document should be provided to PMRT or law enforcement prior to transporting to an emergency hospital. For information on how to

complete Attachment G2, refer to Attachment G1 – Directions on How to Complete the Summary of Relevant Student Information.

G. Responding to Student Suicide Actions

In case of a student suicide attempt, the health and safety of the student is paramount. The following are important steps to consider in these situations:

1. In-School Suicide Attempt

In case of an in-school suicide attempt:

- a. Call 911, as appropriate.
- b. Render first aid until professional medical treatment and/or transportation can be received.
- c. Supervise the student to ensure their safety.
- d. Inform the school site administrator/designee and/or Suicide Prevention Liaison immediately or as soon as practically possible.
- e. Clear the area by relocating nearby students and staff, as soon as practically possible.
- f. Inform the parent/guardian.
- g. Engage the Suicide Prevention Liaison(s) to ensure the appropriate action plan, safety plan, and re-entry guidelines are established to ensure the safety and well-being of the student and others who might have been exposed or triggered by the incident.

2. Out-of-School Suicide Attempt

In case of an out-of-school suicide attempt:

- a. If the student contacts a staff member and expresses suicidal ideation, the staff member should attempt to maintain contact with the student (either in person, online, or on the phone). Inform the school site administrator/designee and/or Suicide Prevention Liaison immediately for support and guidance.
- b. Call 911, LASPD at (213) 625-6631, or local law enforcement to initiate a welfare check, as appropriate.
- c. Inform the parent/guardian.
- d. Engage the Suicide Prevention Liaison(s) to ensure the appropriate action plan, safety plan, and re-entry guidelines are established to ensure the safety and well-being of the student.

H. Document All Actions

1. The administrator/designee shall maintain records and documentation of actions taken at the school for each case by completing an incident report and Risk Assessment Referral Data (RARD) in iSTAR. For information on completing iSTAR reports with the issue type *Suicidal Behavior*, see **Attachment J1 – Recommendations for RARD Completion**.
2. When documenting in iSTAR, include the 10-digit student identification number for the student in the Persons Involved tab. Any previous reports involving the student entered will be displayed in this tab, which may influence additional safety and action planning.

3. If the student is assessed by a member of the crisis response team who does not have reporting access to iSTAR, the crisis team member should complete **Attachment J2 – Risk Assessment Referral Data (RARD)** and submit it to the school site administrator within 24 hours or by the end of the next school day, for submission on iSTAR. The RARD should no longer be mailed to School Mental Health.
4. Notes, documents and records related to the incident are considered confidential information and remain privileged to authorized personnel. These notes should be kept in a confidential file separate and apart from the student’s cumulative records.
5. If a student for whom a RARD has been completed transfers to a school within or outside the District, the sending school may contact the receiving school to share information and concerns, as appropriate, to facilitate a successful supportive transition. To ensure a continuity of care within the District, a safety plan with the new school’s crisis team should be developed, as appropriate.

Procedures for Responding to Students who Self-Injure

Self-injury is the act of deliberately harming one’s own body, through means such as cutting or burning. Self-injury is an unhealthy way to cope with emotional pain, intense anger, or frustration. Although this behavior often lacks suicidal intent, it can increase the risk of suicide because of emotional problems that trigger by self-injury. Therefore, students who engage in self-injurious behaviors should be assessed for suicide risk.

For definitions, protocol for responding to students who self-injure, as well as information about contagion and other considerations, see Attachment P – Intervention: Protocol for Responding to Students Who Self-Injure.

A. Signs and Symptoms of Self-Injury

- Frequent or unexplained bruises, scars, cuts or burns.
- Consistent, inappropriate use of clothing to conceal wounds (e.g., long sleeves or turtle necks, especially in hot weather; bracelets to cover the wrists; not wanting to change for Physical Education).
- Possession of sharp objects (e.g., razor blades, shards of glass, thumb tacks).
- Evidence of self-injury in (journals, drawings, social networking sites, etc).

B. Risk Factors of Self-Injury

Although self-injury can affect individuals at any age, there are certain risk factors that may increase the chance of someone engaging in self-injurious behavior, including the following:

- **Age**
Most people who self-injure are teenagers and young adults. Self-injury often starts in the early teen years, when emotions are more volatile and teens face increasing peer pressure, loneliness, and conflicts with parents/guardians or other authority figures.
- **Having friends who self-injure**
People who have friends who intentionally harm themselves are more likely to begin self-injuring, sometimes as a way to bond with their peers.

- **Psychosocial factors**

Some people who injure themselves were neglected or abused or experienced other traumatic events. They may have grown up and remain in an unstable family environment, or they may be young people questioning their personal identity or sexuality. Some people who self-injure are socially isolated.

- **Mental health issues**

People who self-injure are more likely to be highly self-critical and be poor problem-solvers. In addition, self-injury is commonly associated with certain mental disorders, such as depression, anxiety disorders, post-traumatic stress disorder, and eating disorders.

- **Alcohol or drug abuse**

People who harm themselves often do so while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

C. Protocol for Responding Self-Injury Procedures

1. Respond immediately or as soon as practically possible.
2. Supervise the student.
3. Seek medical attention, as needed.
4. Conduct an administrative search of student for access to means, such as razor blades, shards of glass, or other sharp instruments.
5. Assess for suicide risk using the protocol outlined in Section V of BUL-2637.3.
6. Communicate with and involve the parent/guardian so the self-injurious behavior can be addressed as soon as possible. Provide handout Attachment N- Self-Injury Awareness for Parents/Caregivers. For handouts in additional languages, visit <http://suicideprevention.lausd.net>.
7. Encourage appropriate coping and problem-solving skills; do not shame the student about self-injurious behaviors.
8. Listen calmly and with empathy; reacting in an angry, shocked, or shaming manner may increase self-injurious behaviors.
9. Develop a safety plan with the student. See Attachment D1-D4.
10. Provide resources. See Attachment R-Resource Guide
11. Document all actions in the RARD on iSTAR; include student identification number in the Persons Involved tab of iSTAR.

D. Self-Injury and Contagion

Self-injurious behaviors may be imitated by other students and can spread across grade levels, peer groups and schools. The following are guidelines for addressing self-injurious behaviors among a group of students:

1. Respond immediately or as soon as practically possible.
2. Respond individually to students, but try to identify peers and friends who may also be engaging in self-injurious behaviors.
3. As students are identified, they should be supervised in separate locations.

4. Each student should be assessed for suicide risk individually using the protocol outlined in Section IV of BUL 2637.3.
5. If the self-injurious behavior involves a group of students, the assessment of each student individually will often identify a student whose behaviors have influenced the behaviors of others in the group. The self-injurious behavior may be indicative of complex mental health issues of this student.

E. Other Considerations for Response to Self-Injury and Contagion

The following are guidelines for how to respond as a school community when addressing self-injurious behaviors among a group of students:

1. Self-injury should be addressed with students individually and never in group settings, such as student assemblies, public announcements, school newspapers, or the classroom.
2. When self-injurious behaviors are impacting a larger school community, schools may respond by inviting parent(s)/guardian(s) to an information parent meeting at the school. . The administrator/designee may decide to invite all parents/guardians from the school community, as the meeting would provide psycho-education, awareness, and tools for addressing self-injurious behaviors in youth. Limiting the invitations may inadvertently leave other parents/guardians feeling uninformed or concerned about their child. Arrangements should be made to supervise students and children during the parent/guardian meeting. See Attachment O – Sample Letter to Parent/Guardian RE: Self-Injury.
3. Consult and work with the Office of Communications (213) 241-6766 for dissemination of information regarding a parent/guardian meeting or other media matters, as needed.

Suspected Child Abuse or Neglect

Report the incident to the appropriate child protective services agency, following the District's *Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Requirements*, BUL-1347, if child abuse or neglect by a parent/guardian is suspected or there is reasonable suspicion that:

- contacting the parent/guardian may escalate the student's current level of risk;
- the parent/guardian is contacted and unwilling to respond; and/or
- the parent/guardian refuses treatment for the student of concern.

The report should include information about the student's suicide risk level and any concerning ideations or behaviors. The reporting party must follow directives provided by the child protective services agency personnel.

6.12 Threat to Others

For support and consultation, contact School Mental Health Crisis Counseling and Intervention Services at (213) 241-3841 Monday-Friday (8:00am-4:30pm). After hours, contact the Los Angeles School Police Department at (213) 625-6631.

This procedure applies if site personnel receive or have knowledge of a threat that may target an individual, a particular group or the entire school community. Such threats may be direct, indirect, verbal, non-verbal, written, or electronic, and may target an individual, a particular group on campus, the entire school, or the community. The school administrator should ensure that all threats are properly assessed, in accordance with the guidelines and protocols indicated in the District's BUL-5799.0 [Threat Assessment and Management \(Student-to-Student, Student-to-Adult\)](#) and BUL-5798.0 [Workplace Violence, Bullying and Threats \(Adult-to-Adult\)](#) bulletins. Online training about threats is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 208 and 408.

Protocol for Responding to School Violence and Threats

The following are general procedures for the administrator/designee to respond to any reports of violence or threats in schools, at District and school-related activities and in all areas within the District's jurisdiction. The urgency of the situation will dictate the order and applicability in which the subsequent steps are followed.

A. Secure Campus/Office Safety

1. Call 911 for immediate, emergency life threatening situations.
2. Call Los Angeles School Police Department (213) 625-6631 or local law enforcement for assistance at the school site or school related activity.
3. Secure site and/or implement lockdown, if necessary.
4. Contact the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health ACCESS (800) 854-7771 for a mental health evaluation to determine risk to self or others and possible hospitalization (see Section III, H3).
5. Warn the intended victim(s) of the threat and/or take reasonable steps to protect the threatened individual(s) in the educational setting. If the targeted individual is a student, take appropriate steps to warn the parent/guardian.
6. For assistance and consultation, contact School Mental Health, Crisis Counseling and Intervention Services at (213) 241-3841.

B. Notify

1. LD Operations staff.
2. Other offices, as appropriate (see Attachment H, Resource List).
3. Document the incident in the Incident System Tracking Accountability Report (iSTAR).

C. Investigate

Prior to convening a multi-disciplinary threat assessment team, designated staff from the team should gather background information that includes:

1. Student information (e.g., name, date of birth, address)
2. Emergency information (e.g., family contact, health care provider information)
3. Attendance records
4. Student cumulative records, including Individualized Education Program (IEP), psycho-educational assessment, prior school records
5. Student discipline records, including any history or discipline related to the incident
6. Student health information, including self-injurious behavior and/or suicidal ideation
7. Review of District computers and property (e.g., desks, books, lockers), as applicable, if reasonable suspicion exists for an administrative search

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8. Personal communication devices, as applicable, if reasonable suspicion exists for an administrative search
9. Statements from witnesses (e.g., students, teachers, other staff)
10. Family situation information
11. Triggering events or other personal stressors (e.g., mental/physical health, death, divorce, economic or family stressors, relationship problems)
12. Access to weapons
13. Other pertinent information (e.g., written material, e-mails, pictures, social network postings)

The privacy of all students should be protected at ALL times, disclose information only on a need to know basis.

D. Convene a Threat Assessment Team

The multi-disciplinary team may include, but not be limited to, an Administrator, a Los Angeles School Police Department Officer, and a mental health professional (e.g., Psychiatric Social Worker, School Psychologist, Pupil Services and Attendance Counselor). The student making the threat, the targeted individual(s) or witness(es) should not be part of the threat assessment team meeting.

Critical roles of effective teams include:

- Communication among all key stakeholders. The administrator/designee shall coordinate and document all actions.
- Collaboration with other professionals across institutional boundaries, including local law enforcement, community mental health agencies, child protective services, and probation.
- Coordination of services for prevention, early identification, and interventions.
- Sharing of confidential information shall be restricted to those persons with a need to know basis. Information must not be discussed or divulged concerning any involved parties to any other person(s).
- Consultation with other resources may include: LD Administrator of Operations, LD Operations Coordinators; Office of General Counsel; Educational Equity Compliance Office; Crisis Counseling and Intervention Services; Human Relations, Diversity and Equity; Division of Special Education; Behavior Support Unit; and Student Discipline, Expulsion and Support Unit.

E. Assess for Risk to Self or Others

1. The administrator /designee or the designated school site threat assessment team member will meet with the student to complete a risk assessment using the School Violence Risk Assessment Checklist and the Suicide Risk Assessment Checklist. The questions should not be read to the student, but rather should be used as a guide while assessing the student.
2. The multi-disciplinary threat assessment team will determine the level of risk by reviewing the School Violence Risk Assessment Checklist and the Suicide Risk Assessment Checklist, as needed:

- **Low Risk** - Does not pose imminent danger to self or others; insufficient evidence for violence potential.
- **Moderate Risk** - May pose imminent danger to self or others, but there is insufficient evidence to demonstrate a viable plan of action to do harm.
- **High Risk** - Poses imminent danger to self or others with a viable plan to do harm and exhibits extreme and/or persistent inappropriate behaviors; sufficient evidence for violence potential; qualifies for immediate arrest or hospitalization.

F. Suspected Child Abuse

If child abuse is suspected or there is concern that contacting the parent may escalate the student's current level of risk, and/or the parents/guardians are contacted and unwilling to respond, report the incident to the appropriate child protective services agency following the District's *Child Abuse and Reporting Requirements* policy (BUL-1347.3). This report should include information about the student's suicide risk.

G. Determine Appropriate Action Plan

Interventions will be based upon the severity and potential risk of the threat. The action plan determined by the team should be documented and managed by the school site administrator/designee. Actions may include:

1. Contact with and/or apprehension of student(s) who initiated the threat.
2. Removal of student from premises.
3. Conference with student(s) initiating the threat and his/her parent(s) and consider appropriate interventions, including access to mental health services, case management, school or community resources. Other actions may include discipline, change of class(es), and/or change of school.
4. Consider the possibility that there are circumstances that might increase the likelihood of an attack that may need to be addressed. Examples of triggers may include bullying, suspension, expulsion, relationship problems, significant loss, or interpersonal conflict.
5. Warn and protect the targeted individual(s) of the threat and/or take reasonable steps to protect the targeted individual(s) in the school, when appropriate. If the targeted individual is a student, take appropriate steps to warn the parent/guardian.
6. Design support system for the targeted individual and/or student who initiated threat, if appropriate.
7. Obtain a restraining order, when appropriate.
8. Monitor progress toward reestablishing school safety.

H. Additional Actions

Additional interventions may be required if the behavior falls under any of the following categories:

1. Criminal Threat (bodily harm or an immediate physical threat)
 - a. Call Los Angeles School Police Department or local law enforcement.
 - b. Warn the targeted individual(s) and their parent/guardian of the threat and/or take reasonable steps to protect the targeted individual(s) while attending school or a school related activity/event.
 - c. Notify the LD Operations staff and Student Discipline and Expulsion Support Unit.

2. Disciplinary Action

- a. Contact Student Discipline and Expulsion Support Unit to discuss procedures for discipline and/or intervention.
- b. If the student has an IEP, consult the appropriate staff from the Division of Special Education.
- c. Notify the LD Operations staff.

3. Mental Health Evaluation

- a. While in school or at a school-sponsored activity, students who present with severe mental health/behavior issues, such as depression, homicidal or suicidal ideation, should be addressed by an administrator/designee to discuss any concerns for their safety and health/mental health well-being.
 - 1) Determine the level of risk by reviewing Attachment B, School Violence Risk Assessment Checklist and Attachment C, Suicide Risk Assessment Checklist, as needed. If the behaviors are determined to be moderate or high risk, secure emergency services by calling 911, Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health ACCESS (800) 854-7771, and/or School Police (213) 625-6631.
 - 2) Supervise and monitor the student until appropriate assistance arrives.
 - 3) Non-law enforcement District employees should not transport students exhibiting the behaviors noted above.
- b. Contact law enforcement to conduct a welfare check, as appropriate.

I. Student Re-entry Guidelines

1. A student returning to school following hospitalization, including psychiatric and drug or alcohol inpatient treatment, must have written permission by the health care provider to attend school (see Medical Clearance for Return to School).
2. If the student has been out of school for any length of time, including mental health hospitalization, the school site administrator/designee may consider holding a re-entry meeting with key support staff, parents, and student to facilitate a successful transition. See Student Re-entry Guidelines for a checklist of action items to consider.
3. As appropriate, consider an assessment for special education for a student whose behavioral and emotional needs effect their ability to benefit from their educational program (see BUL-5577.1 Counseling and Educationally Related Intensive Counseling (ERICS) for Students with Disabilities).
4. If the student is transferred to another school or location, the site administrator/designee should communicate with the receiving school to assist with the transition and ensure continued support services for the student. See Student Re-entry Guidelines for a checklist of action items to consider.

J. Provide Resources (see Resource List)

1. For mental/physical health services, refer the student to School Mental Health, a community resource provider, or their health care provider.
2. For students who pose a risk to themselves, provide the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (800)273-8255.

K. Monitor and Manage

1. The administrator/designee will monitor and manage the case as it develops and until it has been determined that the individual no longer poses an immediate threat to self or others.
2. Maintain consistent communication with appropriate parties on a need to know basis.
3. Update iSTAR, as needed.

L. Document All Actions

1. Each administrator/designee shall maintain records and documentation of actions taken at the school for each case by completing an incident report in the iSTAR.
2. The administrator/designee notes taken during the threat assessment meeting are for use by Los Angeles Unified School District attorneys. No copies of the notes shall be furnished to anyone including employees, students, or parents without permission from the Office of General Counsel. Attachment G, Inter-office Correspondence, may be used to document notes during a threat assessment meeting.
3. Notes, documents and records related to the incident are considered confidential information and remain privileged to authorized personnel. These notes should be kept in a confidential file separate and apart from the student's cumulative records.

7. Threat and Hazard-Specific Annexes

The threat- and hazard-specific annexes describe the courses of action unique to particular threats and hazards. Courses of action already outlined in a functional annex need not be repeated in a threat- or hazard-specific annex. Develop these based on the prioritized list of threats and hazards determined in the assessment process. As planning teams develop courses of action for threats and hazards, they should consider the federal, state, and local regulations or mandates that often apply to specific threats hazards.

7.1 Active Shooter/Gunfire

More information is available in the [LAUSD Lockdown and Rapid Relocation Procedures for all Schools Bulletin](#). If there is a threat of violence to campus or gunfire is heard in the area, implement Lockdown procedures.

An Active Shooter on Campus involves one or more individuals on school grounds who is armed with a firearm and has already killed or wounded someone with the firearm AND at least one of the following applies:

- Continues to shoot others
- Actively seeks or attacks others
- Has access to additional victims

7.1.1 Active Shooter Procedures

1. Upon first indication of an active shooter, personnel should immediately notify the principal or designee, who becomes the Incident Commander.
2. The School Incident Commander (principal/designee) will initiate a Lockdown, the recommended appropriate Immediate Response Action.
3. The School Incident Commander will call 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631, and provide the exact location and nature of the incident. The School Incident Commander should designate a person to remain on the phone line with police if safe to do so. If there is an assigned officer on campus, they shall be notified.
4. The School Incident Commander activates the Incident Command (ICS) Team.

The Planning and Intelligence Team Leader will:

- Notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator and request assistance.
- Prepare a message for parents to be sent on Blackboard Connect.
- Prepare to communicate with classrooms using school phones, email, cell phones, or radios. Establish a means of keeping all classrooms informed.

The Operations Team Leader will:

- Ensure that perimeter gates are secured and that all students, staff and visitors are safely secured behind locked doors.
- Begin the process of accounting for all students and staff.
- Staff should take steps to calm and control students with regular PA announcements and if safe to do so, attempt to maintain separation between students and the perpetrator.
- If there is an active shooter on campus as defined above and students are in imminent danger, the Incident Commander may initiate Rapid Relocation if that does not place students in the path of the gunman. This action may apply to the entire campus, or just an affected portion.

7.1.2 Rapid Relocation Procedures

1. The School Incident Commander will:
 - Encourage students and staff to quickly leave by any safe and available exit. If leaving campus, the established offsite relocation point is the preferred destination, if the route is safe.
 - Inform the LASPD Watch Commander (213) 625-6631 of the decision to leave campus and the destination. Keep Watch Commander updated with information about any students and staff who do not arrive at the designated relocation point.
 - Calm students, create a perimeter to separate the school population from others who may be present, and re-establish Incident Command teams with available staff.
 - Refer to steps 6-10 below for additional Incident Commander actions.
2. In response to the school's notification, the LASPD Watch Commander will:
 - Research the nature of the event by contacting LAPD, LAFD, LASD, outside municipal law enforcement, LASPD Field Units or Transportation Dispatch. Some events may be easily explained to the School Incident Commander, others may be more complex.
 - Dispatch an officer to the relocation point to advise and support the School Incident Commander.
 - Dispatch a field officer to the municipal Incident Command Post to interface with the municipal Incident Commander and gather intelligence for the schools.
 - Inform the School Incident Commander of what is known about the incident and provide the name and arrival time of the LASPD officers dispatched to the school.
 - Compile names and locations of those unable to get to the relocation point, and dispatch officers to facilitate rejoining the rest of the school population.
 - Provide point of contact for other District resources who need to know the location of the command post and open routes to the relocation point.
3. LASPD officers dispatched to the scene will:
 - Establish a liaison with the municipal Incident Commander and/or the Command Post/Unified Command/Watch Commander and determine the threat to the school and its immediate community.

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- Provide guidance to the School Incident Commander about the ongoing threat level to students and staff.
 - Maintain a perimeter at the offsite relocation point between the school population and others.
 - Patrol the area near the school to find students and staff who may have become separated from the group. Officers will communicate to the Watch Commander the names and locations of anyone found and assist in rejoining those separated with the rest of the school population.
4. The Local District Operations Coordinator will:
 - Connect with the School Incident Commander in person, by phone or radio and provide resources from the LD that might include the following:
 - Dispatch the LD Crisis Team to the school relocation point.
 - Arrange for transportation assets and a second (receiving) school so the students can be moved to a safe location at another school.
 - Send out a Blackboard Connect message to parents from the LD office with additional information.
 - Meet with parents at a safe staging location, outside the secured relocation point perimeter, and keep the parents informed using bilingual support staff from the LD office.
 - Assist with reunification.
 5. The First Aid/Medical Team will work with first responders and local authorities to ensure injured students and staff receive medical attention.
 6. The School Incident Commander will prepare a verified list of any wounded, and the locations to which they were transported. The Incident Commander will confer with the Crisis/Psychological First Aid Team to ensure notification of parents and family members of the wounded.
 7. All media inquiries will be referred to the designated Public Information Officer.
 8. The School Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
 9. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the School Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.
 10. The School Incident Commander will debrief with staff and school police officers.

7.2 Aircraft/Vehicle Crash

This procedure addresses an aircraft or motor vehicle crash on or near school property. If a crash results in a fuel or chemical spill on school property, refer to Utility Failure as needed.

Aircraft/Vehicle Crash Procedures

1. The principal or designee acts as the Incident Commander, activates the Incident Command Team, and initiates appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Drop, Cover and Hold On, Shelter-in-Place, Evacuate Building or Relocation.
2. If the Incident Commander issues the evacuate building action, staff and students will evacuate the buildings using prescribed routes or other safe routes to the Assembly Area.
3. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring their student roster and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
4. The Incident Commander will call 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and provide the exact location (e.g., building or area) and nature of emergency.
5. If on school property, the Security/Utilities Team will secure the crash area to prevent unauthorized access. If the crash results in a fuel or chemical spill on school property, refer to Utility Failure.
6. If needed, the Incident Commander will direct the Fire Suppression/HazMat Team to organize fire suppression activities for the protection of students and staff as it is safe to do so, until the Fire Department arrives.
7. The First Aid/Medical Team will check for injuries and provide appropriate first aid.
8. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident. A LD representative will call the Office of Communications with information on this situation as appropriate.
9. Any affected areas will not be reopened until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance and the Incident Commander issues authorization to reopen.
10. The Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team will convene onsite and begin the process of counseling and recovery as appropriate.
11. If it is unsafe to remain on campus, the Incident Commander will initiate an Off-Site Relocation.
12. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
13. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
14. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.3 Animal Disturbance

This procedure should be implemented when a dog, coyote, mountain lion, or other wild animal threatens the safety of students and staff.

Animal Disturbance Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the Incident Command Team, and initiates appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Lockdown or Evacuate Building.
2. Upon discovery of an animal, staff members will attempt to isolate the animal from students, if it is safe to do so. If the animal is outside, students will be kept inside. If the animal is inside, students will remain outside in an area away from the animal. Closing doors or locking gates is one means to isolate the animal.
3. If additional outside assistance is needed, the Incident Commander will call 911, School Police (213) 625-6631, Animal Control (888) 452-7381, and/or the Department of Fish and Game (888) 334-2258 and provide the location of the animal and nature of emergency.
4. If a student or staff member is injured, the school nurse or First Aid/Medical Team will provide treatment and notify parents of the injured.
5. The Incident Commander will initiate an off-site relocation only if conditions are persistently dangerous at the school.
6. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect if necessary.
7. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
8. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.4 Biochemical/Hazardous Materials

A Biological or Chemical Release involves the discharge of a biological or chemical substance in a solid, liquid or gaseous state. Common releases within or adjacent to schools include the discharge of chemicals in a school laboratory, an overturned truck of hazardous materials in proximity of the school, or an explosion at a nearby oil refinery or other chemical plant.

The following indicators may suggest the release of a biological or chemical substance:

- Multiple victims suffering from watery eyes
- Twitching
- Choking
- Loss of coordination
- Trouble breathing
- Other indicators may include the presence of distressed animals or dead birds.

There are three sub-categories involving the release of biochemical substances. Determine which category applies and then implement the appropriate response procedures listed below.

7.4.1 Substance Released Inside a Room or Building Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team and will initiate the Evacuate Building action. Staff will use designated routes or alternate safe routes to the Assembly Area, located upwind of the affected room or building. Students and staff from rooms exposed to contaminants need to be isolated from the rest of the school population.
2. The Incident Commander will call 911, School Police (213) 625-6631, and the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS) (213) 241-3199 and will provide the exact location (e.g., building, room, area) and nature of emergency.
3. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
4. The Incident Commander will instruct the Security/Utilities Team to isolate and restrict access to potentially contaminated areas.
5. The Security/Utilities Team will turn off local fans in the area of the release, close the windows and doors, and shut down the building's air handling system.
6. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
7. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
8. Persons who have come into direct contact with hazardous substances should have affected areas washed with soap and water. Immediately remove and contain (in plastic bags) contaminated clothes. Do not use bleach or other disinfectants on potentially exposed skin. Students and staff whose skin touched the contaminant should be isolated from the rest of the school population. The First Aid/Medical Team should evaluate and monitor exposed individuals.
9. The Assembly Area Team will prepare a list of all people in the affected room or contaminated area, specifying those who may have had actual contact with the substance. The Team will provide the list to the Incident Commander and emergency responders.
10. The Incident Commander will complete the Biological and Chemical Release Response Checklist.
11. The Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team will convene on-site and begin the process of counseling and recovery.
12. Any affected areas will not be reopened until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance and the Incident Commander gives authorization to do so.
13. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.4.2 Substance Released Outdoors and Localized Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the ICS Team and will immediately direct staff to remove students from the affected areas to an area upwind from the release. The Incident Commander will, as necessary, initiate the Shelter-in-Place or Evacuate Building action.

2. The Security/Utilities Team will establish a safe perimeter around the affected area and ensure personnel do not reenter the area.
3. The Incident Commander will call 911, School Police (213) 625-6631, and the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS) (213) 241-3199 and will provide the exact location and nature of emergency.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
5. The Security/Utilities Team will turn off local fans in the area of the release, close the windows and doors and shut down the air handling systems of affected buildings.
6. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
7. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
8. Persons who had direct contact with hazardous substances should wash affected areas with soap and water. Immediately remove and contain (in plastic bags) contaminated clothes. Do not use bleach or other disinfectants on potentially exposed skin. Students and staff whose skin touched the contaminant should be isolated from the rest of the school population. The First Aid/Medical Team should evacuate and monitor exposed individuals.
9. The Assembly Area Team will prepare a list of all people in areas of contamination, especially those who may have had actual contact with the substance. The Team will provide the list to the Incident Commander and emergency responders.
10. The Incident Commander will complete the Biological and Chemical Release Response Checklist.
11. The Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team will convene on-site and begin the process of counseling and recovery.
12. Any affected areas will not be reopened until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance and the Incident Commander gives authorization to do so.
13. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

Online training about Shelter-in-Place is available on the Learning Zone in STEPS courses 204 and 404.

7.4.3 Substance Released in Surrounding Community Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the ICS team, and if he/she or local authorities determine that a potentially toxic airborne substance has been released, the Incident Commander will initiate a Shelter-in-Place.
2. Follow all Shelter-in-Place procedures.
3. The Incident Commander will complete the Biological and Chemical Release Response Checklist.
4. The Incident Commander will monitor local news for information about the incident.

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5. The school will remain in Shelter-in-Place until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance, or staff is otherwise notified by the Incident Commander.
6. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

Online training about Shelter-in-Place is available on the Learning Zone in STEPS courses 204 and 404.

7.5 Bomb Threat/Suspicious Package

Response to a bomb Threat is initiated upon the discovery of a suspicious package on campus grounds or receipt of a threatening phone call that may present a risk of an explosion.

Information is available in the [LAUSD Explosive Devices Bulletin](#).

7.5.1 Bomb Threat by Telephone Procedures

1. The call taker should attempt to keep the caller on the telephone as long as possible and alert someone else to call 911. The staff member calling 911 informs the operator of:
 - Nature of threat on phone line
 - Name of school
 - Phone number of line receiving threat
 - Name and contact information of staff member
2. The person answering the threat call should immediately inform the principal, and then use the Bomb Threat Form to gather and record information about the call.

Bomb Threat Form Questions include:

- Where is the bomb (building, location)?
- When is it going to explode?
- What kind of bomb is it? What does it look like?
- Who set the bomb? Why was the bomb set?
- What can we do for you to keep the bomb from exploding?
- What is your name?
- How old are you?
- Where do you live?
- How can you be contacted?

In addition to the above questions, evaluate the caller's voice and background noise for characteristics such as:

- Caller Characteristics:
 - Gender
 - Age
 - Accent
 - Slurred/impaired speech
 - Recorded/disguised voice
 - Familiarity
 - Irrational/incoherent

- Background Noise:
 - Office
 - Outdoors
 - Traffic
 - Other
3. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS team, and calls School Police (213) 625-6631 who will advise the school. In most cases, School Police will direct the school to wait for officers to arrive and conduct an investigation. The Incident Commander, in consultation with School Police, will determine the appropriate Immediate Response Action, which may include Drop, Cover and Hold On, Lockdown, Evacuate Building or Relocation.
 4. If the school is directed to search for unusual or suspicious packages, boxes or foreign objects, all cell phones and hand-held radios of searchers should be turned off, as many explosive devices can be triggered by radio frequencies. If a suspicious object is found, the discovery to the Incident Commander while the remaining team members attempt to secure the immediate area without touching or disturbing the object.
 5. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
 6. No attempt should be made to investigate or examine a discovered suspicious object.
 7. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
 8. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
 9. After the search, the Incident Commander will consult with law enforcement to determine any alteration to the appropriate Immediate Response Action, which may include Drop, Cover and Hold On, Lockdown, Evacuate Building, or Relocation.
 10. When a suspicious object or bomb is found, or if advised by Law Enforcement, the Incident Commander shall issue the Evacuate Building action. Staff and students will evacuate the building using safe routes to the Assembly Area.
 11. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring their student roster and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
 12. The Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team will convene on-site and begin the process of counseling and recovery.
 13. Do not resume school activities until the affected buildings have been inspected by proper authorities and determined to be safe. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.
 14. The Incident Commander may initiate an Off-site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
 15. After the incident is over, the Incident Commander will complete the Bomb Threat Report.

7.5.2 Suspicious Package Procedures

1. If a suspicious package or other object is found on or adjacent to campus, the principal should be immediately alerted.
2. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS team, and will direct volunteer members of the Security Team to attempt to secure the immediate area without touching or disturbing the object. All cell phones and hand-held radios in the vicinity of the suspicious package should be turned off, as many explosive devices can be triggered by radio frequencies.
3. The Incident Commander will call 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and provide the exact location (e.g., building, room, area) and description of the suspicious package.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
5. No attempt should be made to investigate or examine the object.
6. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
7. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
8. The Incident Commander will consult with Law Enforcement and determine the appropriate Immediate Response Action, which may include Drop, Cover and Hold On, Lockdown, Evacuate Building or Relocation.
9. If Evacuate Building is initiated, staff and students will evacuate buildings using the safest routes to the Assembly Area. Routes may be different than usual evacuation routes.
10. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring their student roster and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
11. The Psychological First Aid/Crisis Team will convene and begin the process of counseling and recovery.
12. Do not resume school activities until the affected buildings have been inspected by proper authorities and determined to be safe. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.
13. The Incident Commander may initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
14. After the incident is over, the Incident Commander will complete the Bomb Threat Report.

7.6 Bus Disaster

These procedures are for use by bus drivers and school administrators in the event of an earthquake, serious bus accident, or other emergency that occurs while students are on a school bus field trip or being transported to or from school. If there are no students on the bus, drivers should report to Bus Dispatch by radio or 1-800-LABUSES or the nearest school.

7.6.1 Bus Earthquake Procedures

1. The driver will initiate the Drop, Cover, Hold On action for all persons on the bus.
2. The driver will stop the bus away from power lines, bridges, overpasses, buildings, possible landslide conditions, overhanging trees, or other dangerous situations.
3. The driver will check for injuries and provide first aid as appropriate.
4. The driver will contact and update the school principal or designee and bus supervisor to report location and condition of students and the bus.
5. The principal or designee will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
6. The principal or designee will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
7. If instructed by the bus supervisor to continue the route, the driver will:
 - If enroute to school, continue to pick up students.
 - If dropping students off, continue to do so, provided there is a responsible adult at the bus stop.
 - If there is no responsible adult at the bus stop or it is impossible to get to school, the driver will proceed to the nearest designated shelter indicated on the bus route map. Upon arriving at the shelter, the driver is to notify the principal and remain with the children until further instructions are received from the principal or designee.
8. In all instances, the driver should not attempt to cross bridges, overpasses, or tunnels that may have been damaged.
9. The driver will account for all students and staff throughout the emergency.

7.6.2 Bus Flood/Flash Flood Procedures

1. The driver will NOT drive through flooded streets and/or roads.
2. The driver will take an alternate route or wait for public safety personnel to determine safety.
3. If the bus is disabled, the driver will stay in place until help arrives.
4. The driver will contact and update the school principal or designee and bus supervisor to report location and condition of students and the bus.
5. The principal or designee will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
6. The principal or designee will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
7. In all instances, the driver will not attempt to cross damaged bridges or overpasses.
8. The driver will account for all students and staff throughout the emergency.

7.6.3 Serious Bus Crash or Bus Fire Procedures

1. The driver will park the bus in a safe location.
2. The driver will set the emergency brake and turn off the ignition.
3. The driver will initiate the Evacuation action for all persons on the bus in the event of a fire.
4. The driver will check for injuries and provide appropriate first aid.

5. The driver will call 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and provide exact location of the bus and wait for arrival of emergency responders.
6. The driver will contact and update the school principal or designee and bus supervisor to report location and condition of students and the bus.
7. The principal or designee will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
8. The principal or designee will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
9. The driver will stay with the disabled bus until help arrives.
10. The driver will account for all students and staff throughout the emergency.
11. The Bus Supervisor or other authorized user will open an iSTAR report on the incident.

7.7 Demonstration/Walkout

A Demonstration/Walkout is any assemblage on or off campus by staff or students for the purpose of protest or demonstration. A demonstration or walkout that occurs without appropriate approvals is considered unauthorized, and may be unlawful. Students are sometimes encouraged by protesters (in person, or via social media) to participate in a demonstration as it passes by a school. Information is available in the [LAUSD Procedures for Handling Disturbances, or Demonstration on or Adjacent to School Sites Bulletin](#).

Demonstration/Walkout Procedures:

1. Upon indication that a demonstration or walkout is about to begin, personnel should immediately notify the school administrator.
2. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and initiates the appropriate Immediate Response Action, which may include a modified Lockdown.
3. The Incident Commander will notify School Police (213) 625-6631 to request assistance and will provide the exact location and nature of emergency.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
5. The Security Team will immediately proceed to the Main Gate to control student ingress and egress. Each person entering or leaving the campus shall be required to sign his/her name, and record address, telephone number and time entered or departed. The Main Gate should not be locked, as a locked gate may create a serious hazard for students leaving or attempting to re-enter the campus.
6. If students leave the campus, the Incident Commander, in consultation with the Security Team, will designate appropriate staff members with radios and cell phones to accompany them. These staff members will attempt to guide and control the actions of students while off-site.
7. Students not participating in the demonstration/walkout should remain in their classrooms until notified otherwise by the Incident Commander. Teachers will close and lock classroom doors to protect students from a demonstration that becomes unruly. Students and staff should be protected from broken window glass by closing available window coverings.

8. The Planning and Intelligence Team's Documentation Unit should keep accurate record of events, conversations, and actions.
9. All media inquiries will be referred to the school's designated Public Information Officer, who will also monitor local news outlets and initiate further actions as appropriate.
10. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
11. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
12. The Incident Commander should proceed using good judgement based on law enforcement or other legal input, in taking action to control and resolve the situation.
13. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.8 Disorderly Conduct

Disorderly Conduct may involve a student, staff member, or visitor exhibiting threatening or irrational behavior. If the perpetrator is armed, refer to sections on Lockdown or Active Shooter on Campus as appropriate. Information is available in the [BUL-5798.0 Workplace Violence, Bullying and Threats \(Adult-to-Adult\)](#) and [BUL-5799.0 Threat Assessment and Management \(Student-to-Student, Student-to-Adult\) Bulletins](#). Online training about threats is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 208 and 408.

Disorderly Conduct Procedures

1. Upon witnessing disorderly conduct, staff should take steps to calm and control the situation and attempt to isolate the perpetrator from other students and staff, if it is safe to do so. Witnesses should provide written statements for follow-up by school administrator and/or School Police.
2. Staff will immediately notify the principal or designee.
3. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate the appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Lockdown, Evacuate Building, or Off-site Relocation.
4. The Incident Commander will call School Police (213) 625-6631, and provide the exact location and nature of the incident. If determined to be appropriate, the Incident Commander will call 911.
5. If an immediate threat is not clearly evident, the Incident Commander or other staff member may attempt to diffuse the situation. Approach the perpetrator in a calm, non-confrontational manner and request he or she leave the campus. Avoid any hostile situations.
6. If the perpetrator is a student, every attempt should be made to notify the family (family members may provide useful information on handling the situation).
7. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
8. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect, as necessary.

9. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
10. The Incident Commander and team will determine if activating the threat assessment/management team is warranted.
11. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.9 Earthquake

Earthquakes generally occur without warning and may cause minor to serious ground shaking, damage to buildings, and injuries. It is important to note that even a mild tremor can create a potentially hazardous situation; the following procedures should be implemented in response to all earthquakes, regardless of magnitude:

Online training about earthquakes is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 202 and 402. Other resources are available through the Emergency Services and STEPS websites.

7.9.1 Earthquake during School Hours Procedures

Note: Keep calm and remain where you are during the shaking. Assess the situation and then act. Remember, most injuries or deaths are caused by flying/falling debris.

1. Upon the first indication of an earthquake, teachers should direct students to Drop, Cover and Hold On.
2. Move away from windows and overhead hazards to avoid glass and falling objects.
3. Students with disabilities that do not allow them to get under furniture for protection should move away from items in the room that are not secured. These students should go into a structural corner of the room (away from cabinets and shelves that can spill their contents; away from windows that can break and away from suspended items that could fall), lock the wheels on any wheelchairs and protect their head and neck with their hands.
4. When the shaking stops, the principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and initiates the Evacuate Building action. Staff and students will evacuate the buildings using prescribed routes or other safe routes to the Assembly Area.
5. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring their student roster and any classroom emergency supplies, and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students or any student that was left behind.
6. The Incident Commander will direct the Security/Utilities Team to post guards a safe distance away from building entrances to prevent access.
7. The Security/Utilities Team will notify school personnel of fallen electrical wires and instruct them to avoid touching the fallen wires.
8. The First Aid/Medical Team will set up the first aid station, check for injuries and provide appropriate first aid.

9. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team to notify the appropriate utility company of damages (e.g., gas, power, water, or sewer).
10. If the area appears safe, the Search and Rescue Team will make an initial inspection of school buildings to identify any injured or trapped students or staff.
11. The Incident Commander will contact the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator to determine additional actions that may be necessary. LD personnel will communicate conditions to the District's Emergency Operations Center.
12. The Planning and Intelligence Team will fill out a damage assessment report and transmit it to the School Police and LD Administrator of Operations.
13. The Incident Commander will contact the LD Facilities Director to ensure buildings are safe for re-occupancy. When safe to do so, the Fire Suppression and HazMat Team will conduct an inspection of school buildings. The Fire Suppression and HazMat Team will maintain a log of their findings, by building, and provide a periodic report to the Incident Commander.
14. Any damaged areas will not be reopened until the LD Facilities Team provides clearance and the Incident Commander gives authorization to do so.
15. The Incident Commander may initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions at the school.
16. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Coordinator or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
17. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.9.2 Earthquake during Non-School Hours Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team as necessary, and will assess damages as safe to do so with the plant manager, to determine any necessary corrective actions. The school administrator may direct the Fire Suppression/HazMat Team to participate in the assessment.
Note: Assessments must be conducted by teams wearing appropriate safety gear. Do NOT conduct assessments alone or unprotected, due to danger from possible building damage and the potential for aftershocks. Notify the School Police Watch Commander's Office (213) 625-6631 that you are on campus before beginning a site assessment.
2. The Incident Commander should confer with the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator and Maintenance and Operations personnel to identify the extent of damages and determine if the school can be occupied.
3. If the school cannot be occupied, the Incident Commander and LD Administrator of Operations will determine an alternate location for affected buildings and programs, and the Incident Commander will contact staff members and parents via Blackboard Connect.
4. The Planning and Intelligence Team will fill out a damage assessment report and transmit it to the School Police and LD Administrator of Operations.

7.10 Explosion/Risk of Explosion

There are four distinct incident types involving an explosion or risk of explosion. Determine which incident type applies and then implement the appropriate response procedures.

7.10.1 Explosion on School Property Procedures

1. In the event of an explosion, all persons should initiate Drop, Cover and Hold On.
2. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will call 911 and School Police (213) 625- 6631 to provide the exact location (e.g., building, room, area) and nature of emergency.
3. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident. The LD office will call the Office of Communications with information on the situation.
4. The Incident Commander will consult with available law enforcement and, considering the possibility of another imminent explosion, take appropriate Immediate Response Actions. Action may include Shelter-in-Place, Evacuate Building or Off-Site Relocation. Evacuation may be warranted in some buildings on a campus, and other buildings may be used as shelter.
5. In the event of an evacuation, staff and students will use prescribed routes or other safe routes and proceed to the Assembly Area.
6. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring student roster and any classroom emergency supplies, and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
7. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
8. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
9. The First Aid/Medical Team will check for injuries and provide appropriate first aid.
10. The Fire Suppression/HazMat Team should attempt to suppress small fires with extinguishers, if it is safe to do so.
11. The Planning and Intelligence Team Leader will notify the appropriate utility company of any damages to water lines, sewers, power lines, and other utilities.
12. The Security/Utilities Team will secure the building entrance to prevent persons entering the school buildings.
13. If it is determined safe to enter affected areas, the Incident Commander will direct the Search and Rescue Team to initiate search and rescue activities.
14. The Incident Commander will contact the area Facilities Director to ensure buildings are safe for reoccupancy. When safe to do so, the Fire Suppression/HazMat Team will conduct an inspection of school buildings. The Fire Suppression and HazMat Team will maintain a log of their findings, by building, and provide a periodic report to the Incident Commander.
15. The Planning and Intelligence Team will complete a Damage Assessment Report and transmit it to the School Police and LD Administrator of Operations.

16. Any areas affected by the explosion will not be reopened until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance and the Incident Commander gives authorization to do so.
17. The Incident Commander may initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
18. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.10.2 Risk of Explosion on School Property Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Drop, Cover and Hold On, Shelter-in-Place, Evacuate Building, or Relocation.
2. If the school administrator issues Evacuate Building action, staff and students will evacuate the building using prescribed routes or other safe routes to the Assembly Area.
3. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring their student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies, and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
4. The school administrator will call 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and will provide the exact location (e.g., building, room, area) and nature of emergency.
5. The school administrator will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
6. Staff should attempt to suppress small fires with extinguishers, if it is safe to do so.
7. The Incident Commander will advise the Search and Rescue Team to initiate rescue operations.
8. The Security/Utilities Team Leader will notify the appropriate utility company of any damages to water lines, sewers, power lines and other utilities.
9. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
10. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
11. All affected areas will not be reopened until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance and the school administrator issues authorization to do so.
12. The Planning and Intelligence Team will complete a Damage Assessment Report and transmit it to School Police and the LD Administrator of Operations.
13. In the event of an explosion on campus, refer to procedures listed under Explosion on School Property.
14. The Incident Commander may initiate an Off-Site Relocation, if warranted by changes in conditions.
15. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.10.3 Explosion or Risk of Explosion in Surrounding Area Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate the Shelter-in-Place response action.
2. The Incident Commander will notify 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and provide the exact location (e.g., building, area) and nature of emergency.
3. The Incident Commander will take further actions as needed or advised by authorities.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
5. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
6. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
7. The school will remain in a Shelter-in-Place condition until the Los Angeles County HazMat or appropriate agency provides clearance and the school administrator issues further instructions.
8. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.10.4 Nuclear Blast or Explosion Involving Radioactive Materials Procedures

A nuclear blast is characterized by a sequence of intense light and heat, air pressure wave, expanding fireball, and subsequent radioactive fallout. More information about radiological incidents is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 205 and STEPS 405.

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate the Shelter-in-Place action.
2. When sheltering, personnel should try to establish adequate barriers or shielding (e.g., concrete walls, metal doors) between themselves and the source of the blast or explosion, and should avoid sheltering near exterior windows.
3. The Incident Commander will notify 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and provide details on the area and personnel affected at the school.
4. After the initial blast, ICS teams should provide first aid and extinguish fires. The Incident Commander will ensure the relocation of students from bungalow buildings and other non-permanent structures, upper floor(s), rooms with broken windows, and other damaged rooms without going outside if possible.
5. The Security/Utilities Team will turn off the school's main gas supply (refer to the Site Plot Plan in the Safe School Plan for gas supply shut-off valve) and fans in the area; close and lock doors and windows; shut down all buildings' air handling systems; seal gaps under doors and windows with wet towels or duct tape; seal vents with aluminum foil or plastic wrap, if available; and turn off sources of ignition, such as pilot lights.
6. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident.
7. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
8. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.

9. The Incident Commander or Public Information Officer will monitor local news outlets and initiate further actions as appropriate.
10. At the Incident Commander's discretion, and only if safe to do so, designated personnel should attempt to distribute emergency supplies including food and water, without going outside.
11. The school will remain in Shelter-in-Place until the Los Angeles County Public Health or other appropriate agency ends the shelter-in-place or issues relocation instructions. Relocation may be advised by authorities.
12. The Planning and Intelligence team will complete a Damage Assessment Report and transmit it to School Police and the LD Administrator of Operations.
13. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.11 Fire

A fire impacts a school if it occurs on campus or in an off-campus location near the school. Take appropriate Evacuate Building or Shelter in Place measures to protect students and staff.

7.11.1 Fire on School Grounds Procedures

This procedure addresses a fire discovered on school grounds. A quick response to this situation is very important to prevent injuries and further property damage. Online training about fires is available on the Learning Zone in courses STEPS 201 and 401. Online training about fire alarm systems is available on the Learning Zone in course STEPS 418.

1. Upon discovery of a fire, teachers or staff will direct all occupants out of the building, activate the fire alarm, and report the fire to the school administrator.
2. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will immediately initiate the Evacuate Building action. Staff and students will evacuate buildings using the prescribed routes or other safe routes to the Assembly Area.
3. The Incident Commander will call 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and will provide the exact location (e.g., building, room, area) of the fire.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the fire. LD personnel will call the Office of Communications with information on this situation.
5. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies, and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
6. The Fire Suppression/HazMat Team will suppress fires and initiate rescue procedures as it is safe to do so until the local Fire Department arrives.
7. The Security/Utilities Team will secure the area to prevent unauthorized entry and keep access roads clear for emergency vehicles.
8. The Security/Utilities Team will notify the appropriate utility company of damages.
9. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.

10. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
11. If needed, the Logistics Team Leader will notify Bus Dispatch 1-800-labuses to request buses for staff and student evacuation.
12. Any affected areas will not be reopened until the Los Angeles City or County Fire Department or appropriate agency provides clearance and the school administrator issues authorization to do so.
13. For fires during non-school hours, the Incident Commander and the LD Administrator of Operations will determine if the school will open the following day.
14. All fires that are extinguished by school personnel, regardless of their size, require a call to the Fire Department to indicate that the “fire is out.”
15. The Planning and Intelligence Team will complete a Damage Assessment Report and transmit it to the School Police and LD Administrator of Operations.
16. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.11.2 Fire in Surrounding Area Procedures

This procedure addresses a fire discovered in an area adjoining the school. The initiated response actions should take into consideration the location and size of the fire, its proximity to the school and the likelihood that the fire may affect the school.

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate the appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-in-Place, Evacuate Building or Off-Site Relocation.
2. The Incident Commander will notify 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and will provide the location and nature of emergency.
3. The Incident Commander will instruct the Security/Utilities Team to prevent students from approaching the fire and keep routes open for emergency vehicles.
4. The Agency Liaison will contact the local Fire Department and will work with the Fire Department to determine if school grounds are threatened by the fire, smoke, or other hazardous conditions.
5. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident. LD personnel will call the Office of Communications with information on this situation.
6. If the Incident Commander issues the Evacuate Building action, staff and students will evacuate the affected building(s) using prescribed routes or other safe routes to the Assembly Area.
7. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies, and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
8. The Incident Commander or Public Information Officer will monitor local news outlets and initiate further actions as appropriate.
9. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.

10. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
11. If needed, the Logistics Team Leader will notify Bus Dispatch 1-800-labuses to request buses for staff and student evacuation.
12. The Incident Commander will initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
13. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.12 Food/Water Contamination

This procedure should be followed if site personnel report suspected contamination of food or water. This procedure applies where there is evidence of tampering with food packaging, observation of suspicious individuals in proximity to food or water supplies, or if notified of possible food/water contamination by central District staff or local agencies. Indicators of contamination may include unusual odor, color, taste, or multiple employees or students with unexplained nausea, vomiting, or other illnesses. Online training about food safety is available on the Learning Zone in course STEPS 416.

Suspected Contamination of Food or Water Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will isolate and secure the suspected contaminated food/water to prevent consumption, and will restrict access to the area.
2. The Incident Commander will notify:
 - 911
 - School Police (213) 625-6631
 - County Department of Health Services (213) 974-1234
 - Office of Environmental Health and Safety (213) 241-3199
 - Food Services Division (213) 241-2993
 - District Nursing Services (213) 202-7580
 - Local District Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator
3. The Planning and Intelligence Team Leader will make a list of all potentially affected students and staff, and will provide the list to responding authorities.
4. The First Aid/Medical Team will assess the need for medical attention and provide first aid as appropriate.
5. The Planning and Intelligence Team Leader will maintain a log of affected students and staff and their symptoms, the food/water suspected to be contaminated, the quantity and character of products consumed, and other pertinent information.
6. The Incident Commander will confer with the County Department of Health Services before resuming normal operations.
7. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
8. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.

9. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.13 Public Health Emergency

A public health emergency involves a large-scale emergency need for medical health care services, often for an influenza outbreak or other infectious disease that affects a school community. During a suspected public health emergency, the principal or designee will consult with District Nursing Services (213) 202-7580. Online training about public health emergencies is available on the Learning Zone in course STEPS 416.

During public health emergencies, schools will be faced with parents, teachers, and staff who are concerned about the health and safety of students. Experience has shown that public health emergencies can create a great deal of anxiety and misinformation.

Healthy Habits to Reduce Public Health Emergency Impact

Schools can reduce the impact and spread of a public health emergency by reinforcing basic healthy habits. These habits include:

- Wash hands often. Require that students wash their hands with soap and water after visiting the restroom and before and after eating. If soap and water are not available, schools can purchase non-alcohol waterless hand cleaner from the District Warehouse. Schools may not use alcohol-based hand cleaner. Schools must stock adequate hand-washing supplies for all restrooms.
- Cover nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing. Germs are spread when people cough and sneeze. Require that students cough or sneeze into a tissue or, lacking that, into a sleeve or elbow. Classrooms should be stocked with tissue to facilitate this activity. When possible, schools can practice social distancing to reduce the spread of airborne germs. Keeping students at least three feet apart greatly reduces the spread of germs from an uncovered cough or sneeze.
- Exclude students and staff that are symptomatic. In the event of any public health outbreak, limit contact with people who are symptomatic. This means that students and staff who come to school with obvious symptoms such as an elevated temperature, cough, runny nose, or other symptoms, should be separated from the general population and sent home until they recover. Students who develop these symptoms at school should be isolated to contain germs, and then sent home with a parent or guardian.
- Activate the School's Continuity-of-Service Plan in the event of a wide-scale or pandemic illness, critical school employees could be absent for days, weeks, or months. Such a reduction in available staff will challenge the continuity of school operations and services because there will not be enough substitutes for absent employees. Site administrators must consider how to carry on school operations without, for example, their Payroll Clerk, Plant Manager, Cafeteria Manager, Coordinator, or Assistant Principal. Every school should have a plan to make sure that important tasks normally performed by critical employees can still be done when those employees are absent.

School sites are asked to cross-train on basic operations at least two people to fill in for missing co-workers.

To assist in the planning process, schools can use the Continuity of Service Form. Once the template has been filled out for all critical employees, the form should be saved and printed out to go in the Safe School Plan binder.

Develop Alternate Lessons. During major health emergencies, students may be absent for weeks. Schools should have lesson plans for students who will be home for extended periods of time, as well as multiple means of communicating lesson content to students and parents. Methods may include the following:

- Allowing students to take home school books and class materials
- Posting lesson on school websites with materials
- Using Blackboard Connect telephone messages to homes
- Use of KLCS Channel 58 programming
- Use of other approved internet education websites
- Mailing home printed materials
- Having printed materials available for families to pick up at school

7.14 Tsunami

A tsunami is a series of ocean waves that sends surges of water onto land. Waves sometimes reach heights of over 100 feet, and can cause great destruction. Tsunamis are typically caused by large, undersea earthquakes, but may also be caused by underwater landslides or volcanic eruptions. Shaking events can generate a tsunami in the area where the shaking occurred with little warning time, or thousands of miles away, with several hours of warning time.

This procedure should be followed if a distant or local event has occurred and generated a tsunami. Schools located inside the known tsunami inundation area have a tsunami annex in their safe school plan. All of the identified schools have been issued weather alert radios that are managed by NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration). Information is available in the LAUSD [NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards Alert Reference Guide](#).

Tsunami Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-in-Place, Evacuate Building, or Off-Site Relocation. The specific action will depend on how close the school is to the ocean, and how much time there is to act.
2. The Incident Commander or Public Information Officer will monitor local news outlets for information such as evacuation notices, and initiate further actions as appropriate. Schools in the Tsunami Inundation Zone will have a NOAA weather alert radio with battery back-up in the Main Office.
3. If the Incident Commander issues the Evacuate Building or Off-Site Relocation action, staff and students will evacuate affected buildings using prescribed routes or other safe routes to the area identified in the school's tsunami annex. The evacuation destination

should be to land that is at least 100 feet above sea level. Stay away from coastal and low-lying areas. Waves may continue for several hours and travel several times faster than walking, running, or driving.

4. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will take students rosters and any classroom emergency supplies when leaving the building, and take attendance once the class is assembled in a safe location. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
5. The Incident Commander will notify School Police (213) 625-6631 and the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the incident. LD staff will inform the Office of Communications of the situation.
6. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
7. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
8. The Incident Commander will initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
9. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

* The above procedures are also followed for field trips on or near the beach if there is a threat of a tsunami.

7.15 Utility Failure

A utility failure is a situation involving a loss of water, power or other utility on school grounds.

7.15.1 General Loss or Failure of Utilities Procedures

1. If water or an electrical line is broken, an effort should be made to turn off water or power to the affected area and to notify the school administrator immediately.
2. If a gas leak is suspected or the loss of utilities poses a risk of explosion, refer to Explosion/Risk of Explosion on School Grounds.
3. Upon notice of loss of utilities, the principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-in-Place, or Evacuate Building.
4. The Incident Commander will notify the Local Maintenance Area (Monday – Friday between the hours of 7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.) or School Police (213) 625-6631 (at all other days/hours) and will provide the location and nature of emergency. Other personnel will be notified at the discretion of the Incident Commander.
5. Local Maintenance Area personnel, working with the Incident Commander, will contact the affected utility company to determine whether their assistance is required, recommended actions, and the potential length of time service will be interrupted.
6. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the loss of utility service.

7. If the Evacuate Building action is initiated, teachers will take student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies when leaving the building, and take attendance once the class is assembled in a safe location.
8. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
9. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
10. As needed, school emergency supplies will be utilized to compensate for the loss of a utility.
11. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.
12. In addition to the procedures listed above, the Incident Commander will implement the protocols for specific concerns below as needed.

7.15.2 Loss of Water Supply Procedures

The following operational items apply at a school that has lost its water supply. Many can be easily solved if the school has adequate emergency supplies:

1. **Bathrooms** - School personnel can make a regular toilet work by pouring a half-bucket (about 2.5 gallons) of water into the toilet to provide the “flush”. Water stored in emergency barrels can be used for this purpose. This method is often easier than setting up toileting stations of 5 gallon buckets with plastic bags in them. Standard toilets can also be lined with plastic bags. Bucket toilets generate bags of hazardous waste that need to be disposed of properly. One disposal method is to dump the contents of the bags into the standard toilets when they are returned to service. Be advised that this method is messy at best. Schools must also provide toilets that are accessible to students with specific needs.

Health code requires that the students have a way of washing their hands after going to the bathroom. Water from the emergency supplies, waterless hand cleaner, or wipes will fulfill that requirement and both should be stored with the other emergency supplies.

If Porta-Potties are delivered, schools must make sure that there are also hand cleaning stations set up, as well as accessible ones for students with specific needs. Mark at least two of the Porta-Potties for faculty use.

2. **Cafeteria** - To keep the cafeteria open, cafeteria staff must have clean water to wash hands and clean surfaces. Water can be pumped from the emergency water barrels into a plastic water carrier. The water carrier can be taken to the kitchen, and cafeteria staff can use the water at their sink. If the cafeteria staff needs hot water, they can heat it.
3. **Drinking Water** - Drinking water can be addressed many ways. Students will usually have milk and juice with their lunches, which will provide hydration. Additional water can be distributed in cups or individual bottles/pouches, depending on what was stored. Often DWP or Maintenance and Operations will obtain bottled water for the school.

If schools are using the emergency water, they must re-chlorinate the water 30 minutes before it is put out for consumption. Details are available in the [LAUSD School Site Emergency/Disaster Supplies Reference Guide](#).

4. **Fire Suppression** - The fire code requires that if the automatic fire sprinklers are disabled for any reason, schools must post a fire watch. For complete and specific instructions, please see the [LAUSD Procedures for Fire Protection Systems Reference Guide](#). The law requires that someone must continuously patrol the entire campus every half hour and then log in the fact that no fire was seen. The person conducting the fire watch shall be knowledgeable of the fire watch procedures, should have a radio, be able to notify the Fire Department and alert and evacuate the building occupants. The Fire Department and the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (213) 241-3199 must be notified and logs should be kept documenting who patrolled the building, where they went and when they made their rounds. Schools shall notify the Fire Department to request permission to implement the fire watch at the following numbers:

- Los Angeles City Fire Department (Valley) (818) 347-1110
- Los Angeles City Fire Department (Los Angeles) (213) 978-3660
- Los Angeles County Fire Department (323) 881-2455

Only the Fire Department can authorize a school to go off fire watch. Schools will need to save and document all contacts with the Fire Department to ensure they followed the Fire Code.

5. **Other Concerns** - At secondary schools, there may be a request to use the showers, but that cannot be accommodated. The nurse may also ask for water to wash hands. She may be able to use waterless hand cleaner, but she will still need water for cleaning wounds, etc. Schools can pump the emergency water into a water carrier for her to use at the sink in the Health Office, or provide bottled water.

7.15.3 Loss of Power Procedures

The following are concerns that need to be addressed at a school that has lost electrical power.

1. **Lights** - Schools are built to take advantage of natural light. Classrooms often have one wall of windows, so there should still be visibility, even without electric lights. Classroom emergency kits typically include flashlights that can provide additional illumination. In many cases, the loss of electricity is minimally disruptive to education; it is common practice for students to remain in classrooms during a power outage.

Almost all schools have emergency lights on battery back-up. These lights will allow students and staff to safely exit the building if it is dark outside. These lights illuminate hallways, stairwells and exit signs. In most schools, emergency lighting operates on a series of large batteries and have the capacity to run for about an hour, so that everyone will have adequate time to exit the building. Some schools have hardwired emergency generators instead of batteries. These generators are sized to run

emergency egress lighting only, and do not power other items such as elevators and air conditioning.

Some schools have portable generators in the emergency supply bin that can power lighting in the assembly area, charge batteries on radios, and other power needs. Generators are also to be used to supplement battery-powered medical devices for students with special needs.

In a prolonged power outage, the Maintenance and Operations Branch is sometimes able to provide a generator to power the cafeteria. The cafeteria has food that needs to be kept a specific temperature and to preserve food safety; the generator will be used to run the refrigerators and freezer.

2. **Phone Systems** - School PBX phone systems have a battery back-up because they run on computers. This will allow the phones to operate without electricity. In addition, each school has a fax machine on a separate, direct, outside line that does not go through the PBX. In the event of a power outage, the fax line will still work and schools should keep a single line handset that can be plugged into this line during a loss of utilities. In the event of a major disaster such as an earthquake, these phone lines have been listed with the phone company as “essential service lines” and will be restored first.
3. **School Two-Way Radios** - Each school has a two-way radio system that allows the school to communicate with people on that campus, a neighboring campus, and ultimately with school police. The radios will still operate during a power outage or when phone systems are down.

Every year schools test the ability of elementary schools to contact a secondary school, and the ability of secondary schools to talk directly with school police dispatch. During a disaster, the District will use this system to compile damage and injury assessments from schools.

Cell phones, text messages, and public access communication tools can supplement two-way radio communications.

4. **Students On Ventilators** - The students who use ventilators are provided with a small, portable generator to recharge the ventilator battery during a power outage. Typically, these students are dependent on medical devices to live. Schools that have students who use ventilators and do NOT have a generator should contact the Office of Emergency Services.
5. **Fire Alarms And Suppression Systems** - During a power outage, fire alarms and notification systems will not work. The Fire Code requires that if the automatic fire alarms are disabled, schools must post a fire watch. For complete and specific instructions, see [REF 1902.2 Procedures for Fire Protection Systems](#). The law requires that someone must continuously patrol the entire campus every half hour and then log in the fact that no fire was seen. The person conducting the fire watch shall be

knowledgeable of the fire watch procedures, should have a radio, be able to notify the Fire Department, and alert and evacuate the building occupants.

The Fire Department and the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (213) 241-3199 must be notified and logs should document who patrolled the building, where they went and when they made their rounds. Schools shall notify the Fire Department to request permission to implement the fire watch at the following numbers:

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Only the Fire Department can authorize a school to go off fire watch. Schools will need to save and document all contacts with the Fire Department to insure they abided the Fire Code.

- 6 **Food Service** - The cafeteria staff may not be able to heat food without electricity. If the loss of power is expected to last through Nutrition or Lunch, immediately contact your Cafeteria Manager and your Area Food Services Director. They can arrange for food to be brought in from an offsite location. In a prolonged power outage, the Maintenance and Operations Branch is sometimes able to provide a generator to power the cafeteria. The cafeteria has food that needs to be kept a specific temperature and to preserve food safety; the generator will be used to run the refrigerators and freezer.

Plan for a Loss of Water:

Toilets: PORTABLE TENT AND BUCKET

Drinking Water: WATER BARRELS

Food Service: CAFETERIA HAS FOOD FOR 72 HOURS

Fire Suppression System (if applicable): FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Plan for a Loss of Electricity:

Ventilation: BACKUP UNIT

Electric Lights: BACKUP UNIT

Plan for a Loss of Natural Gas:

Food Service: DRY FOOD

Plan for a Loss of Communication:

Telephone Service: FAX LINE

Intercom: Bullhorn

7.16 Weather

Schools may implement general inclement weather procedures during heavy rain, flooding, hail, or high winds. More information is available in [Reference Guide School Procedures during Inclement Weather](#), [Reference Guide NOAA Public Weather Radios](#), and [Bulletin Guidelines for Preventing Heat Stress](#).

7.16.1 General Inclement Weather Procedures

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-in-Place, Evacuate Building, or Off-Site Relocation.
2. The Incident Commander will notify 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and will describe the nature and extent of the incident.
3. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the emergency situation. LD personnel will call the Office of Communications with information on the situation.
4. The Incident Commander will direct the Security/Utilities Team or other available staff to secure any lightweight, unstable, or fragile items on campus and bring indoors any equipment that may become damaged by weather conditions.
5. The Incident Commander or Public Information Officer will monitor local news outlets and NOAA weather alert radio and initiate further actions as appropriate.
6. If the Incident Commander issues the Evacuate Building or Off-Site Relocation action, staff and students will evacuate affected buildings using prescribed routes or other safe routes to the Assembly Area.
7. In the event of an evacuation, teachers will bring student rosters and any classroom emergency supplies, and take attendance at the Assembly Area to account for students. Teachers will notify the Assembly Area Team of missing students.
8. The First Aid/Triage Team will monitor students who were exposed to adverse weather conditions (such as extreme cold, heat, or rain) as necessary.
9. The Planning and Intelligence Team will consider the impact of weather (including travel) on field trips and extracurricular activities, and advise the Incident Commander if activities should be curtailed.
10. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
11. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
12. The Incident Commander will initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
13. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.16.2 Rain Procedures

Rain can cause sudden or gradual flooding, impede driving conditions, and/or be accompanied by lightning. Before every rainy season, school plant managers should be reminded to:

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- Check all ground-level drains and drainage areas to make sure they are free of debris and work properly. Clogged drains should be reported for repair since they can cause flooding and building damage.
- Inspect roof scuppers and drains to make sure they work properly.
- Request sand bags and plastic sheeting from the operational area that can be used to divert water away from doors.

Flood/Flash Flood

A Flash Flood may accompany rain, or may appear suddenly as a result of storm conditions elsewhere in Southern California, and may impede driving.

Hail

Hail can damage buildings and equipment, possibly injure students (depending on the size of the hailstones), and may be accompanied by unusually cold weather.

Wind

High winds can create power outages, knock down trees and utility lines, and remove exterior building materials (such as gutters and shingles).

7.16.3 Funnel Clouds Procedures

Funnel clouds and tornadoes are possible in the Los Angeles area. If a funnel cloud is sighted or a tornado warning is issued, immediately move all students indoors. Basements offer the best protection. Schools without basements should use interior rooms and hallways on the lowest floor, away from windows and other sources of glass. Rooms with large roof spans (e.g., gymnasiums, cafeterias, and auditoriums) offer little or no protection from tornado-strength winds. Students should sit facing an interior wall, elbows to knees, with hands over the back of their heads, and remain in position until an all-clear is sounded.

1. The principal or designee becomes the Incident Commander, activates the school ICS Team, and will initiate the appropriate Immediate Response Action, Shelter-in-Place.
2. The Incident Commander makes the following announcement over the PA system, or using an alternate method of communication: "Your attention please. We are implementing a Shelter-in-Place, due to severe weather. Students and staff are to remain inside the building away from windows. Sit on the floor with your back to the wall, and protect your head with your arms. All students and staff that are outside are to immediately move to the protection of an inside room. As soon as we have further information, we will share it with you."
3. If inside, teachers will keep students in the classroom until further instructions are given.
4. If outside, students will proceed to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into the closest classrooms or school buildings (e.g., auditorium, library, cafeteria, or gymnasium). Teachers are to account for any students with a cognitive disability that may not have understood the directions. Teachers are to

take roll and to notify the office the number of students in the room with them and their names.

5. The Incident Commander will notify 911 and School Police (213) 625-6631 and will describe the nature and extent of the incident.
6. The Incident Commander will notify the LD Administrator of Operations and/or Operations Coordinator of the emergency situation. LD personnel will call the Office of Communications with information on the situation.
7. The Incident Commander or Public Information Officer will monitor local news outlets and NOAA weather alert radio and initiate further actions as appropriate.
8. Teachers will take attendance to account for students, and notify the office of missing students.
9. The Incident Commander will direct the Planning and Intelligence Team Leader or other authorized user to open an iSTAR report on the incident.
10. The Incident Commander will notify and update parents via Blackboard Connect.
11. The Incident Commander will initiate an Off-Site Relocation if warranted by changes in conditions.
12. Once the incident has concluded and the campus has been determined to be safe, the Incident Commander will initiate the All Clear action.

7.16.4 Heat Procedures

The intensity of exercise activities must be limited or they must be modified whenever the Heat Index (table attached, tap paperclip to view) is above 95°. Details are available in the [LAUSD Guidelines for Preventing Heat Stress Bulletin](#). A useful resource that calculates the heat index and offers heat safety tips is the OSHA smartphone app, the OSHA Heat Safety Tool. Air Quality Advisories issued by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) must be obeyed.

Modifying Athletic Activities During Excessive Heat

During times of excessive heat, the following precautions need to be taken for outdoor physical activity which includes recess, physical education, recreation, and competitive sports:

- Adequate water must be available. If adequate water is not available, physical activity must be modified. During the activity, periodic drinking of water every 15 to 30 minutes should be encouraged.
- Staff and all personnel supervising physical activities, including Youth Services personnel, should observe students during activity periods and modify activities. Students known to have health problems should be closely observed and their activity modified or restricted.

Strategies for Preventing Heat Stress During the School Day

- A “cool room” should be established for use by students showing early signs of heat stress. This room should provide maximum coolness possible. During excessive heat the “cool room” should be available for use at all times during the school day.
- Hold events indoors when possible.

- Use current medical health history and physical to identify students susceptible to or at high risk for heat related injuries. Students identified as high risk should be removed from participation at a lower Heat Index. These would include:
 - Students with history of previous heat illness
 - All current illnesses and/or health sensitive medical conditions
 - Students who have experienced recent injuries

7.16.5 National Weather Service Hazardous Weather Alert Definitions and Procedures

The National Weather Service issues three distinct categories of hazardous weather alerts, covering all manner of weather events. Schools will receive weather alerts via NOAA weather radios or mass media outlets. More information is available in the [LAUSD NOAA Weather Radio All Hazard Alert Reference Guide](#) and at <http://achieve.lausd.net/noaa>

Watch - used when the risk of hazardous weather has increased significantly, but its occurrence, location or timing is still uncertain. A “watch” is intended to provide enough lead time to set emergency plans in motion. A watch means that hazardous weather is possible, and schools need to listen for later information and possible warnings. If a weather watch is issued, schools in the affected area should:

- Review the Safe School Plan and confirm staff assignments for emergency positions
- Review field trips and extracurricular activities
- Review Blackboard Connect emergency contact lists for staff and students
- Monitor local weather via www.weather.gov and/or a NOAA weather radio
- Inspect the campus for conditions that could cause damage

Advisory - issued when a hazardous weather event is occurring, imminent or likely. Advisories are for less serious conditions than warnings that cause significant inconvenience. If caution is not exercised, conditions could lead to situations that may threaten life or property. If a weather advisory is issued, schools in the affected area should:

- Review the Safe School Plan
- Check emergency supplies
- Examine extracurricular activities, field trips, and after-school programs
- Plan for modified activity schedule
- Move outdoor equipment out of harm’s way
- Monitor local weather via www.weather.gov and/or a NOAA weather radio
- Check school site for hazards and exposures that can be mitigated
- Send a Blackboard Connect message if extracurricular activities may be impacted

Warning - issued when a hazardous weather event is occurring, imminent or likely. A warning means weather conditions pose a threat to life or property. People in the path of the storm need to take protective action. If a weather warning is issued, schools in the affected area should:

- Activate Safe School Plan
- Stage emergency supplies in a location protected from weather

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- Send Blackboard Connect message and update school website and school social media accounts to notify parents
- Notify LD Operations of actions
- Take proactive steps to protect students and staff
- Cancel activities, field trips and after-school programs if expedient to do so

8. Appendices

Contacts

Maps



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Primary Off-Site Assembly Location:

Primary Address: 3700 E Gage Ave, Bell Gardens, CA, 90201, USA

Primary Contact: Principal Primary Phone #: (323) 585-8873

Backup Off-Site Assembly Location:

Backup Address: 3825 Bell Ave, Bell Gardens, CA, 90201, USA

Backup Contact: Principal Backup Phone #: (323) 560-1323

ICS Definitions for Schools

Incident Commander – responsible for directing emergency operations

Public Information Officer (PIO) – Official spokesperson for an incident

Agency Liaison – coordinates with outside agencies

Safety Coordinator – ensures that emergency operations are conducted safely

Operations Section Chief - responsible for managing all tactical operations at an incident.

Planning Section Chief - responsible for collecting and evaluating information.

Logistics Section Chief - provides all incident support needs such as facilities, transportation, communications, supplies/equipment and food services.

Finance/Administration Section Chief - responsible for managing all financial aspects and paperwork of an incident.

Emergency Teams:

First Aid/Medical – ensures that first aid supplies are available and performs first aid/triage

Security/Utilities – ensures school site security and performs short-term repairs and shutoff of utilities

Fire Suppression/Hazmat – extinguishes fires and evaluates chemical spills

Request Gate – processes requests for student pick-up

Reunion Gate – reunites students and parents at Reunion Gate

Search and Rescue – performs search and rescue operations

Assembly Area – ensures safe evacuation and accounting for all students, staff and visitors

Psychological First Aid/Crisis – provides psychological/emotional support for students and staff

Supply/Equipment - ensures adequate equipment and supplies

Documentation – maintains emergency log

Communication – analyzes situation and updates Incident Commander

Forms



EMERGENCY HAZARD ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

School _____ Location Code _____

Name _____ Position _____

Date _____

On-Site Hazard:

[List any unusual on-site hazards which are unique to the school, e.g., underground storage tanks, unusual chemicals]

Off-Site Hazards:

[List any unusual off-site hazards unique to the school, e.g. freeways, railroads, pipelines, power transmission lines, industrial facilities]



BOMB THREAT REPORT

School _____ Location Code _____

Date of Call _____ Time of Call _____

Person Receiving Call _____

I. REPORT OF PERSON RECEIVING CALL

A. Ask the caller the following questions	
Where is the bomb (building, location)?	
What time is it set to go off?	
What kind of bomb is it? What does it look like?	
Who set the bomb? Why was the bomb set?	
What is your name?	
How old are you?	
Where do you live?	

B. Evaluate the voice of the caller, and check the appropriate spaces below:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Male	<input type="checkbox"/>	Intoxicated
<input type="checkbox"/>	Female	<input type="checkbox"/>	Speech Impediment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Child	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Ethnic Characteristics
Age (Approx.)		Other	

C. Listen for any background noise. (Check appropriate spaces below, if applicable):					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Music	<input type="checkbox"/>	Babies or children	<input type="checkbox"/>	Airplane
<input type="checkbox"/>	Conversation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cars/trucks	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other
<input type="checkbox"/>	Typing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Machine noise		

II. REPORT BY PRINCIPAL

A. The police were contacted by (Name of person)			
Date		Time	
Police personnel taking call			
Officer responding to call			

B. Was a search made for the bomb?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
If "yes," give details regarding search				

C. Was an evacuation conducted?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
If "yes," indicate buildings or areas evacuated				

D. Remarks:	
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This form shall be completed in duplicate (submit original to Educational Service Center Operations Coordinator and copy for school files).



STUDENT RELEASE LOG

NOTE: Schools may only release students to individuals who have been designated by the custodial parent/guardian.

School _____

Date _____

STUDENT'S NAME	RELEASE TIME	NAME OF PERSON RELEASED TO	ADULT SIGNATURE

[Note: Maintain the original in the emergency document file.]



SCHOOL/SITE PRELIMINARY DAMAGE REPORT (PDR)

(Please use this form to report your status to the Educational Service Center)

School/Site:						Location Code:			
Date:		Time:		Person in Charge:					
Contact information (How the school can be reached for additional information):									
Please answer the following:									
Number of deaths	# of Students		# of Staff		None	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Number of injuries	# of Students		# of Staff		None	<input type="checkbox"/>			
How many buildings at your site are visibly damaged?									
Describe the type and extent of damage you observe:									
Summarize emergency response actions already taken:									
Do you have the following capabilities?									
Power	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Landline Phone	Contact #		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		
Water	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Cellular Phone	Contact #		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		
Natural Gas	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Two-way Radio			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No		
Location of evacuated students									
List critical issues on site									
List other issues									
List assistance requested									



EMERGENCY DRILL DATA WORKSHEET

Use this form to record your drill information; then enter the data at <http://emergencydrills.lausd.net> and receive your emailed certificate.

School/Site:		Location Code:	
Name:		Position:	
E-Mail:		Date:	

Drill Type -- Choose one

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire | <input type="checkbox"/> Drop/Cover/Hold on or Drop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earthquake drill with evacuation | <input type="checkbox"/> Lockdown |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter in Place | <input type="checkbox"/> |

1. What type of alert system did you use to alert students/staff of the drill?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Fire Alarm/Bell	<input type="checkbox"/> Voice through Intercom/PA	<input type="checkbox"/> Bull Horn	<input type="checkbox"/> Whistle
<i>(Omit #2 for Drop/Cover/Hold or Drop)</i>			
2. Time Drill Started:	<input type="checkbox"/> am <input type="checkbox"/> pm	Time Drill Completed:	<input type="checkbox"/> am <input type="checkbox"/> pm
3. Total number of staff involved in the drill activity?			
4. Total number of students involved in the drill activity?			
5. Did any students with special needs participate in the drill? If yes, about how many?			
6. Did you encounter any challenges with students with special needs? (Y/N)			
7. If yes, Please describe challenges:			

(Omit #8 for Drop/Cover/Hold or Shelter-in-Place, Drop & Lockdown)

8. How long did it take to evacuate all buildings? (minutes) (Time from START of drill to the time when last staff or student arrived at the staging area.)	
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(Omit #9 for Drop/Cover/Hold or Drop)

9. Did you establish an Incident Command Post?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
10. Did staff bring the School Emergency Response Box to the assembly area?(Y/N)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
11. Did you use the District's Safe School Plan, Volume 2 - Emergency Procedures during: (Check all that apply)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, during the planning of the drill	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, during the execution of drill.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, after the drill.	<input type="checkbox"/>	No, we did not use the Safe School Plan.		

(Omit #12, 13&14 for Drop/Cover/Hold or Drop)

12. Did you use any supplies during the drill? (Check all that apply)				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, our staff took supplies out of their storage area.			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, our staff used the supplies during the drill.			
<input type="checkbox"/>	No, we did not use emergency supplies.			
13. Were parents notified either before or after the drill? (Y/N)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
14. How were parents notified? (method)				
15. Did any parents participate in drill? If yes, about how many?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes		
16. What did parents do?				



EMERGENCY DRILL DATA WORKSHEET (CONTINUED)

17. Did you encounter any behavioral problems (non-participation, student/staff distractions, etc.) during the drill? If yes, please briefly describe any problems.					
18. Did you encounter problems with any of the following? <i>(Omit # d, e, & f for Drop/Cover/Hold or Drop)</i> <i>(Omit # f for or Lockdown)</i>					
	Yes	No	Briefly describe these problems:		
a. Alert system	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
b. Students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
c. Staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
d. Parents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
e. Supplies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
f. Evacuation route	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
19. Using a grading scale from A through F, please grade the following: <i>(Omit a, b, & c for Drop/Cover/Hold or Drop)</i> <i>(Omit a for Campus Protection or Lockdown)</i>					
	A	B	C	D	F
a. Student behavior during evacuation procedure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Student accounting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Staff accounting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Performance of alert system	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Performance of members of the school safety team	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Overall student performance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Overall staff performance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. Did you debrief after the drill? (Y/N)		<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
21. What were the three top lessons learned?					
22. How can this drill be improved in the future?					



BIOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL RELEASE RESPONSE CHECKLIST

School _____ Location Code _____

Location of Release _____

Name _____ Position _____

Date _____

	Yes	No	Note
Have unexposed students, staff and others been evacuated from area of contamination?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have staff, students, or others who came in contact with the area of contamination been isolated and quarantined in a safe and separate location and cleaned their hands with soap and water?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have all students and staff been accounted for?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Has the area of contamination been cordoned off and secured?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Has the area of contamination been affixed with conspicuous signs reading: "DO NOT ENTER"?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have the doors and windows to the area of contamination been closed and locked?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have fans and ventilators serving the area of contamination been turned off?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Comments			

Assessment Checklists

Please check the online ISSP for completed assessment checklists. They are available in the Planning view as part of Step 2.

Comprehensive School Safety Plan

Magnolia Science Academy
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Plan approved by Magnolia Public Schools Board

Committee members

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Maria Rowell, Dean of Academics
Cathy Gonzalez, Teacher
Stacy Lasater, Parent of attending student
Suzette Lopez, Parent of attending student
Erica Ramirez, Student

School Site Mission

Magnolia Public Schools provides a college preparatory educational program emphasizing science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) in a safe environment that cultivates respect for self and others.

Vision

Graduates of Magnolia Public Schools are scientific thinkers who contribute to the global community as socially responsible and educated members of society.

Core Values

MPS has identified the following core values, which are reinforced through its Life Skills curriculum, student learning outcomes (SLOs), and all school activities.

§ Scholarship

Scholarship is the desire to pursue knowledge and excellence and to contribute original and provocative ideas in a learning environment, in diverse settings, and as a catalyst to future academic knowledge. We foster scholarship through project based learning using a constructivist approach, student portfolios, assessments of and for learning and academic discourse and argumentative writing. Scholars learn where and how to access the needed information to advance their academic pursuits and societal contributions.

§ Innovation

Students will have the freedom to choose how and what they learn. Flexible scheduling, early identification of learning styles, personalities, interest and career plans will support students' college and career readiness. This will include student participation in their four-year plans, after school enrichment programs, STEAM program choice options, adaptive assessments and blended learning strategies, differentiated instruction and differentiated and adaptive assessments.

§ Connection

School communities are integrated partnerships with the school site staff, families, students and all other stakeholders. This sense of connection creates a safe place for all learners and stakeholders to affirm individual strengths, celebrate character, provide academic support through mentorship and internship, promote unity and better decision making through the implementation of restorative justice practices. Additionally, community cultivates identity and gives each member a sense of belonging and pride. MPS utilizes home visits, student surveys, field trips, life skills classes and coaching to support our overall community-based goals. We work with community partners to establish mentoring relationships and other social capital to support our students' development of personal and academic networks for long term resilience and connection.

Statement of Purpose

A comprehensive School Safety Plan helps to ensure a safe school environment, thereby enhancing the learning experience and improving student academic achievement. This plan is implemented to protect the safety of students and staff and to provide emergency preparedness and guidelines. This plan

addresses the following objectives:

- Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff.
- Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations.
- Protect the school's facilities and property.
- In the case of an emergency, allow the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible.
- Provide for coordination between the school and local emergency services when necessary.

This plan encompasses a broad range of potential safety issues and major emergencies. Such incidents may include earthquake, hazardous materials, widespread power outage, and similar events affecting normal operations at the school.

Employee Preparedness

A number of measures are taken on an ongoing basis to ensure that school staff is prepared to respond immediately and appropriately to disasters. These include:

- Review of this Plan and any other emergency policies and procedures;
- Review of an employee's role during an emergency;
- Knowledge of how to conduct and evaluate required drills;
- Familiarity with the layout of buildings, grounds and all emergency procedures;
- Review of the location of all emergency exits, fire extinguishers, fire alarms and emergency equipment and supplies;
- Attend update training in first aid, CPR, use of fire extinguishers and search and rescue as necessary.

Employee Skills

At the beginning of each school year, all instructional and non--instructional staff will be asked by the School Principal, or his/her designee, to identify those with special skills or experience that may be

helpful during an emergency. These employees may be asked to fulfill certain emergency management roles (i.e., first aid, CPR, search & rescue and/or fire extinguisher training & certification).

Instructional staff is responsible for the following:

- Present instruction to students about emergency preparedness plans for the site and student responsibilities in case
- Keep attendance sheets readily accessible at all times in order to check attendance in the event of evacuation;
- Update the contents of classroom emergency kit and keep it in a safe, accessible location;
- Participate fully in fire, earthquake and evacuation drills;
- Have planned activities for students for use during periods of confinement during an emergency situation.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, is responsible for the following:

- Assign employees to roles and responsibilities for an emergency, taking into consideration the skills, abilities and normal functions of employees;
- Ensure that all employees are familiar with the site maps and evacuation plans and are trained in emergency response and preparedness roles and responsibilities;
- Update the list of employees who are trained in first aid, CPR, the use of fire extinguishers, and search and rescue. Arrange for update training as necessary;
- Update as necessary the site floor plan showing evacuation routes and the location of assembly areas, emergency supplies and equipment, fire extinguishers, fire alarm pulls, master electrical panels, and main water and gas shut off valves;
- Ensure that emergency procedures are posted in classrooms, hallways, school office, cafeterias and employee lounges;
- Update the list of any disabled students or employees or those who may need evacuation assistance or other special assistance;
- Test the site warning system and ensure that the system's signal(s) is recognized and understood by employees and students
- Conduct an inventory of all emergency supplies and equipment and replace used or outdated supplies and equipment

- Maintain a list of emergency phone numbers in a readily accessible location.

Employee/Student Special Needs

Staff with temporary or permanent impairments of sight, hearing or mobility may self-identify indicating what assistance may be required in the event of an emergency. Students with special needs are identified at the beginning of each school year. Parents are asked to provide written information/instructions concerning specific needs.

Those areas of the school that have employees and/or students with permanent mobility impairments should maintain any necessary evacuation device on each floor where such employees and/or students are located.

Emergency On-site Personnel

Staff emergency phone contacts will be kept on file at the school office. Staff with specific training in emergency response, safety, CPR, etc. will also be noted on a list kept at the school.

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Assessment of the Current Status of School Crime

1. Data sources the committee reviewed:
 - a. Local law enforcement crime data
 - i. Top three crime violations in our area last year, based on www.crimemapping.com/map/region/lapd were:
 1. Theft/Larceny
 2. Assault
 3. Burglary
 - b. Suspension/Expulsion data:
 - i. Student information data was used to identify top suspendable/expellable offenses at our campus. A significant decrease in suspensions/expulsions were noted due to the implementation of Positive Behavior Support and Intervention model
 - ii. Behavior referrals: Illuminate was used to identify and segregate all behavior referrals.
 - c. School Improvement Plan
 - i. Reviewed current years plan to identify any additional areas of improvement needed.
 - d. Property Damage data
 - i. Reviewed Coolsis behavior data to identify any property damage that has occurred.
 - e. Attendance rates
 - i. Student attendance rates were pulled from Coolsis.
 - ii. Truancy data was pulled from Coolsis

2. The committee reviewed the data and identified the appropriate strategies and programs that provide high-level school safety.
 - a. Parent/Student Handbook
 - b. School Safety Committee
 - c. Discipline Committee
 - d. Administration
 - e. Local School Administration
 - f. School Site Council
 - g. Parent Task Force
 - h. Student Leadership
 - i. Local Law Enforcement Collaboration

Child Abuse Reporting Procedures

Mandated reporters include, but are not limited to, teachers; instructional aides; teacher's aides or assistants; classified employees; certificated pupil personnel employees; administrative officers or supervisors of child attendance; administrators and employees of a licensed day care facility; Head Start teachers; district police or security officers; licensed nurses or health care providers; and administrators, presenters, and counselors of a child abuse prevention program. (Penal Code 11165.7)

Reasonable suspicion means that it is objectively reasonable for a person to entertain a suspicion, based upon facts that could cause a reasonable person in a like position, drawing when appropriate on his/her training and experience, to suspect child abuse or neglect. However, reasonable suspicion does not require certainty that child abuse or neglect has occurred nor does it require a specific medical indication of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Reportable Offenses

A mandated reporter shall make a report using the procedures provided below whenever, in his/her professional capacity or within the scope of his/her employment, he/she has knowledge of or observes a child whom the mandated reporter knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Responsibility for Reporting

The reporting duties of mandated reporters are individual and cannot be delegated to another person. (Penal Code 11166)

No supervisor or administrator shall impede or inhibit a mandated reporter from making a report. (Penal Code 11166)

Reporting Procedures

1. Initial Telephone Report

Immediately or as soon as practicable after knowing or observing suspected child abuse or neglect, a mandated reporter shall make an initial report by telephone to any police department (excluding a school district police/security department), sheriff's department, county probation department if designated by the county to receive such reports, or county welfare department. (Penal Code 11165.9, 11166)

Department of Child and Family Services
800-540-4000

2. Written Report

Within 36 hours of knowing or observing the information concerning the incident, the mandated reporter shall then prepare and either send, fax, or electronically submit to the appropriate agency a written follow-up report, which includes a completed Department of Justice form (SS 8572). (Penal Code 11166, 11168)

Victim Interviews by Social Services/Law Enforcement

Whenever a representative from the Department of Social Services or another government agency investigating suspected child abuse or neglect deems it necessary, a suspected victim may be interviewed during school hours, on school premises, concerning a report of suspected child abuse or neglect that occurred within the child's home or out-of-home care facility. The child shall be given the choice of being interviewed in private or in the presence of any adult school employee or volunteer aide selected by the child. (Penal Code 11174.3)

A staff member or volunteer aide selected by a child may decline to be present at the interview. If the selected person accepts, the principal or designee shall inform him/her of the following requirements: (Penal Code 11174.3)

1. The purpose of the selected person's presence at the interview is to lend support to the child and enable him/her to be as comfortable as possible.
2. The selected person shall not participate in the interview.
3. The selected person shall not discuss the facts or circumstances of the case with the child.
4. The selected person is subject to the confidentiality requirements of the Child Abuse and Neglect

Reporting Act, a violation of which is punishable as specified in Penal Code 11167.5.

If a staff member agrees to be present, the interview shall be held at a time during school hours when it does not involve an expense to the school. (Penal Code 11174.3)

Release of Child to Police Officer

When a child is released to a peace officer and taken into custody as a victim of suspected child abuse or neglect, the designee and/or principal shall not notify the parent/guardian, but rather shall provide the peace officer with the address and telephone number of the child's parent/guardian. It is the responsibility of the peace officer or agent to notify the parent/guardian of the situation. (Education Code 48906)

SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE REPORT

To Be Completed by **Mandated Child Abuse Reporters**
Pursuant to Penal Code Section 11166

CASE NAME: _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

CASE NUMBER: _____

A. REPORTING PARTY	NAME OF MANDATED REPORTER		TITLE		MANDATED REPORTER CATEGORY					
	REPORTER'S BUSINESS/AGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS			Street	City	Zip	DID MANDATED REPORTER WITNESS THE INCIDENT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			
	REPORTER'S TELEPHONE (DAYTIME) ()		SIGNATURE		TODAY'S DATE					
B. REPORT NOTIFICATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW ENFORCEMENT <input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY PROBATION		AGENCY							
	<input type="checkbox"/> COUNTY WELFARE / CPS (Child Protective Services)									
	ADDRESS		Street	City	Zip	DATE/TIME OF PHONE CALL				
OFFICIAL CONTACTED - TITLE					TELEPHONE ()					
C. VICTIM One report per victim	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)				BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE	SEX	ETHNICITY			
	ADDRESS		Street	City	Zip	TELEPHONE ()				
	PRESENT LOCATION OF VICTIM				SCHOOL	CLASS	GRADE			
	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	OTHER DISABILITY (SPECIFY)		PRIMARY LANGUAGE SPOKEN IN HOME					
	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	IF VICTIM WAS IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE AT TIME OF INCIDENT, CHECK TYPE OF CARE:				TYPE OF ABUSE (CHECK ONE OR MORE)				
	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> DAY CARE	<input type="checkbox"/> CHILD CARE CENTER	<input type="checkbox"/> FOSTER FAMILY HOME	<input type="checkbox"/> FAMILY FRIEND	<input type="checkbox"/> PHYSICAL	<input type="checkbox"/> MENTAL	<input type="checkbox"/> SEXUAL	<input type="checkbox"/> NEGLECT	
	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> GROUP HOME OR INSTITUTION	<input type="checkbox"/> RELATIVE'S HOME	RELATIONSHIP TO SUSPECT		PHOTOS TAKEN? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	DID THE INCIDENT RESULT IN THIS VICTIM'S DEATH? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> UNK			
D. INVOLVED PARTIES	VICTIM'S SIBLINGS									
	NAME		BIRTHDATE	SEX	ETHNICITY	NAME		BIRTHDATE	SEX	ETHNICITY
	1. _____		3. _____		2. _____		4. _____			
	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)				BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY		
	ADDRESS		Street	City	Zip	HOME PHONE ()	BUSINESS PHONE ()			
	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)				BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY		
ADDRESS		Street	City	Zip	HOME PHONE ()	BUSINESS PHONE ()				
SUSPECT	SUSPECT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)				BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE		SEX	ETHNICITY		
	ADDRESS		Street	City	Zip	TELEPHONE ()				
	OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION									
E. INCIDENT INFORMATION	IF NECESSARY, ATTACH EXTRA SHEET(S) OR OTHER FORM(S) AND CHECK THIS BOX <input type="checkbox"/> IF MULTIPLE VICTIMS, INDICATE NUMBER: _____									
	DATE / TIME OF INCIDENT				PLACE OF INCIDENT					
	NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (What victim(s) said/what the mandated reporter observed/what person accompanying the victim(s) said/similar or past incidents involving the victim(s) or suspect)									

SS 8572 (Rev. 12/02)

DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE

DO NOT submit a copy of this form to the Department of Justice (DOJ). The investigating agency is required under Penal Code Section 11169 to submit to DOJ a Child Abuse Investigation Report Form SS 8583 if (1) an active investigation was conducted and (2) the incident was not determined to be unfounded.

WHITE COPY-Police or Sheriff's Department; BLUE COPY-County Welfare or Probation; GREEN COPY-District Attorney's Office; YELLOW COPY-Reporting Party

DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF FORM SS 8572

All Penal Code (PC) references are located in Article 2.5 of the PC. This article is known as the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act, also known as CANRA. The Internet site is: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html> (specify Penal Code and search for Sections 11164-11174.3). A mandated reporter must complete and submit the form SS 8572 even if some information is not known. (PC Section 11167(a).)

I. MANDATED CHILD ABUSE REPORTERS

- Mandated child abuse reporters include all those individuals and entities as defined in PC Section 11165.7.

II. TO WHOM REPORTS ARE TO BE MADE (DESIGNATED AGENCIES)

- Reports of suspected child abuse or neglect shall be made by mandated reporters to any police department or sheriff's department (not including a school district police or security department), county probation department (if designated by the county to receive mandated reports) or the county welfare department. (PC Section 11165.9.)

III. REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

- Any mandated reporter who has knowledge of or observes a child, in his or her professional capacity or within the scope of his or her employment, whom he or she knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect shall report such suspected instance of abuse or neglect to a designated agency immediately or as soon as practically possible by telephone and shall prepare and send a written report thereof *within 36 hours* of receiving the information concerning the incident. (PC Section 11166(a).)
- No mandated reporter who reports a suspected instance of child abuse or neglect shall be held civilly or criminally liable for any report required or authorized by the CANRA. Any other person reporting a known or suspected instance of child abuse or neglect shall not incur civil or criminal liability as a result of any report authorized by the CANRA unless it can be proven the report was false and the person knew it was false or make the report with reckless disregard of its truth or falsity. (PC Section 11172(a).)

IV. INSTRUCTIONS

- **SECTION A - REPORTING PARTY:** Enter the mandated reporter's name, title, category (from PC Section 11165.7), business (agency) name and address, telephone number, a signature and today's date. Also check yes-no whether you (the mandated reporter) witnessed the incident. The signature area is for either the mandated report or the person taking as telephoned report.

ETHNICITY CODES

1 Alaskan Native	6 Caribbean	11 Guamanian	16 Korean	22 Polynesian	27 White-Armenian
2 American Indian	7 Central American	12 Hawaiian	17 Laotian	23 Samoan	28 White-Central American
3 Asian Indian	8 Chinese	13 Hispanic	18 Mexican	24 South American	29 White-European
4 Black	9 Ethiopian	14 Hmong	19 Other Asian	25 Vietnamese	30 White-Middle Eastern
5 Cambodian	10 Filipino	15 Japanese	21 Other Pac Islndr	26 White	31 White-Romanian

IV. INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

- **SECTION B - REPORT NOTIFICATION:** Complete the name and address of the designated agency notified, date of the written report, date/time of the phone call and the name, title and telephone number of the official contacted.
 - **SECTION C - VICTIM (One Report per Family, siblings must have same parents/guardians):** Enter the victim's name, address, telephone number, birth date or approximate age, sex, ethnicity, present location, and where applicable enter the school, class (indicate the teacher's name or room number), and grade. List the primary language spoken in the victim's home. Check the appropriate yes-no box for: developmentally disabled?, physically disabled? and specify the victim's other disability. To determine if the victim has a disability, ask the victim's parent or care giver. Also check the appropriate yes-no box for in foster care?, indicate type of care if the victim was in out-of-home care, indicate the type of abuse. List the victim's relationship to the suspect, check the appropriate yes-no box for photos taken?, indicate whether the incident resulted in this victim's death.
 - **SECTION D - INVOLVED PARTIES:** Enter the requested information for: Victim's Siblings, Victim's Parents/Guardians and the Suspect.
 - **SECTION E - INCIDENT INFORMATION:** If multiple victims, enter the number. Enter date/time and place of the incident. Provide a narrative of the incident. Attach extra sheets if needed.
- V. DISTRIBUTION**
- **Reporting Party:** After completing Form SS 8572, retain the yellow copy for your records and submit the top three copies to the designated agency.
 - **Designated Agency:** *Within 36 hours* of receipt of Form SS 8572, send **white copy** to police or sheriff, **blue copy** to county welfare or probation, and **green copy** to district attorney.

Disaster Response Procedures

Emergencies

In the case of an emergency, the general policy is that actions should be taken to allow the school to remain in operation to the extent possible. The situation should be addressed to minimize interruption of normal operations at the school, and students will usually be cared for until regular dismissal time. Where an emergency situation poses a serious threat to the safety and well being of students and staff, evacuation will occur until any danger has passed. When necessary, school may be dismissed by the School Principal, or his/her designee. Home office will also be informed using HOST email system. (Refer to HOST Attachment. In the event of the following scenarios, the Principal, or his/her designee will communicate with stakeholders using school's mass communication system.

Fire:

In the case of a school fire, the following procedures should be implemented:

- Sound building fire alarm.
- Notify Fire Department by dialing 911. The Fire Department is to be notified of any fires larger in size than a wastebasket. The Fire Department should be given the following information:
 - School name and phone number:
Magnolia Science Academy - Santa Ana ; (714)479-0115
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s):
2840 W 1st St, Santa Ana, CA 92703
 - Exact location of the fire within the building.
- Have students and staff evacuate the building in accordance with established procedures.
- Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
- All doors leading to the fire should be closed. Do not re-enter the area for belongings. If the area is full of smoke, students and staff should be instructed to crawl along the floor, close to walls, thus making breathing easier and providing direction. Before opening any door, place a hand one inch from the door near the top to see if it is hot. Be prepared to close the door quickly at the first sign of fire to avoid the spread of fire.
- Clear access routes for emergency vehicles. Remain at a safe distance from the fire and away from fire-fighting equipment.
- Render first aid as necessary

- Check attendance. Remain with students.
- Render first aid as necessary.

Medical Emergency:

Medical emergencies and accidents can occur at any time and may involve a student or employee. Some emergencies may only require first aid care, while others may require immediate medical attention.

When in doubt, it is better to err on the side of caution and dial 911.

- Medical emergencies involving any student or employee must be reported to the School Principal, or his/her designee. Dial 911 or direct someone to do so.
- Provide the following information:
 - School name and phone number: Magnolia Science Academy - Santa Ana (714)479-0115
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s): 2840 W 1st St, Santa Ana, CA 92703
 - Exact location within the building.
 - Your name and phone number. Isabel Perez
 - Nature of the emergency.
 - Do not hang up until advised to do so by dispatcher.
- Notify the school office that an individual has been injured and an ambulance has been called.
- Ask someone to dispatch a first aid/CPR trained employee to the victim.
- Stay calm. Keep victim warm with a coat or blanket.
- Do not move the victim unless there is danger of further injury. Do not give the victim anything to eat or drink.
- Draft written incident report and submit it to School Principal, or his/her designee, before the end of the next workday.

Earthquakes:

Earthquakes strike without warning and the major shock is usually followed by numerous aftershocks, which may last for weeks or months. An earthquake's effect on buildings will vary from building to building.

The major threat of injury during an earthquake is from falling objects and debris, and many injuries are sustained while entering or leaving buildings. Therefore, it is important to remain inside the building and quickly move away from windows, glass, partitions and shelves. In the case of an earthquake, the following procedures should be followed:

- Take cover under a sturdy desk or table, in a doorway, or against an inside wall until the shaking stops. Give DROP AND COVER command.
- After shaking stops, check for injuries, and render first aid.
- If ordered by School Principal or his/her designee, evacuate.
- Do not return to building.
- Do not light any fires.
- Keep a safe distance from any downed power lines.
- Check attendance whether or not evacuation takes place. Report any missing students to School Principal, or his/her designee.
- Stay alert for aftershocks.
- Beware that shaking may activate fire alarm or sprinkler systems.
- Elevators and stairways will need to be inspected for damage before they can be used.
- School principal, or his/her designee, will issue further instructions.
- Certificated and classified school staff are trained annually on emergency earthquake procedures

Assaults:

Assaults involve acts of striking or inflicting injury to a person and are regarded as serious matters. Any threat or assault on students or employees should be reported immediately to the School Principal, or his/her designee. The School Principal (or designee) will determine if law enforcement officials should be notified.

If a serious assault occurs:

- Dial 911.
- Seek first aid or medical attention, if indicated.
- Have photographs taken of any injuries.
- Write down a physical description of the assailant (sex, age, height, weight, race, clothing, and any weapon used) as soon as possible after the incident.
- Obtain names and telephone numbers of any witnesses.
- Draft incident report and submit it to the School Principal, or his/her designee.

- School Principal or his /her designee will submit incident report to the local law enforcement if incident is serious.

Hazardous Materials:

Hazardous material spills may occur inside a building, such as a spill in a chemistry lab. Incidents of disaster magnitude may occur outside, such as a tank truck accident involving large quantities of toxic material.

Procedures:

- If a spill is minor and inside, notify buildings and grounds personnel immediately for clean up. Open windows for ventilation.
- If a more serious spill occurs inside or outside:
- Call 911. Notify Fire Department, Emergency Response Unit, and/ or Public Health Department.
- Provide the following:
 - School name: Magnolia Science Academy
 - Building address, including nearest cross street(s):
2840 W 1st St. Santa Ana, CA 92703
 - Your name and phone number: Victor Lanier - (714)479-0115
 - Location of the spill and/or materials released.
 - Characteristics of spill (colors, smells, visible gases).
 - Name of substance, if known.
 - Injuries, if any.
 - Notify buildings and grounds personnel.
 - Close all windows and doors if the spill is outside.
- Request that buildings personnel shut off mechanical ventilating systems if it might spread toxic material.
- Remain inside building unless ordered to evacuate by the Fire Department.
- Fire Department will advise of further actions to be taken.

- Do not eat or drink anything or apply cosmetics.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, if necessary, will give approval for student release or site evacuation.

Civil Disturbance:

A civil disturbance is any situation where a person or group of persons disrupts operations or threatens the safety of individuals. The following precautionary protective measures should be taken:

- Notify local law enforcement authorities-Dial 911.
- If participants enter the building, remain calm and do not provoke aggression. Report disruptive circumstances to school Principal, or his/her designee.
- Do not argue with participant(s).
- Have all students and employees leave the immediate area of disturbance.
- If the disturbance is outside the building, remain inside building, unless instructed otherwise by the School Principal or police officials. Lock all doors. Stay away from windows and exterior doors.
- If the disturbance is inside the building, follow procedures for evacuation of the school site.
- Follow further instructions as police officials and other local law enforcement authorities issue them.
- Draft incident report for School Principal, or his/her designee.

Vandalism:

The following procedures should be used in the case of school vandalism:

- Notify school principal, or his/her designee.
- Notify building and ground maintenance personnel.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, will assess the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed, including local law enforcement.

- If possible, identify the parties involved.
- Interview witnesses and obtain written statements.
- Document the incident as soon as possible and give the incident report, with any witness statements, to the School Principal or his/her designee.
- Notify parents or legal guardian.
- Determine what disciplinary measures are appropriate (in-house or police involvement).
- Determine any monetary restitution issues and amounts.

Utility or Power Failure:

The following procedures should be used in case of utility or power failure:

- Staff and students should remain in classroom until further instruction.
- Custodial and maintenance personnel should determine cause of incident and seek outside assistance if necessary.
- Staff and students outside of a classroom at the time of the incident should report to main office.
- Building and grounds personnel report to utility company if necessary.
- If situation requires long-term maintenance and repair and prevents class activities, the School Principal, or his/her designee, may take measures to dismiss school for the day.
- Where utility failure presents an emergency, evacuation procedures should be implemented immediately.

Bomb Threat:

Person receiving call:

- Listen - Do not interrupt caller.
- If possible, alert other staff by a pre-arranged signal while the caller is on the line.
- In the event that a bomb threat is received, it is important for the person receiving the call to attempt to keep the caller on the telephone as long as possible. It is also important to listen carefully to all information provided by the caller and to make a note of any voice characteristics, accents, or background noises.
- Attempt to ask questions and elicit the information required to determine the severity of the threat.
- Notify School Principal, or his/her designee, immediately.

- The School Principal, or his/her designee will:
- Notify Police Department – Dial 911.
- With the assistance of responding law enforcement personnel, conduct a thorough search of the building & surrounding areas:
 - Classrooms and work areas.
 - Public areas - foyers, office bathrooms and stairwells.
 - Lockers and unlocked closets.
 - Exterior areas -- shrubbery, trash cans, debris boxes, gas valves, etc.
 - Power sources -- electric panels, telephone panels, computer rooms, etc.
- With assistance from responding law enforcement personnel and/or Fire Department, the School Principal, or his/her designee, will evaluate the threat and will determine whether to evacuate the building and/or to continue to search the premises.
- If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought. The School Principal, or his/her designee, must grant approval for student release.
- An incident report should be drafted before the end of the workweek.

Fighting or Riot

School staff should follow these guidelines when a fight occurs:

- Send a reliable student to the office to summon assistance.
- Speak loudly and let everyone know that the behavior should stop immediately.
- Obtain help from other teachers if at all possible.
- If students are starting to gather, attempt to get students away from the commotion as quickly as possible.
- Call out the names of the involved students (if known) and let them know they have been identified.
- For the safety of all students, get additional help from law enforcement personnel if confronted with a serious fight, especially one that involves weapons.
- Attempt to separate the involved students by speaking to them in an assertive tone of voice.

- Consider the age and/or size of the students, as well as personal safety, before stepping between/among those involved in an altercation. If successful in separating the students, try to avoid using further confrontational behavior.
- Remember that no one can "cool down" instantly; give the students time to talk in a calm setting and gradually change the climate of the situation.
- Staff should follow these guidelines when a riot occurs:
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, should encourage teachers and staff to be sensitive to

the emotional climate of the campus and attempt to defuse any tensions prior to the eruption of problems.

- Notify local law enforcement of the disturbance and meet at a pre-designated site to evaluate the situation.
- Have a law enforcement officer evaluate and call for any necessary resources such as back-up help, emergency medical help, etc.
- Activate needed emergency plans, which may include:
- Instructing office staff to handle communications and initiate lockdown orders.
- Notify transportation to bring appropriate numbers of buses for evacuation or transportation if necessary.
- Assign staff a temporary detention facility, such as a gymnasium, to secure students and log information.
- Direct a teacher or designee to initiate lockdown and immobilize the campus.
- Brief a representative to meet the media.
- Assign staff to a pre-designated medical treatment/triage facility.

Death of a Student

By far, the worst crisis situation is the death of a student. When a student dies, emotional trauma is a natural occurrence for students, faculty, and staff. A student's death, which occurs on campus, particularly as a result of school violence, is admittedly the most extreme case of trauma for family and the school community. There is no procedure that fits every scenario; each case requires individual attention. Certainly, there is no prescribed method for dealing with such tragedy; however, the following

are suggestions for a school's response to death, particularly death that occurs as a result of school violence:

- After the initial response, administrators and counselors will meet immediately to review what has happened. Responding to the psychological needs of both staff and students as soon as possible is the best prevention for the development of post-traumatic stress.
- Get as much information as possible from the family and ask their permission to share it with the students, faculty, and staff. Ask if they have any objection to students, faculty, and staff attending the funeral.
- Relay the information to the students in a factual way, careful to avoid breaching the student or family's privacy. The School Principal and a counselor might consider moving from room to room to tell the students what has happened. They should tell the truth, allow for expression of feelings, and affirm any expressions or feelings the students have. Students need to be told that they may visit a counselor's office for special assistance if they need to talk.
- If possible, allow a break after telling the students in order to give them an opportunity to express their grief with other students.
- Upon returning to school, students should be allowed time to discuss their feelings, talk about the deceased, and discuss memories. Give students, faculty, and staff information about the funeral and allow them to attend, provided the family has granted permission.
- Watch for trouble signs among the students. Be prepared to call in extra counselors if necessary.

Explosion:

If an explosion occurs at the school, the following procedures should be used:

- Give DROP AND COVER command.
- Sound building fire alarm. This will automatically implement action to leave the building.
- Notify Fire Department – Dial 911.
- Provide the following information:
 - School name.

- Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
- Exact location within the building.
- Your name and phone number.
- Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
- Check attendance. Remain with students.
- Render first aid as necessary.
- Notify grounds and building personnel.
- Keep students and staff at a safe distance from the building(s) and away from firefighting equipment.
- Public safety officials will determine when the building is safe for re-entry, and along with School Principal, or his/her designee, whether student release from the school site is necessary.
- Draft incident report by the end of the week.

Hostage Situation:

In case there is a hostage situation at the school, staff should attempt to follow these guidelines:

- Stay calm.
- Follow instructions of captor.
- Cooperate; be friendly if possible; don't argue with or antagonize captor or other hostages.
- Inform captors of medical or other needs.
- Be prepared to wait; elapsed time is a good sign.
- Don't try to escape; don't try to resolve situation by force.
- Be observant and remember everything that is seen or heard.
- If a rescue takes place, lie on the floor and await instructions from rescuers.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, should be responsible for the following:
 - Immediately notify law enforcement.
 - Move other students and teachers completely away from those who are in the hostage situation.
 - Keep everyone as calm as possible.
 - Be prepared to answer questions from media or family.

Intruder or Individual with Deadly Weapon/ Active Shooter:

If someone enters the school grounds or buildings with a deadly weapon, the staff should follow these guidelines:

- Avoid confronting the student or gunman.
- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.
- Notify law enforcement immediately.
- Notify the School Principal, or his/her designee, or school office immediately.
- The School Principal, or his/her designee, should follow these guidelines:
- Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.
- Determine the level of threat. If the level of threat is high, call for additional backup.
- Attempt to get the weapon from the gunman or student through negotiation, or take other appropriate action with the aid of local law enforcement.
- If the level of threat is low, call the student to the office and have law enforcement take the appropriate action.

Lock Down

- This action is taken when the threat of violence or gunfire is identified or directed by law enforcement and it is necessary to prevent the perpetrator(s) from entering any occupied campus areas. During lockdown, students are to remain in the classrooms or designated locations at all times.
- The Principal or Admin designee will make an announcement on the P.A. system that the school is going into a lockdown situation. If P.A. system is not available, other means of communication, i.e., texting or email to staff. The Principal or Admin designee should remain calm and under control and give clear directions.
- Teachers will lock their doors and shut their blinds and instruct students to stay away from the doors and windows.
- If outside, students will continue to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students into the nearby classrooms or school buildings.
- Teachers and students will remain in the classroom or secured area until further instructions are given by the Principal/Admin Designee or law enforcement.
- All entrances to the school are to be locked and no visitors other than appropriate law enforcement or emergency personnel are to be allowed on campus.

Suspension and Expulsion Policies

Students with an IEP:

If a student has an IEP, that IEP and any applicable behavior plan shall be followed, accordingly to state and federal law. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team may meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved.

MPS follows state and federal laws regarding discipline, including suspension and expulsion, of students with disabilities. See also Section D: Suspension and Expulsion Procedures for more information.

SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION PROCEDURES

The following Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy has been established in order to promote learning and protect the safety and well being of all students at MPS. In creating this policy, the Charter School has reviewed Education Code Section 48900 et seq. which describes the non-charter schools' list of offenses and procedures to establish its list of offenses and procedures for suspensions and expulsions. The language that follows closely mirrors the language of Education Code Section 48900 et seq. The Charter School is committed to annual review of policies and procedures surrounding suspensions and expulsions and, as necessary, modification of the lists of offenses for which students are subject to suspension or expulsion.

When the policy is violated, it may be necessary to suspend or expel a student from regular classroom instruction. This policy shall serve as MPS' policy and procedures for student suspension and expulsion. Suspended or expelled students shall be excluded from all school and school-related activities unless otherwise agreed during the period of suspension or expulsion.

This Policy and its Procedures will clearly describe discipline expectations, and it will be printed and distributed as part of the Student Handbook, which is sent to each student at the beginning of the school year. The MPS administration shall ensure that students and their parents/guardians are notified in writing upon enrollment of all discipline policies and procedures.

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of or willfully causing the infliction of physical pain on a student. For purposes of the Policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to school property.

Discipline includes but is not limited to advising and counseling students, conferring with parents/guardians, detention during and after school hours, use of alternative educational environments, suspension and expulsion.

Progressive Positive Discipline

Positive Consequences

MPS school staff has committed itself to encouraging and supporting the attainment of academic skills as well as social skills, such as listening, friendship-making, problem solving, and alternatives to aggression. To inspire and encourage students to develop their potential in all of these areas, the following reinforcements will be used for positive behavior:

- Individual awards/recognition
- Classroom awards/recognition
- Certificates
- Displays
- Positive contact with parent/guardian
- Special activities (field trips, movie nights, picnics, etc.)
- Publications
- Assemblies
- Positive SIS Points

Positive student behavior and improvements will be acknowledged and encouraged by the MPS staff. Teachers will not only report discipline issues on the school information system, but also positive behaviors and accomplishments. Parents will also be informed of positive behavior and improvements via phone, email, and home visits. Students will receive certificates and/or rewards for outstanding performance and behaviors.

Alternatives to Suspension:

To intervene in student behavior, MPS has a progressive discipline plan in place at each of its schools. This plan is published at the beginning of each school year in the Parent/Student handbook. The handbook also includes a school-parent-student compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will develop a partnership to help children achieve high academic and behavior standards. The discipline plan includes information about student expectations and progression of disciplinary procedures from day-to-day discipline to suspension and expulsion.

MPS believes that alternatives to suspension align with our schoolwide positive behavior support plan. Following are list of alternatives to be considered before suspending a student: warning, phone call home, parent conference, teacher/administrative reflection, written assignment/research/presentation, loss of privileges, behavior contract, parent shadowing, mentorship (peer/teacher), referral (counseling, SST, Dean of Students/Principal), assigning volunteer work/community service, Saturday school, and in-school suspension.

Reflection:

Reflection will be held on assigned day either during the lunch period or after school for up to 60 minutes. Students will have at least one (1) day notice that they must serve a reflection that is longer than twenty (20) minutes in order to make arrangements to be picked up from school. Parents may request in person a delay of the reflection; no phone calls or notes will be accepted for this request.

In School Suspension (ISS):

Notice of In School Suspension (ISS) and the reasons for the ISS will be given to the student and the

parent in writing. The student will remain on campus during school hours in a designated area not in their regular class setting. The student will have no or limited contact with students and teachers while serving an ISS. Student is expected to complete their classroom assignments and school community service during ISS.

GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION

Jurisdiction

A student may be suspended for prohibited misconduct if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MPS or at any other school; or (3) a MPS sponsored event. A student may be suspended for acts that are enumerated below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school sponsored activity.

Enumerated Offenses

(Discretionary Suspension Offenses)

Students may be suspended for any of the following acts when it is determined the student:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in serious bodily harm.
2. Willfully used force of violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in serious bodily injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished significant amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully under the influence of any controlled substance, as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion in excess of \$1,000.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
9. Habitually disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties.
10. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
11. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committed a sexual battery as defined in Penal

Code Section 243.4.

12. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.

13. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.

14. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or pre-initiation into a student organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective student. For purposes of this section, "hazing" does not include athletic events or school sanctioned events.

15. Made terrorist threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, "terroristic threat" shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family's safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.

16. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

17. Caused, attempted to cause, threaten to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

18. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12 inclusive.

19. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.

1) "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:

i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.

ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.

iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic

performance.

iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.

2) "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the school site, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.

ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:

(a) Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.

(b) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.

(c) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile. iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.

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(a) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.

(b) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school sanctioned activities.

3) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.

24.. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to subdivision (3)(a)-(b).

25. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee's concurrence.

Mandatory Suspension Offenses

Students shall be suspended when the following occur on school campus or at a school activity off campus, for any of the following reasons:

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(1)
2. Brandishing a knife at another person. E.C. 48915(c)(2)
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance. E.C. 48915(c)(3)
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery, as defined in the enumerated offenses, above. E.C. 48915(c)(4)
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(5)

SUSPENSION PROCEDURES

Suspensions shall be initiated according to the following procedures:

Conference

Suspension shall be preceded, if possible, by a conference conducted by the Principal or the Principal's designee with the student and his or her parent and, whenever practical, the teacher, supervisor or school employee who referred the student to the Principal. The conference may be omitted if the Principal or designee determines that an emergency situation exists. An "emergency situation" involves a clear and present danger to the lives, safety or health of students or school personnel. If a student is suspended without this conference, both the parent/guardian and student shall be notified of the student's right to return to school for the purpose of a conference.

At the conference, the student shall be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action and the evidence against him or her and shall be given the opportunity to present his or her version and evidence in his or her defense.

This conference shall be held within two school days, unless the student waives this right or is physically unable to attend for any reason including, but not limited to, incarceration or hospitalization.

No penalties may be imposed on a student for failure of the student's parent or guardian to attend a conference with school officials. Reinstatement of the suspended student shall not be contingent upon attendance by the student's parent or guardian at the conference.

Notice to Parents/Guardians

At the time of suspension, the Principal or designee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the parent/guardian by telephone or in person. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian shall be notified in writing of the suspension and the date of return following suspension. This notice shall state the specific offense committed by the student. In addition, the notice will also state the date and time when the student may return to school. If school officials wish to ask the parent/guardian to confer

regarding matters pertinent to the suspension, the notice will request that the parent/guardian respond to such requests without delay.

Suspension Time Limits

Suspensions, when not including a recommendation for expulsion, shall not exceed five (5) consecutive school days per suspension. A student may be suspended from school for not more than 20 school days in any school year unless, for purposes of adjustment, the student enrolls in or is transferred another regular school, an opportunity school, or continuation school or class, in which case suspension shall not exceed 30 days in any school year. However, this restriction on the number of days of suspension does not apply when the suspension is extended pending an expulsion. (Education Code 48903, 48911, 48912)

Suspension Appeals

Students and parent/guardian may appeal a suspension within five (5) school days of the suspension. This appeal will be made to the Principal and heard by a discipline committee. All discipline committee hearings on suspensions will be held within two (2) school days of the appeal being made. The decision of the discipline committee is final. Based on the information submitted or requested, the Discipline Committee may make one of the following decisions regarding the suspension:

- Uphold the suspension.
- Determine that the suspension was not within school guidelines, overturn the suspension, and order that all records and documents regarding the disciplinary proceeding be destroyed. No information regarding the suspension will be placed in the student's permanent record, or shared with anyone not directly involved in the proceedings. Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom materials and assignments for the duration of student's absence. Student will be provided the opportunity to make academic progress, make up assignments, and earn credit missed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Charter School will maintain student records in accordance with Education Code Section 49602 and 5 CCR 16024

Recommendation for Placement/Expulsion

Upon a recommendation of Placement/ Expulsion by the Principal, the student and the student's guardian or representative will be invited to a conference to determine if the suspension for the student should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. This determination will be made by the Principal upon either of the following determinations: (1) the student's presence will be disruptive to the education process; or (2) the student poses a threat or danger to others. Upon either determination, the student's suspension will be extended pending the results of an expulsion hearing.

Access to Education

For suspensions that are not pending an expulsion hearing, Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom material and current assignments to be completed at home during the length of the suspension. For suspensions pending an expulsion hearing, Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students. Please see "Interim Placement" below for details.

GROUND FORS FOR EXPULSION

Jurisdiction

A student may be expelled for prohibited misconduct if the offense is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MPS or at any other school; or (3) a MPS sponsored event. A student may be expelled for offenses that are described below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school sponsored activity.

Expulsion (Discretionary Offenses)

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in serious bodily harm.
2. Willfully used force of violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in serious bodily injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished significant amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully under the influence of any controlled substance, as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion in excess of \$1,000.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
9. Habitually disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties.
10. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
11. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committed a sexual battery as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
12. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
13. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
14. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or pre-initiation into a student organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to

cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective student. For purposes of this section, "hazing" does not include athletic events or school sanctioned events.

15. Made terrorist threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, "terroristic threat" shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family's safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.

16. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

17. Caused, attempted to cause, threaten to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

18. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12 inclusive.

19. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.

1) "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:

i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.

ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.

iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic performance.

iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.

2) "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the school site, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.

ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:

(a) Posting to or creating a burn page. A “burn page” means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.

(b) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. “Credible impersonation” means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.

(c) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. “False profile” means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.

iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.

(a) For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.

(b) For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school sanctioned activities.

3) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.

24.. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to subdivision (3)(a)-(b).

25. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee’s concurrence.

Expulsion (Mandatory Offenses)

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(1)
2. Brandishing a knife at another person. E.C. 48915(c)(2)
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance. E.C. 48915(c)(3)
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery, as defined in the enumerated offenses, above. (as defined in 488900[n]). E.C. 488915(c)(4)
5. Possession of an explosive, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(5)

EXPULSION PROCEDURES

Authority to Expel

A student may be expelled either by the Board following a hearing before it or by the Board upon the recommendation of an Administrative Panel to be assigned by the Board as needed. The Administrative Panel should consist of at least three members who are certificated. Teachers of the student, members of the school's discipline committee, and directors of the Board may not serve on the Administrative Panel. The Administrative Panel may recommend expulsion of any student found to have committed an expellable offense.

Expulsion Hearing

Students recommended for expulsion are entitled to a hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled. The hearing shall be held within thirty (30) school days after the Principal determines that the Student has committed an expellable offense.

After an Administrative Panel hears the case, it will make a recommendation to the Board for a final decision whether to expel. The hearing shall be held in closed session unless the student makes a written request for a public hearing three (3) days prior to the hearing.

Written notice of the hearing shall be forwarded to the student and the student's parent/guardian at least ten (10) calendar days before the date of the hearing. Upon mailing the notice, it shall be deemed served upon the student. The notice shall include:

1. The date and place of the expulsion hearing;
2. A statement of specific facts, charges and offenses upon which the proposed expulsion is based;
3. A copy of MPS' disciplinary rules which relate to the alleged violation;
4. Notification of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to provide information about the student's status at the school to any other school district or school to which the student seeks enrollment;
5. The opportunity for the student or the student's parent/guardian to appear in person or to employ and be represented by counsel or a non-attorney advisor;
6. The right to inspect and obtain copies of all documents to be used at the hearing;
7. The opportunity to confront and question all witnesses who testify at the hearing;
8. The opportunity to question all evidence presented and to present oral and documentary evidence on the student's behalf including witnesses.

Special procedures for Expulsion Hearings Involving Sexual Assault or Battery Offenses

MPS may, upon finding a good cause, determine that the disclosure of either the identity of the witness or the testimony of that witness at the hearing, or both, would subject the witness to an unreasonable risk of psychological or physical harm. Upon this determination, the testimony of the witness may be presented at the hearing in the form of sworn declarations which shall be examined only by the Board, administrative panel, or the hearing officer. Copies of these sworn declarations, edited to delete the name and identity of the witness, shall be made available to the student.

1. The complaining witness in any sexual assault or battery case must be provided with a copy of the applicable disciplinary rules and advised of his/her right to (a) receive five days notice of his/her scheduled testimony, (b) have up to two (2) adult support persons of his/her choosing present in the hearing at the time he/she testifies, which may include a parent, guardian, or legal counsel, and (c) elect to have the hearing closed while testifying.
2. MPS must also provide the victim a room separate from the hearing room for the complaining witness' use prior to and during breaks in testimony.
3. At the discretion of the person or panel conducting the hearing, the complaining witness shall be allowed periods of relief from examination and cross-examination during which he or she may leave the hearing room.
4. The person conducting the expulsion hearing may also arrange the seating within the hearing room to facilitate a less intimidating environment for the complaining witness.
5. The person conducting the expulsion hearing may also limit time for taking the testimony of the complaining witness to the hours he/she is normally in school, if there is no good cause to take the testimony during other hours.
6. Prior to a complaining witness testifying, the support persons must be admonished that the hearing is confidential. Nothing in the law precludes the person presiding over the hearing from removing a support person whom the presiding person finds is disrupting the hearing. The person conducting the hearing may permit any one of the support persons for the complaining witness to accompany him or her to the witness stand.
7. If one or both of the support persons is also a witness, MPS must present evidence that the witness' presence is both desired by the witness and will be helpful to MPS. The person presiding over the hearing

shall permit the witness to stay unless it is established that there is a substantial risk that the testimony of the complaining witness would be influenced by the support person, in which case the presiding official shall admonish the support person or persons not to prompt, sway, or influence the witness in any way. Nothing shall preclude the presiding officer from exercising his or her discretion to remove a person from the hearing whom he or she believes is prompting, swaying, or influencing the witness.

8. The testimony of the support person shall be presented before the testimony of the complaining witness and the complaining witness shall be excluded from the courtroom during that testimony.

9. Especially for charges involving sexual assault or battery, if the hearing is to be conducted in the public at the request of the student being expelled, the complaining witness shall have the right to have his/her testimony heard in a closed session when testifying at a public meeting would threaten serious psychological harm to the complaining witness and there are not alternative procedures to avoid the threatened harm. The alternative procedures may include videotaped depositions or contemporaneous examination in another place communicated to the hearing by means of closed-circuit television.

10. Evidence of specific instances of a complaining witness' prior sexual conduct is presumed inadmissible and shall not be heard absent a determination by the person conducting the hearing that extraordinary circumstances exist requiring the evidence be heard. Before such a determination regarding extraordinary circumstances can be made, the witness shall be provided notice and an opportunity to present opposition to the introduction of the evidence. In the hearing on the admissibility of the evidence, the complaining witness shall be entitled to be represented by a parent, legal counsel, or other support person. Reputation or opinion evidence regarding the sexual behavior of the complaining witness is not admissible for any purpose.

Record of Expulsion Hearing

A record of the hearing shall be made and may be maintained by any means, including electronic recording, as long as a reasonably accurate and complete written transcription of the proceedings can be made.

Presentation of Evidence

While technical rules of evidence do not apply to expulsion hearings, evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. A recommendation by the Administrative Panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed an expellable offense.

Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. While hearsay evidence is admissible, no decision to expel shall be based solely on hearsay and sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses of whom the Board, Panel or designee determines that disclosure of their identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to an unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm.

If, due to a written request by the accused student, the hearing is held at a public meeting, and the charge is committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery as defined in Education Code Section 48900, a complaining witness shall have the right to have his or her testimony heard in a session closed to the public.

The decision of the Administrative Panel shall be in the form of written findings of fact and a written recommendation to the Board, who will make a final determination regarding the expulsion. The final decision by the Board shall be made within ten (10) school days following the conclusion of the hearing. If the expulsion-hearing panel decides not to recommend expulsion, the student shall immediately be returned to his/her educational program.

Written Notice to Expel

The Principal or designee following a decision of the Board to expel shall send written notice of the decision to expel, including the Board's adopted findings of fact, to the student or parent/guardian. This notice shall also include the following:

1. Notice of the specific offense committed by the student
2. Notice of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with MPS
3. The reinstatement eligibility review date; a copy of the rehabilitation plan; the type of educational placement during the period of expulsion, and notice of appeal rights/procedures.

The Principal or designee shall send a copy of the written notice of the decision to expel to the student's district of residence. This notice shall include the following:

1. The student's name
2. The specific expellable offense committed by the student

Disciplinary Records

MPS shall maintain records of all student suspensions and expulsions at MPS. Such records shall be made available to the District upon request.

Expulsion Appeals

In order to appeal an expulsion, the student/parent/guardian must submit a written appeal to the CEO of MPS outlining the reason for the appeal, attaching any supporting documentation, within ten (10) calendar days of being informed of the expulsion.

In response to the written request for an appeal, the CEO of MPS shall convene a committee of three: a school Principal and a Dean of Students from other MPS schools, and the CEO of MPS or his/her designee. The committee shall convene a hearing on the appeal within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of a timely written request for an appeal.

At the hearing on the appeal, the student shall have the right to present evidence. The committee will consider evidence and/or testimony as appropriate and will render a written decision that shall be in the best interest of the student and the Charter School. That decision shall be final.

Interim Placement

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of the Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

Charter School shall work with the District for an interim placement or other alternative program. Should Charter School determine after the referral that the student will remain at the charter school pending the expulsion hearing based on the best interest of the student, or if Charter School secures another alternative interim placement at another charter school or school within its CMO, if appropriate and aligned with applicable charter petitions, Charter School will notify the District of such determination.

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

Bullying

The Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Safe Place to Learn Act, Education Code section 234 et seq. MPS' policy on bullying prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified in the definition of hate crimes. MPS' process for receiving and investigating complaints includes complaints of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified, and a requirement that Charter School personnel who witness such acts take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so, a timeline to investigate and resolve complaints, and an appeal process.

Special Procedures for the Consideration of Suspension and Expulsion of Students with Disabilities

1. Notification of SELPA

The Charter School shall immediately notify the SELPA and coordinate the procedures in this policy with the SELPA of the discipline of any student with a disability or student who the Charter School or SELPA would be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability.

2. Services During Supervision

Students suspended for more than ten (10) school days in a school year shall continue to receive services so as to enable the student to continue to participate in the general education curriculum, although in another setting, and to progress toward meeting the goals set out in the child's IEP/504 Plan; and receive, as appropriate, a functional behavioral assessment and behavioral intervention services and modifications, that are designed to address the behavior violation so that it does not recur. These services may be provided in an interim alternative educational setting.

3. Procedural Safeguards/ Manifestation Determination

Within ten (10) school days of a recommendation for expulsion or any decision to change the placement of a child with a disability because of a violation of a code of student conduct, the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team shall review all relevant information in the student's file, including the child's IEP/504 Plan, any teacher observations, and any relevant information provided by the parents to determine:

- a. If the conduct in question was caused by, or had a direct and substantial relationship to, the child's disability; or
- b. If the conduct in question was the direct result of the local educational agency's failure to implement the IEP/504 Plan.

If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team determine that either of the above is applicable for the child, the conduct shall be determined to be a manifestation of the child's disability.

If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team make the determination that the conduct was a manifestation of the child's disability, the IEP/504 Team shall:

- a. Conduct a functional behavioral assessment and implement a behavioral intervention plan

for such child, provided that the Charter School had not conducted such assessment prior to such determination before the behavior that resulted in a change in placement;

b. If a behavioral intervention plan has been developed, review the behavioral intervention plan if the child already has such a behavioral intervention plan, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior; and

c. Return the child to the placement from which the child was removed, unless the parent and the Charter School agree to a change of placement as part of the modification of the behavioral intervention plan.

Students with Disabilities

Charter School shall implement operational and procedural guidelines ensuring compliance with federal and state laws and regulations regarding the discipline of students with disabilities. If a student is recommended for expulsion and the student receives or is eligible for special education, Charter School shall identify and provide special education programs and services at an appropriate interim educational placement, pending the completion of the expulsion process, to be coordinated with the LAUSD Special Education Service Center.

In the case of a student who has an Individualized Education Program (“IEP”), or a student who has a 504 Plan, Charter School shall ensure that it follows correct disciplinary procedures to comply with the mandates of state and federal laws, including IDEA and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Plan of 1973. As set forth in the MOU regarding special education between the District and Charter School, an IEP team, including a District representative, will meet to conduct a manifestation determination and to discuss alternative placement utilizing the District’s Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual. Prior to recommending expulsion for a student with a 504 Plan, Charter School’s administrator will convene a Link Determination meeting to ask the following two questions:

A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student’s disability?

B. Was the misconduct a direct result of the Charter School’s failure to implement 504 Plan?

Notification of the District

Upon expelling any student, Charter School shall notify the Charter Schools Division by submitting an expulsion packet to the CSD immediately or as soon as practicable, which shall contain:

- completed “Notification of Charter School Expulsion”

- documentation of the expulsion proceeding, including statement of specific facts supporting the expulsion and documentation that Charter School’s policies and procedures were followed copy of parental notice of expulsion hearing
- copy of expulsion notice provided to parent stating reason for expulsion, term of expulsion, rehabilitation plan, reinstatement notice with eligibility date and instructions for providing proof of student’s compliance for reinstatement, appeal process, and options for enrollment
- if the student is eligible for Special Education, documentation related to expulsion in compliance with IDEA and the MCD, including the Expulsion Analysis page of the pre-expulsion IEP
- if the student is eligible for Section 504 accommodations, documentation that Charter School conducted a Link Determination meeting to address two questions:
 - A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student’s disability?
 - B. Was the misconduct a direct result of the Charter School’s failure to implement 504 Plan?

Notwithstanding the documentation sent to the Charter Schools Division as indicated above, if the student is a resident of a school district other than LAUSD, Charter School must notify the Superintendent of the student’s district of residence within 30 days of the expulsion. Additionally, upon request of the receiving school district, Charter School shall forward student records no later than 10 school days from the date of the request as stated in Education Code 49068 (a) and (b).

Outcome Data

Charter School shall maintain all data involving placement, tracking, and monitoring of student suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements, and make such outcome data readily available to the District upon request.

Rehabilitation Plans

Pupils who are expelled from Charter School shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by Charter School’s governing board at the time of the expulsion order, which may include, but is not limited to, periodic review as well as assessment at the time of review for readmission. Terms of expulsion should be reasonable and fair with the weight of the expelling offense taken into consideration when determining the length of expulsion. Therefore, the rehabilitation plan should include a date not later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to Charter School for readmission. Charter School shall inform parents in writing of its processes for reinstatement and applying for expungement of the expulsion record.

Readmission

Charter School’s governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for the filing and processing of requests for readmission and the process for the required review of all expelled pupils for readmission. Upon completion of the readmission process, Charter School’s governing board shall readmit the pupil; unless Charter School’s governing board makes a finding that the pupil has not met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan or continues to pose a danger to campus safety. A description of the procedure shall be made available to the pupil and the pupil’s parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is entered and the decision of the governing board, including any related findings, must be provided to the pupil and the pupil’s parent/guardian within a reasonable time.

Reinstatement

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for processing reinstatements, including the review of documents regarding the rehabilitation plan. Charter School is responsible for reinstating the student upon the conclusion of the expulsion period in a timely manner.

Gun Free Schools Act

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun Free Schools Act.

For specific details, refer to LAUSD Board Policy and Administrative Regulations.

Procedures for Notifying Teachers about Dangerous Pupils

In order to fulfill the requirements made by Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 that state teachers must be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The teacher can access the suspension by looking at the student's discipline screen. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it.

Pursuant to Welfare & Institution Code 827(b) and Education Code 48267, the Court notifies the Superintendent of the LAUSD regarding students who have engaged in certain criminal conduct. This information is forwarded to the site Principal. The site Principal is responsible for prompt notification of the student's teachers. Per Education Code 49079, this information must be kept confidential. This information is also forwarded to all administrators and the student's counselor.

1. The School Principal will inform teachers and other relevant staff of students who are defined as dangerous as set forth in the California Education Code sec. 48900, including the exceptions to this rule provided therein. The School will provide this information to the teacher based upon any records that the school maintains in its ordinary course of business, or receives from a law enforcement agency, regarding a pupil described in this Section. The School is not civilly or criminally liable for providing information unless it is proven that the information was false and that the School employee knew or should have known that the information was false, or the information was provided with a reckless disregard for its truth or falsity.
2. Any information received by a teacher pursuant to this Section shall be received in confidence for the limited purpose for which it was provided and shall not be further disseminated by the teacher.

This notification will be provided on our school letterhead:

To: ALL CERTIFICATED STAFF

From: **Admin**

Re: Student Suspension Information

Education Code 49079 and Welfare and Institutions Code 827 require that teachers be notified of the reason(s) a student has been suspended. We have incorporated this notification into the existing "Attendance Reporting screen". On the daily attendance report, when a student is suspended, it will show in Illuminate. The information provided is for the student's current teachers only. All information

regarding suspension and expulsion is **CONFIDENTIAL**, is not to be shared with any student(s) or parent(s). Teachers are asked to secure the list so students and others may not view it.

The following are examples of Ed. Code 48900 and 48915 violations that may appear on your report.

- E.C. 48900 (a)(1) Mutual fight (a)(2) Assault/Battery**
- (b) Possessed, sold or furnished dangerous object**
- (c) Controlled substance/alcohol**
- (d) Imitation controlled substance**
- (e) Robbery/extortion**
- (f) Vandalism**
- (g) Theft**
- (h) Tobacco/nicotine products**
- (i) Obscene act, habitual profanity/vulgarity**
- (j) Drug paraphernalia**
- (k) Disruptive/willfully defiant behavior (grades 4-12)**
- (l) Received stolen property**
- (m) Imitation firearm**
- (n) Sexual assault or battery**
- (o) Harassed/threatened witness**
- (p) Sale of soma**
- (q) Hazing**
- (r) Bullying/cyberbullying**
- (t) Aiding and abetting**

E.C. 48900.2 Sexual harassment (gr 4-12)

E.C. 48900.3 Hate violence (gr 4-12)

E.C. 48900.4 Severe or pervasive harassment, threats and intimidation (grades 4-12)

E.C. 48900.7 Terrorist threats against school officials or property

- E.C. 48915 (a)(1)(A) Serious physical injury**
- (a)(1)(B) Possession: knife or dangerous object**
- (a)(1)(C) Controlled substance**
- (a)(1)(D) Robbery or extortion**
- (a)(1)(E) Assault/battery of school employee**

- E.C. 48915 (c)(1) Possessing, selling, furnishing firearm**
- (c)(2) Brandishing a knife at another person**
- (c)(3) Selling a controlled substance**
- (c)(4) Committing or attempting to commit sexual assault or battery**
- (c)(5) Possession of an explosive**

If you have any questions or want more information, please see me.

SAMPLE

**Confidential
Memorandum**

To: _____, Teacher
From: _____, Principal
Date:

Re: Students having committed specified crime



The student named below has been convicted of a penal code violation.

Welfare and Institutions Code 827 requires teachers to be informed when a student has engaged in certain criminal conduct.

NOTE: SUCH INFORMATION IS CONFIDENTIAL AND CANNOT BE FURTHER DISSEMINATED BY THE TEACHER OR OTHERS. UNLAWFUL DISSEMINATION OF THIS INFORMATION IS PUNISHABLE BY A SIGNIFICANT FINE. (EC 49079)

PLEASE DESTROY THIS NOTE IMMEDIATELY AFTER READING.

_____ was found to have committed the following criminal activity:

If you have any questions, please see me.
Principal

Sexual Harassment Policy

Policy Prohibiting Unlawful Harassment

MPS is committed to providing a work and educational atmosphere that is free of unlawful harassment. MPS's policy prohibits sexual harassment and harassment based upon race, color, creed, gender (including gender identity and gender expression), religion, marital status, registered domestic partner status, age, national origin or ancestry, physical or mental disability, medical condition (including cancer and genetic characteristics), genetic information, sexual orientation, military or veteran status, or any other consideration made unlawful by federal, state, or local laws. MPS will not condone or tolerate harassment of any type by any employee, independent contractor or other person with which the School does business. This policy applies to all employee actions and relationships, regardless of position or gender. MPS will promptly and thoroughly investigate any complaint of harassment and take appropriate corrective action, if warranted.

Prohibited Unlawful Harassment:

- Verbal conduct such as epithets, derogatory jokes or comments or slurs;
- Physical conduct including assault, unwanted touching, intentionally blocking normal movement or interfering with work because of sex, race or any other protected basis;
- Retaliation for reporting or threatening to report harassment; or
- Deferential or preferential treatment based on any of the protected classes above. Prohibited Unlawful Sexual Harassment:

In accordance with existing discrimination on the basis of gender in education institutions is prohibited. All persons, regardless of the gender, are afforded equal rights and opportunities and freedom from unlawful discrimination in education programs or activities conducted by the School.

MPS is committed to provide a workplace free of sexual harassment and considers such harassment to be a major offense, which may result in disciplinary action, up to, and including dismissal, of the offending employee.

Sexual harassment consist of sexual advances, request for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, regardless of whether or not the conduct is motivated by sexual desire, when: (1) submission of the conduct is either made explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; (2) an employment decision is based upon an individual's acceptance or rejection of that conduct; (3) that conduct interferes with an individual's work performance or

creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

It is also unlawful to retaliate in any way against an employee who has articulated a good faith concern about sexual harassment against him or her or against another individual.

All supervisors of staff will receive sexual harassment training within six (6) months of their assumption of a supervisory position and will receive further training once every two (2) years thereafter. All staff will receive sexual harassment training and/or instruction concerning sexual harassment in the workplace as required by law.

Each employee has the responsibility to maintain a workplace free from any form of sexual harassment. Consequently, should any individual, in particular those with supervisory responsibilities, become aware of any conduct that may constitute sexual harassment or other prohibited behavior, immediate action should be taken to address such conduct. Employees and students are expected to act in a positive and professional manner and to contribute to a policy, productive School environment that is free from harassing or disruptive activity. Any employee who believes they have been sexually harassed or has witnessed sexual harassment is encouraged to immediately report such harassment to the Principal (or MPSCO Human Services for MPSCO employees). See Appendix A for the "Harassment Complaint Form." See Appendix B for the general "Complaint Form."

Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- Physical assaults of a sexual nature, such as:
 - Rape, sexual battery, molestation or attempts to commit these assaults and intentional physical conduct that is sexual in nature, such as touching, pinching, patting, grabbing, brushing against another's body, or poking another's body.

Unwanted sexual advances, propositions or other sexual comments, such as:

- Sexually oriented gestures, notices, remarks, jokes, or comments about a person's sexuality or sexual experience.
- Preferential treatment or promises of preferential treatment to an employee for submitting to sexual conduct, including soliciting or attempting to solicit any employee to engage in sexual activity for compensation or reward or deferential treatment for rejecting sexual conduct.
- Subjecting or threats of subjecting an employee to unwelcome sexual attention or conduct or intentionally making performance of the employee's job more difficult because of the employee's sex.

Sexual or discriminatory displays or publications anywhere at the workplace by employees, such as:

- Displaying pictures, cartoons, posters, calendars, graffiti, objections, promotional materials, reading materials, or other materials that are sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic or bringing to work or possessing any such material to read, display or view at work.

- Reading publicly or otherwise publicizing in the work environment materials that are in any way sexually revealing, sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic; and
- Displaying signs or other materials purporting to segregate an employee by sex in an area of the workplace (other than restrooms or similar rooms).

The illustrations of harassment and sexual harassment above are not to be construed as an all-inclusive list of prohibited acts under this policy. Moreover, please note that while in most situations a personal relationship is a private matter, these relationships are not appropriate in a professional setting, particularly where one of the parties has management or supervisory responsibilities. As such, consensual relationships in the workplace may violate MPS Policy.

Complainants and witnesses under these policies will be protected from further harassment and will not be retaliated against in any aspect of their employment due to their participation, filing of a complaint or reporting sexual harassment.

MPS will investigate complaints promptly and provide a written report of the investigation and decision as soon as practicable. The investigation will be handled in as confidential a manner as possible consistent with a full, fair, and proper investigation.

Sexual Abuse and Sex Trafficking

- MPS will collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in order to ensure that the school site is prepared to address the threat of sexual abuse and sex trafficking in accordance with EC 49380.

Staff/Student Interaction Policy

MPS recognizes its responsibility to make and enforce all rules and regulations governing student and employee behavior to bring about the safest and most learning-conducive environment possible.

Harassment and Discrimination

Harassment and Discrimination are prohibited. They include the following:

- Verbal Threats
- Threatening Behavior
- Hazing
- Intimidation
- Gang Behavior
- Fights

Policies for dealing with harassment and discrimination are described in the MPS Employee Handbook and MPS Student-Parent Handbook.

If harassment or discrimination occurs, school staff should:

1. Evaluate the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed. If intervention is required, contact support staff. Where threats of serious bodily injury and/or weapons are involved, call 911.

2. Identify the parties involved and give specific verbal directions to discuss the situation. Where a physical altercation is occurring, or is about to occur, call for staff support and immediately separate the parties involved.
3. Document the incident, including the names of witnesses and any statements.
4. Give incident reports to the School Principal, or his/her designee, as soon as possible.

The School Principal, or his/her designee, should:

1. Assess the seriousness of the incident. If assistance is needed, call necessary support staff. Where a threat of serious bodily injury or weapons is involved, call 911.
2. Identify the parties involved.
3. Seek written documentation from witnesses.
4. Determine disciplinary consequences. See MPS Employee Handbook and MPS Student-Parent Handbook.
5. Determine what intervention or follow-up is necessary, including reference to a school counselor, psychologist, or local law enforcement.
6. Notify parents or legal guardian and appropriate school personnel of incident.
7. Complete a report with a description of the incident and include the names of witnesses and any statements. Summarize the disciplinary procedures used in resolution of the incident.

Internal Complaint Review

The purpose of the “Internal Complaint Review Policy” is to afford all employees of the School the opportunity to seek internal resolution of their work-related concerns. All employees have free access to the CEO or Board of Directors to express their work-related concerns.

Specific complaints of unlawful harassment are addressed under the School’s “Policy Against Unlawful Harassment.”

Internal Complaints:

(Complaints by Employees Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a School employee raises a complaint or concern about a coworker.

If reasonably possible, internal complaints should be resolved at the lowest possible level, including attempts to discuss/resolve concerns with your direct supervisor. However, in the event an informal resolution may not be achieved or is not appropriate, the following steps will be followed by the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees):

- The complainant will bring the matter to the attention of the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees) as soon as possible after attempts to resolve the complaint with the immediate supervisor have failed or if not appropriate; and
- The complainant will reduce his or her complaint to writing, indicating all known and relevant facts. The Principal (or the CEO for MPSCO employees) (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the Principal, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the CEO (or designee.) The CEO (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the CEO, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the President of the Board of Directors of the School, who will then confer with the Board and may conduct a fact-finding or authorize a third party investigator on behalf of the Board. The Board President or investigator will report his or her findings to the Board for review and action, if necessary.

This policy cannot guarantee that every problem will be resolved to the employee's satisfaction. However, the School values each employee's ability to express concerns and the need for resolution without fear of adverse consequence to employment.

Policy for Complaints Against Employees:

(Complaints by Third Parties Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a nonemployee raises a complaint or concern about a School employee.

If complaints cannot be resolved informally, complainants may file a written complaint with the office of the Principal or the CEO (if the complaint concerns the Principal) or the Board President (if the complaint concerns the CEO) as soon as possible after the events that give rise to the complainant's concerns. The written complaint should set forth in detail the factual basis for the complaint.

In processing the complaint, the Principal (or the CEO (or the Board President)) (or designee) shall abide by the following process:

- The Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) shall use his or her best efforts to talk with the parties identified in the complaint and to ascertain the facts relating to the complaint.
- In the event that the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) finds that a complaint against an employee is valid, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may take appropriate disciplinary action against the employee. As appropriate, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may also simply counsel/reprimand employees as to their conduct without initiating formal disciplinary measures.

- The Principal's (or the CEO's) (or designee's) decision relating to the complaint shall be final unless it is appealed to the Board of Directors of the School. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final.

General Requirements:

- Confidentiality: All complainants will be notified that information obtained from the complainants and thereafter gathered will be maintained in a manner as confidential as possible, but in some circumstances absolute confidentiality cannot be assured.
- Non-Retaliation: All complainants will be advised that they will be protected against retaliation as a result of the filing of any complaints or participation in any complaint process.
- Resolution: The Board (if a complaint is about the CEO) or the CEO (if a complaint is about the Principal or MPSCO employees) or the Principal or designee will investigate complaints appropriately under the circumstances and pursuant to the applicable procedures, and if necessary, take appropriate remedial measures to ensure effective resolution of any complaint.

HARASSMENT COMPLAINT FORM

It is the policy of the School that all of its employees be free from harassment. This form is provided for you to report what you believe to be harassment, so that the School may investigate and take appropriate disciplinary or other action when the facts show that there has been harassment.

If you are an employee of the School, you may file this form with the Principal (or CEO (or Board President.))

Please review the School's policies concerning harassment for a definition of harassment and a description of the types of conduct that are considered to be harassment.

MPS will undertake every effort to handle the investigation of your complaint in a confidential manner. In that regard, the School will disclose the contents of your complaint only to those persons having a need to know. For example, to conduct its investigation, the School will need to disclose portions of your factual allegations to potential witnesses, including anyone you have identified as having knowledge of the facts on which you are basing your complaint, as well as the alleged harasser.

In signing this form below, you authorize the School to disclose to others the information you have provided herein, and information you may provide in the future. Please note that the more detailed information you provide, the more likely it is that the School will be able to address your complaint to your satisfaction.

Charges of harassment are taken very seriously by the School both because of the harm caused to the person harassed, and because of the potential sanctions that may be taken against the harasser. It is therefore very important that you report the facts as accurately and completely as possible and that you cooperate fully with the person or persons designated to investigate your complaint.

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s): _____

Name of Person(s) you believe sexually harassed you or someone else:

List any witnesses that were present:

Where did the incident(s) occur? _____

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I acknowledge that I have read and that I understand the above statements. I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation.

I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date: _____ Signature of Complainant _____

Print Name _____

Received by: _____ Date: _____

COMPLAINT FORM

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s): _____

Name of Person(s) you have a complaint against: _____

List any witnesses that were present:

Where did the incident(s) occur? _____

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I hereby authorize the School to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation. I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further understand providing false information in this regard could result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

_____ Date: _____
Signature of Complainant

Print Name

To be completed by School:

Received by: _____ Date: _____

Staff/Student Interaction Policy

MPS recognizes its responsibility to make and enforce all rules and regulations governing student and employee behavior to bring about the safest and most learning-conducive environment possible.

Corporal Punishment

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain on a student. For purposes of the Policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to property.

For clarification purposes, the following examples are offered for direction and guidance of school personnel:

Examples of PERMITTED actions (NOT corporal punishment):

- Stopping a student from fighting with another student;
- Preventing a pupil from committing an act of vandalism;
- Defending yourself from physical injury or assault by a student;
- Forcing a pupil to give up a weapon or dangerous object;
- Requiring an athletic team to participate in strenuous physical training activities designed to strengthen or condition team members or improve their coordination, agility, or physical skills;
- Engaging in group calisthenics, team drills, or other physical education or voluntary recreational activities.

Examples of PROHIBITED actions (corporal punishment):

- Hitting, shoving, pushing, or physically restraining a student as a means of control;
- Making unruly students do push-ups, run laps, or perform other physical acts that cause pain or discomfort as a form of punishment;
- Paddling, swatting, slapping, grabbing, pinching, kicking, or otherwise causing physical pain.

Acceptable and Unacceptable Staff/Student Behavior:

This policy is intended to guide all School faculty and staff in conducting themselves in a way that reflects the high standards of behavior and professionalism required of school employees and to specify the boundaries between students and staff.

Although this policy gives specific, clear direction, it is each staff member's obligation to avoid situations that could prompt suspicion by parents, students, colleagues, or school leaders. One viable standard that can be quickly applied, when you are unsure if certain conduct is acceptable, is to ask yourself, "Would I be engaged in this conduct if my family or colleagues were standing next to me?"

For the purposes of this policy, the term "boundaries" is defined as acceptable professional behavior by staff members while interacting with a student. Trespassing the boundaries of a student/teacher relationship is deemed an abuse of power and a betrayal of public trust.

Staff must understand their own responsibility for ensuring that they do not cross the boundaries as written in this policy. Disagreeing with the wording or intent of the established boundaries will be considered irrelevant for disciplinary purposes. Thus, it is crucial that all employees learn this policy thoroughly and apply the lists of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors to their daily activities. Although sincere, competent interaction with students certainly fosters learning, student/staff interactions must have boundaries surrounding potential activities, locations and intentions.

Duty to Report Suspected Misconduct

When any employee becomes aware of another staff member having crossed the boundaries specified in this policy, he or she must speak to this staff member if the violation appears minor, or report the matter to school administrators. If the observed behavior appears significant, it is the duty of every staff member to immediately report it to an administrator. All reports shall be confidential. It is the duty of the administrator to investigate and thoroughly report the situation. Employees must also report to the administration any awareness or concern of student behavior that crosses boundaries or where a student appears to be at risk for sexual abuse.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors (Violations of this Policy):

- Giving gifts to an individual student that are of a personal and intimate nature;
- Kissing of any kind;
- Any type of unnecessary physical contact with a student in a private situation;
- Intentionally being alone with a student away from the school;
- Making or participating in sexually inappropriate comments;
- Sexual jokes;
- Seeking emotional involvement with a student for your benefit;
- Listening to or telling stories that are sexually oriented;
- Discussing inappropriate personal troubles or intimate issues with a student in an attempt to gain their support and understanding;
- Becoming involved with a student so that a reasonable person may suspect inappropriate behavior.

Unacceptable Staff/Student Behaviors without Parent and Supervisor Permission:

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a staff member has parent and supervisor permission.)

- Giving students a ride to/from school or school activities;
- Being alone in a room with a student at school with the door closed;
- Allowing students in your home.

Cautionary Staff/Student Behaviors:

(These behaviors should only be exercised when a reasonable and prudent person, acting as an educator, is prevented from using a better practice or behavior. Staff members should inform their supervisor of the circumstance and occurrence prior to or immediately after the occurrence)

- Remarks about the physical attributes or development of anyone;
- Excessive attention toward a particular student;
- Sending emails, text messages or letters to students if the content is not about school activities. Acceptable and Recommended Staff/Student Behaviors:
- Getting parents' written consent for any after-school activity;
- Obtaining formal approval to take students off school property for activities such as field trips or competitions;
- E-mails, text, phone and instant messages to students must be very professional and pertaining to school activities or classes (Communication should be limited to school technology);
- Keeping the door open when alone with a student;
- Keeping reasonable space between you and your students;
- Stopping and correcting students if they cross your own personal boundaries;
- Keeping parents informed when a significant issue develops about a student;
- Keeping after-class discussions with a student professional and brief;
- Asking for advice from fellow staff or administrators if you find yourself in a difficult situation related to boundaries;
- Involving your supervisor if conflict arises with the student;
- Informing the Executive Director about situations that have the potential to become more severe;
- Making detailed notes about an incident that could evolve into a more serious situation later;
- Recognizing the responsibility to stop unacceptable behavior of students or coworkers;
- Asking another staff member to be present if you will be alone with any type of special needs student;
- Asking another staff member to be present when you must be alone with a student after regular school hours;

- Giving students praise and recognition without touching them;
- Pats on the back, high fives and handshakes are acceptable;
- Keeping your professional conduct a high priority;
- Asking yourself if your actions are worth your job and career.

School-wide Dress Code Prohibiting Gang-related apparel

Disruption and/or intimidation caused by the wearing of any type of clothing/jewelry or by writing of any signs identified as or associated with gangs. No gang activity or gang association will be permitted at school or school sponsored activities. Gang symbols on notebooks, lockers, book bags, etc. are not permitted and will be documented.

DRESS CODE

MPS has a uniform policy to help create a safe, orderly environment, instill discipline, and eliminate the competition and distractions caused by varied dress styles. Students are expected to arrive in a clean and neat uniform every day. Students will not be allowed to enter the campus if they are not in proper uniform. This uniform policy will be enforced, without exception, from the very first day of school. Please cooperate, display modesty and neatness, and take pride in the MPS uniform. We rely on your understanding and your parents' and/or guardians' support in helping to maintain this uniform policy and follow it daily.

In addition to wearing the school uniform, MPS requires that you follow these additional guidelines in terms of uniform appearance and personal appearance. If you are still unsure about how you should look, or how the uniform should fit, check with administration. Religious head coverings shall be permitted. **If any aspect of the uniform, including clothes, shoes, jewelry, cosmetics, or any type of body adornment, is not explicitly listed as acceptable in this handbook, then that item is not permitted to be worn when the student is at school or representing the school.**

If a student is unable to wear the school uniform to school due to extenuating circumstances, you need to obtain written permission from the school's administration.

MPS STUDENT UNIFORM POLICY

Pants, shorts, skirts, skorts, or capris are acceptable.

Pants/Skirts/Skorts/Shorts:

May not be baggy or tight fitting. May not be rolled at waist. Waist size must be same as student's waist size. Top of garment must be at or above hip bone.

Skorts/shorts should be no shorter than your longest finger when standing with your hands by your sides.

Skirts that are above the top of the kneecap should be worn with leggings/tights, and must be no shorter than the longest fingertip.

Pants may not be made from legging or jegging material.

Pants must touch the top of the shoes when the student is standing, but not be long enough to bunch up around the ankle.

The bottom of the skirt, skort, and/or shorts must be no higher than 1 inch above the middle of the kneecap when the student is standing.

Socks may not be worn over pants.
Rubber bands are not allowed on the bottom of pants or ankles.
No Jean style pants.
No Cargo pants/shorts.
Must have a built in pocket not a sewn on pocket.

Undergarments:

Should not be noticeable through or outside of clothing, tops and bottoms.

Uniform:

Woven Shirt or Polo Shirt must be tucked in neatly at the waist at all times on campus, inside and outside. These shirts may not fit tightly or be baggy.
Undershirts must be short-sleeved if worn.
The student may choose to button, or not button, the top button of the woven shirt. All other buttons of the woven shirt must be buttoned.
Under shirt may not hang out of sleeves.

Shoes:

Acceptable athletic shoes must be low-profile with minimal design. They must be modest and not attract attention. Shoe laces must match shoes and be in solid color.

Jewelry and accessories/Cosmetics:

Should be modest, appropriate for school, and not attract undue attention.

Necklaces: If worn must be underneath uniform. If visible through an open collar, it must be tasteful and formal (no leather or string). Pendants must not be large or attract attention. Must be tucked in collar of shirt.

No "glitter", decorations, or drawing of any kind should be visible on the skin, hair, body, or uniform. Facial, tongue, and body piercing are not allowed.

Bracelets: Must be tasteful and not attract undue attention.

Visible tattoos are not acceptable. Permanent visible tattoos must be covered by a flesh-tone bandage while at school or representing the school.

Cosmetics must be appropriate for school and not attract undue attention.

No brightly colored or glitter eye shadow, or blush.

Mascara and eyeliner should be minimal.

Lipstick should be a natural color.

Earrings must be studs or one (1) inch hoops and worn on earlobe.

Hair:

Extreme hairstyles, and hair colors that are not natural for the student, are not permitted. Modest

highlights in a shade similar to the student's natural hair color, done tastefully, are acceptable.

Colors such as red, blue, purple, green, white, etc. are not permitted.

Hair must be neat, clean, and well kept.

If the hair obstructs the student's sight, then the hair must be pinned or somehow fixed in place, so that it no longer obstructs the student's sight.

Excessive "gel" of any kind is not acceptable, and should not be visible.

Hair may be "spiked" with gel or any similar-acting substance but must be no longer than 1 inch.

Combs may not be left in hair.

No shaving the head bald with a razor. Hair must be at least 1/2 inch on the top and 1/4 inch on the sides and back.

No Mohawks or Fohawks

For male students, hair must not touch shoulder when down. If hair is longer than shoulder length, it must be tied back.

Skirts, pants, shorts, skorts, or capris must be either khaki color, black or navy blue.

Belts (required for all variations of dress uniform):

Smooth, straight edge, all black, all blue or all brown belts no wider than 1 1/2 inches with a plain, unadorned buckle (no mesh, rope, or all metal).

The buckle may only have one catch.

Belt must be of correct waist size, so that there is minimal excess length (less than five inches).

Any excess length of belt must be tucked through a belt loop and may not hang down.

TOP

White, gray, black or navy blue polo shirts must have the school logo. They may be either short or long sleeved.

Hoods may not be worn at school.

Top of garment must be no lower than the level of the navel when student is standing. Top of garment must be at or above hip when student is standing up.

FOOTWEAR

The majority of the shoe must be black, brown, white or gray. Small logos are acceptable. (Shoes must be closed toe.)

"Athletic" shoes for the dress code must be completely black, white or brown.

Plain, unadorned socks or tights (for girls) must always be worn. Color of socks or tights: Black, dark brown, navy blue, or white

No sandals, boots, clogs, mules, slippers, flip flops, high heels, platform shoes or shoes with wheels.

PE UNIFORM

TOP: Students will wear a solid gray t-shirt, preferably with the MPS logo. MPS sweatpants and MPS sweatshirts may also be worn during PE.

BOTTOM: Properly fitting MPS Navy shorts of comfortable length for active participation. Waist size

of shorts must be appropriate to student's waist size. The same rules which apply to the level at which the tops of the dress pants are worn, also apply to PE shorts.

FOOTWEAR: Any athletic shoes suitable for basketball, tennis, and field sports. PE shoes may be the same black athletic shoes discussed in the dress uniform section.

OUTERWEAR

Hats, hoods, caps, and other headgear may not be worn in school buildings, except for religious head coverings. No gloves or finger lacing of any sort are allowed.

For colder weather:

MPS Navy Crew-Neck and zip V-Neck Sweatshirt, and Jackets are recommended and preferred to be worn on campus, inside and outside.

Sweatshirts and jackets must be solid navy blue or gray.

Procedures for Safe Ingress and Egress from School

Maps are available in our front office to facilitate with the safe comings and goings of pupils, parents, visitors and school employees to and from school. In addition, evacuation maps and routes are located in the front office..

***Please see school map at bottom of this Safety Plan**

Visitors and guests are welcome at the school. However, to safeguard students and staff, reasonable precautions should be taken.

Visitors should:

1. Always report and sign in at the office.
2. Be provided with a visitor's badge.
3. Be prepared to provide identification to school personnel.
4. Respect school rules.

School personnel should:

1. Insure all exterior doors are marked with a notice to visitors to first report to the office.
2. Exterior doors should remain locked, except doors near the office area.
3. Staff should receive training on how to greet visitors. The first question is "May I help you?"
4. Someone should greet every visitor.
5. Any intruder found roaming the building should be escorted to the office. Someone can then provide any additional information or directions. (NOTE: An intruder is anyone without a visitor's badge or lacking visible identification stating who they are, i.e., school employee)

Visitors who fail to comply with school procedures:

1. Should verbally be informed they are in violation of school policy. (Example - "Sir, you must report to the office immediately. If you fail to do so, you will be considered a trespasser, and school security will be called.")
2. If this fails:
 - Notify the office of the situation.
 - Follow the person, if possible, and continue to give notice of the violation of school rules.
3. Police should be notified, or call 911.
4. Office should activate building-wide notification plan concerning intruder:
 - PA announcement using predetermined code phrase.
 - Classroom doors should be closed.
 - Students should remain in current areas.

Procedures to Ensure a Safe and Orderly Environment

The Social Climate and the Physical Environment

The Social Climate and The Physical Environment are two components used to identify our school's strengths, areas of desired change and future plans.

INSTRUCTIONS

Create a plan, using the below format to make the school safer and more effective. The plan will address two factors, The Social Climate and The Physical Environment to identify your schools strengths, areas of desired change and future plans.

Create a caring and connected school climate-How do you make Students and Staff believe that the school is a caring community?

A. Involve parents:

Goals:

1. Continue Home Visit program, including an increased stipend for teacher home visits
2. Continue monthly Parent Force Meetings
3. Continue parent volunteer opportunities for parents
4. Continue Open House Nights
5. Continue Back to School Nights
6. Continue Parent-Teacher Conferences

B. Recognize and build on the cultural richness of your school community

Goals:

1. Dean of Students will lead participation of school community within our local community through programs and events like the Compton Homeless Count Initiative, Saturday Parenting Classes, hiring of former students to after-school program, etc.
2. Allow student stakeholders to participate in developing Student Learning Outcomes

C. Provide training so staff can meet the unique needs of the student body

Goals:

1. Implement monthly staff-wide professional development on socio-emotional development
2. Set high academic and behavior goals
 - a. Teachers will provide CCSS aligned instruction using SDAIE strategies. (2016-17 school year)

- b. Charter School will implement Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS). (Expanding upon these practices in the 2016-17 school year)
 - 3. Improve curriculum and teaching practices
 - 4. Include health and resiliency curriculum
 - a. During the 2016-2017 school year, MSA-SA will continue to offer a weekly Life Skills class to all students. The MSA-SA leadership team is currently studying the possibility of modifying our current Morning Advisory to incorporate and implement elements of our Life Skills curriculum for more intensive mentoring
 - 5. Address multiple learning styles
- D. Promote caring, supportive relationships with students

Goals:

1. Support the Socio-Emotional Learning of all students.
2. During the 2016-2017 school year, MSA-SA will continue to offer a weekly Life Skills class to all students. The MSA-SA leadership team is currently studying the possibility of modifying our current Morning Advisory to incorporate and implement elements of our Life Skills curriculum for more intensive mentoring
3. Continue piloting the EDGE (executive functions) coaching program in which selected students meet weekly with extensively trained staff members to be coached in setting and achieving goals
4. Continue community outreach with can drives to homeless and/or low-income families at the beginning of long breaks
5. Continue developing and strengthening our Student Government
6. Continue employing an part time on-site Edge Coach
7. Services for Special Populations: Building increasingly robust programs to effectively support all students, especially English Language Learners, students with IEPs and our most advanced students
8. Teachers will provide CCSS aligned instruction using SDAIE strategies. (2016-17 school year)
9. The leadership team will place students into appropriate intervention groups and teachers provide targeted ELA & Math support and interventions. (September 2016)
10. Charter School will select a research-based reading intervention program that targets the individual literacy needs of struggling students and English Learners and includes ongoing assessments of student growth. (2016-17 school year)
11. Teachers and the leadership team will monitor student progress in ELA as measured by in-class/benchmark assessments and MAP tests. (2016-17 school year)
12. Charter School will identify and group ELs by proficiency level, provide ELD instruction aligned to the new standards, and monitor student progress in program implementation. (2015-16 school year)
13. Charter School will identify immigrant student needs and provide counseling support and necessary resources to meet the needs of immigrant students such as provision of tutorials, mentoring, curricular and instructional materials. (2015-16 school year)
14. Charter School will schedule PD in areas, including but not limited to, Common Core ELA/Literacy, math, ELD Standards and integration of ELD standards into content areas and training in strategies to support ELs with common core ELA/ELD and math curricula, and immigrant education. (2015-16 school year)
15. Pilot the use of online courses that allow students to work at their own pace and potentially earn high school credit through the FuelEd in selected classes in the Spring 2016 semester

with an eye to implementing blended learning throughout the school day and after school academic enrichment program in the 2016-2017 school year

16. Provide opportunities for student to have meaningful participation in school and community service

- E. Emphasize critical thinking and respect
- F. Communicate clear discipline standards
- G. Communicate procedures to report and deal with threats
- H. Empower students to take responsibility for safety
- I. Train staff on bullying prevention and tolerance
- J. Provide training for student and staff on dangers of drugs and alcohol
- K. Plans encouraged to include guidelines for roles and responsibilities of mental health/intervention professionals, school counselors, and law enforcement, if school uses these people. EC 32281.1 effective January 1, 2104
- L. Include strategies to create and maintain a positive school climate, promote school safety, and increase pupil achievement, and prioritize mental health and intervention services, restorative and transformative justice programs, and positive behavior interventions and support. Address mental health care of pupils who have witnessed a violent act at any time, related to school activity. Addendum to EC 32281.1 effective January 1, 2015
- M. Collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in order to create a plan to address the threat of sexual abuse and sex trafficking. EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015

The Physical Environment-Place (Component 2):

Create a physical environment that communicates respect for learning and for individuals and safety in the following ways:

- A. MSA-SA maintains a clean environment through utilizing LAUSD custodial staff in the general areas (hallways/ restrooms and other common areas), and the teachers and students also are encouraged to maintain classrooms that are clean, orderly settings that contribute to the learning environment.
- B. MSA-SA involves itself in the community by participating in numerous community events throughout the school year (Thanksgiving and Christmas can drives, Homeless Count Initiative, Black College Expo, University and College campus visits, etc).
- C. Share information about student crime and truancy with law enforcement
- D. Make your campus secure from outside criminal activity
- E. Limit loitering
- F. Dedicated supervision staff, admin, and teachers all support with supervision before, during, and after school
- G. Utilize shared cafeteria and quad area for general times
- H. Maintain clean and safe restrooms
- I. Provide adequate lighting in all areas
- J. Provide student with current textbooks and materials
- K. Maintain a variety of sports facilities and equipment
- L. Generate a set of reading books in each classroom
- M. Communicate procedures for security including NIMS Plan
- N. Deal with vandalism before students return to school
- O. Inventory, Identify and store valuable property
- P. Provide training for security personnel and staff

- Q. Engage students and the community in campus beautification projects
- R. Promote school and neighborhood watch programs

The Social Climate and the Physical Environment (Continued)

Our staff believes that safety and education is a shared responsibility between parents, teachers and students. The successful operation of this school depends on the cooperation of everyone concerned. Each group is responsible for doing its part to make school a place where we can learn, be safe and play together in harmony. Everyone has the right to feel safe, secure, and accepted regardless of color, race, gender, popularity, ability, religion or nationality. Our handbook allows us to share our vision with the students and parents of our team.

MPS is a reflection of all of us. All of our policies are intended to provide a safe and orderly environment that will be conducive to learning. Our faculty and staff look forward to sharing their expertise in academics, special programs, and extracurricular activities. We encourage you to get to know the school, its programs, activities, and schedule. Become an active participant in your education. Get involved through classes, clubs, and activities.

MPS is aware of the fact that a school environment is viable only with clearly defined and implemented rules. MPS compiled the student-parent handbook, which addresses the schools regulations and policies to set a standard.

Effective Communication:

When issues or concerns arise with a teacher, staff member or administrator, students and parents are encouraged to address the situation with the person involved first.

If students express that they are having a problem at school, it is important for parents to understand the best way to address these problems. If the problem involves a classroom situation or a situation with a teacher, the following remedies are recommended:

1. Parents should encourage their child to talk with the teacher.
2. Parents can encourage their child to talk with an administrator.
3. If the child is reluctant to talk with a teacher or administrator, a parent may offer to accompany their child and talk with the teacher.

It is very important to demonstrate to children how to actively and constructively solve a problem. If the problem is important enough for the child to talk about, it is important for the child to learn how to be a part of the solution.

If parent feels there is a concern they should:

1. Talk with the teacher. Teachers can explain classroom situations from an adult perspective and from a professional perspective, and usually that will resolve misunderstandings.
2. If the problem persists after a reasonable time, talk with the teacher again.
3. If the problem is still not resolved, make an appointment with the related administrator.

For example, if you are unsure of a decision made in the classroom about a consequence given for a behavior, you should discuss the situation with the teacher first. If after this discussion, you feel the situation is unresolved, it should be brought to the attention of the Dean of Students. If it is still not handled to your satisfaction, the Principal should be notified.

If after meeting with the Principal, you still have concerns, MPS Central Office and the MPS Board and, after that, the School District/County/State would be the next avenue of communication.

Teachers, staff, and administration are available through email, phones, in person and by appointment. Due to the busy schedules of the teachers and administration, parents are asked to not "drop in" for appointments, but to set up a meeting in advance. Parents should not talk to teachers, other parents, students, or administrators in a disrespectful or threatening manner.

Students' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of all school rules and regulations.
- To have access to your student account in Illuminate.
- To have a safe and educational environment.
- To attend class regularly and on time.
- To obey school rules and regulations.

- To respect your rights and the rights of your peers.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To be prepared for class with appropriate materials and ready to work.
- To respect all school personnel and their authority (administrators, teachers, office personnel, janitorial staff, security guards, etc.).

Parents' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of the school's rules and regulations.
- To be informed of all school actions related to their child.
- To have access to your personal parent accounts in Illuminate.
- To contact school to participate in conferences pertaining to academic and behavioral status of their child.
- To provide a supportive environment at home making sure their child gets enough sleep and adequate nutrition before coming to school.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To contact teachers directly via phone or email to schedule a conference.
- To be familiar with the handbook, which was signed at the beginning of the school year.
- To monitor your child's academic progress and behavior records on a weekly basis.
- To ensure that your child does his/her homework on a daily basis and to facilitate a home environment conducive to home study.

Teachers' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To expect students to behave in a positive manner that will not interfere with other students' learning.
- To expect parental support related to academic and social progress.
- To expect all students to participate and put forth effort in order to expand their education and earn a passing grade.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To inform parents through progress reports, report cards, and conferences about the academic progress and behavior of their child.
- To conduct a well-planned and effective classroom program.
- To initiate and enforce a set of classroom rules, consistent with the school's discipline policies.
- To keep assignments, grading, and attendance current in Illuminate.
- To have administrative support for discipline in and outside the classroom. To explain the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy to their students.
- To enforce the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy in a consistent manner.
- To function as a positive role model for their students.
- To contact parents as deemed necessary to enforce the Student Code of Conduct and to maintain parent/guardian involvement.

Administrators' Rights and Responsibilities:

- The right to address the Board of Trustees on any issue.
- To hold students to strict accountability for any disorderly conduct in school or around school.
- To take appropriate action in dealing with students who choose not to follow the rules.
- "All students shall comply with the regulations, pursue the required course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers of the school." Education Code, § 48900 et seq.
- To recommend in-school suspension, suspension, or expulsion as the situation demands.
- To provide rich leadership that will establish, encourage and promote effective teaching and learning.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To establish, promote, and enforce school rules that facilitate effective learning and positive habits and attitudes of excellent citizenship among students.

Illuminate provides the following information:

1. Attendance: Each student's attendance (tardy/absence) is recorded daily (by each teacher) in 'real-time.' This is one method our parents can monitor their child's attendance in each class daily.
2. Grades: Our teachers input all academic grades online for each assignment, quiz, and examination.
3. Behavior: Each student receives a 'Behavior' grade that is recorded on Illuminate.
4. Homework/Assignments: Our teachers upload and document all homework assignments on Illuminate. This information is useful for students who were absent from class and also provides a reminder for those who may have forgotten to record their homework assignment for a course.

5. Behavior Points Tracker System: we believe that students should be rewarded for good work, positive behavior and exuding the school's expected school-wide learning results which students earn points and are recorded on Illuminate. The behavior points tracker serves as an incentive program that our teachers use to encourage students to improve. However, when students fail to demonstrate positive behavior, and/or the school-wide goals then points are deducted.
6. Communication: Illuminate does not allow for communication directly to parents. The school will utilize school-wide communication system, along with email and phone to communicate with parents.

Parent Task Force (PTF)

Our parent association holds annual elections for the following positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Approximately 10% of our parents continuously attend monthly PTF meetings. Our PTF supports our school and students through fundraising, recruiting volunteer for our school, and student outreach/recruitment. The purpose is to support the school staff and students in the school's areas of needs and as family to create a community within our school. Our goal is to increase the percentage of parents attending. We understand that our parents lead hectic lives so we are having parent meetings in the evenings to help facilitate ease of parent participation and coordinate better with work schedules.

Professional Development

Professional development occurs on a regular basis to address the diverse needs of our students and their various learning styles. Prior to the start of the academic school year, teachers receive extensive trainings on school wide academic expectations and how to meet the needs of all learners. Teachers are trained on the rules and regulations students are expected to uphold, including but not limited to illegal substances (drugs, alcohol, and related paraphernalia) and the risks and factors related to this. Also, trainings on bullying awareness and bullying prevention occur throughout the school year to help minimize bullying related altercations.

We collaborate with outside consultants, including law enforcement, with expertise in sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education in accordance with EC 49380 effective January 1, 2015.

Physical Environment

Our school provides a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment characterized by trust, caring and professionalism. We have adopted and implemented a comprehensive set of health, safety, and risk management policies to create a safe and secure learning environment. These policies comply with all applicable state and local health and safety laws and regulations. It is the responsibility of the on-site school administration to consistently monitor all activities to ensure safety and security of the students. Parents and students are also made aware of these policies as it regards to them in the form of student and parent handbooks. We are dedicated to enforcing school functions as a drug-free, alcohol-free, and tobacco-free zone, as well as a zero-tolerance policy for sexual harassment for all employees, students, and parents. Students are educated about bullying and cyber-bullying via school-wide assemblies and individual guest speakers. All staff members are mandated reporters in case of child abuse or violence. Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

Rules and Procedures on School Discipline

Magnolia Public Schools Student Code of Conduct: MPS is committed to excellence in academic instruction and in cooperating with parents/guardians to teach students the behaviors and skills that support social successes throughout life. To accomplish this goal, MPS is taking a proactive approach to teaching social skills as a significant component of the educational program. The curriculum includes teaching of the behaviors necessary for effective and satisfying social interaction in school, on field trips, in the community, and at home.

Expected Student Behavior

Students should always remember that their behavior and actions at school and at school sponsored activities are a reflection not only of themselves, but also of the school. The following is a guideline of what is expected from an MPS student:

Breakfast/Lunch Time:

- Proceed to the eating area as instructed by MPS staff.
- Eat and finish their breakfast/lunch in the assigned area. No food should be eaten outside the designated areas.
- Wait patiently for their food, and follow the direction of the adults on duty.
- Clean up after themselves and dispose of their trash in the appropriate area.
- Remember that they are not allowed in the school building without a pass.

Remember that restroom use is at the discretion of the security guard/supervisor staff. Students must carry a pass that is given to them by security guard/supervisor staff.

On Campus:

- Stay in designated areas on-campus.
- Be courteous and respectful at all times to everyone.
- Not use profanity, lie, fight, gamble, possess inappropriate literature or material, or be involved in the abuse/harassment of others.
- Not use or have cellular phones turned on during school hours; students are allowed to use cellular phones only in the designated area after school. Phones should not be used during after school programs, such as tutoring.
- Remember that any electronic devices seen during class time will be confiscated and returned to the student's parents/guardians at the discretion of administration.
- Remember that gum chewing is not allowed anywhere on campus.
- Never ride bicycles, use roller blades or skateboards on campus nor bring them to class.
- Not leave campus without permission during school hours.
- Not use matches, lighters, or any type of explosive incendiary device on campus.
- Remember that no electronic devices such as CD/MP3/IPOD players may be visible or used on the campus grounds.
- Students are not allowed to loiter in the hallways.

Assemblies:

- Be courteous and quiet during the entire assembly.
- Be respectful to the presenter/speaker.

- Follow all teacher/staff directions.

Field Trips: Students must:

- Be on their best behavior. Pay attention to the directives given by the moderator and trip leader.
- Follow all school rules pertaining to behavior.
- Wear MPS uniform unless authorized by administration.

Public areas: Hallways, Lunchroom & Restrooms: Hallways, Lunchroom and Restrooms are areas used by all members of School.

- Use the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms only as needed and then move on to class.
 - Eat only in the cafeteria or other designated area.
 - Leave gum at home; chewing gum is strictly prohibited anywhere on campus.
 - Maintain orderly conduct always; walk in the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms.
 - Keep in mind that profanity and vulgar language at any level is unacceptable and is strictly prohibited in all areas and at school functions at all times.
 - Limit excessive noise such as yelling, screaming or banging lockers while in these areas.
 - Help keep the school clean by picking up after yourself and putting your belongings in their proper place.
 - Respect others personal space and keep your hands to yourself even in play.
 - Have a pass to be in the above areas during class time.
 - Keep in mind that vandalism, littering, or graffiti in the school is prohibited and should be reported as this reflects poorly on everyone.
 - Public displays of affection are prohibited.
 - Bring only plastic and paper containers to school; all glass containers are prohibited on campus and will be confiscated.
 - Be responsible and report any leaks, spills, or other problems in the bathroom to a teacher or the office.
 - Be responsible for cleaning up after yourself, including the disposing of or the recycling of garbage.
- Have a hall pass if you are outside of the classroom during class time.
- Not visit with friends or interrupt another classroom.
 - Not misuse the hall pass as it will result in loss of the hall pass privilege.
 - Get a referral from your teacher before you go to the office. Do not use the hall pass.

Emergency Drills: Fire drills, lockdowns, and evacuation drills are conducted periodically for everyone's protection and are required by law. During these drills it is imperative that students remain silent, follow instructions given by the staff, and carry out all directions in an orderly fashion.

Classroom:

- Be seated and ready to begin their assignment when the bell rings.
- Be courteous to all teachers and students.
- Follow all school and classroom rules.
- Bring all necessary materials/supplies ready to work daily.

Classroom Procedures and Consequences: Please check the teacher's syllabus for specific consequences which may include:

1. In Class Warning
2. Student-Teacher Conference
3. Detention / Parental Notification
4. Parent Conference
5. Office Referral & Administrative Disciplinary Procedures

Illuminate Behavior Points

[For Middle & High School Only: Student behavior will be recorded on Illuminate and students will receive the following rewards or consequences based on their behavior points.

Positive Rewards:

+5 Contact parent/guardian +10 Lunch speed pass +15 Treat +20 One day free dress (pass will be given)
+25 Extended lunch period +30 Two day free dress (pass will be given) +35 VIP breakfast +40 Entered in
a raffle +45 Free dress – every Friday for one month (pass will be given) +50 VIP lunch and “Race to the
top”

Minor/Major Behavior Entries:

-5 Contact parent/guardian -10 Loss of privileges -15 Parent conference / Red slip* -20 Behavior plan
and lunch detention -25 Shadowed by parent for a day and one hour after school detention -30 Student
improvement team -35 Pending discipline committee outcome -40 Pending discipline committee
outcome -45 Pending discipline committee outcome -50 Discipline hearing with discipline committee,
parent and student

Students earn a positive Illuminate point for receiving all acceptable marks and a signature on their red slip. When a student receives negative twenty or more discipline entries recorded on Illuminate, the MPS administration will arrange a meeting with that student and the parent to develop a behavioral plan. If the student fails to abide by the discipline tracker rules or an agreement between the administration, parents, and student, cannot be reached, the student will be referred to the School Discipline Committee.

Unacceptable types of Behavior:

All students at MPS are entitled to the rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights, and their rights will not be knowingly denied by the required code of conduct or by any disciplinary actions taken by the school. Accordingly, after an analysis of each case, any student who exhibits any of the unacceptable student behaviors listed in this handbook may incur consequences. These consequences range from notification of parents, detention, to emergency removal from a school activity, suspension, expulsion, and criminal prosecution. MPS reserves the right to notify the authorities and the Department of Education as required by law relating to disciplinary actions taken. It is to be noted that MPS reserves the right to discipline any act that has a nexus with MPS or the school community. In other words MPS may discipline behavior at school or at a school related or school-sponsored function or any activity or any act that has a negative effect on the school environment or that is performed with/on/by/via school equipment or school property. The following tables delineate unacceptable types of behavior and possible consequences.

Behavior	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Frequent repeat of level 1 behavior 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Frequent repeat of level 1 or 2 behavior
Verbal Misuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hurtful words (stupid/shut up) ○ Divisiveness (clique/gossip) ○ Excessive talking at inappropriate time ○ Isolated incident of inappropriate language ○ Excessive inappropriate noises ○ Excessive tattling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Disrespectful of adults ○ Arguing with adults ○ Crying and yelling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vulgar language ○ Ethnic, religious or hateful slurs
Physical/Contact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Impulsive touching ○ Playful contact ○ Irritating others ○ Aggressive play in context of recess games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pushing with intent ○ Hitting ○ Kicking ○ Pinching ○ Throwing objects randomly ○ Spitting (random) ○ Misuse of property 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Violent outburst ○ Fighting ○ Throwing object with intent to injure ○ Spitting at a person ○ Biting ○ Self-inflicting wound
Defiance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rolling eyes ○ Situational refusal to follow directions ○ Posturing with body in an act of defiance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Refusing to follow directions on a regular basis ○ Passive-aggressive behavior 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Refusing to leave/enter a room, move to a different seat ○ Walking/running out of the classroom or away from adult supervision
Gestures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Poor manners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Giving the finger in isolated incident 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Graffiti/vandalism ○ Opening/touching own private ○ Touching another student inappropriately ○ Gestures involving any sexual behavior
Impulsiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Off task ○ Shouting out in class ○ Disruptive ○ Out of seat ○ Noise making 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Outbursts ○ Lack of personal boundaries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Violent outbursts/tantrums ○ Explosive behavior ○ Running from designated area
Harassment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Teasing ○ Repeating 3rd party information ○ Passive participation in hurtful acts/words against others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bullying ○ Hurtful acts/words against others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sexual harassment ○ Cyber bullying/harassment

Assaulting, Fighting and/or Arranging Fights:

School is not a place to arrange fights, whether those fights take place on or off school grounds. Any fight and/or attempting to fight will involve disciplining all students involved.

Bringing / Using Electronic Devices:

CD Players, IPOD, MP3 players, phones, PDA, PSP, Laptops, Electronic Games, and/or similar devices are not allowed to be used at school. They disrupt classes and distract others from learning. If you choose to bring them for use outside of school it is at your own discretion. MPS assumes no liability for any damaged, destroyed, lost, stolen, misplaced or otherwise compromised electronic device brought onto MPS property.

Scholastic Dishonesty:

Scholastic dishonesty includes (but is not limited to) cheating on tests, and/or any other types of deception to obtain credit without effort. Scholastic dishonesty is unacceptable conduct. Each teacher sets their own standards of behavior for their classroom, and students are expected to know the standards and procedures for each of their classes.

Texting/Sexting:

Sexting can be defined as the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photographs electronically, primarily between mobile phones and/or any other communication devices.

Disrupting Learning:

Disrupting learning includes any behavior that prevents other students from learning. It may include but is not limited to inappropriate language, eating or drinking during class against teachers' classroom rules, chewing gum, insubordination and/or selling or trading personal possessions to other students.

Horseplay:

Rough or boisterous play including but not limited to shoving, play fighting, kicking, name calling, teasing, pushing/pulling on a student and shoulder bumps

Possession or Use of Drugs and/or Alcohol and the Sale or Intention to Sell Drugs and/or Alcohol:

Use of drugs or alcohol means a student knowingly possesses, consumes, uses, handles, gives, stores, conceals, offers to sell, sells, transmits, acquires, buys, represents, makes, applies, or is under the influence of any narcotic drug, hallucinogen, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, tranquilizer, non-prescription or prescription drug (except when under the direction of a physician/parent and within school procedure), alcohol, intoxicant, solvent, gas, or any mood-altering chemical, drug of abuse or any counterfeit-controlled substance of any kind including butane lighters. The sale, distribution, possession, or use of drugs, alcohol, fake drugs, steroids, inhalants, and look-alike drugs is prohibited everywhere on school grounds, at all school activities, and on all school transportation (drug free zone 1000 feet radius). Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by Administration and/or Law Enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

False Fire Alarms:

Issuing a false fire alarm is a violation of State law. Making false 911 calls is also violation of the State Law.

Forgery of Signatures:

Any attempt by a student to sign a teacher's, administrator's, parent/guardian's, and/or another student's name to any school document will be considered forgery.

Vulgarity, Profanity and Obscenity:

Any gesture or material of this nature is not permitted at school or school functions.

Behaving Disrespectfully towards Teachers or Staff:

Disrespect (i.e. arguing, talking back, etc.) and insubordination (failure to comply with directives) toward any member of the faculty or staff will not be tolerated. Profanity, either spoken or written is considered a form of disrespect.

Smoking or Use of Other Tobacco Products:

Possession of tobacco products in any part of the school (drug free zone 1000 feet radius) or on the student is prohibited under this policy. This includes cigarettes, cigars, herbs, and smokeless tobacco. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched if the presence of such items is suspected.

Stealing and/or Vandalizing School/Private Property & Graffiti:

This means to cause or attempt to cause damage to private property, stealing or attempting to steal private property either on school grounds or during school activities, functions or events. Students and their parents or guardians will be held responsible for any theft/vandalism/graffiti (including graffiti tools such as permanent markers) that the student commits. Theft or vandalism of school property carries heavy legal penalties.

Displaying Threatening Behavior:

Threatening behavior includes: verbal threats, both face to face and over electronic media (phone and/or computers), non-verbal threats ("hard" stares, gestures), willfully causing or attempting to cause physical injury to another person, causing or attempt to cause any student, teacher, administrator, or staff member to feel frightened or intimidated.

Bringing Weapon in School:

A weapon includes, but is not limited to, conventional objects like guns, pellet guns, knives, smoke bombs, fireworks, club of any type, mace, tear gas, or other chemicals. This may also include any toy that is presented as a real weapon. It also includes objects converted from their original use to threaten or injure another. The Administration reserves the right to all final decisions regarding the definition of a weapon. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by administration or law enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

Possession or Use of Fireworks:

Using or possessing any amusement device, smoke bomb, stink bomb, etc.

Arson:

Intentionally starting any fire or combustion on school property

Public Display of Affection:

Public displays of affection are not allowed.

Provoking/Intimidating Behavior Encouraging or Urging Other Students to Violate School Rules:

Any student who, by means of provocation, intimidation, encouragement, request, or other means of promotion, induces or attempts to induce another student to violate a MPS school rule shall be subject to the following discipline.

Students with an IEP:

If a student has a behavior plan in his/her IEP, the consequences cited in that plan will be used in the event of a specified misbehavior. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team shall meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved. Suspensions of students with disabilities cannot exceed ten days without a "manifestation determination." A student cannot be suspended for more than ten days for misconduct that is a manifestation of their disability. State law defers to federal law for most of the rules governing suspension and expulsion of special education students.

Hate Crime Policies and Procedures

Additional information prohibiting other forms of unlawful discrimination or harassment, inappropriate behavior, and/or hate-motivated incidents/crimes may be found in local District/State policies. It is the intent of MPS that all such policies be reviewed consistently to provide the highest level of protection from unlawful discrimination in the provision of educational services and opportunities.

Bullying Prevention Policies and Procedures

Bullying is not permitted at MPS. In addition MPS will not tolerate unlawful intimidation and bullying due to actual or perceived characteristics such as age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, disability, nationalist, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or a person's association with a person, or group, with or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Each student deserves an equal opportunity to obtain an education without dealing with the negative pressures of peers. Bullying consists of any of the following: pushing, shoving, hitting, and spitting, name calling, picking on, making fun of, laughing at, and excluding someone physically or via social media or electronic communications. Bullying causes pain and stress to those who are victims and is never justified or excusable as "kids being kids", "just teasing", "joking", "playing around" or any other rationalization. This includes the use of social media for wrongful purposes.

Each MPS student agrees to:

- Value student differences and treat others with respect.
- Not become involved in bullying incidents or be a bully.

Harassment of Students, Teachers, Administrators, or Staff:

Harassment means making unwelcome advances or any form of improper physical contact or sexual remark and any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating or offensive learning environment. Harassment can be verbal, physical and visual. (Education Code, § 212.5) Harassment is a violation of Federal Law and is contrary to the School Board's commitment to provide a physically and psychologically safe environment in which to learn.

Student Hazing:

Hazing is defined as doing any act or coercing another person for initiation into any organization that causes or creates a substantial risk or causes mental or physical harm. Permission, consent or assumption of the risk by an individual subjected to hazing does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy. Hazing may carry heavy legal consequences.

Safety Goals for 2018-2019:

Emergency safety plans have been written up to address emergency situations (e.g. natural disasters and fires). Each classroom is equipped with a copy of these plans and disaster drills are practiced throughout the year.

Component 1 - School Climate

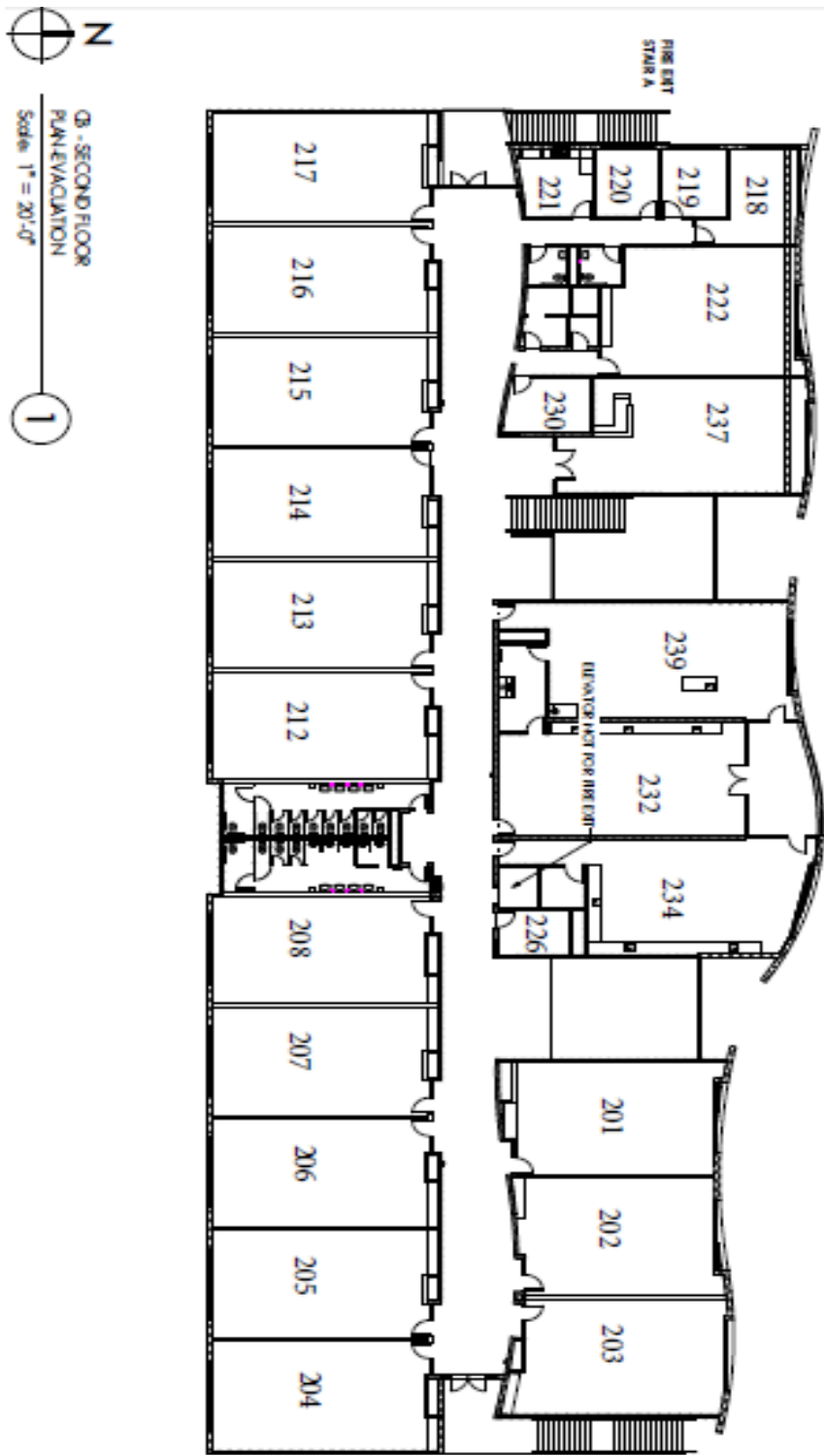
- Goal(s): All employees will uphold and implement all stated policy and procedures as noted in the school wide safety plan.
 - Objective: Quarterly all employees will review the policies and procedures as noted in the comprehensive safe schools plan.
 - Related Activities: Review regularly during Professional Development, committee meetings and safety meetings.
 - Resources needed: Safety plan,
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Designated administrator, safety committee
 - Budget: None
 - Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

Component 2 - Physical Environment

- Goal(s): Maintain and upkeep a safe school campus
 - Objective: Monthly school personnel will complete a campus walk-thru form to identify any areas of need.
 - Related Activities: Teachers can report concerns during weekly staff meetings.
 - Resources needed: Walk-thru form, building supplies
 - Person(s) responsible for implementation: Plant manager
 - Timeline for implementation: August 2018
 - Budget: Refer to schools annual budget
 - Evaluation guidelines: Surveys, Feedback from stakeholders

MSA-SA School Map

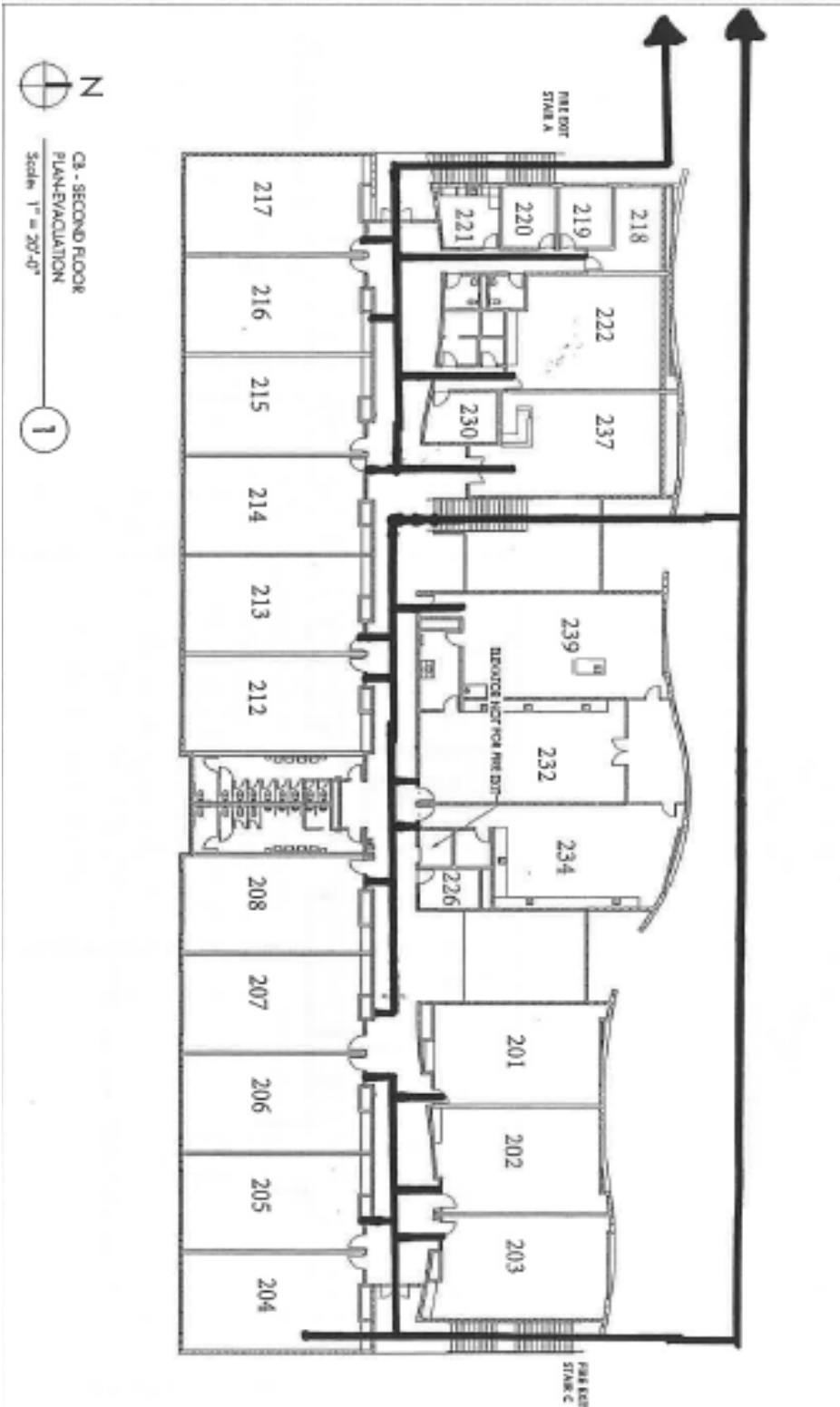




MSA-SA Emergency Evacuation Routes



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 01 - FIRST FLOOR/EVACUATION
 Scale: 1" = 20'-0"
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DRILL/EMERGENCY STATUS REPORT

RETURN TO THE ASSEMBLY AREA/INCIDENT COMMAND CENTER

TEACHER'S NAME _____ **ROOM** _____
TEACHER'S ASSISTANT'S NAME: _____ **PRESENT: YES** ___ **NO** ___
PARENT VOLUNTEER(S): _____ **PRESENT: YES** ___ **NO** ___
STUDENT VOLUNTEER(S): _____ **PRESENT: YES** ___ **NO** ___

TYPE OF EMERGENCY DRILL:

FIRE: ___ DROP/TAKE COVER: ___ EARTHQUAKE: ___ LOCK DOWN: ___
 SHELTER IN-PLACE: ___ EVACUATION: ___ OTHER: _____

ALL STUDENTS ACCOUNTED FOR: YES: ___ NO: ___

MISSING OR UNACCOUNTED FOR:

INJURED STUDENTS/PERSONS & LOCATION:

STUDENT(S)	LOCATION

OTHER:

STUDENT WHO ARE ABSENT:	STUDENT WHO LEFT EARLY:

MAGNOLIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS EMERGENCY DRILL DATA WORKSHEET

Use this form to record your drill information

- Fire
- Earthquake drill with evacuation
- Shelter in Place
- Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop"
- Campus Protection or "Lockdown"

Date: ___/___/____

Name: _____ Position: _____

E-Mail: _____ Location Code: _____

1. What type of alert system did you use to alert students/staff of the drill?
 Fire Alarm/Bell Voice through Intercom/PA Bull Horn Whistle

(Omit #2 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

2. Time Drill Started: _____ (am / pm) Time Drill Completed: _____ (am / pm)

3. Total number of staff involved in the drill activity?
4. Total number of students involved in the drill activity?
5. Did any special needs students participate in the drill? If yes, about how many?
6. Did you encounter any challenges with the special needs children? (Y/N)
7. If yes, please describe challenges: _____

(Omit#8 for Drop/Cover/Hold" or "Shelter-in-Place", "Drop" & "Lockdown")

8. How long did it take to evacuate all buildings? _____ (minutes)
(Time from START of drill to the time when last staff or student arrived at the staging area.)

(Omit #9 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

9. Did you establish an Incident Command Post? (Y/N)
10. Did staff bring the School Emergency Response Box to the assembly area?(Y/N)
(Omit#11, 12&13 for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")
11. Did you use any supplies during the drill? (Check all that apply)

- Yes, our staff took supplies out their storing area.
- Yes, our staff used the supplies during the drill.
- No, we did not use emergency supplies.

12. Were parents notified either before or after the drill? (Y/N)
13. How were parents notified? (method)
14. Did any parents participate in drill? If yes, about how many?
15. What did parents do? _____

16. Did you encounter any behavioral problems (non-participation, student/staff distractions, etc.) during the drill? If yes, please briefly describe any problems.

17. Did you encounter problems with any of the following?
(Omit# "d, e, & f" for Drop/Cover/Hold or "Drop")

(Omit # "f" for Campus Protection or "Lockdown")

	Yes	No	Briefly describe these problems:
a. Alert System			
b. Students			
c. Staff			
d. Parents			
e. Supplies			
f. Evacuation Route			

18. Did you debrief after the drill? (Y/N)

19. What were the three top lessons learned?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

20. How can this drill be improved in the future?

Administrator's Name

Administrator's Signature

Magnolia Science Academy – Santa Ana Drill Schedule 2018-2019

Month	Date	Time	Drill
September	9/12	9:15	Fire
October	10/18	10:20	Earthquake
November	11/15	10:25	Lockdown
December	12/4	9:10	Fire
January	1/24	1:33	Earthquake
February	2/21	11:00	Fire
March	3/13	9:10	Lockdown
April	4/24	9:45	Earthquake
May	5/15	11:00	Fire
June	6/4	2:01	Lockdown

(This form is confidential and should **NOT** be given to parents, guests, or third parties.)

Charter School: _____ Location / Site: _____

School Administrator's name: _____ Title: _____

Address where incident occurred: _____

Type of Incident:

Parent/guest incident ___ Parent/guest complaint/allegation ___ Employee complaint/allegation ___

Name of person(s) filing complaint: _____

Date of incident: _____ Time: _____ AM _____ PM _____

Legal complaint or attorney letter received? ___ Yes ___ No (if yes, please fax a copy with this report)

Specific location (e.g. *northwest corner of Building G*) where incident occurred: _____

Staff member responsible at the time of this incident: _____

Contact Information: Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Name of person to whom the incident/complaint was reported: _____

Contact Information: Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

If the incident/complaint was not reported immediately, why not? _____

Cause of incident or complaint (check any that apply):

- ___ Trip/slip/fall
- ___ Allegation of neglect/unsafe conditions
- ___ Allegation of discrimination or abuse
- ___ Employment dispute
- ___ Wrongful termination complaint
- ___ Special education complaint

(Please describe in detail): _____

Check any of the following possible causes which may apply:

- ___ Failure to follow proper policy
- ___ Retaliation

Inattention Act of other
 Carelessness Alcohol/drug use
 Unreasonable demands Unsafe act

What steps have been taken or recommended to prevent or reduce the likelihood of a recurrence?

Comments: _____

WITNESS INFORMATION (use separate sheet for additional witnesses)

Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____	City/State/Zip: _____
Phone: _____	Phone: _____
Email: _____	Email: _____

Please call in to hotline to report as a claim.

(877) 263-9904

Do not fax report; the JPA will receive a copy from the hotline.

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Magnolia Science Academy-SD



Safety Plan

2018-2019

Comprehensive School Safety Plan
Magnolia Science Academy San Diego

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A meeting for public input was held on October 29, 2018
at Magnolia Science Academy San Diego

Plan Adopted by School Site Council October 29, 2018

Reviewed by Law Enforcement October 29, 2018

Plan approved by Magnolia Public Schools Board _____

School Safety Committee members:

Gokan Serce, Principal
Neil Egasani, Dean of Students
Halil Akdeniz, Dean of Culture
Nellie Tate, Dean of Academics
Janell Abraham, 6th Grade Teacher
Steve Prendergast, 7th Grade Teacher
Megan Craig, 8th Grade Teacher

SAFETY PLAN

Statement of Purpose

Magnolia Science Academy-SD's mission is to provide all students with the opportunity to engage in an enriched educational experience. A comprehensive Safety Plan helps to ensure a safe school environment, thereby enhancing the learning experience and improving student academic achievement. This plan is implemented to protect the safety of students and staff and to provide emergency preparedness and guidelines. This plan addresses the following objectives:

- Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff.
- Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations.
- Protect the school's facilities and property.
- In the case of an emergency, allow the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible.
- Provide for coordination between the school and local emergency services when necessary.

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This plan encompasses a broad range of potential safety issues and major emergencies. Such incidents may include earthquake, hazardous materials, widespread power outage, and similar events affecting normal operations at the school.

I. Staffing – Safety Roles

A. Employee Preparedness

A number of measures are taken on an ongoing basis to ensure that school staff is prepared to respond immediately and appropriately to disasters. These include:

1. Review of this Plan and any other emergency policies and procedures;
2. Review of an employee's role during an emergency;
3. Knowledge of how to conduct and evaluate required drills;
4. Familiarity with the layout of buildings, grounds and all emergency procedures;
5. Review of the location of all emergency exits, fire extinguishers, fire alarms and emergency equipment and supplies;
6. Attend update training in first aid, CPR, use of fire extinguishers and search and rescue as necessary.

B. Employee Skills

At the beginning of each school year, all instructional and non-instructional staff will be asked by the Principal or his/her designee, to identify those with special skills or experience that may be helpful during an emergency. These employees may be asked to fulfill certain emergency management roles (i.e., first aid, CPR, search & rescue and/or fire extinguisher training & certification).

- 1) Instructional staff is responsible for the following:
 - a) Present instruction to students about emergency preparedness plans for the site and student responsibilities in case of a major emergency.
 - b) Keep attendance sheets readily accessible at all times in order to check attendance in the event of evacuation.
 - c) Update the contents of classroom emergency kit and keep it in a safe, accessible location.
 - d) Participate fully in fire, earthquake and evacuation drills.
 - e) Have planned activities for students for use during periods of confinement during an emergency situation.
- 2) The Principal or his/her designee is responsible for the following:
 - a) Assign employees to roles and responsibilities for an emergency, taking into consideration the skills, abilities and normal functions of employees.
 - b) Ensure that all employees are familiar with the site maps and evacuation plans and are trained in emergency response and preparedness roles and responsibilities.
 - c) Update the list of employees who are trained in first aid, CPR, the use of fire extinguishers, and search and rescue. Arrange for update training as necessary.
 - d) Update as necessary the site floor plan showing evacuation routes and the location of assembly areas, emergency supplies and equipment, fire extinguishers, fire alarm pulls, master electrical panels, and main water and gas shut off valves.
 - e) Ensure that emergency procedures are posted in classrooms, hallways, school office, cafeterias and employee lounges.
 - f) Update the list of any disabled students or employees or those who may need evacuation assistance or other special assistance.

- h) Test the site warning system and ensure that the system's signal(s) is recognized and understood by employees and students.
- i) Conduct an inventory of all emergency supplies and equipment and replace used or outdated supplies and equipment.
- j) Maintain a list of emergency phone numbers in a readily accessible location.

C. Employee/Student Special Needs

Staff with temporary or permanent impairments of sight, hearing or mobility may self-identify indicating what assistance may be required in the event of an emergency. Students with special needs are identified at the beginning of each school year. Parents are asked to provide written information/instructions concerning specific needs.

Those areas of the school that have employees and/or students with permanent mobility impairments should maintain any necessary evacuation device where such employees and/or students are located.

D. Emergency On-Site Personnel

Staff emergency phone contacts will be kept on file at the school office. Staff with specific training in emergency response, safety, CPR, etc. will also be noted on a list kept at the school. A list of Emergency Roles can be found in Appendix A.

E. Notification List

In the event of an emergency or safety risk, the following personnel will be notified as appropriate:

Personnel Emergency Telephone Number List:

Role/Area	Administrator	Ext #	Home #	Mobile #
Principal/Site Incident Commander	Gokhan Serce	1020		818-961-5127
Emergency Coordinator/MPR & Classrooms 14-18	Nellie Tate	1021		972-200-4328
Safety & Emergency Coordinator/ Classrooms 1-13	Neil Egasani	1022		619-548-1231

Teachers/Staff with CPR or First Aid (Current staff members will participate in CPR training)

Outside Emergency Telephone Number List:

San Diego Police Department	911 / 619-531-2000
Ambulance	911
Fire Department / Station 31	911 / 619-533-4300
San Diego Sheriff Department	911 / 619-585-7232
Poison Control Center	1-800-222-1222
Hazardous Materials	911

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II. General Policies and Procedures for Handling Safety and Specific Emergency Situations (Disaster Response Procedures)

The purpose of the safety and emergency sections of this plan is to provide safety and emergency preparedness and response instructions to protect the safety and well-being of students and staff at the time of an emergency. Specific goals include:

- Protect the safety and welfare of students and staff
- Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergency situations
- Protect the school's facilities and property
- Enable the school to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible
- Provide for interface and coordination between the school and local authorities and resources

A. Emergencies

In the case of an emergency, the general policy is that actions should be taken to allow the school to remain in operation to the extent possible. The situation should be addressed to minimize interruption of normal operations at the school, and students will usually be cared for until regular dismissal time. Where an emergency situation poses a serious threat to the safety and well being of students and staff, evacuation will occur until any danger has passed. When necessary, school may be dismissed by the Principal, or his/her designee. Home office will be informed using HOST email system (Refer to HOST Attachment). In the event of the following scenarios, principal or designee will communicate with stakeholders using school's mass communication system.

- 1. Fire:** In the case of a school fire, the following procedures should be implemented:
 - a. Sound building fire alarm: PA system in front office.
 - b. Notify Fire Department by dialing 911. The Fire Department is to be notified of any fires larger in size than a waste basket. The Fire Department should be given the following information:
 - i. School name and phone number
 - ii. Building address, including nearest cross street(s)
 - iii. Exact location of the fire within the building
 - c. Have students and staff evacuate the building in accordance with established procedures.
 - d. Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
 - e. All doors leading to the fire should be closed. Do not re-enter the area for belongings. If the area is full of smoke, students and staff should be instructed to crawl along the floor, close to walls, thus making breathing easier and providing direction. Before opening any door, place a hand one inch from the door near the top to see if it is hot. Be prepared to close the door quickly at the first sign of fire to avoid the spread of fire.
 - f. Clear access routes for emergency vehicles. Remain at a safe distance from the fire and away from firefighting equipment.
 - g. Render first aid as necessary.
 - h. Check attendance. Remain with students.

- 2. Medical Emergency:** Medical emergencies and accidents can occur at any time and may involve a student or employee. Some emergencies may only require first aid care, while others may require immediate medical attention. When in doubt, it is better to err on the side of caution and dial 911.
- a. Medical emergencies involving any student or employee must be reported to the principal, or his/her designee.
 - b. Dial 911 or direct someone to do so.
 - c. Provide the following information:
 - i. School name and phone number.
 - ii. Building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - iii. Exact location within the building.
 - iv. Your name and phone number.
 - v. Nature of the emergency.
 - vi. Do not hang up until advised to do so by dispatcher.
 - d. Notify the school office that an individual has been injured and an ambulance has been called.
 - e. Ask someone to dispatch a first aid/CPR trained employee to the victim.
 - f. Stay calm. Keep victim warm with a coat or blanket.
 - g. Do not move the victim unless there is danger of further injury. Do not give the victim anything to eat or drink.
 - h. Draft written incident report and submit it to Principal, or his/her designee, before the end of the next workday.
- 3. Earthquakes:** Earthquakes strike without warning and the major shock is usually followed by numerous aftershocks, which may last for weeks or months. An earthquake's effect on buildings will vary from building to building.

The major threat of injury during an earthquake is from falling objects and debris, and many injuries are sustained while entering or leaving buildings. Therefore, it is important to remain inside the building and quickly move away from windows, glass, partitions and shelves. In the case of an earthquake, the following procedures should be followed:

- a. Take cover under a sturdy desk or table, in a doorway, or against an inside wall until the shaking stops. Give DROP AND COVER command.
- b. After shaking stops, check for injuries, and render first aid.
- c. If ordered by principal or his/her designee, evacuate.
- d. Do not return to building.
- e. Do not light any fires.
- f. Keep a safe distance from any downed power lines.
- g. Check attendance whether or not evacuation takes place. Report any missing students to principal, or his/her designee.
- h. Stay alert for aftershocks.
- i. Beware that shaking may activate fire alarm or sprinkler systems.
- j. Elevators and stairways will need to be inspected for damage before they can be used.
- k. School principal, or his/her designee, will issue further instructions.

- 4. Assaults:** Assaults involve acts of striking or inflicting injury to a person and are regarded as serious matters. Any threat or assault on students or employees should be reported immediately to the school Principal, or his/her designee. The school principal (or designee) will determine if law enforcement officials should be notified.
- a. If a serious assault occurs:
 - b. Dial 911.
 - c. Seek first aid or medical attention, if indicated.
 - d. Have photographs taken of any injuries.
 - e. Write down a physical description of the assailant (sex, age, height, weight, race, clothing, and any weapon used) as soon as possible after the incident.
 - f. Obtain names and telephone numbers of any witnesses.
 - g. Draft incident report and submit it to the school principal, or his/her designee.
 - h. School principal or his /her designee will submit incident report to the local law enforcement if incident is serious.
- 5. Hazardous Materials:** Hazardous material spills may occur inside a building, such as a spill in a chemistry lab. Incidents of a large scale disaster magnitude may occur outside, such as a tank truck accident involving large quantities of toxic material. Procedures:
- a. If a spill is minor and inside, notify buildings and grounds personnel immediately for clean-up. Open windows for ventilation.
 - b. If a more serious spill occurs inside or outside:
 - i. Call 911. Notify Fire Department, Emergency Response Unit, and/ or Public Health Department.
 - ii. Provide the following: Name of school, building address, including nearest cross street(s).
 - iii. Your name and phone number.
 - iv. Location of the spill and/or materials released.
 - v. Characteristics of spill (colors, smells, visible gases).
 - vi. Name of substance, if known.
 - vii. Injuries if any.
 - c. Notify buildings and grounds personnel.
 - d. Close all windows and doors if the spill is outside.
 - e. Request that buildings personnel shut off mechanical ventilating systems if it might spread toxic material.
 - f. Remain inside building unless ordered to evacuate by the Fire Department.
 - g. Fire Department will advise of further actions to be taken.
 - h. Do not eat or drink anything or apply cosmetics.
 - i. If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought.
 - j. The school principal, or his/her designee, if necessary, will give approval for student release or site evacuation.

6. Civil Disturbance:

A civil disturbance is any situation where a person or group of persons disrupts operations or threatens the safety of individuals. The following precautionary protective measures should be taken:

- a. Notify local Law Enforcement Authority-Dial 911.
- b. If participants enter the building, remain calm and do not provoke aggression. Report disruptive circumstances to school principal, or his/her designee.
- c. Do not argue with participant(s).
- d. Have all students and employees leave the immediate area of disturbance.
- e. If the disturbance is outside the building, remain inside building, unless instructed otherwise by the school principal or police officials. Lock all doors. Stay away from windows and exterior doors.
- f. If the disturbance is inside the building, follow procedures for evacuation of the school site.
- g. Follow further instructions as police officials and other local law enforcement authorities issue them.
- h. Draft incident report for school principal, or his/her designee.

7. Vandalism:

The following procedures should be used in the case of school vandalism:

- a. Notify school principal, or his/her designee.
- b. Notify building and ground maintenance personnel.
- c. The school principal, or his/her designee, will assess the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed, including local law enforcement.
- d. If possible, identify the parties involved.
- e. Interview witnesses and obtain written statements.
- f. Document the incident as soon as possible and give the incident report, with any witness statements, to the school principal or his/her designee.
- g. Notify parents or legal guardian.
- h. Determine what disciplinary measures are appropriate (in-house or police involvement).
- i. Determine any monetary restitution issues and amounts.

8. Utility or Power Failure:

The following procedures should be used in case of utility or power failure:

- a. Staff and students should remain in classroom until further instruction.
- b. Custodial and maintenance personnel should determine cause of incident and seek outside assistance if necessary.
- c. Staff and students outside of a classroom at the time of the incident should report to main office.
- d. Building and grounds personnel report to utility company if necessary.
- e. If situation requires long-term maintenance and repair and prevents class activities, the school principal, or his/her designee, may take measures to dismiss school for the day. Where utility failure presents an emergency, evacuation procedures should be implemented immediately.

9. Bomb Threat:

- a. Person receiving call should:
 - i. Listen - Do not interrupt caller.
 - ii. If possible, alert other staff by a pre-arranged signal while the caller is on the line.
 - iii. In the event that a bomb threat is received, it is important for the person receiving the call to attempt to keep the caller on the telephone as long as possible. It is also important to listen carefully to all information provided by the caller and to make a note of any voice characteristics, accents, or background noises.
 - iv. Attempt to ask questions and elicit the information required to determine the severity of the threat.
 - v. Notify school principal, or his/her designee, immediately.
- b. The school principal, or his/her designee will:
 - i. Notify Police Department – Dial 911.
 - ii. With the assistance of responding law enforcement personnel, conduct a thorough search of the building & surrounding areas:
 1. Classrooms and work areas.
 2. Public areas - foyers, office bathrooms and stairwells.
 3. Exterior areas -- shrubbery, trashcans, debris boxes, gas valves, etc.
 4. Power sources -- electric panels, telephone panels, computer rooms, etc.
- c. With assistance from responding law enforcement personnel and/or fire department, the school principal, or his/her designee, will evaluate the threat and will determine whether to evacuate the building and/or to continue to search the premises.
- d. If there appears to be imminent danger, a fire drill may be called while approval for student release or site evacuation is sought. The school principal, or his/her designee, must grant approval for student release.
- e. An incident report should be drafted before the end of the workweek.

10. Explosion:

- a. If an explosion occurs at the school, the following procedures should be used:
 - i. Give DROP AND COVER command.
 - ii. Sound building fire alarm. This will automatically implement action to leave the building.
 - iii. Notify Fire Department – Dial 911.
 - iv. Provide the following information:
 1. School name
 2. Building address, including nearest cross street(s)
 3. Exact location within the building
 4. Your name and phone number
- b. Evacuate to outdoor assembly area.
- c. Check attendance. Remain with students.
- d. Render first aid as necessary.
- e. Notify grounds and building personnel.
- f. Keep students and staff at a safe distance from the building(s) and away from firefighting equipment.
- g. Public safety officials will determine when the building is safe for re-entry, and along with school principal, or his/her designee, whether student release from the school site is necessary.
- h. Draft incident report by the end of the week.

11. Fighting or Riot:

- a. School staff should follow these guidelines when a fight occurs:
 - i. Send a reliable student to the office to summon assistance.
 - ii. Speak loudly and let everyone know that the behavior should stop immediately.
 - iii. Obtain help from other teachers if at all possible.
 - iv. If students are starting to gather, attempt to get students away from the commotion as quickly as possible.
 - v. Call out the names of the involved students (if known) and let them know they have been identified.
 - vi. For the safety of all students, get additional help from law enforcement personnel if confronted with a serious fight, especially one that involves weapons.
 - vii. Attempt to separate the involved students by speaking to them in an assertive tone of voice. Consider the age and/or size of the students, as well as personal safety, before stepping between/among those involved in an altercation. If successful in separating the students, try to avoid using further confrontational behavior.
 - viii. Remember that no one can "cool down" instantly; give the students time to talk in a calm setting and gradually change the climate of the situation.
- b. Staff should follow these guidelines when a riot occurs:
 - i. The school principal, or his/her designee, should encourage teachers and staff to be sensitive to the emotional climate of the campus and attempt to defuse any tensions prior to the eruption of problems.
 - ii. Notify local law enforcement of the disturbance and meet at a pre-designated site to evaluate the situation.
 - iii. Have a law enforcement officer evaluate and call for any necessary resources such as back-up help, emergency medical help, etc.
 1. Activate needed emergency plans
 2. Instructing office staff to handle communications and initiate lockdown orders.
 3. Notify transportation to bring appropriate numbers of buses for evacuation or transportation if necessary.
 4. Assign staff a temporary detention facility, such as a gymnasium, to secure students and log information.
 5. Direct a teacher or designee to initiate lockdown and immobilize the campus.
 6. Brief a representative to meet the media.
 7. Assign staff to a pre-designated medical treatment/triage facility.

12. Hostage Situation:

- a. In case there is a hostage situation at the school, staff should attempt to follow these guidelines:
 - i. Stay calm.
 - ii. Don't be a hero.
 - iii. Follow instructions of captor.
 - iv. Cooperate; be friendly if possible; don't argue with or antagonize captor or other hostages.
 - v. Inform captors of medical or other needs.
 - vi. Be prepared to wait; elapsed time is a good sign.
 - vii. Don't try to escape; don't try to resolve situation by force.
 - viii. Be observant and remember everything that is seen or heard.
 - ix. If a rescue takes place, lie on the floor and await instructions from rescuers.
- b. The school principal, or his/her designee, should be responsible for the following:
 - i. Immediately notify law enforcement.
 - ii. Move other students and teachers completely away from those who are in the hostage situation.
 - iii. Keep everyone as calm as possible.
 - iv. Be prepared to answer questions from media or family.

13. Death of a Student:

By far, the worst crisis situation is the death of a student. When a student dies, emotional trauma is a natural occurrence for students, faculty, and staff. A student's death, which occurs on campus, particularly as a result of school violence, is admittedly the most extreme case of trauma for family and the school community. There is no procedure that fits every scenario; each case requires individual attention. Certainly, there is no prescribed method for dealing with such tragedy; however, the following are suggestions for a school's response to death, particularly death that occurs as a result of school violence:

- a. After the initial response, administrators and counselors will meet immediately to review what has happened. Responding to the psychological needs of both staff and students as soon as possible is the best prevention for the development of post-traumatic stress.
- b. Get as much information as possible from the family and ask their permission to share it with the students, faculty, and staff. Ask if they have any objection to students, faculty, and staff attending the funeral.
- c. Relay the information to the students in a factual way, careful to avoid breaching the student or family's privacy. The school principal and a counselor might consider moving from room to room to tell the students what has happened. They should tell the truth, allow for expression of feelings, and affirm any expressions or feelings the students have. Students need to be told that they may visit a counselor's office for special assistance if they need to talk.
- d. If possible, allow a break after telling the students in order to give them an opportunity to express their grief with other students.
- e. Upon returning to school, students should be allowed time to discuss their feelings, talk about the deceased, and discuss memories. Give students, faculty, and staff information about the funeral and allow them to attend, provided the family has granted permission.
- f. Watch for trouble signs among the students. Be prepared to call in extra counselors if necessary.

14. Intruder or Individual with Deadly Weapon:

If someone enters the school grounds or buildings with a deadly weapon, the staff should follow these guidelines:

- a. Avoid confronting the student or gunman.
- b. Notify the school principal, or his/her designee, or school office immediately.
- c. Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.
- d. The school principal, or his/her designee, should follow these guidelines:
 - i. **Notify law enforcement immediately.**
 - ii. Identify the student or gunman (if known), the student or gunman's location, and the location of the weapon.
 - iii. Determine the level of threat. If the level of threat is high, call for additional backup.
 - iv. Attempt to get the weapon from the gunman or student through negotiation, or take other appropriate action with the aid of local law enforcement.
 - v. If the level of threat is low, call the student to the office and have law enforcement take the appropriate action.

15. Lock Down

This action is taken when the threat of violence or gunfire is identified or directed by law enforcement and it is necessary to prevent the perpetrator(s) from entering any occupied campus areas. During Lock Down, students are to remain in the classrooms or designated locations at all times. **Please See Appendix F for detailed administrative procedures for lockdown.**

- a. The Principal or Admin designee will make an announcement over the P.A. system that the school is going into a Lock Down situation.
 - i. **“Code RED. Prepare immediately for a lockdown. Prepare immediately for lockdown.”“Code RED. We have a lockdown situation. Begin lockdown procedures now.”**
 - ii. If the P.A. system is not available, other means of communication will be used, i.e., texting or email to staff. The Principal or Admin designee should remain calm and under control and give clear directions.
- b. Teachers will lock their doors and shut their blinds and instruct students to stay away from the doors and windows. If outside, students will continue to their classrooms if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff will direct students to nearby classrooms or school building.
- c. Teachers and students will remain in the classroom or secured area until further instructions are given by the school principal/admin designee or law enforcement.
- d. Teachers and students will remain in the classroom or secured area until further instructions are given by the school principal/admin designee or law enforcement.
- e. All entrances to the school are to be locked and no visitors other than appropriate law enforcement or emergency personnel are to be allowed on campus.

16. Evacuation

In the event conditions in the community or within the school itself necessitate a site evacuation, the following steps should be taken.

- a. The principal or his /her designee should:
 - i. Notify the school district office, county official or designee.
 - ii. Notify local law enforcement authorities.
 - iii. Notify school transportation support.
 - iv. Note the special needs of students or staff.
 - v. Direct clerical staff to take **school's master enrollment list**.
 - vi. Direct school nurse or designee to prepare emergency medications to be transported. Direct all personnel to leave the building and secure the building.
 - vii. Notify students' parents or legal guardians as situation permits.
 - viii. Plan to evacuate his/her class and ride the bus or walk as situation dictates.
 - ix. Take emergency instructional materials and first aid kits in the event the evacuation lasts several hours.
 - x. Notify principal, or his/her designee, of any special needs of students and their requirements.
- b. The first choice for a shelter during a building site evacuation is another building designated by the school district, county or other local authority. Once staff and students have arrived at the host site, the following steps should be taken:
 - i. Notify school nurse or local medical personnel of any medical emergencies.
 - ii. Consider how students will be fed and restroom needs met.
 - iii. Activate crisis intervention team to deal with any emotional trauma.
 - iv. Provide area and materials for parents who may arrive to pick up students.
 - v. Provide an area for non-school community evacuees.

17. Floor Plan

A floor plan of the school site buildings and grounds, which indicates the location of all exits, utility shut-offs, fire extinguishers, and emergency equipment and supplies, will be maintained and updated, as necessary. The floor plan should also indicate outdoor assembly area(s) and evacuation route(s) from the site (**Appendix C**).

A copy of the floor plan will be posted in each classroom at the school, in the school hallway and at the school's main office. Staff should familiarize themselves with the contents of the floor plan and with evacuation procedures.

18. Fire Drills

The school shall conduct fire drills on a regular basis to prepare for possible evacuation in case of an emergency. The school principal, or his/her designee, will specify the date and time of fire drills.

Fire drills will be conducted on a monthly basis. Earthquake “drop and cover” drills will be conducted once per quarter. All students and staff are required to participate in these mandated drills.

The school principal, or his/her designee, will designate an outdoor assembly area(s) where students and staff will gather whenever the building is evacuated. Unless instructed otherwise by public safety officials, students and staff will gather by class and attendance will be taken. The names of any missing individuals will be relayed to search and rescue teams and public safety officials.

19. Annual Inspections

- a. The school principal, or his/her designee, with the assistance of local support personnel where necessary, will conduct an annual inspection for situations that pose potential hazards. Of particular importance are proper storage of chemicals and correct labeling of all containers. Failure of one or more of the utilities (electricity, gas, water) constitutes a condition that must be dealt with on a situational basis. A walk-through inspection of each area of each building will be conducted using a checklist of the following:
 - i. Classroom
 - ii. Corridors
 - iii. Cafeteria/Auditorium (use for all assembly areas)
 - iv. Kitchen (Not in use)
 - v. Office
 - vi. Teacher's Workroom and Employee Lounge
 - vii. Toilet
 - viii. Custodial
 - ix. Boiler Room
 - x. Storage Room (also use for File Rooms)
 - xi. Yard (or Grounds)
- b. Where multiple rooms of the same type are to be inspected (e.g., classrooms, offices), be sure to note the exact identification (e.g., Room 7; women's restroom). Complete each section of the checklist. Provide a brief description of the problem in the section provided.
- c. Appropriate measures will be taken to correct the problem at the direction of the school principal. When possible, personnel at the site (e.g., custodian) will handle corrections or repairs and may provide an estimate of the necessary repairs and corrections. The custodian or other buildings and grounds personnel will advise the school principal, or his/her designee, of problems that cannot be corrected by site staff.

20. Parental Notification

In the case of an emergency requiring evacuation of the school site, parents will be notified as soon as possible. At the beginning of each school year, all parents will be asked to provide emergency contact information, sign an emergency medical release form for their child, and designate persons who are authorized to pick-up their child in the event of an emergency.

21. Classroom Safety Kits:

Emergency and first aid supplies are necessary when an emergency or injury occurs at the school. Emergency and first aid supplies should be kept in the school's central office and in individual classrooms as needed. At the beginning of each school year, each classroom will receive a classroom safety kit. Suggested items in case of an emergency:

- Blankets
- Matches
- Pillows
- Bottled Water
- Flashlights
- Paper Towels
- Batteries
- Wet Ones
- Radio (battery operated)
- Sheets
- Candles

Suggested first aid items:

- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Iodine
- Alcohol
- Assorted Band Aids
- Gauze
- Sterile Water (for burns)
- Tape
- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Bandages
- Instant Ice Packs
- Ace Bandages
- Package of Sewing Needles
- Slings
- Anti-bacterial salve
- Steri-strips or butterfly stitches
- Disposable gloves
- Face masks
- CPR (disposable mouthpieces)
- Current first aid book

In case of an emergency evacuation, staff will take this kit to the evacuation site, along with an attendance sheet.

22. School Safety Management Team

The Principal is the overall director of the School Safety Management Team and will appoint those members of the staff necessary to respond to issues of safety at the School and in the case of an emergency. Depending upon the nature of an emergency, additional administrative, teaching and support staff may also be part of the team, but may act only when assigned specific duties by the Principal.

23. Guidelines for Handling the Media

Whenever a natural disaster or crisis situation occurs, media coverage is a certainty. School staff and administrators are encouraged to follow these guidelines when dealing with the media. The school principal should assign a school spokesperson to deal directly with the media.

- a. Develop a written statement for dissemination.
- b. Get the maximum amount of information out to the media - and thus the public - as rapidly as possible.
- c. Appoint a spokesperson (usually the principal).
- d. Keep the staff informed through one person.
- e. Be proactive with the media.
- f. Contact the media before they contact the school.
- g. Set geographic and time limits.
- h. Explain restrictions.
- i. Hold the press accountable.
- j. Create positive relations with the media before an emergency crisis occurs.
- k. Stress positive actions taken by the school.
- l. Announce new changes made after the incident has passed.

III. Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco

The use or possession of drugs, alcohol or tobacco are strictly prohibited at the school or around school grounds.

- A. If staff member suspects that a student is in the possession of a controlled substance, he or she should:
 1. Identify the parties involved.
 2. Notify the Principal or his/her designee immediately.
 3. Follow-up with a written incident report, including any witness statements.
- B. The principal, or his/her designee, should do the following:
 1. Assess the situation and determine the level of assistance needed (i.e. school counselor, police)
 2. Isolate the parties involved for interview/investigation.
 3. Notify parent or legal guardian.
 4. Obtain witness statements and document in a written incident report.
 5. Determine disciplinary consequences. **See *School Disciplinary, Suspension & Expulsion Policy-Appendix B.***
 6. Determine what intervention or follow-up procedures are necessary including counseling.

IV. Child Abuse Reporting

Child abuse shall be reported in compliance with the procedures set forth in the school's Employee Handbook and in accordance with California law. The reporting of suspected child abuse is mandatory.

All employees of the school are committed to children. Professionals who work with or regularly come into contact with children have a crucial role in their protection. Mandated reporters are designated as such because they are in a position to receive information that a child is or may be at risk, and to pass this information on to the agencies that can intervene to protect the child.\

When a teacher or other school staff suspects a case of child abuse, he or she should contact the appropriate child protective authorities immediately.

V. Campus Ingress and Egress

Visitors and guests are welcome at the school. However, to safeguard students and staff, reasonable precautions should be taken.

- A. Visitors should:
 - 1. Always report and sign in at the office.
 - 2. Be provided with a visitor's badge.
 - 3. Be prepared to provide identification to school personnel.
 - 4. Respect school rules.
- B. Ensure that the following is completed:
 - 1. Insure all exterior doors are marked with a notice to visitors to first report to the office.
 - 2. Exterior doors should remain locked, except doors near the office area.
 - 3. Staff should receive training on how to greet visitors. The first question is "May I help you?"
 - 4. Someone should greet every visitor.
 - 5. Any intruder found roaming the building should be escorted to the office. Someone can then provide any additional information or directions. (NOTE: An intruder is anyone without a visitor's badge or lacking visible identification stating who they are, i.e., school employee)
- C. Visitors who fail to comply with school procedures:
 - 1. Should verbally be informed they are in violation of school policy. (Example - "Sir, you must report to the office. If you fail to do so, you will be considered a trespasser, and school security will be called.")
 - 2. If this fails:
 - a. Notify the office of the situation.
 - b. Follow the person, if possible, and continue to give notice of the violation of school rules.
 - 3. Police should be notified, or call 911.
 - 4. Office should activate building-wide notification plan concerning intruder:
 - a. PA announcement using pre-determined code phrase.
 - b. Classroom doors should be closed.
 - c. Students should remain in current areas.

VI. Notifying Teachers of Dangerous Pupils

- A. The principal will inform teachers and other relevant staff of students who are defined as dangerous as set forth in the California Education Code sec. 48900, including the exceptions to this rule provided therein. The School will provide this information to the teacher based upon any records that the school maintains in its ordinary course of business, or receives from a law enforcement agency, regarding a pupil described in this Section. The school is not civilly or criminally liable for providing information unless it is proven that the information was false and that the school employee knew or should have known that the information was false, or the information was provided with a reckless disregard for its truth or falsity.
- B. Any information received by a teacher pursuant to this section shall be received in confidence for the limited purpose for which it was provided and shall not be further disseminated by the teacher.

VII. Harassment and Discrimination

- A. Harassment and Discrimination are prohibited. They include the following:
 - 1. Verbal Threats
 - 2. Threatening Behavior
 - 3. Hazing
 - 4. Intimidation
 - 5. Gang Behavior
 - 6. Fights
- B. Policies for dealing with harassment and discrimination are described in the *Harassment and Discrimination Policy-Appendix B*. If harassment or discrimination occurs, school staff should:
 - 1. Evaluate the seriousness of the situation and determine the level of assistance needed. If intervention is required, contact support staff. Where threats of serious bodily injury and/or weapons are involved, call 911.
 - 2. Identify the parties involved and give specific verbal directions to discuss the situation. Where a physical altercation is occurring, or is about to occur, call for staff support and immediately separate the parties involved.
 - 3. Document the incident, including the names of witnesses and any statements.
 - 4. Give incident reports to the principal, or his/her designee, as soon as possible.
- C. The principal, or his/her designee, should:
 - 1. Assess the seriousness of the incident. If assistance is needed, call necessary support staff. Where a threat of serious bodily injury or weapons is involved, call 911.
 - 2. Identify the parties involved.
 - 3. Seek written documentation from witnesses.
 - 4. Determine disciplinary consequences. **See *Harassment and Discrimination Policy-Appendix B*; and *Disciplinary, Suspension & Expulsion Policy-Appendix D*.**
 - 5. Determine what intervention or follow-up is necessary, including reference to a school counselor, psychologist, or local law enforcement.
 - 6. Notify parents or legal guardian and appropriate school personnel of incident.
 - 7. Complete a report with a description of the incident and include the names of witnesses and any statements. Summarize the disciplinary procedures used in resolution of the incident.

VIII. Disciplinary, Suspension & Expulsion Policy

Discipline will be handled as set forth in the *Student/Parent Handbook – Appendix E*.

IX. Incident Report

Any serious incident on campus, including but not limited to weapons on campus, serious injury, drugs or alcohol on campus, or police/fire/paramedic on campus, requires an **Administrative Incident Report (Appendix D)** be filled out and submitted to the Magnolia Public Schools Chief Accountability Officer and Director of Student Services.

APPENDICES

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Appendix A

Staff Emergency Roles

Staff Emergency Roles

ROLE	1st SHIFT	2nd SHIFT
Site Incident Commander	Gokhan Serce	Nellie Tate
Safety Officer	Gokhan Serce	Nellie Tate
Public Information Officer	Gokhan Serce	Nellie Tate
Liaison Officer	Gokhan Serce	Nellie Tate
Operations Chief	Neil Egasani	Halil Akdeniz
Facility Check & Maintenance	Neil Egasani	Halil Akdeniz
Site Security	Alexander Oxford	Chris Wertz
Search & Rescue Team Leader	Neil Egasani	Halil Akdeniz
Search & Rescue/Utility Team 1	Nathan Williams	Shawn Kessler
Search & Rescue/Utility Team 2	Stephen Prendergast	Shawn Kessler
Medical Team Leader	Susie Davila	Emily Snyder
Medical/Utility Team 1	Ashlyn Yetter	Latif Arslan
Medical/Utility Team 2	Megan Craig	Ashlyn Yetter
Reunification Leader	Stacey Coulter	Rosie Beck
Evacuation Area	Janelle Abraham	Rosie Beck
Request Area	Stacey Coulter	Rosie Beck
Release Gate	Stacey Coulter	Rosie Beck
Planning Chief	Deniz Kocoglu	Mike Mains
Documentation	Brooke Laird	Mike Mains
Situation Analysis	Mike Mains	Kristin Bartholomew
Logistics Chief	Latif Arslan	Megan Craig
Supplies, Facilities & Staffing	Carla White	Jibrhan Perez
Finance & Administration Chief	Jibrhan Perez	Brooke Laird

Appendix B

Harassment Policy

Harassment Policy

“In compliance with federal and state equal opportunity laws, equal opportunity will be afforded to all applicants regardless of race, color, sex, age, religious creed, disability, national origin, ancestry, or sexual orientation in every aspect of the school community.

(Magnolia Public Schools) MPS is committed to providing a working and learning environment that is free from unlawful discrimination and harassment. MPS prohibits discrimination and harassment based on an individual’s actual or perceived sex, sexual orientation, gender (including gender identity, marital status, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical condition), ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, mental or physical disability, age, or on the basis of a person’s association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Harassment based on any of the above-protected categories is a form of unlawful discrimination and will not be tolerated by MPS.

Harassment is intimidation or abusive behavior toward a student or employee that creates a hostile environment and can result in disciplinary action against the offending student or employee. Harassing conduct may take many forms, including but not limited to, verbal remarks and name-calling, graphic and written statements, or conduct that is threatening or humiliating. This nondiscrimination policy covers admission or access to treatment or employment in all MPS programs and activities, including vocational education. The lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission to or participation in MPS programs or activities.

Additional information prohibiting other forms of unlawful discrimination or harassment, inappropriate behavior, and/or hate-motivated incidents/crimes may be found in local District/State policies. It is the intent of MPS that all such policies be reviewed consistently to provide the highest level of protection from unlawful discrimination in the provision of educational services and opportunities.

MPS prohibits retaliation against anyone who files a complaint or who participates in a complaint investigation. For inquiries or complaints related to discrimination or harassment based on student’s sex (Title IX); sexual orientation or gender identity (Title 5, CCR, §4910); race, color, or national origin (Title VI); or mental or physical disability (Section 504), contact MPS.” (Magnolia Public Schools Student/Parent Handbook 2015-2016, p.5)

Appendix C

Suspension & Expulsion Policies and Procedures

I. DISCIPLINE POLICIES

Magnolia Public Schools Student Code of Conduct:

MPS is committed to excellence in academic instruction and in cooperating with parents/guardians to teach students the behaviors and skills that support social successes throughout life. To accomplish this goal, MPS is taking a proactive approach to teaching social skills as a significant component of the educational program. The curriculum includes teaching of the behaviors necessary for effective and satisfying social interaction in school, on field trips, in the community, and at home.

Uniform and Personal Appearance:

The uniform policy at MPS helps create a safe and orderly environment, instill discipline, and eliminate the competition and distractions caused by varied dress styles. Students are required to arrive in uniform every day except for "free dress days". Students will not be allowed to enter the school if they are not wearing the proper uniform.

All MPS students are required to wear the school uniform at all times including during the afterschool tutoring/activities. Refer to Student Uniform Policy on later pages.

A. EXPECTED STUDENT BEHAVIOR

Students should always remember that their behavior and actions at school and at school-sponsored activities are a reflection not only of themselves, but also of the school. The following is a guideline of what expected from an MPS student:

Breakfast/Lunch Time:

Students must:

- Proceed to the eating area as instructed by MPS staff.
- Eat and finish their breakfast/lunch in the assigned area. No food should be eaten outside the designated areas.
- Wait patiently for their food and follow the direction of the adults on duty.
- Clean up after themselves and dispose of their trash in the appropriate area.
- Remember that they are not allowed in the school building without a pass.
- Students must carry a pass that is given to them by security guard/supervisor staff.

On Campus:

Students must:

- Stay in designated areas on-campus.
- Be courteous and respectful at all times to everyone.

- Not use profanity, lie, fight, gamble, possess inappropriate literature or material, or be involved in the abuse/harassment of others.
- Not use or have cellular phones turned on during school hours; students are allowed to use cellular phones **only** in the designated area after school. Phones should not be used during after school programs, such as tutoring.
- Remember that any electronic devices seen during class time will be confiscated and returned to the student's parents/guardians at the discretion of administration.
- Remember that gum chewing is not allowed anywhere on campus.
- Never ride bicycles, use roller blades or skateboards on campus nor bring them to class.
- Not leave campus without permission during school hours (except students in 7-12 grade who are being excused to receive confidential medical services without parental permission).
- Not use matches, lighters, or any type of explosive incendiary device on campus.
- Remember that **no electronic devices** such as CD/MP3/IPOD players may be visible or used on the campus grounds.
- Students are not allowed to loiter in the hallways.

Assemblies:

Students must:

- Be courteous and quiet during the entire assembly.
- Be respectful to the presenter/speaker.
- Follow all teacher/staff directions.

Field Trips:

Students must:

- Be on their best behavior.
Pay attention to the directives given by the moderator and trip leader.
- Follow all school rules pertaining to behavior.
- Wear MPS uniform unless authorized by administration.

Public areas: Hallways, Lunchroom & Restrooms:

Hallways, Lunchroom and Restrooms are areas used by all members of School. Students must:

- Use the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms only as needed and then move on to class.
- Eat only in the cafeteria or other designated area.
- Leave gum at home; chewing gum is strictly prohibited anywhere on campus.
- Maintain orderly conduct always; walk in the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms.
- Keep in mind that profanity and vulgar language at any level is unacceptable and is strictly prohibited in all areas and at school functions at all times.
- Limit excessive noise such as yelling, screaming or banging lockers while in these areas.
- Help keep the school clean by picking up after yourself and putting your belongings in their proper place.

- Respect others personal space and keep your hands to yourself even in play.
- Have a pass to be in the above areas during class time.
- Keep in mind that vandalism, littering, or graffiti in the school is prohibited and should be reported as this reflects poorly on everyone.
- Public displays of affection are prohibited.
- Bring only plastic and paper containers to school; all glass containers are prohibited on campus and will be confiscated.
- Be responsible and report any leaks, spills, or other problems in the bathroom to a teacher or the office.
- Be responsible for cleaning up after yourself, including the disposing of or the recycling of garbage.
- Have a hall pass if you are outside of the classroom during class time.
- Not visit with friends or interrupt another classroom.
- Not misuse the hall pass as it will result in loss of the hall pass privilege.
- Get a referral from your teacher before you go to the office. Do not use the hall pass.

Emergency Drills:

Fire drills, lockdowns, and evacuation drills are conducted periodically for everyone’s protection and are required by law. During these drills it is imperative that students remain silent, follow instructions given by the staff, and carry out all directions in an orderly fashion.

<p>Classroom: Students must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be seated and ready to begin their assignment when the bell rings. • Be courteous to all teachers and students. • Follow all school and classroom rules. • Bring all necessary materials/supplies ready to work daily.
<p>Classroom Procedures and Consequences: Please check the teacher’s syllabus for specific consequences which may include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In Class Warning 2. Student-Teacher Conference 3. Reflection / Parental Notification 4. Parent Conference 5. Office Referral & Administrative Disciplinary Procedures

B. SIS (STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM) BEHAVIOR POINTS

[For Middle & High School Only] Student behavior will be recorded on SIS and students will receive the following rewards or consequences based on their behavior points.

Note: The following tables are for sample purposes only. Each individual MPS school may

include amendments into the SIS behavior points, rewards, and consequences addressing local needs.

Positive Rewards:	
+5	Contact parent/guardian
+10	Lunch speed pass
+15	Treat
+20	One day free dress (pass will be given)
+25	Extended lunch period
+30	Two-day free dress (pass will be given)
+35	VIP breakfast
+40	Entered in a raffle
+45	Free dress – every Friday for one month (pass will be given)
+50	VIP lunch and “Race to the Top”
Negative Consequences:	
5 entries	Contact parent/guardian
10 entries	Loss of privileges
15 entries	Parent/guardian conference / Red slip*
20 entries	Behavior plan and lunch reflection
25 entries	Shadowed by parent/guardian for a day and one hour after school reflection
30 entries	Student improvement team
35-49 Entries	Pending Reflection Committee outcome
50 entries	Reflective hearing with Reflection Committee, parent/guardian and student

**Students may earn a positive SIS point for receiving all acceptable marks and a signature on their red slip.*

When a student receives negative twenty or more SIS entries, the MPS administration will arrange a meeting with that student and the parent to develop a behavioral plan. If the student fails to abide by the discipline tracker rules or an agreement between the administration, parents, and student, cannot be reached, the student will be referred to the School Reflection Committee.

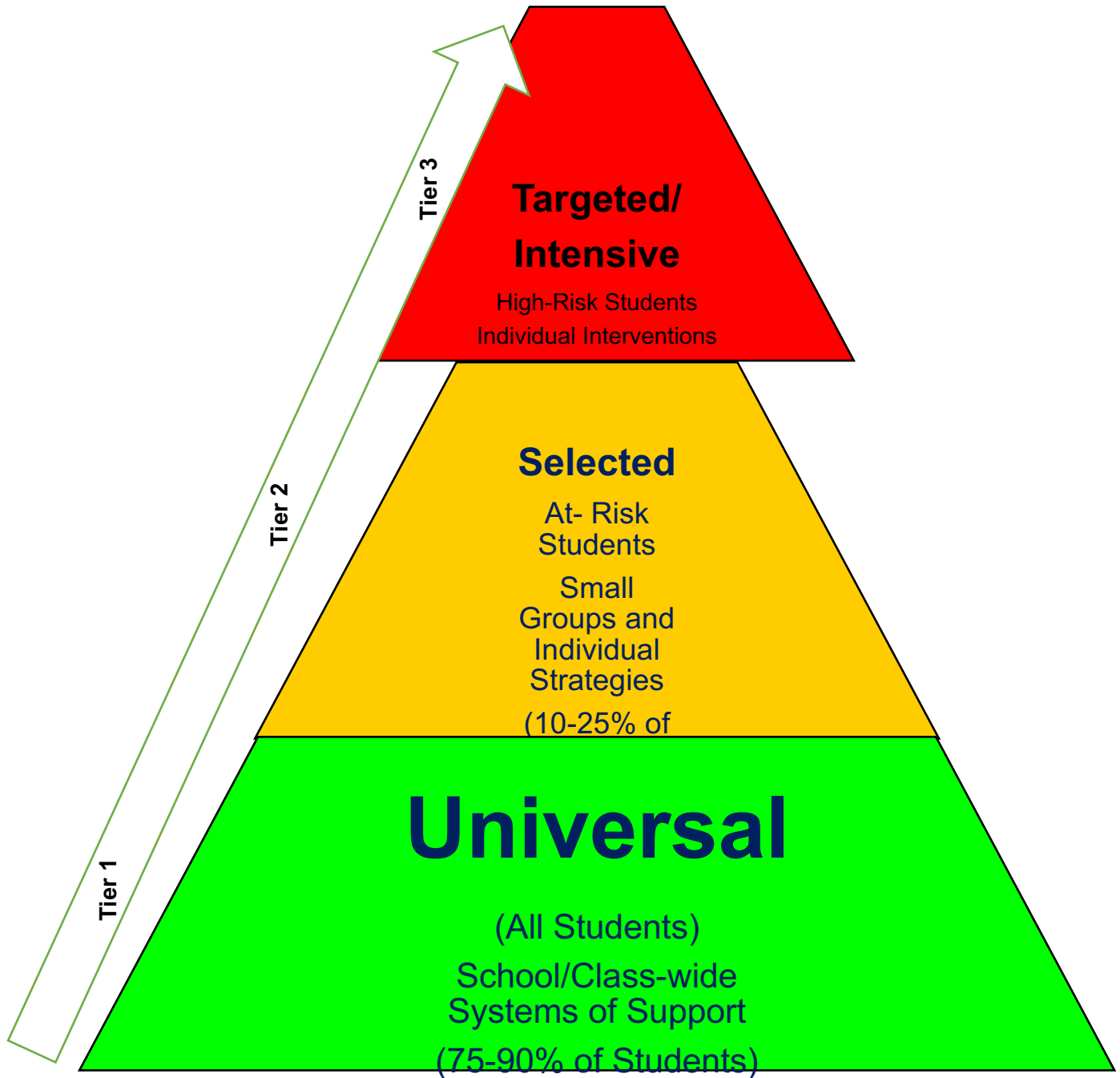
C. UNACCEPTABLE TYPES OF BEHAVIOR AND CONSEQUENCES

All students at MPS are entitled to the rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution, Bill of Rights, and applicable case law, and their rights will not be knowingly denied by the required code of conduct or by any disciplinary actions taken by the school. Accordingly, after an analysis of each case, any student who exhibits any of the unacceptable student behaviors listed in this handbook may incur consequences. These consequences range from notification of parents, reflection, to emergency removal from a school activity, suspension, expulsion, and referral to appropriate law enforcement agencies.

MPS reserves the right to notify the authorities and the Department of Education as required by law relating to disciplinary actions taken. It is to be noted that MPS reserves the right to discipline any act that has a nexus with MPS or the school community and causes a substantial disruption to the normal operation of the School. In other words, MPS may discipline behavior at school or at a school-related or school-sponsored function or any activity or any act that causes a substantial disruption on the school environment or that is performed with/on/by/via school equipment or school property. MPS respects and observes the rights of student to lawful student expression, as outlined in the MPS Student Expression Policy available in the office of each MPS school.

The following tables delineate unacceptable types of behavior and possible consequences.

Multi-Tiered System of Response to Behavior



Universal

Examples of Classroom, Support and Teacher-Led Responses

These interventions are designed to teach appropriate behavior so that students may contribute to the learning community within the classroom environment. Teachers are encouraged to try a variety of instructional and classroom management strategies to support all learners.

Level 1 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Invading personal space ▪ Antagonizing others ▪ Violation of school/class rules ▪ Horseplaying ▪ Violating off-limits/restricted area ▪ Habitually tardy and/or not being in assigned location ▪ Disrupting the learning environment/Off task ▪ Littering ▪ Not having proper materials, supplies, and/or equipment for class participation ▪ Inappropriate use of electronic devices ▪ Dress code violation ▪ Inappropriate language/actions (hurtful, vulgar, gossip, etc.) ▪ Passive participation in hurtful acts/words against others ▪ Public display of affection (holding hands, kissing, hugging, etc.) ▪ Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ School-wide PBIS ✓ Social-emotional learning program ✓ Proactive classroom management ✓ Regular, preemptive communication with families ✓ Classroom incentives ✓ Seating, assignment, behavioral accommodations ✓ Conferencing with student(s) and parents ✓ Verbal correction and redirection ✓ Reminders, role-play, daily progress sheet ✓ Loss of classroom privileges ✓ Written and/or verbal reflection

Selected

Examples of Support, Removal and Administrative Responses

These responses engage the students's support system to ensure successful learning and to alter conditions that are inappropriate or disruptive.

Level 2 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Using/possessing tobacco and/or lighter ▪ Violating traffic or safety regulations ▪ Encouraging other students to violate school rules ▪ Leaving school and/or school bus without permission ▪ Fighting and/or arranging altercations ▪ Using objects inappropriately (i.e., the use of an object to harm others or damage property) ▪ Physical assault without serious bodily injury (i.e., pushing with intent, kicking, hitting, pinching, spitting) ▪ Defacing and/or vandalism of school property ▪ Plagiarism/academic dishonesty ▪ Leaving school or classroom without permission (truancy) ▪ Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding district filter, etc.) ▪ Stealing and/or possessing stolen property ▪ Failure to attend to/complete assigned restorative action ▪ Gambling or Extortion ▪ Habitual violations of school/class rules ▪ Forgery of signatures ▪ Sexually explicit behavior ▪ Planning and/or arranging actions with malicious intent ▪ Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures ▪ Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) ▪ Bullying/cyberbullying ▪ Violation of personal boundaries ▪ Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Behavioral contract ✓ Self-monitoring ✓ School-home communication ✓ Adult or peer mentorship ✓ Utilize check-in and check-out system ✓ Intensive academic and/or social support ✓ Reflection (lunch, after school, Saturday, etc.) ✓ Refer student to SSPT ✓ Loss of privileges ✓ Counseling ✓ Temporary removal from class ✓ Extended school day

Targeted/Intensive

Examples of support, removal and School Site Administrators and Home Office Responses.

These responses address serious behavior and potential implications for future harm. They promote safety of the school community and should be used in a progressive fashion.

See Categorical Offenses

Level 3 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Physically assaulting with serious bodily injury ▪ Conduct or habits injurious to others (peers/authority) ▪ Using/possessing controlled and/or dangerous substances and/or paraphernalia ▪ Bullying (harassing, intimidating, cyberbullying) ▪ Fighting and/or arranging altercations ▪ Using/possessing weapons and/or weapon paraphernalia including but not limited to those prohibited under federal law ▪ Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) ▪ Arson, attempting to commit arson and/or possession of explosives/fireworks (i.e., smoke bombs, sink bombs, etc.) ▪ Causing a false fire alarm ▪ Making a bomb/explosive threat ▪ Encouraging other students to violate school rules ▪ Student hazing ▪ Using gang and/or secret society symbols/acts ▪ Inappropriate use of electronic devices ▪ Public displays of sexually explicit behavior ▪ Defacing and/or vandalism of school property ▪ Gambling ▪ Habitual violations of school/class rules ▪ Forgery of signatures ▪ Stealing and/or possessing stolen property ▪ Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding school filter, etc.) ▪ Sexual explicit behavior, Lewd Conduct, Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ All Tier 1 and Tier 2 interventions ✓ FBA-based behavior intervention plans ✓ Teaching replacement behavior ✓ Home and community supports ✓ Self-management program ✓ Restricted access ✓ In-school reflection and/or suspension ✓ Short-term out-of-school suspension ✓ Extended out-of-school suspension ✓ Request for alternate educational setting ✓ Recommendation for expulsion

Infractions Explained:

(See also the Enumerated Offenses and applicable procedures listed in Section D: Suspension and Expulsion Procedures, below)

Assaulting, Fighting and/or Arranging Fights
School is not a place to arrange fights, whether those fights take place on or off school grounds. Any fight and/or attempting to fight will involve disciplining all students involved.
Bringing / Using Electronic Devices
CD players, IPOD, MP3 players, phones, PDA, PSP, laptops, smart watches, electronic games, and/or similar devices are not allowed to be used at school. They disrupt classes and distract others from learning. If you choose to bring them for use outside of school, it is at your own discretion. MPS assumes no liability for any damaged, destroyed, lost, stolen, misplaced or otherwise compromised electronic device brought onto MPS property.
Scholastic Dishonesty
Scholastic dishonesty includes (but is not limited to) plagiarism, cheating on tests, and/or any other types of deception to obtain credit without effort. Scholastic dishonesty is unacceptable conduct. As a consequence, student will receive a failing grade on the assignment/test, and all other possible corrective strategies listed under the RTI table above will apply as well.
Texting/Sexting
Sexting can be defined as the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photographs electronically, primarily between mobile phones and/or any other communication devices.
Disrupting Learning
Disrupting learning includes any behavior that prevents other students from learning. It may include but is not limited to inappropriate language, eating or drinking during class against teachers' classroom rules, chewing gum, insubordination and/or selling or trading personal possessions to other students.
Horseplay
Rough or boisterous play including but not limited to shoving, play fighting, kicking, name calling, teasing, pushing/pulling on a student and shoulder bumps

Violating Uniform Policy
A student's dress and appearance shall conform to the specific uniform and appearance limitations described in this handbook.
Possession or Use of Drugs and/or Alcohol and the Sale or Intention to Sell Drugs and/or Alcohol
Use of drugs or alcohol means a student knowingly possesses, consumes, uses, handles, gives, stores, conceals, offers to sell, sells, transmits, acquires, buys, represents, makes, applies, or is under the influence of any narcotic drug, hallucinogen, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, tranquilizer, non-prescription or prescription drug (except when under the direction of a physician/parent and within school procedure), alcohol, intoxicant, solvent, gas, or any mood-altering chemical, drug of abuse or any counterfeit-controlled substance of any kind including butane lighters. The sale, distribution, possession, or use of drugs, alcohol, fake drugs, steroids, inhalants, and look-alike drugs is prohibited everywhere on school grounds, at all school activities, and on all school transportation (drug free zone 1000 feet radius). Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by Administration and/or Law Enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.
False Fire Alarms
Issuing a false fire alarm is a violation of State law. Making false 911 calls is also violation of the State Law.
Forgery of Signatures
Any attempt by a student to sign a teacher's, administrator's, parent/guardian's, and/or another student's name to any school document will be considered forgery.
Vulgarity, Profanity and Obscenity
Any gesture or material of this nature is not permitted at school or school functions.
Bullying & Cyber Bullying
Bullying is not permitted at MPS. In addition, MPS will not tolerate unlawful intimidation and bullying due to actual or perceived characteristics such as age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, disability, nationalist, race or ethnicity, religion, sex,

sexual orientation, or a person's association with a person, or group, with or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Each student deserves an equal opportunity to obtain an education without dealing with the negative pressures of peers. Bullying consists of any of the following: pushing, shoving, hitting, and spitting, name calling, picking on, making fun of, laughing at, and excluding someone physically or via social media or electronic communications.

Bullying causes pain and stress to those who are victims and is never justified or excusable as "kids being kids", "just teasing", "joking", "playing around" or any other rationalization. This includes the use of social media for wrongful purposes.

Each MPS student agrees to:

- Value student differences and treat others with respect.
- Not become involved in bullying incidents or be a bully.

Harassment of Students, Teachers, Administrators, or Staff

Harassment means making unwelcome advances or any form of improper physical contact or sexual remark and any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating or offensive learning environment. See also the MPS Policy Against Unlawful Harassment.

Harassment can be verbal, physical and visual. (Education Code, § 212.5)

Harassment is a violation of Federal Law and is contrary to the School Board's commitment to provide a physically and psychologically safe environment in which to learn.

Behaving Disrespectfully towards Teachers or Staff

Disrespect (i.e. arguing, talking back, etc.) and insubordination (failure to comply with directives) toward any member of the faculty or staff will not be tolerated. Profanity, either spoken or written is considered a form of disrespect.

Student Hazing

Hazing is defined as doing any act or coercing another person for initiation into any organization that causes or creates a substantial risk or causes mental or physical harm. Permission, consent or assumption of the risk by an individual subjected to hazing does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy. Hazing may carry heavy legal consequences.

Smoking or Use of Other Tobacco Products

Possession of tobacco products in any part of the school (drug free zone 1000 feet radius) or on the student is prohibited under this policy. This includes cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vaporizers, cigars, herbs, and smokeless tobacco. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched if the presence of such items is suspected.

Stealing and/or Vandalizing School/Private Property & Graffiti

This means to cause or attempt to cause damage to private property, stealing or attempting to steal private property either on school grounds or during school activities, functions or events. Students and their parents or guardians will be held responsible for any theft/vandalism/graffiti (including graffiti tools such as permanent markers) that the student commits. Theft or vandalism of school property carries heavy legal penalties.

No Permanent markers or aerosol cans are allowed at school.

Displaying Threatening Behavior

Threatening behavior includes: verbal threats, both face to face and over electronic media (phone and/or computers), non-verbal threats ("hard" stares, gestures), willfully causing or attempting to cause physical injury to another person, causing or attempt to cause any student, teacher, administrator, or staff member to feel frightened or intimidated.

Bringing Weapon in School

A weapon includes, but is not limited to, conventional objects like guns, pellet guns, knives, smoke bombs, fireworks, club of any type, mace, tear gas, or other chemicals. This may also include any toy that is presented as a real weapon. It also includes objects converted from their original use to threaten or injure another. The Administration reserves the right to all final decisions regarding the definition of a weapon. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by administration or law enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

If you are aware of a weapon /drugs/alcohol on campus and do not inform school staff, you will be subject to disciplinary actions and serve consequences.

Possession or Use of Fireworks

Using or possessing any amusement device, smoke bomb, stink bomb, etc.

Gang and Secret Society Symbols
Disruption and/or intimidation caused by the wearing of any type of clothing, accessories, hair style, or by writing of any signs identified as or associated with gangs. No gang activity or gang association will be permitted at school or school sponsored activities. Gang symbols on notebooks, lockers, book bags, etc. are not permitted and will be documented. Students may not promise to become or be members of a gang, secret society, illegal club, sorority or fraternity.
Arson
Intentionally starting any fire or combustion on school property
Public Display of Affection
Public displays of affection are not allowed.
Provoking/Intimidating Behavior Encouraging or Urging Other Students to Violate School Rules
Any student who, by means of provocation, intimidation, encouragement, request, or other means of promotion, induces or attempts to induce another student to violate a MPS school rule shall be subject to discipline.

Students with an IEP:

If a student has an IEP, that IEP and any applicable behavior plan shall be followed, accordingly to state and federal law. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team may meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved.

MPS follows state and federal laws regarding discipline, including suspension and expulsion, of students with disabilities. See also Section D: Suspension and Expulsion Procedures, below, for more information.

D. SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION PROCEDURES

The following Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy has been established in order to promote learning and protect the safety and well-being of all students at MPS. Staff shall enforce disciplinary rules and procedures fairly and consistently among all

students. In creating this policy, the Charter School has reviewed Education Code Section 48900 et seq. which describes the non-charter schools' list of offenses and procedures to establish its list of offenses and procedures for suspensions and expulsions. The language that follows closely mirrors the language of Education Code Section 48900 et seq. The Charter School is committed to annual review of policies and procedures surrounding suspensions and expulsions and, as necessary, modification of the lists of offenses for which students are subject to suspension or expulsion.

When the policy is violated, it may be necessary to suspend or expel a student from regular classroom instruction. This policy shall serve as MPS' policy and procedures for student suspension and expulsion. Suspended or expelled students shall be excluded from all school and school-related activities unless otherwise agreed during the period of suspension or expulsion.

This Policy and its Procedures will clearly describe discipline expectations, and it will be printed and distributed as part of the Student Handbook which is sent to each student at the beginning of the school year. The MPS administration shall ensure that students and their parents/guardians are notified in writing upon enrollment of all discipline policies and procedures.

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of or willfully causing the infliction of physical pain on a student. For purposes of the Policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to school property.

Discipline includes but is not limited to advising and counseling students, conferring with parents/guardians, reflection during and after school hours, use of alternative educational environments, suspension and expulsion.

PROGRESSIVE POSITIVE DISCIPLINE

Positive Consequences

MPS school staff has committed itself to encouraging and supporting the attainment of academic skills as well as social skills, such as listening, friendship-making, problem solving, and alternatives to aggression. To inspire and encourage students to develop their potential in all of these areas, the following reinforcements will be used for positive behavior:

- Individual awards/recognition
- Classroom awards/recognition
- Certificates
- Displays
- Positive contact with parent/guardian
- Special activities (field trips, movie nights, picnics, etc.)
- Publications
- Assemblies

- Positive SIS points

Positive student behavior and improvements will be acknowledged and encouraged by the MPS staff. Teachers will not only report discipline issues on the school information system, but also positive behaviors and accomplishments. Parents will also be informed of positive behavior and improvements via phone, email, and home visits. Students will receive certificates and/or rewards for outstanding performance and behaviors.

Alternatives to Suspension

To intervene in student behavior, MPS has a progressive discipline plan in place at each of its schools. This plan is published at the beginning of each school year in the Parent/Student handbook. The handbook also includes a school-parent-student compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will develop a partnership to help children achieve high academic and behavior standards. The discipline plan includes information about student expectations and progression of disciplinary procedures from day-to-day discipline to suspension and expulsion.

MPS believes that alternatives to suspension align with our schoolwide positive behavior support plan. Following are list of alternatives to be considered before suspending a student: warning, phone call home, parent conference, teacher/administrative reflection, written assignment/research/presentation, loss of privileges, behavior contract, parent shadowing, mentorship (peer/teacher), referral (counseling, SSPT, Dean of Students/Principal), assigning volunteer work/community service, Saturday school, and in-school suspension.

Reflection:

Reflection will be held on assigned day either during the lunch period or after school for up to 60 minutes. Students will have at least one (1) day notice that they must serve a reflection that is longer than twenty (20) minutes in order to make arrangements to be picked up from school. Parents may request in person a delay of the reflection; no phone calls or notes will be accepted for this request.

In School Suspension (ISS):

Notice of In School Suspension (ISS) and the reasons for the ISS will be given to the student and the parent in writing. The student will remain on campus during school hours in a designated area not in their regular class setting. The student will have no or limited contact with students and teachers while serving an ISS. Student is expected to complete their classroom assignments and school community service during ISS.

GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION

Jurisdiction

A student may be suspended for prohibited misconduct if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MPS or at any other school; or (3) a MPS sponsored event. A student may be suspended for acts that are enumerated below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

Enumerated Offenses

Discretionary Suspension Offenses

Students may be suspended for any of the following acts when it is determined the student:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in minor harm.
2. Willfully used force of violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in minor injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished nominal amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully under the influence of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property resulting in negligible loss.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property.
9. Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including but not limited to cigars, cigarettes, miniature cigars, clove

cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets and betel. This section does not prohibit the use of his or her own prescription products by a pupil.

10. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
11. Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.
12. Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties.
13. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
14. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
15. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committed a sexual battery as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
16. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
17. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
18. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or pre-initiation into a student organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective student. For purposes of this section, "hazing" does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
19. Made terrorist threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, "terroristic threat" shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which

it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family's safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.

20. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
21. Caused, attempted to cause, threaten to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
22. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12 inclusive.
23. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.
 - 1) "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:
 - i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.
 - ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.

- iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic performance.
 - iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.
- 2) "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
- i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
 - ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.
 - (b) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.
 - (c) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.
 - iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - (a) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school

personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.

- (b) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.

- 3) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.
- 24. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to subdivision (1)(a)-(b).
- 25. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee's concurrence.

Mandatory Suspension Offenses

Students shall be suspended when the following occur on school campus or at a school activity off campus, for any of the following reasons:

- 1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(1)
- 2. Brandishing a knife at another person. E.C. 48915(c)(2)
- 3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance. E.C. 48915(c)(3)
- 4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery, as defined

in the enumerated offenses, above. E.C. 48915(c)(4)

5. Possession of an explosive, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(5)

SUSPENSION PROCEDURES

Suspensions shall be initiated according to the following procedures:

Conference

Suspension shall be preceded, if possible, by a conference conducted by the Principal or the Principal's designee with the student and his or her parent and, whenever practical, the teacher, supervisor or school employee who referred the student to the Principal. The conference may be omitted if the Principal or designee determines that an emergency situation exists. An "emergency situation" involves a clear and present danger to the lives, safety or health of students or school personnel. If a student is suspended without this conference, both the parent/guardian and student shall be notified of the student's right to return to school for the purpose of a conference.

At the conference, the student shall be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action and the evidence against him or her and shall be given the opportunity to present his or her version and evidence in his or her defense.

This conference shall be held within two school days, unless the student waives this right or is physically unable to attend for any reason including, but not limited to, incarceration or hospitalization.

No penalties may be imposed on a student for failure of the student's parent or guardian to attend a conference with school officials. Reinstatement of the suspended student shall not be contingent upon attendance by the student's parent or guardian at the conference.

Notice to Parents/Guardians

At the time of suspension, the Principal or designee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the parent/guardian by telephone or in person. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian shall be notified in writing of the suspension and the date of return following suspension. This notice shall state the specific offense committed by the student. In addition, the notice will also state the date and time when the student may return to school. If school officials wish to ask the parent/guardian to confer regarding matters pertinent to the suspension, the notice will request that the parent/guardian respond to such requests without delay.

Suspension Time Limits

Suspensions, when not including a recommendation for expulsion, shall not exceed five (5) consecutive school days per suspension. A student may be

suspended from school for not more than 20 school days in any school year unless, for purposes of adjustment, the student enrolls in or is transferred another regular school, an opportunity school, or continuation school or class, in which case suspension shall not exceed 30 days in any school year. However, this restriction on the number of days of suspension does not apply when the suspension is extended pending an expulsion. (Education Code 48903, 48911, 48912)

Suspension Appeals

Students and parent/guardian may appeal a suspension within five (5) school days of the suspension. This appeal will be made to the Principal and heard by a Reflection Committee. The Reflection Committee is an advisory committee to the Principal, trained quarterly in restorative practices and PBIS, and will be comprised of at least one school administrator, and at least two teachers, and may also include a non-certificated employee. All Reflection Committee hearings on suspensions will be held within two (2) school days of the appeal being made. The decision of the Reflection Committee is final. Based on the information submitted or requested, the Reflection Committee may make one of the following decisions regarding the suspension:

- Uphold the suspension
- Determine that the suspension was not within school guidelines, overturn the suspension, and order that all records and documents regarding the disciplinary proceeding be destroyed. No information regarding the suspension will be placed in the student's permanent record or shared with anyone not directly involved in the proceedings. Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom materials and assignments for the duration of student's absence. Student will be provided the opportunity to make academic progress, make up assignments, and earn credit missed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Charter School will maintain student records in accordance with Education Code Section 49602 and 5 CCR 16024.

Recommendation for Placement/Expulsion

Upon a recommendation of Placement/ Expulsion by the Principal, the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative will be invited to a conference to determine if the suspension for the student should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. This determination will be made by the Principal upon either of the following determinations: (1) the student's presence will be disruptive to the education process; or (2) the student poses a threat or danger to others. Upon either determination, the student's suspension will be extended pending the results of an expulsion hearing.

Access to Education

For suspensions that are not pending an expulsion hearing, Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom material and current assignments to be completed at home during the length of the suspension. For suspensions pending an expulsion hearing, Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students. Please see "Interim Placement" below for details.

GROUNDS FOR EXPULSION

Jurisdiction

A student may be expelled for prohibited misconduct if the offense is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MPS or at any other school; or (3) a MPS sponsored event. A student may be expelled for offenses that are described below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

The length of an expulsion is addressed above, under "Rehabilitation Plans."

Expulsion (Discretionary Offenses)

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in serious bodily harm.
2. Willfully used force of violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in serious bodily injury.
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished significant amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
4. Unlawfully under the influence of any controlled substance, as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.
5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.

6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion in excess of \$1,000.
7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
8. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
9. Habitually disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties.
10. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
11. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committed a sexual battery as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
12. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
13. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
14. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or pre-initiation into a student organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective student. For purposes of this section, "hazing" does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
15. Made terrorist threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, "terroristic threat" shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family's safety, or for the protection of

school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.

16. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
17. Caused, attempted to cause, threaten to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
18. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12 inclusive.
19. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.
 - 1) "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:
 - i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.
 - ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
 - iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic performance.
 - iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the

services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.

- 2) "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the school site, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
 - i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
 - ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.
 - (b) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.
 - (c) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.
 - iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.
 - (a) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above,

shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.

(b) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.

- 3) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.
20. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to subdivision (3)(a)-(b).
21. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee's concurrence.

5. Possession of an explosive, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(5)

Expulsion (Mandatory Offenses)

1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(1)
2. Brandishing a knife at another person. E.C. 48915(c)(2)
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance. E.C. 48915(c)(3)
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery, as defined in the enumerated offenses, above. E.C. 48915(c)(4)

EXPULSION PROCEDURES

Authority to Expel

A student may be expelled by an Administrative Panel following a hearing before it. The Administrative Panel will include three or more certificated persons, none of whom have been members of the Board or on the staff of the school in which the student is enrolled. It is important for the Administrative Panel members to have experience in education law and student discipline. Typical Administrative Panel members include teachers, school administrators and Home Office Chiefs/Directors. The Home Office will coordinate all administrators and teachers who serve on the Reflection Committee at their school sites to be "on call" for a particular month should their presence be needed at an Administrative Panel hearing. The Administrative Panel may expel any student found to have committed an expellable offense.

Expulsion Hearing

Students recommended for expulsion are entitled to a hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled. The hearing shall be held within thirty (30) school days after the Principal determines that the Student has committed an expellable offense.

After an Administrative Panel hears the case, it will make a determination whether to expel.

Written notice of the hearing shall be forwarded to the student and the student's parent/guardian at least ten (10) calendar days before the date of the hearing. Upon mailing the notice, it shall be deemed served upon the student. The notice shall include:

1. The date and place of the expulsion hearing;
2. A statement of specific facts, charges and offenses upon which the proposed expulsion is based;
3. A copy of MPS' disciplinary rules which relate to the alleged violation;
4. Notification of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to provide information about the student's status at the school to any other school district or school to which the student seeks enrollment;
5. The opportunity for the student or the student's parent/guardian to appear in person or to employ and be represented by counsel or a non-attorney advisor;
6. The right to inspect and obtain copies of all documents to be used at the hearing;
7. The opportunity to confront and question all witnesses who testify at the hearing;
8. The opportunity to question all evidence presented and to present oral and documentary evidence on the student's behalf including witnesses.

Special procedures for Expulsion Hearings Involving Sexual Assault or Battery Offenses

MPS may, upon finding a good cause, determine that the disclosure of either the identity of the witness or the testimony of that witness at the hearing, or both, would subject the witness to an unreasonable risk of psychological or physical harm. Upon this determination, the testimony of the witness may be presented at the hearing in the form of sworn declarations which shall be examined only by the Board, administrative panel, or the hearing officer. Copies of these sworn declarations, edited to delete the name and identity of the witness, shall be made available to the student.

1. The complaining witness in any sexual assault or battery case must be provided with a copy of the applicable disciplinary rules and advised of his/her right to (a) receive five days notice of his/her scheduled testimony, (b) have up to two (2) adult support persons of his/her choosing present in the hearing at the time he/she testifies, which may include a parent, guardian, or legal counsel, and (c) elect to have the hearing closed while testifying.
2. MPS must also provide the victim a room separate from the hearing room for the complaining witness' use prior to and during breaks in testimony.
3. At the discretion of the person or panel conducting the hearing, the complaining witness shall be allowed periods of relief from examination and cross-examination during which he or she may leave the hearing room.
4. The person conducting the expulsion hearing may also arrange the seating within the hearing room to facilitate a less intimidating environment for the complaining witness.
5. The person conducting the expulsion hearing may also limit time for taking the testimony of the complaining witness to the hours he/she is normally in school, if there is no good cause to take the testimony during other hours.

6. Prior to a complaining witness testifying, the support persons must be admonished that the hearing is confidential. Nothing in the law precludes the person presiding over the hearing from removing a support person whom the presiding person finds is disrupting the hearing. The person conducting the hearing may permit any one of the support persons for the complaining witness to accompany him or her to the witness stand.
7. If one or both of the support persons is also a witness, MPS must present evidence that the witness' presence is both desired by the witness and will be helpful to MPS. The person presiding over the hearing shall permit the witness to stay unless it is established that there is a substantial risk that the testimony of the complaining witness would be influenced by the support person, in which case the presiding official shall admonish the support person or persons not to prompt, sway, or influence the witness in any way. Nothing shall preclude the presiding officer from exercising his or her discretion to remove a person from the hearing whom he or she believes is prompting, swaying, or influencing the witness.
8. The testimony of the support person shall be presented before the testimony of the complaining witness and the complaining witness shall be excluded from the courtroom during that testimony.
9. Especially for charges involving sexual assault or battery, if the hearing is to be conducted in the public at the request of the student being expelled, the complaining witness shall have the right to have his/her testimony heard in a closed session when testifying at a public meeting would threaten serious psychological harm to the complaining witness and there are not alternative procedures to avoid the threatened harm. The alternative procedures may include videotaped depositions or contemporaneous examination in another place communicated to the hearing by means of closed-circuit television.
10. Evidence of specific instances of a complaining witness' prior sexual conduct is presumed inadmissible and shall not be heard absent a determination by the person conducting the hearing that extraordinary circumstances exist requiring the evidence be heard. Before such a determination regarding extraordinary circumstances can be made, the witness shall be provided notice and an opportunity to present opposition to the introduction of the evidence. In the hearing on the admissibility of the evidence, the complaining witness shall be entitled to be represented by a parent, legal counsel, or other support person. Reputation or opinion evidence regarding the sexual behavior of the complaining witness is not admissible for any purpose.

Record of Expulsion Hearing

A record of the hearing shall be made and may be maintained by any means, including electronic recording, as long as a reasonably accurate and complete written transcription of the proceedings can be made.

Presentation of Evidence

While technical rules of evidence do not apply to expulsion hearings, evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. A recommendation by the Administrative Panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed an expellable offense.

Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. While hearsay evidence is admissible, no decision to expel shall be based solely on hearsay and sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses of whom the Board, Panel or designee determines that disclosure of their identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to an unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm.

If, due to a written request by the accused student, the hearing is held at a public meeting, and the charge is committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery as defined in Education Code Section 48900, a complaining witness shall have the right to have his or her testimony heard in a session closed to the public.

The decision of the Administrative Panel shall be in the form of written findings of fact.

If the Administrative Panel decides not to recommend expulsion, the student shall immediately be returned to his/her educational program.

Written Notice to Expel

The Principal or designee following a decision of the Administrative Panel to expel shall send written notice of the decision to expel, including the Administrative Panel's adopted findings of fact, to the student or parent/guardian. This notice shall also include the following:

1. Notice of the specific offense committed by the student
2. Notice of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with MPS

3. The reinstatement eligibility review date; a copy of the rehabilitation plan; the type of educational placement during the period of expulsion, and notice of appeal rights/procedures

The Principal or designee shall send a copy of the written notice of the decision to expel to the student's district of residence. This notice shall include the following:

1. The student's name
2. The specific expellable offense committed by the student

Disciplinary Records

MPS shall maintain records of all student suspensions and expulsions at MPS. Such records shall be made available to the District upon request.

Expulsion Appeals

In order to appeal an expulsion, the student/parent/guardian must submit a written appeal to the CEO of MPS outlining the reason for the appeal, attaching any supporting documentation, within ten (10) calendar days of being informed of the expulsion.

In response to the written request for an appeal, the CEO of MPS shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors. The Board shall convene a hearing on the appeal within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of a timely written request for an appeal.

At the hearing on the appeal, the student shall have the right to present evidence. The Board will consider evidence and/or testimony as appropriate and will render a written decision that shall be in the best interest of the student and the Charter School. That decision shall be final.

Interim Placement

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of the Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

Charter School shall work with the District for an interim placement or other alternative program. Should Charter School determine after the referral that the student will remain at the charter school pending the expulsion hearing based on the best interest of the student, or if Charter School secures another alternative interim placement at another charter school or school within its CMO, if appropriate and aligned with applicable charter petitions, Charter School will notify the District of such determination.

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

Bullying

The Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Safe Place to Learn Act, Education Code section 234 *et seq.* MPS' policy on bullying prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified in the definition of hate crimes. MPS' process for receiving and investigating complaints includes complaints of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified, and a requirement that Charter School personnel who witness such acts take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so, a timeline to investigate and resolve complaints, and an appeal process.

Special Procedures for the Consideration of Suspension and Expulsion of Students with Disabilities

1. Notification of SELPA

The Charter School shall immediately notify the SELPA and coordinate the procedures in this policy with the SELPA of the discipline of any student with a disability or student who the Charter School or SELPA would be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability.

2. Services During Suspension

Students suspended for more than ten (10) school days in a school year shall continue to receive services so as to enable the student to continue to participate in the general education curriculum, although in another setting, and to progress toward meeting the goals set out in the child's IEP/504 Plan; and receive, as appropriate, a functional

behavioral assessment and behavioral intervention services and modifications, that are designed to address the behavior violation so that it does not recur. These services may be provided in an interim alternative educational setting.

3. Procedural Safeguards/ Manifestation Determination

Within ten (10) school days of a recommendation for expulsion or any decision to change the placement of a child with a disability because of a violation of a code of student conduct, the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team shall review all relevant information in the student's file, including the child's IEP/504 Plan, any teacher observations, and any relevant information provided by the parents to determine:

- a. If the conduct in question was caused by, or had a direct and substantial relationship to, the child's disability; or
- b. If the conduct in question was the direct result of the local educational agency's failure to implement the IEP/504 Plan.

If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team determine that either of the above is applicable for the child, the conduct shall be determined to be a manifestation of the child's disability.

If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team make the determination that the conduct was a manifestation of the child's disability, the IEP/504 Team shall:

- a. Conduct a functional behavioral assessment and implement a behavioral intervention plan for such child, provided that the Charter School had not conducted such assessment prior to such determination before the behavior that resulted in a change in placement;
- b. If a behavioral intervention plan has been developed, review the behavioral intervention plan if the child already has such a behavioral intervention plan, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior; and
- c. Return the child to the placement from which the child was removed, unless the parent and the Charter School agree to a change of placement as part of the modification of the behavioral intervention plan.

If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team determine that the behavior was not a manifestation of the student's disability and that the conduct in question was not a result of the failure to implement the IEP/504 Plan, then the Charter School may apply the relevant disciplinary procedures to children with disabilities in the same manner and for the same duration as the procedures would be applied to students without disabilities.

4. Due Process Appeals

The parent of a child with a disability who disagrees with any decision regarding placement, or the manifestation determination, or the Charter School believes that maintaining the current placement of the child is substantially likely to result in injury to the child or to others, may request an expedited administrative hearing through the Special Education Unit of the Office of Administrative Hearings or by utilizing the dispute provisions of the 504 Policy and Procedures.

When an appeal relating to the placement of the student or the manifestation determination has been requested by either the parent or the Charter School, the student shall remain in the interim alternative educational setting pending the decision of the hearing officer or until the expiration of the forty-five (45) day time period provided for in an interim alternative educational setting, whichever occurs first, unless the parent and the Charter School agree otherwise.

5. Special Circumstances

Charter School personnel may consider any unique circumstances on a case-by-case basis when determining whether to order a change in placement for a child with a disability who violates a code of student conduct.

The Principal or designee may remove a student to an interim alternative educational setting for not more than forty-five (45) days without regard to whether the behavior is determined to be a manifestation of the student's disability in cases where a student:

- a. Carries or possesses a weapon, as defined in 18 USC 930, to or at school, on school premises, or to or at a school function;
- b. Knowingly possesses or uses illegal drugs, or sells or solicits the sale of a controlled substance, while at school, on school premises, or at a school function; or
- c. Has inflicted serious bodily injury, as defined by 20 USC 1415(k)(7)(D), upon a person while at school, on school premises, or at a school function.

6. Interim Alternative Educational Setting

The student's interim alternative educational setting shall be determined by the student's IEP/504 Team.

7. Procedures for Students Not Yet Eligible for Special Education Services

A student who has not been identified as an individual with disabilities pursuant to IDEIA and who has violated the Charter School's disciplinary procedures may assert the procedural safeguards granted under this administrative regulation only if the Charter School had knowledge that the student was disabled before the behavior occurred.

The Charter School shall be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability if one of the following conditions exists:

- a. The parent/guardian has expressed concern in writing, or orally if the parent/guardian does not know how to write or has a disability that prevents a written statement, to Charter School supervisory or administrative personnel, or to one of the child's teachers, that the student is in need of special education or related services.
- b. The parent has requested an evaluation of the child.
- c. The child's teacher, or other Charter School personnel, has expressed specific concerns about a pattern of behavior demonstrated by the child, directly to the director of special education or to other Charter School supervisory personnel.

If the Charter School knew or should have known the student had a disability under any of the three (3) circumstances described above, the student may assert any of the protections available to IDEIA-eligible children with disabilities, including the right to stay-put.

If the Charter School had no basis for knowledge of the student's disability, it shall proceed with the proposed discipline. The Charter School shall conduct an expedited evaluation if requested by the parents; however, the student shall remain in the education placement determined by the Charter School pending the results of the evaluation.

The Charter School shall not be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability if the parent has not allowed an evaluation, refused services, or if the student has been evaluated and determined to not be eligible.

Required Notification

If a pupil is expelled or leaves the Charter School without graduating or completing the school year for any reason, the Charter School shall notify the superintendent of the school district of the pupil's last known address within 30 days, and shall, upon request, provide that school district with a copy of the cumulative record of the pupil, including a transcript of grades or report card and health information.

Appendix D

Administrative Incident Report



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Administrative Incident Report (Please answer all questions with detailed information)

Your name: _____ Date: _____ School: _____

Job title: _____ Date of the incident: _____

This form must be completed and emailed to the CAO and Director of Student Services within one hour of the following serious incidents occurring.

- Police / Fire on campus (any emergency)
- Serious injury
- Weapons
- Drugs/ Alcohol
- Or any other scenario that is out of the norm and is safety related.

Incident details:

Actions taken:

Additional remarks/comments:

Your signature: _____ Date: _____

Appendix E

Student/Parent Handbook

Magnolia Public Schools

Student/Parent Handbook 2018-19

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Dear Parents and Students,

Magnolia Public Schools (MPS) staff believes that education is a shared responsibility between parents, teachers and students. The successful operation of this school depends on the cooperation of everyone concerned. Each group is responsible for doing its part to make school a place where we can learn and play together in harmony. Everyone has the right to feel safe, secure, and accepted regardless of color, race, gender, popularity, ability, religion or nationality. This handbook allows us to share our vision with the students and parents of our team.

MPS is a reflection of all of us. All of our policies are intended to provide a safe and orderly environment that will be conducive to learning. Our faculty and staff look forward to sharing their expertise in academics, special programs, and extracurricular activities. We encourage you to get to know the school, its programs, activities, and schedule. Become an active participant in your education. Get involved through classes, clubs, and activities. MPS is aware of the fact that a school environment is viable only with clearly defined and implemented rules. MPS compiled this student-parent handbook (pending board approval), which addresses the school's regulations and policies to set a standard for our students. It is an essential reference book describing what we expect and how we do things. Read it carefully, discuss it with your parent/guardian, and let it act as a guide for your effective involvement in all aspects of school. Keep this handbook so you can refer to it throughout the school year.

Sincerely,
MPS Administration

M a g n o l i a P u b l i c S c h o o l s

The Vision

Graduates of Magnolia Public Schools are scientific thinkers who contribute to the global community as socially responsible and educated members of society.

The Mission

Magnolia Public Schools provides a college preparatory educational program emphasizing science, technology, engineering, arts, and math (STEAM) in a safe environment that cultivates respect for self and others.

Core Values

Magnolia Public Schools has identified the following core values which are reinforced through its Life Skills curriculum, student learning outcomes (SLOs), and all school activities:

- *Excellence*
 - *Innovation*
 - *Connection*
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Locations

<i>Magnolia Science Academy-1</i>	<i>18238 Sherman Way, Reseda, CA 91335</i>	<i>(818) 609-0507</i>
<i>Magnolia Science Academy-2</i>	<i>17125 Victory Blvd., Van Nuys, CA 91406</i>	<i>(818) 758-0300</i>
<i>Magnolia Science Academy-3</i>	<i>1254 East Helmick St., Carson, CA 90746</i>	<i>(310) 637-3806</i>
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<i>Magnolia Science Academy-5</i>	<i>18230 Kittridge St., Reseda, CA 91335</i>	<i>(818) 705-5676</i>
<i>Magnolia Science Academy-6</i>	<i>3754 Dunn Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90034</i>	<i>(310) 842-8555</i>
<i>Magnolia Science Academy-7</i>	<i>18355 Roscoe Blvd., Northridge, CA 91325</i>	<i>(818) 221-5328</i>
<i>Magnolia Science Academy-8 (Bell)</i>	<i>6411 Orchard Ave, Bell, CA 90201</i>	<i>(323) 826-3925</i>
<i>Magnolia Science Academy-San Diego</i>	<i>6525 Estrella Ave., San Diego, CA 92120</i>	<i>(619) 644-1300</i>
<i>Magnolia Science Academy-Santa Ana</i>	<i>2840 W 1st St., Santa Ana, CA 92703</i>	<i>(714) 479-0115</i>

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EQUAL OPPORTUNITY & NON- DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

In compliance with federal and state equal opportunity laws, equal opportunity will be afforded to all applicants and students regardless of race, color, sex, age, religious creed, disability, national origin, ancestry, immigration status or citizenship, or sexual orientation in every aspect of the school community. MPS adheres to all provisions of federal law related to students with disabilities, including but not limited to, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004.

MPS is committed to providing a working and learning environment that is free from unlawful discrimination and harassment. MPS prohibits discrimination and harassment based on an individual's actual or perceived sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical condition, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, immigration status or citizenship, religion, religious affiliation, color, creed, mental or physical disability, age, and any other basis protected by federal, state, and/or local law, ordinance, or regulation, or on the basis of a person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Harassment based on any of the above-protected categories is a form of unlawful discrimination and will not be tolerated by MPS.

Harassment is intimidation or abusive behavior toward a student or employee that creates a hostile environment and can result in disciplinary action against the offending student or employee. Harassing conduct may take many forms, including but not limited to, verbal remarks and name-calling, graphic and written statements, or conduct that is threatening or humiliating. This nondiscrimination policy covers admission or access to treatment or employment in all MPS programs and activities, including vocational education. The lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission to or participation in MPS programs or activities.

MPS does not condone or tolerate harassment of any type, including bullying, discrimination, or intimidation, by any employee, independent contractor or other person with which MPS does business, or any other individual, student, or volunteer. This applies to all employees, students, or volunteers and relationships, regardless of position or gender. MPS will promptly and thoroughly investigate any complaint of harassment and take appropriate corrective action, if warranted.

Based on Federal law, Title IX, State law and MPS policy, no student shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination on the basis of actual or perceived sex, sexual orientation, and gender (including gender identity, gender expression, marital status, parenting,

pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy or related medical condition). Male and female students have the right to equal learning opportunities in their schools and must be treated the same in all MPS educational activities and programs, including: • Athletics • Physical education • The classes they can take • The way they are treated in the in educational programs and activities • The kind of counseling they are given • The extracurricular activities, programs and clubs in which they can participate • The honors, special awards, scholarships and graduation activities in which they can participate. Students who feel that their rights are being violated have the right to take action and should not be afraid of trying to correct a situation by speaking to a school administrator, Title IX Coordinator, psychologist, counselor, or trusted adult at school, or filing a complaint (see Uniform Complaint Procedures). Students are encouraged whenever possible to try to resolve their complaints directly at the school site. Any student who believes he or she is being discriminated against in violation of Title IX has the right to file a complaint. For further information or assistance, including the Title IX Coordinator contact information, see the TITLE IX, HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, DISCRIMINATION, AND BULLYING POLICY in this Handbook.

Additional information prohibiting other forms of unlawful discrimination or harassment, inappropriate behavior, and/or hate-motivated incidents/crimes may be found in MPS policies. It is the intent of MPS that all such policies be reviewed consistently to provide the highest level of protection from unlawful discrimination in the provision of educational services and opportunities.

MPS prohibits retaliation against anyone who files a complaint or who participates in a complaint investigation. For inquiries or complaints related to discrimination or harassment based on student's sex (Title IX); sexual orientation or gender identity (Title 5, CCR, §4910); race, color, or national origin (Title VI); or mental or physical disability (Section 504), contact MPS.

PUPIL RECORDS, INCLUDING CHALLENGES AND DIRECTORY INFORMATION

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a Federal law that affords parents and students who are 18 years of age or older ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education. These rights are:

1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 5 days after the day MPS receives a request for access. Parents or eligible students should submit to the MPS principal or designee a written request that identifies the records they wish to inspect. The MPS official will make arrangements for access and notify the

parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.

2. The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA

Parents or eligible students who wish to ask MPS to amend a record should write the MPS principal or designee, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it should be changed. If MPS decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, MPS will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. See 'Pupil Records Challenges' section, below, for MPS' policy and procedures regarding this hearing.

3. The right to provide written consent before MPS discloses personally identifiable information ("PII") from the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to MPS officials with legitimate educational interests. An MPS official is a person employed by MPS as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel) or a person serving on the MPS board. An MPS official also may include a volunteer or contractor outside of MPS who performs an institutional service of function for which MPS would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of the school with respect to the use and maintenance of PII from education records, such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist; a parent or student volunteering to serve on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee; or a parent, student, or other volunteer assisting MPS School official in performing his or her tasks. An MPS official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.

Upon request, MPS discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll or is already enrolled if the disclosure is for purposes of the student's enrollment or transfer.

4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by MPS to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA are:

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

FERPA permits the disclosure of PII from student's education records, without consent of the parent or eligible student, if the disclosure meets certain conditions found in §99.31 of the FERPA regulations. Except for disclosures to MPS officials, disclosures related to some judicial orders or lawfully issued subpoenas, disclosures of directory information, and disclosures to the parent or eligible student, §99.32 of the FERPA regulations requires MPS to record the disclosure. Parents and eligible students have a right to inspect and review the record of disclosures. MPS may disclose PII from the education records of a student without obtaining prior written consent of the parents or the eligible student —

1. School employees who have a legitimate educational interest as defined by 34 C.F.R. Part 99;
2. Other schools to which a student seeks or intends to enroll so long as the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment or transfer. MPS will make a reasonable attempt to notify the parent or eligible student of the request for records at his/her last known address, unless the disclosure is initiated by the parent or eligible student. Additionally, MPS will give the parent or eligible student, upon request, a copy of the record that was disclosed and give the parent or eligible student, upon request, an opportunity for hearing pursuant to the procedures outlined here and more completely in the full policy;
3. Certain government officials listed in 20 U.S.C. § 1232g(b)(1) in order to carry out lawful functions;
4. Appropriate parties in connection with a student's application for, or receipt of, financial aid if it is necessary to determine eligibility, amount of aid, conditions for aid or enforcing the terms and conditions of the aid;
5. Organizations conducting certain studies for the MPS in accordance with 20 U.S.C. § 1232g(b)(1)(F);
6. Accrediting organizations in order to carry out their accrediting functions;
7. Parents of a dependent student as defined in section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;
8. Individuals or entities, in compliance with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena. Subject to the exceptions found in 34 C.F.R. 99.31(a)(9)(i), reasonable effort must be made to notify the parent or eligible student of the order or subpoena in advance of compliance, so that the parent or eligible student may seek a protective order;
9. Persons who need to know in cases of health and safety emergencies;
10. State and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to specific State law;
11. A victim of an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense. The disclosure may only include final results of the

disciplinary proceedings conducted by MPS with respect to that alleged crime or offense. MPS may disclose the final results of the disciplinary proceeding, regardless of whether MPS concluded a violation was committed.

Directory Information

“Directory Information” is information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released. Directory information can be disclosed to outside organizations without a parent’s prior written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to, companies that manufacture class rings or publish year books. MPS has designated the following information as directory information:

1. Student’s name
2. Student’s address
3. Parent’s/guardian’s address
4. Telephone listing
5. Student’s electronic mail address
6. Parent’s/guardian’s electronic mail address
7. Photograph
8. Date and place of birth
9. Dates of attendance
10. Grade level
11. Weight and height of members of athletic teams
12. Degrees, honors, and awards received
13. The most recent educational agency or institution attended
14. Student ID number, user ID, or other unique personal identified used to communicate in electronic systems that cannot be used to access education records without a PIN, password, etc. (A student’s social security number, in whole or in part, cannot be used for this purpose.)

If you do not want MPS to disclose directory information from your child’s education records without your prior written consent, you must notify MPS in writing at the time of enrollment or re-enrollment. Please notify the MPS Principal of your child’s school at the contact number on Page 3.

A complete copy of the MPS policy is available upon request in each MPS school’s main office.

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Effective Communication:

When issues or concerns arise with a teacher, staff member or administrator, students and parents are

encouraged to address the situation with the person involved first.

If students express that they are having a problem at school, it is important for parents to understand the best way to address these problems. If the problem involves a classroom situation or a situation with a teacher, the following remedies are recommended:

1st: Parents should encourage their child to talk with the teacher.

2nd: Parents can encourage their child to talk with an administrator.

3rd: If the child is reluctant to talk with a teacher or administrator, a parent may offer to accompany their child and talk with the teacher.

It is very important to demonstrate to children how to actively and constructively solve a problem. If the problem is important enough for the child to talk about, it is important for the child to learn how to be a part of the solution.

If parent feels there is a concern they should:

1st: Talk with the teacher. Teachers can explain classroom situations from an adult perspective and from a professional perspective, and usually that will resolve misunderstandings.

2nd: If the problem persists after a reasonable time, talk with the teacher again.

3rd: If the problem is still not resolved, make an appointment with the related administrator.

For example, if you are unsure of a decision made in the classroom about a consequence given for a behavior, you should discuss the situation with the teacher first. If after this discussion, you feel the situation is unresolved, it should be brought to the attention of the Dean of Students. If it is still not handled to your satisfaction, the Principal should be notified.

If after meeting with the Principal, you still have concerns, please refer to the Complaint policies contained in this Handbook and available in the MPS office.

Teachers, staff, and administration are available through email, phones, in person and by appointment. Due to the busy schedules of the teachers and administration, parents are asked to not "drop in" for appointments, but to set up a meeting in advance. Parents should not talk to teachers, other parents, students, or administrators in a disrespectful or threatening manner. Please see the “Conditions for Classroom and School Visitation, Shadowing, and Removal Policy” under the section titled “Visitors” in this Handbook.

Students’ Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of all school rules and regulations.
- To have access to your student account in SIS.
- To have a safe and educational environment.
- To attend class regularly and on time.
- To obey school rules and regulations.

- To respect your rights and the rights of your peers.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To be prepared for class with appropriate materials and ready to work.
- To respect all school personnel and their authority (administrators, teachers, office personnel, janitorial staff, security guards, etc.).

Parents' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To be informed of the school's rules and regulations.
- To be informed of all school actions related to their child.
- To have access to your personal parent accounts in SIS.
- To contact school to participate in conferences pertaining to academic and behavioral status of their child.
- To provide a supportive environment at home making sure their child gets enough sleep and adequate nutrition before coming to school.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To contact teachers directly via phone or email to schedule a conference.
- To be familiar with the handbook signed at the beginning of the school year.
- To monitor your child's academic progress and behavior records on a weekly basis.
- To ensure that your child does his/her homework on a daily basis and to facilitate a home environment conducive to home study.

Teachers' Rights and Responsibilities:

- To expect students to behave in a positive manner that will not interfere with other students' learning.
- To expect parental support related to academic and social progress.
- To expect all students to participate and put forth effort in order to expand their education and earn a passing grade.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To inform parents through progress reports, report cards, and conferences about the academic progress and behavior of their child.
- To conduct a well-planned and effective classroom program.
- To initiate and enforce a set of classroom rules, consistent with the school's discipline policies.
- To keep assignments, grading, and attendance current in SIS.
- To have administrative support for discipline in and outside the classroom.
- To explain the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy to their students.
- To enforce the Student Code of Conduct and Bullying Policy in a consistent manner.
- To function as a positive role model for their students.

- To contact parents as deemed necessary to enforce the Student Code of Conduct and to maintain parent/guardian involvement.

Administrators' Rights and Responsibilities:

- The right to address the Board of Trustees on any issue.
- To hold students to strict accountability for any disorderly conduct in school or around school.
- To take appropriate action in dealing with students who choose not to follow the rules.
- To recommend in-school suspension, suspension, or expulsion as the situation demands.
- To provide rich leadership that will establish, encourage and promote effective teaching and learning.
- To be familiar with school policies, rules and regulations.
- To establish, promote, and enforce school rules that facilitate effective learning and positive habits and attitudes of excellent citizenship among students.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

As a student at MPS, you are required to abide by and respect all rules and regulations in the handbook, both on and off campus. The handbook was established to maintain a safe and healthy school environment conducive to learning.

II. ACADEMIC POLICIES

A. GENERAL GUIDELINES**CAASPP Opt Out:**

MPS shall annually administer required state testing to the applicable grades (e.g., the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress.) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a parent's or guardian's written request to School officials to excuse his or her child from any or all parts of the state assessments shall be granted.

Child Find and Section 504:

MPS is dedicated to the belief that all students can learn and must be guaranteed equal opportunity to become contributing members of the academic environment and society. MPS provides special education and instruction and related services in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act ("IDEIA"), Education Code requirements, and applicable policies and procedures of the charter authorizer. These services are available for special education students enrolled in MPS. We offer high quality educational programs and services for all our students in accordance with the assessed needs of each student. MPS collaborates with parents, the student, teachers, and other agencies, as may be indicated, in order to appropriately serve the educational needs of each student.

MPS also recognizes its legal responsibility to ensure that no qualified person with a disability shall, on the basis of disability, be excluded from participation, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program of MPS. Any student who has an objectively identified disability which substantially limits a major life activity, including but not limited to learning, is eligible for accommodations by MPS. The parent of any student suspected of needing or qualifying for accommodations under Section 504 may make a referral for an evaluation to the Principal. A copy of MPS' Section 504 Policies and Procedures is available upon request in each MPS school's main office.

Math Placement:

MPS has adopted a math placement policy to establish a fair, objective, and transparent protocol for placement in mathematics courses in order to ensure the success of every student. Please see the main office of your MPS school for the math placement policy.

Grading:

The primary purpose for grading is to provide feedback to students and parents on the achievement of learning goals. At MPS course report card grades are to be represented in letter-grade equivalent to the percentage earned in each course. Course report card grades are based on performance and practice assessments, as can be seen in the following table.

Aligned with the grading guidelines, each department will work with the Department Chair and the Dean of Academics to develop specific and consistent weights for each grading subcategory, to be shared with parents and students.

Teachers will create reasonable number of assignments for each subcategory in their grading system. Teachers will provide students with access to course material, homework assignments, projects, and students' grades through the school information system, and update SIS records daily/weekly.

Extra Credit:

With prior approval from the Dean of Academics,

Category	Subcategories
Performance Assessments <i>(Summative)</i> 70%	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Unit assessments <i>(no more than 50%)</i>▪ Benchmark assessments <i>(no more than 30%)</i>▪ Final assessment <i>(no more than 30%)</i>▪ Performance tasks (Projects, portfolios, essays, artwork, models, visual representations, multimedia, oral presentations, live or recorded performances, labs, etc.)
Practice Assessments <i>(Formative)</i> 30%	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Independent practices▪ Daily assignments▪ Classwork▪ Homework <i>(no more than 15%)</i>▪ Warm-ups▪ Reviews▪ Quizzes

teachers may offer extra credit. A maximum of five (5) extra credit points (out of 100-point numerical grade) may be applied to a student's grade in each of their classes. Additionally, for both English and Math classes, a student may earn up to five (5) extra credit points by demonstrating growth in their overall MAP RIT scores, increasing the maximum allowable extra credit points to ten (10). Points may be earned in the testing cycle from Fall to Spring and would be applied to the student's second semester English/Math grades.

If Winter MAP test is offered during the first semester, students may also earn points towards their first semester grades. For each point increase in their overall RIT score, students will earn one (1) point of extra credit towards their applicable grade, up to five (5) credit points maximum for each subject area. Regardless of their growth score, students will earn extra five (5) credit points if they meet or exceed the following "Standard Met" cut scores on their Fall or Winter MAP test in the first semester or Spring MAP test in the second semester:

Grade	MAP RIT ELA* F-W-S	MAP RIT Math* F-W-S
3	192-199-202	191-199-204
4	202-207-209	206-212-217
5	208-212-214	219-225-229
6	214-217-218	222-227-230
7	219-221-222	229-233-235
8	223-224-225	238-240-242
* Source: Linking Data Table: Smarter Balanced & MAP		
9	226-227-228	243-244-245
10	229-230-231	246-247-248
11	232-233-234	249-250-251

Homework:

Homework is essential to success at MPS. Doing homework will help students develop many valuable skills such as good study habits, time management, responsibility, and perseverance. Teachers will assign homework that will foster individual learning and growth that is appropriate for the subject area. Homework is part of all student evaluations. It is the student's responsibility to complete and turn in homework on time. If the student or parent has questions about homework, s/he should immediately contact the teacher who assigned it.

Generally, all homework assignments will be posted online, either on teacher/class web pages or on the school information system, which will be accessible to the parents/guardians by using an authenticated password. The password will protect confidentiality and allow parents/guardians to access their children's academic records. SIS is not intended to replace contacting parents for regular conferences to discuss student progress.

Final Assessments/Exams:

All academic classes will have cumulative final assessments/exams at the end of each semester. These final assessments may be in different forms such as test, essay, project, book report, etc.

depending on individual teachers' discretion upon approval by the MPS administration. All students are required to take these final assessments. Cumulative assessments are part of the college preparatory culture; these assessments will help students learn how to study more effectively, as well as improve their retention of the subject content.

Make-up Procedures - Incomplete Grades:

Every effort should be made for a student to make-up work as soon as possible when returning to school from an absence or series of absences. If a student fails to complete a significant number of performance and/or homework tasks due to absence or other extraordinary circumstances, a grade of Incomplete (I) may be assigned with administrative approval. If the necessary performance and/or homework tasks are not complete by the end of the following marking period, the report card grade will revert to the earned numeric grade. In the final marking period, an Incomplete (I) will revert to the earned numeric grade if not complete by a date agreed upon by the teacher and administrator.

Course Withdrawals:

Students may withdraw from a course without penalty of an F grade within 15 school days from the beginning of the course. After 15 school days, students must remain in the course until its conclusion. Proof of extenuating circumstances must be provided for any late requests to be considered.

Class Change:

During the first 5 school days from the beginning of the course, students will attend the classes they are assigned and/or they signed up for; no changes will be allowed unless there is a scheduling error on the student's schedule. After the first 5 school days, if necessary academic changes arise, students will have 10 school days to complete changes. After 15 school days, students must remain in the course until its conclusion. Proof of extenuating circumstances must be provided for any late requests to be considered.

Scheduling errors will receive immediate attention by the Dean of Academics. The following are considered scheduling errors: missing a class period, double up of courses in the same period, missing a course needed for graduation, student has not met the prerequisite for a course, etc.

The School will not consider schedule changes for the following reasons: to be with friends, to change teachers, athletics, early/late arrival adjustments (unless required by state or federal law), etc. Class change is at the discretion of the school administration.

B. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRADING SYSTEM

MPS will follow the standard scale below to assign percentages/proficiency level for semester work. Individual teachers will establish grading policies and procedures for their classes, and their grades will correspond with this scale. Each teacher will give written policies to students the first week of school.

Percentage	Achievement Level
90% - 100%	Level 4: Standard Exceeded
80% - 89%	Level 3: Standard Met
70% - 79%	Level 2: Standard Nearly Met
Below 70%	Level 1: Standard Not Met

Elementary School Grade Retention/Promotion:

The following is MPS' policy regarding the retention of pupils in grades K–5:

- Grades K–2: Any student who is not at benchmark based on reading benchmark assessments, math benchmark assessments or report card grades will be identified for retention. Retention will only occur if the teacher and parent are in agreement that retention is the best intervention to ensure student success.
- Grades 3–5: Any student who does not meet the achievement standards and needs substantial improvement to demonstrate the knowledge and skills in ELA/Literacy or math needed or likely success in future coursework based on Smarter Balanced assessments (Level 1 on Smarter Balanced assessments) or any student who is more than one year behind grade level in mathematics or ELA/Literacy as determined by the MAP tests will be identified for retention.

An identified student who is performing below the minimum standard for promotion shall be recommended by the student's teacher for retention in the current grade unless the student's teacher determines in writing that retention is not the appropriate intervention for the student's academic deficiencies. The teacher's recommendation to promote is contingent upon a detailed plan to correct deficiencies. At MPS, the following steps will be taken prior to a student's being retained:

- A letter shall be sent to the student's parent(s) or guardian(s) informing them that their child is at risk of retention.
- The teacher's evaluation shall be provided to and discussed with the student's parent(s) or guardian(s) and the principal before any final determination of pupil retention. The parent(s)/guardian(s) are informed at that meeting that their child is recommended for retention. This meeting is documented with an academic support plan signed by both the teacher and parent/guardian.
- The principal shall make a decision regarding the recommended retention. Upon the acceptance or rejection of the above stated plan by the principal, a letter shall be sent within five (5) school days to formally inform the student's parent(s) or guardian(s) of the principal's decision regarding the retention.

- The parent(s) or guardian(s) shall have the right to appeal the decision to the Chief Academic Officer (CAO) of Magnolia Public Schools (MPS). If the decision of the CAO is not in agreement with the parent(s)/ guardian(s), the latter have the right to appeal directly to the MPS Board of Directors. This meeting will take place at the next regularly scheduled board meeting or by direction of the board president. Or the Board may form a committee to review the appeal and make a recommendation to the Board for approval at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

The program design of MPS is to ensure that all children succeed. Students who are in jeopardy of retention are individually counseled and given extra help in their specific areas of concern, both in class and through intervention offerings.

Report Cards:

Student report cards create a succinct written record of student performance by compiling data from multiple assessments both formal and informal. Report cards are one of several ways to keep parents informed about student performance and to ensure that data collection is regular and consistent. Report cards reflect student achievement toward state standards, and summarize narratives, anecdotal records, attendance data, and information about student participation in class and school life. Results of standardized tests are mailed separately as well as included in the student grade report with explanations designed to help students and parents interpret their relationship to other assessments.

Students will receive a progress report mid-semester and a final report card at the end of each semester. Teachers will arrange a conference to discuss student progress with at least one parent/guardian each semester. End-of-the-year conferences are prioritized for parents/guardians of students not making progress, low-achieving students, and those identified for retention. Other parents/guardians are encouraged to attend teacher conferences at the end of the year as well.

Ongoing communication between teachers, parents, and students is an essential component of MPS. MPS' school information system provides a very effective online communication tool for teachers, students and parents for course material, homework assignments, projects, course grade statistics and records of student grades. In addition to progress reports, report cards, and assessment reports, newsletters are distributed monthly. Parents can conference with teachers on an informal basis as needed, and on a formal basis at least twice (2) a year, to discuss students' progress reports and proficiency levels. Back to School Nights and Open Houses also take place each year to provide parents with information about the Charter School's programs.

C. MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL GRADING SYSTEMS

Grading Scale:

MPS will follow the standard scale below to assign letter grades for semester work. Grading is based on a 4.0 (unweighted) scale for regular courses and a 5.0 (weighted) scale for Honors, AP, and approved college courses.

Individual teachers will establish grading policies and procedures for their classes, and their grades will correspond with this scale. Each teacher will give written policies to students the first week of school.

Courses at MPS have passing grades that are outlined in the below grading scale, with a minimum passing score of 70%.

Numerical Grade	Letter Grade Equivalent	Grade-Point Eqv.	
		Unweighted	Weighted
98 – 100	A+	4.0	5.0
93 – 97	A	4.0	5.0
90 – 92	A-	3.7	4.7
87 – 89	B+	3.3	4.3
83 – 86	B	3.0	4.0
80 – 82	B-	2.7	3.7
75 – 79	C+	2.3	3.3
70 – 74	C	2.0	3.0
Below 70	F	0.0	0.0

Assignment Grades:

Teachers will create reasonable number of assignments for each subcategory in their grading system and assign a weight to each assignment. The weight of an assignment depends on its importance relative to the other assignments in the same subcategory. Students will receive numerical grades for each graded assignment and the student's final semester grade will be a weighted average of the assignment grades, scaled to a maximum of 100 points. SIS will automatically convert student's final numerical grade to a final letter grade according to the scale in the above table.

MPS promotes use of numerical grades for grading accuracy and our teachers typically use numerical grades when grading student assignments. In the case that a letter grade or a check grade system is used for an individual assignment, SIS will convert those grades to numerical grades according to the following conversion table.

Letter Grade	→ Converted to Numerical Grade	Special Grades	→ Converted to Numerical Grade
A+	100	Check Plus ("+")	100
A	97		
A-	92	Check ("=")	85
B+	89		
B	86	Check Minus ("-")	70
B-	82		
C+	79	Unsatisfactory ("")	50
C	74		
F	50	Missing ("M")	0
		Excused ("X")	N/A
		Not Assessed ("NA")	N/A

Standards-Based Grading (SBG):

Standards-based grading (SBG) measures student's mastery of the essential standards for a class, or how well the student understands the material in class. MPS would like to report grades that are accurate, consistent, meaningful, and supportive of learning. While most MPS teachers currently implement points-based grading and reporting, MPS encourages teachers to explore and implement standards-based grading and reporting. We will keep you updated of our progress.

No "D" Policy:

There will not be a "D" grade option in the grading scale. The primary concern of MPS is the educational success of our students. This policy will allow for MPS to maintain a high standard throughout its program and ensure that MPS students remain competitive, especially in the area of college and scholarship applications.

[For High School Only] The "No D Policy" applies to all students in grades 9-12 effective of 2012-13 school year. Students who have earned credits at MPS with a "D" grade prior to 2012-13 school year will keep their credits and do not have to make up credits for any previously passed course at MPS. Also courses

transferred from another accredited school will appear on student's transcript as they are and "D" will be accepted as a passing grade for all transferred courses. Therefore, the "No D Policy" does not negatively impact graduation.

Determining Final Grades:

In middle and high school, course grades are semester-based and credit is granted at the end of each semester. Students need to have an end-of-the-semester final grade of at least a "C" (=2.0) to earn credit for the course. MPS grade promotion policy is based on each semester grade and not on yearly average of two semester grades.

Grading for Transfer Students Entering Mid-Semester to MPS from Another School:

When a transfer student enters mid-semester to MPS, the transfer grade from the previous school for the same class, if available, will be given the following weights to determine the final semester grade:

Week of the semester student enrolled in MPS	Weight of transfer grade	Weight of grade at MPS
1-6	0	1
7-9	1/3	2/3
10-12	1/2	1/2
13+	2/3	1/3

At the end of each semester MPS publishes the honor rolls for students.

Honors and High Honors are awarded to all students with a semester GPA of 3.00-3.49 (Honors) and 3.50+ (High Honors). Students must pass all classes to make the semester honor rolls.

Grade requirement for school team participation:

All students are required to maintain a "C" or better in all classes to play/participate on a school team.

Middle School Grade Promotion:

Core Courses: Core courses are Math, Science, English Language Arts, and History/Social Science.

Criteria: To be promoted to the next grade, a middle school student must have a 2.0 grade point average (GPA) and passing grades in all core courses by the end of the school year or by the end of the summer before the start of the next school year.

Summer School: Students who fail any core courses should attend summer school at MPS, if available, or at a public school to make up failed course courses during summer. Students who perform successfully at summer school will receive a passing grade as their final grade on their transcript for that course. Student transcripts will be updated to include summer grades and GPA will be recalculated. If a student earns passing grades during the summer for all the failed core courses and have a recalculated GPA of at least a 2.0, he or she may be promoted to the next grade.

Retention: If the student has a failed core course or has a recalculated GPA less than 2.0 after the summer before the start of the next school year, student will be recommended for retention in the current grade unless the school administration determines that retention is not the appropriate intervention for the student's academic deficiencies. In that case, promotion is contingent upon a detailed plan to correct deficiencies. At MPS, the following steps will be taken prior to a student's being retained:

- A letter shall be sent to the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) before the end of the school year informing them that their child is at risk of retention.
- A meeting will be set up with the parent(s)/guardian(s). The student's grade reports shall be provided to and intervention options, including summer school, will be discussed with the student's parent(s)/guardian(s). The

Week of the semester student enrolled in MPS	Credit
1-6	Full credit enrollment
7-9	Student may or may not be enrolled in new class. If enrolled, it may be either for full credit or for no-credit observation only. Decision will be made on a case by case basis. If a decision is made for full credit enrollment, the student is expected to commit to intense intervention which may include attending after-school tutoring and receiving out-of-school support.
10+	Student may or may not be enrolled in new class. If enrolled, it is for no-credit observation only. The decision will be based on the best interest of the student.

The teacher may assign make-up work to determine the grade if no transfer grade is available. Make-up work must be assigned within a reasonable time frame that allows the student to complete the work for credit.

The following guidelines apply when a transfer student wants or needs to enroll in a class that s/he was not taking at her/his previous school. The decision will be made on a case by case basis.

Honor Roll/High Honor Roll:

parent(s)/guardian(s) may be informed at that meeting that their child is recommended for retention. This meeting will be documented with an academic support plan signed by the school administration and the parent(s)/guardian(s).

- By the end of the summer before the start of the next school year, the school administration will make their final decision based on student's performance in summer school and readiness for next grade. A letter shall be sent to formally inform the student's parent(s)/ guardian(s) of the school administration's decision regarding the retention.
- The parent(s)/guardian(s) shall have the right to appeal the decision to the Chief Academic Officer (CAO) of Magnolia Public Schools (MPS). If the decision of the CAO is not in agreement with the parent(s)/ guardian(s), the latter have the right to appeal directly to the MPS Board of Directors. This meeting will take place at the next regularly scheduled board meeting or by direction of the board president. Or the Board may form a committee to review the appeal and make a recommendation to the Board for approval at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

The program design of MPS is to ensure that all children succeed. Students who are in jeopardy of retention are individually counseled and given extra support in their specific areas of concern, both in class and through intervention offerings.

Participation in Promotion Activities/ Ceremony: In order for students to participate in any promotion activities they must fulfill all the promotion requirements and not be on suspension or recommended for expulsion at the time of the Promotion Ceremony.

Tardies/Absences: After 20 tardies or unexcused absences students will not be allowed to walk on stage for promotion. This is a privilege.

High School Credit Earned in Middle School: Students who take high school courses in middle school have the option to have these courses counted toward graduation. These courses must have the same expectations, curriculum and final exams as the equivalent courses taught in high school. Students who choose to have their middle school courses counted toward graduation need to consult with the school administration since these courses need to be reflected on the student's high school transcript. Grades from such courses will not be included in high school cumulative GPA calculations.

The following middle school courses have been identified for high school credit: Mathematics (Algebra 1, Geometry, Integrated Mathematics I, and other high school level mathematics courses), Computers & Technology (approved high-school level courses), and Language Other Than English (LOTE). For middle school LOTE course(s), one year of high school credit will be given for each different language if students demonstrate proficiency by passing those courses or a LOTE proficiency test provided by the School. Again, middle school courses must be comparable in content

to courses offered at the high school level. Magnolia Public Schools Home Office ("Home Office") has the final authority to decide which middle school courses will be counted toward graduation.

D. HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

High School Grade Promotion:

Criteria: To be promoted to the next grade, a high school student must have a 2.0 grade point average (GPA) and the minimum required credits described below by the end of the school year or by the end of the summer before the start of the next school year.

Student transcripts will be updated to include summer grades and GPA will be recalculated. If students have the minimum required credits and at least a 2.0 recalculated GPA, they will be promoted to the next grade.

Core Courses: Core courses are Math, Science, English, and History/Social Science.

Minimum required credits:

To be enrolled in grade 10, a student must have a minimum of 50 credits, including at least 20 credits in core courses.

To be enrolled in grade 11, a student must have a minimum of 100 credits, including at least 50 credits in core courses.

To be enrolled in grade 12, a student must have a minimum of 150 credits, including at least 90 credits in core courses.

A student's grade level placement remains the same for an entire school year.

Participation in Senior Activities/ Graduation Ceremony: In order for students to participate in any senior activities they must have a total of 150 credits at the beginning of the first semester and/or 180 credits at the beginning of the second semester of their senior year. In addition, students have to fulfill all the graduation requirements, described herein, and not be on suspension, or recommended for expulsion at the time of the Graduation Ceremony.

Tardies/Absences: After 20 tardies or unexcused absences students will not be allowed to walk on stage for graduation. This is a privilege.

Graduation: MPS believes that students need to have physical and mental experience in high school, which includes academic, life skills, and applied experiences. MPS meets and exceeds the admission requirements of all four-year universities including University of California (“UC”).

Students must meet the following requirements to graduate from MPS:

Credit Requirement: Currently, every student must earn a total of 210 semester credits in grades 9 through 12 in order to receive a high school diploma. (See section “High School Credit Earned in Middle School” for middle school courses identified for high school credit.) Each high school course at MPS is semester based and worth 5 credits, with an exception of courses such as Sustained Silent Reading (SSR) or Advisory which last one-half of a typical class period or less and are worth 2.5 credits. Students need to have an end-of-the-semester final grade of at least a “C” (=2.0) to earn credit for the course. Credit is awarded on the basis of student participation, mastery of subject matter, and/or attainment of skills.

Specific Course Requirements: The following table lists courses required in order to graduate from MPS.

Diploma Types: MPS offers three different high school diploma types: **Standard (S)**, **Advanced (A)**, and **Honors (H)**. Each diploma has minimum requirements that meet and exceed the state graduation requirements and the “a-g” subject requirements of California’s four-year public universities. Students are always welcome, and often encouraged, to exceed these minimum requirements.

Math Requirement: MPS math requirements are threefold:

1) Credit requirements: MPS requires at least 30 semester credits of math for a standard diploma and 40 semester credits of math for an advanced or honors diploma. Some of these credits can be earned in middle school.

2) Year requirements: MPS requires students to be enrolled in a math course for at least two years in grades nine through twelve for a standard diploma (*state requirement*) and at least three years in grades nine through twelve for an advanced or honors diploma. For example; a student may take Mathematics-I or Algebra I in seventh grade, Mathematics II or Geometry in eighth grade, and Mathematics III or Algebra II in ninth grade. The student still needs to take one more year of math for a standard diploma and two more years of math for an advanced or honors diploma.

3) Course requirements: Students need to complete three years of math courses that include the topics covered in elementary and advanced algebra and two-and-three dimensional geometry before graduation. Integrated math courses fulfill this requirement.

Service Learning: Completing 40 hours of community service before graduation is no longer a high school requirement for a standard diploma beginning with the

MPS Graduation Requirements				
Subject Area	Requirements	Diploma Type		
		S	A	H
(a) History / Social Science	Three years of history/social studies, including one year of U.S. history and geography; one year of world history, culture, and geography; one semester of American government and civics, and one semester of economics.	30	30	30
(b) English	Four years of approved courses	40	40	40
(c) Mathematics	Three years of college-preparatory math, including or integrating the topics covered in elementary and advanced algebra and two- and three-dimensional geometry. <i>(Four years recommended)</i>	30	40	40
(d) Science	Two years of laboratory science providing fundamental knowledge in at least two of the three disciplines of biology, chemistry and physics. <i>(Three years recommended)</i>	20	30	40
(e) Language Other Than English	Two years of the same language other than English or equivalent to the second level of high school instruction. <i>(Three years recommended)</i>	20	20	30
(f) Visual & Performing Arts	One year chosen from dance, music, theater or the visual arts.	10	10	10
(g) Electives*	Additional courses in Social Science, English, Mathematics, Science, Language Other Than English, Visual & Performing Arts, Computers & Technology <i>(20-30 credits of electives required depending on diploma type)</i>	30	30	20
Physical Education	Two years	20	20	20
Computers & Technology	One year	10	10	10
Total Required Credits:		210	230	240
AP* Course /College Credit Requirements	AP or college courses can be taken to meet minimum course requirements or as elective. <i>(Not required for a standard diploma.)</i>	N/A	20	30
Other Requirements	Minimum Cumulative GPA	2.00	3.25	3.50
	Req. Service Learning Hrs.	N/A	40	40
MPS encourages students to participate in Congressional Award programs and engage in more than 40 hours of community service to develop and demonstrate crucial life skills.				

class of 2013. However, MPS encourages students to engage in community service to develop and demonstrate crucial life skills. This will help students gain “real life” experience and develop responsibility, caring and respect for the community. Therefore, students will be required to earn 40 hours of community service before graduation for an advanced or honors diploma. Students may begin to earn these hours once they complete their 8th grade year.

[For High School Only] Cumulative GPA:

A cumulative GPA is calculated for all high school level courses based on the number of credits received and their weighted grade point equivalencies. Cumulative GPAs are used to determine class rank and graduation honors, eligibility for National Honor Society, by colleges as part of the admission criteria, by many scholarship and grant providers, and occasionally, by employers. This information is reported to parents on the student’s high school transcript. The high school transcript is a record of all final course grades received for high school courses.

MPS requires a minimum of 2.00 cumulative GPA for graduation, 3.25 for an advanced diploma, and 3.50 for an honors diploma.

All graduating students who are eligible to receive an Honors diploma with a cumulative GPA of 4.0 or above shall be designated as the Valedictorian. Cumulative GPA computation for Valedictorian shall be based upon student’s projected grades as of the first of June prior to the date of graduation.

Note: UC/CSU systems do their own GPA calculations for a-g courses taken between the summer following 9th grade through the summer following 11th grade in calculating a student’s GPA. Please see your high school college advisor for further details.

Language other than English (LOTE) Courses: MPS will allow other options to satisfy the “e”-LOTE requirement for graduation. Completion of higher-level LOTE coursework with a grade of C or higher may validate D or F grades earned in lower-level courses or when a lower-level course is skipped. Please check UC Admissions website for details of course validation. UC-transferable college courses or satisfactory scores on SAT Subject, AP or IB exams can also be used to fulfill the LOTE subject requirement.

Generally, bilingual students are considered to have met the “e” subject requirement and may choose not to enroll in LOTE courses. Students who elect not to take courses in a LOTE may satisfy the “e” requirement (*for all diploma types*) by one of the following methods:

- Formal schooling in a language other than English – Students who have completed two years of formal schooling at the sixth-grade level or higher in a school where a LOTE was used as the medium of instruction have met the LOTE requirement. A school transcript or other official document is required.
- Assessment by a recognized test or University – Earning a satisfactory score on a SAT Subject, AP or IB exam, or a proficiency test administered by a

UC campus or other university can demonstrate a student’s proficiency in a LOTE. Most language departments at universities will conduct an assessment and issue a statement of competency on official letterhead serving as certification.

- Certification by high school principal – In cases where the options above are not available, certification by the high school principal is acceptable. Principals should develop and maintain clear standards for providing this certification. Certification should be based on the judgment of language teachers, advice of professional or cultural organizations with an interest in maintaining language proficiency, or other appropriate sources of expertise. The principal notes the certification of competency on the student’s transcript with the language and level of proficiency.

Credit Acceptance: Students transferring to MPS from another accredited school, private or public, a home school, or an alternative school, will receive credit toward graduation for courses successfully completed in the sending school.

These courses will appear on student’s transcript as they are transferred and will be included in cumulative GPA calculations. Upon review and approval by the school administration, students transferring to MPS from a non-accredited school may receive credit toward graduation within the following guidelines:

Documentation must be provided to MPS by the sending school as to the course of study the student followed, materials used, course description, total number of contact hours per course, grading criteria, teacher name and qualifications, student work or projects, and scores of any standardized tests the student has taken. Grades from such courses will not be included in cumulative GPA calculations.

Normally, students may not retake courses that they have already passed and for which they have earned credit. Credit is not awarded for classes repeated to raise a grade unless the grade previously earned was a Fail (F) or Incomplete (I). However, the school administration reserves the right to final decision in case of any extenuating circumstances. Extenuating circumstances may include foreign transcripts, transcripts from non-accredited schools, college courses, ESL/ELD courses, and other approved courses on a case-by-case basis. Please consult with the school administration. If the school administration allows repeat of a course for extenuating circumstances, MPS will use the new grade when calculating the student’s GPA. However, the repeated grade will not be used in calculating the “a-g” GPA for UCs if a student repeats a course used to satisfy the “a-g” requirement in which the student originally earned a grade of C or higher.

Credit Recovery: A high school student who fails a course at MPS is expected to take full responsibility for their personal credit recovery process. Following are some recovery options:

Summer School: Students can take a summer school course at any public school to recover missing credits. MPS may offer summer school depending on student needs and availability of teachers and resources.

Online Courses: Students who are credit deficient may enroll in accredited online courses to recover missing credits. Some examples to accredited online course providers are: APEX Learning, FuelEd, BYU, etc. College advisor's approval is necessary in order for the grade of an online course to be included in cumulative GPA calculations.

College Dual Enrollment: Students may enroll in a post-secondary course creditable toward high school completion. College advisor's approval is necessary in order for the grade of a college course to be included in cumulative GPA calculations.

WASC Accreditation & Transferability of Courses: All MPS schools are WASC-accredited and all A-G courses of MPS are transferable to other public schools and meet the rigorous requirements for admission to both the UC and state university systems. Every transfer student will participate in an intake meeting which includes a review of his/her transcript and tracking towards graduation. Every exiting student will also receive a transcript to provide him/her with an official record of courses completed and credits earned. In addition, the school's master schedule will be informed by student needs to ensure sufficient intervention opportunities are available for the student population. Please contact your MPS school's Dean of Academics & College Advisor for further information.

Advanced Placement (AP) Courses: MPS will offer Advanced Placement (AP) classes depending on student needs/demands and availability of teachers and resources. AP courses are college-level courses, taught with college textbooks and exams that can give students college credit in the form of advanced standing when they enter their freshman year. Students have to pass the corresponding AP test in order to get college credit.

Dual Enrollment: Dual enrollment is a program that allows eligible high school students to enroll in a college course. Dual enrollment eliminates duplication of coursework between high school and college and allows students to earn their college degree in less time, save money, and experience the college environment. Junior and senior high school students who have demonstrated academic, personal and social maturity are welcome to apply. Students should visit their high school college advisor prior to the beginning of the semester to seek permission for enrolling and complete a dual enrollment registration / parent consent form.

If a student wishes to receive high school credit for a college class, a 3.0 unit or more one-semester college class will earn two semesters worth of high school credit (10.0 credits). The following table will be used for conversion of college units to high-school credits:

College units	High school credits
1 semester college unit or 1-2 quarter college units	2.5 high school credits
2 semester college units or 3 or more quarter college units	5.0 high school credits
3 or more semester college units	10.0 high school credits

To determine how a college course fulfills a high school requirement see your high school college advisor. College advisor's approval is necessary in order for the grade of a college course to be included in cumulative GPA calculations. *Academic college courses that meet the University of California "a-g" requirements will be given a weighted grade point on the high school transcript and included in cumulative GPA calculations.*

All students in grades 11 and 12 are required to be enrolled in at least five courses each semester. These courses can be classroom-based courses taken at MPS, online courses provided by MPS or approved online course-providers, CSU, UC or community college courses, and other courses and activities for which academic credit will be provided upon satisfactory completion. MPS requires that the average number of minutes of attendance in any two consecutive schooldays is no less than 240 and minutes of attendance in any one school day is no less than 180.

Counseling programs:

MPS offers a comprehensive counseling and guidance program addressing personal/social, career, and academic needs for all grades. Students may sign up to see the counselor at any time to discuss personal or academic concerns. Social skills, career, and college planning lessons will be provided by the counselor at various times throughout the school year depending on grade level, need etc. The counseling office provides the following resources:

- Academic advising
- College planning resources
- Scholarship information
- SAT/ACT test dates and materials
- Career planning resources
- Conflict resolution
- Family resources
- Counseling resources

Students who wish to see the counselor can make an appointment. Parents are always welcome to make an appointment to see the counselor. All information discussed is confidential except when it involves your safety or the safety of someone else.

MPS adheres to the National Counseling Standards. The standards are as follows:

Academic Development

Standard A: Students will acquire the attitudes, knowledge, and skills that contribute to effective learning in school and across the life span.

Standard B: Students will complete school with the academic preparation essential to choose from a wide range of substantial post-secondary options, including college.

Standard C: Students will understand the relationship of academics to the world of work and home and community life.

Career Development

Standard A: Students will acquire the skills to investigate the world of work in relation to knowledge of self and to make informed career decisions.

Standard B: Students will employ strategies to achieve future career success and satisfaction.

Standard C: Students will understand the relationship between personal qualities, education and training, and the world of work.

Personal/Social Development

Standard A: Students will acquire the attitudes, knowledge, and interpersonal skills to help them understand and respect self and others.

Standard B: Students will make decisions, set goals, and take necessary action to achieve goals.

Standard C: Students will understand safety and survival skills.

PSAT/NMSQT Tests & Applications:

MPS is dedicated to providing a comprehensive college preparatory program that facilitates students' ambitions to pursue higher education at the nation's top universities and colleges. As part of this process, grades 9 through 11 are required to take the PSAT/NMSQT test in Fall.

PSAT/NMSQT stands for Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. It is a standardized test that provides firsthand practice for the SAT Reasoning Test.™ It also gives the students a chance to enter National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) scholarship programs.

The PSAT/NMSQT measures:

- critical reading skills;
- math problem-solving skills; and
- writing skills.

The most common reason for taking the PSAT/NMSQT is for the students to receive feedback on their strengths and weaknesses on skills necessary for college study. Students can then focus their preparation on those areas that could most benefit from additional study or practice.

Cal Grant program for College

A Cal Grant is money for college that does not have to be paid back. To qualify, a student must meet the eligibility and financial requirements as well as any

minimum grade point average (GPA) requirements. Cal Grants can be used at any University of California, California State University or California Community College. Some independent and career colleges or technical schools in California also take Cal Grants.

In order to assist students to apply for financial aid, all grade 12 students are automatically considered a Cal Grant applicant and each grade 12 student's GPA will be submitted to the California Student Aid Commission ("CASC") electronically by a school or Home Office official. A student, or the parent/guardian of a student under 18 years of age, may complete a form to indicate that he/she does not wish for the school to electronically send CASC the student's GPA. Until a student turns 18 years of age, only the parent/guardian may opt out the student. Once a student turns 18 years of age, only the student may opt himself/herself out, and can opt in if the parent/guardian had previously decided to opt out the student. All grade 12 students' GPA will be sent to CASC by October 1. The Cal Grant application submission deadline is October 1 of the grade 12 year.

E. ATTENDANCE

Absence from school shall be excused only for health reasons, family emergencies and justifiable personal reasons, as permitted by law or Board policy.

A student's absence shall be excused for the following reasons:

1. Personal illness;
2. Quarantine under the direction of a county or city health officer;
3. Professional appointments such as medical, dental, optometric, or chiropractic appointments:
 - a. Insofar as class participation is an integral part of students' learning experiences, parents/guardians and students shall be encouraged to schedule medical appointments during non-school hours.
4. Attendance at funeral services for a member of the immediate family:
 - a. Excused absence in this instance shall be limited to one (1) day if the service is conducted in California or three (3) days if the service is conducted out of state.
 - b. "Immediate family" shall be defined as mother, father, grandmother, grandfather, spouse, son/son-in-law, daughter/daughter-in-law, brother, sister or any relative living in the student's immediate household.
5. Participation in religious instruction or exercises in accordance with MPS policy:
 - a. The student shall be excused for this purpose on no more than four school days per month.

In addition, a student's absence shall be excused for justifiable personal reasons such as:

1. Appearance in court;
2. Attendance at a funeral;
3. Observation of a holiday or ceremony of his/her religion;
4. Attendance at religious retreats for no more than four hours during a semester;
5. Attendance at the pupil's naturalization ceremony to become a United States citizen;
6. Attendance at an employment conference;
7. Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day.

Other reasons will be considered that are requested in writing and approved by MPS. If the excuse is not one of the valid excuses listed above, the MPS administrators are authorized to excuse school absences due to the pupil's circumstances on a case-by-case basis.

Unexcused Absences/Tardies for Classroom Based Attendance

Students will be marked unexcused if they:

1. Do not bring a written note within two (2) school days following an absence;
2. Leave school without signing out at the school office;
3. Are absent from class without teacher permission, including walking out of class;
4. Are absent from class without parent permission, (except students who are being excused to receive confidential medical services without parental permission);
5. Get a pass to go to a certain place but do not report there; and/or
6. Are absent/tardy for reasons **not acceptable** to the administration including but not limited to:
 - Not waking up on time
 - Transportation problems (missing the bus, traffic, car trouble, etc.)
 - Inclement weather
 - Running errands for family
 - Work
 - Babysitting
 - Hair appointment
 - Needed at home
 - Vacations or trips
 - Athletic workout
 - Socializing/Lingering in the hallway

Method of Verification

A parent/guardian must inform the MPS main office via phone of their child's absence/tardy the morning of the absence/tardy. When students who have been absent return to school, they must present a satisfactory explanation verifying the reason for the absence/tardy within two (2) school days of the excused absence and/or upon the student's return. If a satisfactory explanation is not provided within two (2) school days of the absence/return, the absence will be marked as "unexcused." The following methods may be used to verify student absences/tardies:

1. Signed, written note from parent/guardian, parent representative;
2. Conversation, in person or by telephone, between the verifying employee and the student's parent/guardian or parent representative. The employee shall subsequently record the following:
 - a. Name of student;
 - b. Name of parent/guardian or parent representative;
 - c. Name of verifying employee;
 - d. Date or dates of absence; and
 - e. Reason for absence.
3. Visit to the student's home by the verifying employee, or any other reasonable method, which establishes the fact that the student was absent for the reasons stated. A written recording shall be made, including information outlined above.
4. Healthcare provider verification
 - a. When excusing students for confidential medical services or verifying such appointments, MPS staff shall not ask the purpose of such appointments but may contact a medical office to confirm the time of the appointment.
 - b. A healthcare provider's note of illness will be accepted for any reported absence. When a student has had twenty (20) absences in the school year verified by methods listed in #1-#3 above without a healthcare provider's note, any further absences for illness must be verified by a healthcare provider.

Students should not be absent from school without their parents/guardians' knowledge or consent except in cases of medical emergency. Student absence for religious instruction or participation in religious exercises away from school property may be considered excused subject to administrative regulations and law.

Students the arrive to school late must report to the main office when he or she arrives. If the student fails to do this, he or she will receive an unexcused tardy. If the student fails to present a satisfactory explanation verifying the reason for the tardy, he or she will receive an unexcused tardy. The student will be given a "late slip" from office staff to be admitted to class.

Extracurricular Activities

When a student misses ten (10) full unexcused days in a semester, he or she may not be allowed to participate in any extracurricular activities in that semester. Special circumstances with documented explanations should be reviewed with the administration. After twenty (20) unexcused absences/tardies, the student will not be allowed to walk on stage for promotion/graduation.

Make up Work for Excused Absences

An absence from school, even for several days, does not excuse students from responsibilities in the classroom. On the day of return, it is the students' responsibility to find out what work is required and when the work needs to be completed. Students will be given the same number of days they were absent to make up missed work. For students with excused absences, make-up tests will be scheduled at a time designated by the teacher or as outlined in the teacher's syllabus. It is the students' responsibility to take the test at that time. If the student fails to do this, the teacher is not obligated to set another time for make-up. Please check teacher's syllabus and make sure for their individual policy.

Independent Study Policy

Students with a legitimate need for an extended absence can enroll in independent study. Please see the main office of your MPS school for the independent study policy.

Unexcused Absences/Truancy for Classroom Based Attendance

Each person between the ages of 6 and 18 years old is subject to compulsory full-time education. (Education Code sections 48200 and 48410). Students shall be classified as "truant" if the student is absent from school without a valid excuse three (3) full days in one school year, or if the student is tardy or absent for more than any 30-minute period during the school day without a valid excuse on three occasions in one school year, or any combination thereof. (Education Code section 48260). Such students shall be reported to the MPS Principal or designee.

In addition, students shall be classified as a "chronic truant" if the student is absent from school without a valid excuse for 10 percent or more of the school days in one school, from the date of enrollment to the current date. (Education Code section 48263.6).

The MPS Principal or designee, shall implement positive steps to reduce truancy, including working with the family in an attempt to resolve the attendance problem. A student's progress and learning may be affected by excessive unexcused absences. In addition, MPS is fiscally dependent on student attendance and is negatively impacted by excessive unexcused absences. If all attempts to resolve the student's attendance problem are unsuccessful, MPS will implement the processes described below.

PROCESS FOR UPHOLDING THE ATTENDANCE POLICY

First Day of School Process:

When students are not in attendance on the first five (5) consecutive days of school, MPS will attempt to reach the parent/guardian on a daily basis for each of

the first five days to determine whether the student has an excused absence, consistent with the process outlined in this policy. If the student has a basis for an excused absence, parents must notify MPS of the absence and provide documentation consistent with this policy. However, consistent with process below, students who are not in attendance due to an unexcused absence by the fifth day of school will be voluntarily disenrolled from the MPS roster, as it will be assumed that the student has voluntarily chosen another school option.

1. Students who are not in attendance on the first day of school will be contacted by phone to ensure their intent to enroll.
2. Students who have indicated their intent to enroll, but have not attended by the third day will receive a letter indicating the student will be disenrolled after the fifth day of school if the student has not attended school without valid excuse.
3. Students who have indicated their intent to enroll, but have not attended by the fifth day will receive a phone call reiterating the content of the letter.
4. Students who have not attended by the sixth day, and do not have an excused absence as defined above for not being in attendance will be disenrolled from the roster.
5. MPS will use the contact information provided by the parent/guardian in the registration packet.
6. The District of Residence will be notified of the student's failure to attend MPS and the voluntary disenrollment.

Truancy Process:

1. Each of the first two (2) unexcused absences or unexcused tardies over 30 minutes will result in a call home to the parent/guardian by the MPS Principal or designee. The student's classroom teacher may also call home.
2. Each of the third (3rd) and fourth (4th) unexcused absences or unexcused tardies over 30 minutes will result in a call home to the parent/guardian by the MPS Principal or designee. In addition, the student's classroom teacher may also call home and/or MPS may send the parent an e-mail notification. In addition, upon reaching three (3) unexcused absences or unexcused tardies over 30 minutes in a school year, the parent/guardian will receive "Truancy Letter #1" from MPS. This letter must be signed by the parent/guardian and returned to MPS. This letter shall also be accompanied by a copy of this Attendance Policy. This letter, and all subsequent letter(s) sent home, shall be sent by Certified Mail, return receipt requested, or some other form of mail that can be tracked.
3. Upon reaching seven (7) unexcused absences or unexcused tardies over 30 minutes, the parent/guardian will receive

- “Truancy Letter #2 – Conference Request,” and a parent/guardian conference will be scheduled to review the student’s records and develop an intervention plan/contract. In addition, MPS will consult with a school counselor regarding the appropriateness of a home visitation and/or case management.
4. Upon reaching ten (10) unexcused absences or unexcused tardies over 30 minutes, the student will be referred to a Student Support and Progress Team (SSPT) and the MPS Attendance Review Team (SART). In addition, the parent/guardian will receive a “Habitual Truancy Re-classification Letter #3,” and will be asked/invited to attend an evening assembly for parents/guardians of chronically absent students.
 5. The SART panel can include, but is not limited to, the following school members: School Administrators, School Psychologist, Counselor, Nurse, Psychiatric Social Worker, Attendance Clerk, Intervention Teacher(s), MPS Director of Student Services or designee, PSAC or designee. The panel may be composed of any individual who is working with the family and has a viable interest in the student’s school attendance. The SART panel will discuss the absence problem with the Parent/Guardian to work on solutions, develop strategies, discuss appropriate support services for the student and his/her family, and establish a plan to resolve the attendance issue.
 - a. The SART panel shall direct the parent/guardian that no further unexcused absences or tardies can be tolerated.
 - b. The parent shall be required to sign a contract formalizing the agreement by the parents to improve the child’s attendance or face additional administrative action. The contract will identify the corrective actions required in the future, and indicate that the SART panel shall have the authority to order one or more of the following consequences for non-compliance with the terms of the contract:
 - i. Parent/guardian to attend school with the child for one (1) day
 - ii. Student retention
 - iii. After school detention program
 - iv. Required school counseling
 - v. Loss of field trip privileges
 - vi. Loss of school store privileges
 - vii. Loss of school event privileges
 - viii. Required remediation plan as set by the SART
 6. ix. Notification to the District Attorney
 - c. The SART panel may discuss other school placement options.
 - d. Notice of action recommended by the SART will be provided in writing to the parent/guardian.
 6. If the conditions of the SART contract are not met, the student may incur additional administrative action up to and including disenrollment from MPS and notification of the disenrollment sent to the student’s district of residence.
 7. For all communications set forth in this process, MPS will use the contact information provided by the parent/guardian in the registration packet. It is the parent’s or guardian’s responsibility to update MPS with any new contact information.
 8. If student is absent ten (10) or more consecutive school days without valid excuse and parent/guardian cannot be reached at the number or address provided in the registration packet and does not otherwise respond to MPS’ communication attempts, as set forth above, the student will be in violation of the SART contract, and the SART panel will recommend that the student be deemed to have voluntarily disenrolled and notification of the disenrollment be sent to the student’s district of residence.

Removal from Charter School

If, after the above procedures have been followed, the student continues to have unexcused absences or tardies, the parent/guardian may receive notice that the student is in violation of the SART contract. The student will then be required to appear before the SART panel again to discuss the unexcused absences or tardies. After such meeting, or after reasonable attempts by the SART panel to schedule the meeting if the parent/guardian is nonresponsive, the SART panel may recommend that the student be deemed to have voluntarily disenrolled from MPS. The parent will receive written notice of the SART panel’s recommendation.

The SART panel shall then forward its recommendation to the MPS CEO or designee for review of the matter and final decision. If the MPS CEO or designee makes the decision to disenroll, notice will be sent to the student’s district of residence within thirty (30) days. The MPS CEO or designee decision not to disenroll the student does not prevent the SART panel from making a similar recommendation in the future.

Referral to Appropriate Agencies or County District Attorney:

It is MPS’ intent to identify and remove all barriers to the student’s success, and MPS will explore every possible option to address student attendance issues with the family. For any unexcused absence, MPS may

refer the family to appropriate school-based and/or social service agencies.

If a child's attendance does not improve after a SART contract has been developed according to the procedures above, or if the parents fail to attend a required SART meeting, MPS shall notify the District's Attorney's office, which then may refer the matter for prosecution through the court system. Students 12 years of age and older may be referred to the juvenile court for adjudication.

These policies will be enforced fairly, uniformly, and consistently without regard to the characteristics listed in Education Code Section 220 (actual or perceived disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic that is contained in the definition of hate crimes set forth in Section 422.55 of the Penal Code or association with an individual who has any of the aforementioned characteristics).

Reports

The MPS Principal, or designee, shall gather and report to the Board the number of absences both excused and unexcused as well as students who are truant, and the steps taken to remedy the problem.

III. DISCIPLINE POLICIES

Magnolia Public Schools Student Code of Conduct:

MPS is committed to excellence in academic instruction and in cooperating with parents/guardians to teach students the behaviors and skills that support social successes throughout life. To accomplish this goal, MPS is taking a proactive approach to teaching social skills as a significant component of the educational program. The curriculum includes teaching of the behaviors necessary for effective and satisfying social interaction in school, on field trips, in the community, and at home.

Uniform and Personal Appearance:

The uniform policy at MPS helps create a safe and orderly environment, instill discipline, and eliminate the competition and distractions caused by varied dress styles. Students are required to arrive in uniform every day except for "free dress days". Students will not be allowed to enter the school if they are not wearing the proper uniform.

All MPS students are required to wear the school uniform at all times including during the afterschool tutoring/activities. Refer to Student Uniform Policy on later pages.

A. EXPECTED STUDENT BEHAVIOR

Students should always remember that their behavior and actions at school and at school-sponsored activities are a reflection not only of themselves, but also of the school. The following is a guideline of what expected from an MPS student:

Breakfast/Lunch Time:

Students must:

- Proceed to the eating area as instructed by MPS staff.
- Eat and finish their breakfast/lunch in the assigned area. No food should be eaten outside the designated areas.
- Wait patiently for their food and follow the direction of the adults on duty.
- Clean up after themselves and dispose of their trash in the appropriate area.
- Remember that they are not allowed in the school building without a pass.
- Students must carry a pass that is given to them by security guard/supervisor staff.

On Campus:

Students must:

- Stay in designated areas on-campus.
- Be courteous and respectful at all times to everyone.
- Not use profanity, lie, fight, gamble, possess inappropriate literature or material, or be involved in the abuse/harassment of others.
- Not use or have cellular phones turned on during school hours; students are allowed to use cellular phones **only** in the designated area after school. Phones should not be used during after school programs, such as tutoring.
- Remember that any electronic devices seen during class time will be confiscated and returned to the student's parents/guardians at the discretion of administration.
- Remember that gum chewing is not allowed anywhere on campus.
- Never ride bicycles, use roller blades or skateboards on campus nor bring them to class.
- Not leave campus without permission during school hours (except students in 7-12 grade who are being excused to receive confidential medical services without parental permission).
- Not use matches, lighters, or any type of explosive incendiary device on campus.
- Remember that **no electronic devices** such as CD/MP3/IPOD players may be visible or used on the campus grounds.
- Students are not allowed to loiter in the hallways.

Assemblies:

Students must:

- Be courteous and quiet during the entire assembly.
- Be respectful to the presenter/speaker.
- Follow all teacher/staff directions.

Field Trips:

Students must:

- Be on their best behavior.
Pay attention to the directives given by the moderator and trip leader.
- Follow all school rules pertaining to behavior.
- Wear MPS uniform unless authorized by administration.

Public areas: Hallways, Lunchroom & Restrooms:

Hallways, Lunchroom and Restrooms are areas used by all members of School. Students must:

- Use the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms only as needed and then move on to class.
- Eat only in the cafeteria or other designated area.
- Leave gum at home; chewing gum is strictly prohibited anywhere on campus.
- Maintain orderly conduct always; walk in the halls, lunchroom, or restrooms.
- Keep in mind that profanity and vulgar language at any level is unacceptable and is strictly prohibited in all areas and at school functions at all times.
- Limit excessive noise such as yelling, screaming or banging lockers while in these areas.
- Help keep the school clean by picking up after yourself and putting your belongings in their proper place.
- Respect others personal space and keep your hands to yourself even in play.
- Have a pass to be in the above areas during class time.
- Keep in mind that vandalism, littering, or graffiti in the school is prohibited and should be reported as this reflects poorly on everyone.
- Public displays of affection are prohibited.
- Bring only plastic and paper containers to school; all glass containers are prohibited on campus and will be confiscated.
- Be responsible and report any leaks, spills, or other problems in the bathroom to a teacher or the office.
- Be responsible for cleaning up after yourself, including the disposing of or the recycling of garbage.
- Have a hall pass if you are outside of the classroom during class time.
- Not visit with friends or interrupt another classroom.
- Not misuse the hall pass as it will result in loss of the hall pass privilege.
- Get a referral from your teacher before you go to the office. Do not use the hall pass.

Emergency Drills:

Fire drills, lockdowns, and evacuation drills are conducted periodically for everyone's protection and are required by law. During these drills it is imperative that students remain silent, follow instructions given by the staff, and carry out all directions in an orderly fashion.

Classroom:

Students must:

- Be seated and ready to begin their assignment when the bell rings.
- Be courteous to all teachers and students.
- Follow all school and classroom rules.
- Bring all necessary materials/supplies ready to work daily.

Classroom Procedures and Consequences:

Please check the teacher's syllabus for specific consequences which may include:

6. In Class Warning
7. Student-Teacher Conference
8. Reflection / Parental Notification
9. Parent Conference
10. Office Referral & Administrative Disciplinary Procedures

B. SIS BEHAVIOR POINTS

[For Middle & High School Only] Student behavior will be recorded on SIS and students will receive the following rewards or consequences based on their behavior points.

Note: The following tables are for sample purposes only. Each individual MPS school may include amendments into the SIS behavior points, rewards, and consequences addressing local needs.

Positive Rewards:

+5	Contact parent/guardian
+10	Lunch speed pass
+15	Treat
+20	One day free dress (pass will be given)
+25	Extended lunch period
+30	Two-day free dress (pass will be given)
+35	VIP breakfast
+40	Entered in a raffle
+45	Free dress – every Friday for one month (pass will be given)
+50	VIP lunch and "Race to the Top"

**Students may earn a positive SIS point for receiving all acceptable marks and a signature on their red slip.*

When a student receives negative twenty or more SIS entries, the MPS administration will arrange a meeting with that student and the parent to develop a behavioral plan. If the student fails to abide by the discipline tracker rules or an agreement between the administration, parents, and student, cannot be reached, the student will be referred to the School Reflection Committee.

C. UNACCEPTABLE TYPES OF BEHAVIOR AND CONSEQUENCES

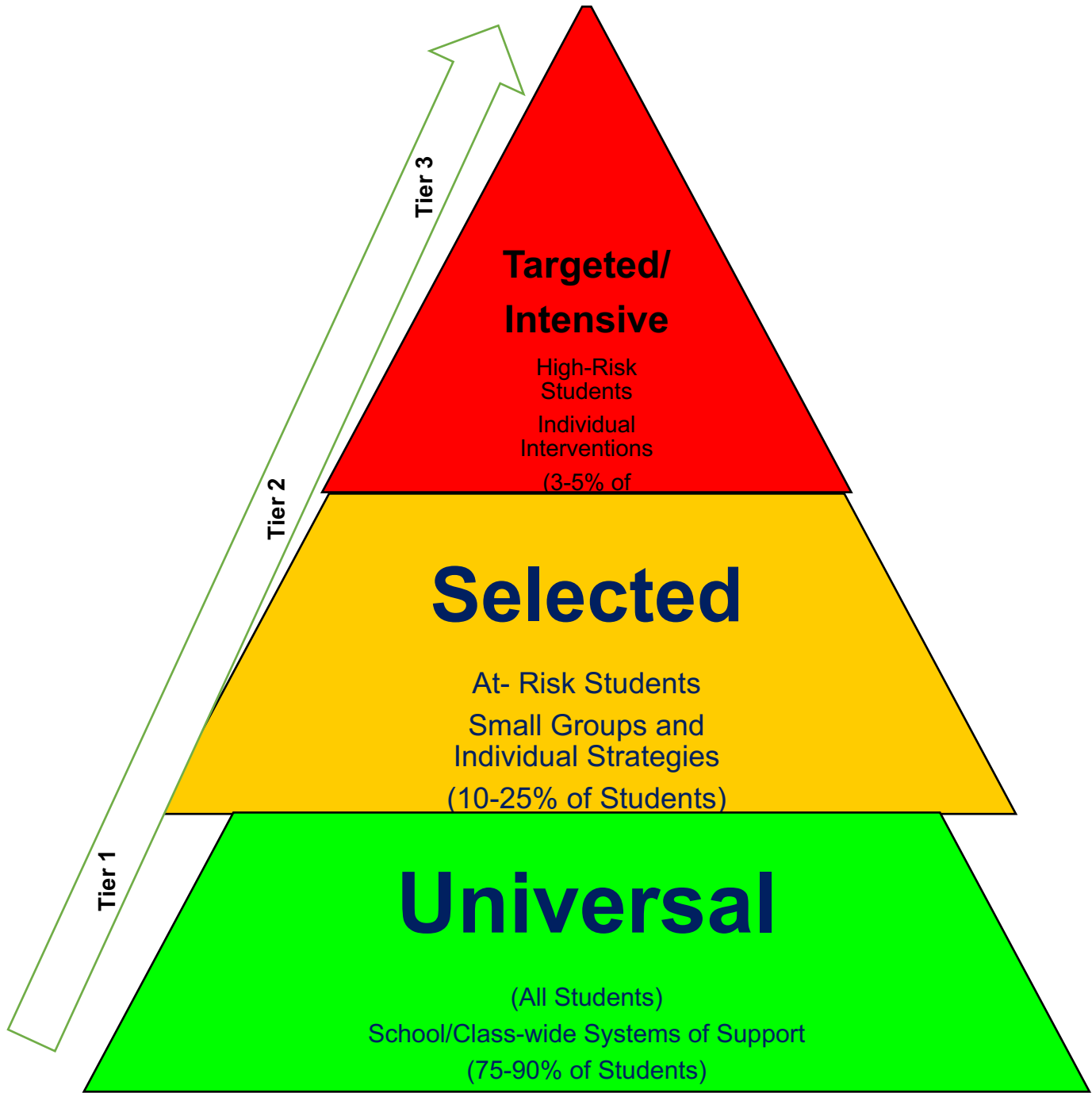
All students at MPS are entitled to the rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution, Bill of

Rights, and applicable case law, and their rights will not be knowingly denied by the required code of conduct or by any disciplinary actions taken by the school. Accordingly, after an analysis of each case, any student who exhibits any of the unacceptable student behaviors listed in this handbook may incur consequences. These consequences range from notification of parents, reflection, to emergency removal from a school activity, suspension, expulsion, and referral to appropriate law enforcement agencies.

MPS reserves the right to notify the authorities and the Department of Education as required by law relating to disciplinary actions taken. It is to be noted that MPS reserves the right to discipline any act that has a nexus with MPS or the school community and causes a substantial disruption to the normal operation of the School. In other words, MPS may discipline behavior at school or at a school-related or school-sponsored function or any activity or any act that causes a substantial disruption on the school environment or that is performed with/on/by/via school equipment or school property. MPS respects and observes the rights of student to lawful student expression, as outlined in the MPS Student Expression Policy available in the office of each MPS school.

The following tables delineate unacceptable types of behavior and possible consequences.

Multi-Tiered System of Response to Behavior



Universal

Examples of Classroom, Support and Teacher-Led Responses

These interventions are designed to teach appropriate behavior so that students may contribute to the learning community within the classroom environment. Teachers are encouraged to try a variety of instructional and classroom management strategies to support all learners.

Level 1 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Invading personal space ▪ Antagonizing others ▪ Violation of school/class rules ▪ Horseplaying ▪ Violating off-limits/restricted area ▪ Habitually tardy and/or not being in assigned location ▪ Disrupting the learning environment/Off task ▪ Littering ▪ Not having proper materials, supplies, and/or equipment for class participation ▪ Inappropriate use of electronic devices ▪ Dress code violation ▪ Inappropriate language/actions (hurtful, vulgar, gossip, etc.) ▪ Passive participation in hurtful acts/words against others ▪ Public display of affection (holding hands, kissing, hugging, etc.) ▪ Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ School-wide PBIS ✓ Social-emotional learning program ✓ Proactive classroom management ✓ Regular, preemptive communication with families ✓ Classroom incentives ✓ Seating, assignment, behavioral accommodations ✓ Conferencing with student(s) and parents ✓ Verbal correction and redirection ✓ Reminders, role-play, daily progress sheet ✓ Loss of classroom privileges ✓ Written and/or verbal reflection

Selected

Examples of Support, Removal and Administrative Responses

These responses engage the students's support system to ensure successful learning and to alter conditions that are inappropriate or disruptive.

Level 2 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Using/possessing tobacco and/or lighter ▪ Violating traffic or safety regulations ▪ Encouraging other students to violate school rules ▪ Leaving school and/or school bus without permission ▪ Fighting and/or arranging altercations ▪ Using objects inappropriately (i.e., the use of an object to harm others or damage property) ▪ Physical assault without serious bodily injury (i.e., pushing with intent, kicking, hitting, pinching, spitting) ▪ Defacing and/or vandalism of school property ▪ Plagiarism/academic dishonesty ▪ Leaving school or classroom without permission (truancy) ▪ Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding district filter, etc.) ▪ Stealing and/or possessing stolen property ▪ Failure to attend to/complete assigned restorative action ▪ Gambling or Extortion ▪ Habitual violations of school/class rules ▪ Forgery of signatures ▪ Sexually explicit behavior ▪ Planning and/or arranging actions with malicious intent ▪ Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures ▪ Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual) ▪ Bullying/cyberbullying ▪ Violation of personal boundaries ▪ Refusing to cooperate and comply with school rules/personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Behavioral contract ✓ Self-monitoring ✓ School-home communication ✓ Adult or peer mentorship ✓ Utilize check-in and check-out system ✓ Intensive academic and/or social support ✓ Reflection (lunch, after school, Saturday, etc.) ✓ Refer student to SSPT ✓ Loss of privileges ✓ Counseling ✓ Temporary removal from class ✓ Extended school day

Targeted/Intensive

Examples of support, removal and School Site Administrators and Home Office Responses.

These responses address serious behavior and potential implications for future harm. They promote safety of the school community and should be used in a progressive fashion.

See Categorical Offenses

Level 3 Infractions	Interventions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Physically assaulting with serious bodily injury▪ Conduct or habits injurious to others (peers/authority)▪ Using/possessing controlled and/or dangerous substances and/or paraphernalia▪ Bullying (harassing, intimidating, cyberbullying)▪ Fighting and/or arranging altercations▪ Using/possessing weapons and/or weapon paraphernalia including but not limited to those prohibited under federal law▪ Harassment (i.e., physical, verbal, and sexual)▪ Arson, attempting to commit arson and/or possession of explosives/fireworks (i.e., smoke bombs, sink bombs, etc.)▪ Causing a false fire alarm▪ Making a bomb/explosive threat▪ Encouraging other students to violate school rules▪ Student hazing▪ Using gang and/or secret society symbols/acts▪ Inappropriate use of electronic devices▪ Public displays of sexually explicit behavior▪ Defacing and/or vandalism of school property▪ Gambling▪ Habitual violations of school/class rules▪ Forgery of signatures▪ Stealing and/or possessing stolen property▪ Improper use of computer (e.g., viewing unauthorized websites, cheating, overriding school filter, etc.)▪ Sexual explicit behavior, Lewd Conduct, Writing or drawing obscene /profane language/pictures	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ All Tier 1 and Tier 2 interventions✓ FBA-based behavior intervention plans✓ Teaching replacement behavior✓ Home and community supports✓ Self-management program✓ Restricted access✓ In-school reflection and/or suspension✓ Short-term out-of-school suspension✓ Extended out-of-school suspension✓ Request for alternate educational setting✓ Recommendation for expulsion

Infractions Explained:

(See also the Enumerated Offenses and applicable procedures listed in Section D: Suspension and Expulsion Procedures, below)

Assaulting, Fighting and/or Arranging Fights
School is not a place to arrange fights, whether those fights take place on or off school grounds. Any fight and/or attempting to fight will involve disciplining all students involved.
Bringing / Using Electronic Devices
CD players, IPOD, MP3 players, phones, PDA, PSP, laptops, smart watches, electronic games, and/or similar devices are not allowed to be used at school. They disrupt classes and distract others from learning. If you choose to bring them for use outside of school, it is at your own discretion. MPS assumes no liability for any damaged, destroyed, lost, stolen, misplaced or otherwise compromised electronic device brought onto MPS property.
Scholastic Dishonesty
Scholastic dishonesty includes (but is not limited to) plagiarism, cheating on tests, and/or any other types of deception to obtain credit without effort. Scholastic dishonesty is unacceptable conduct. As a consequence, student will receive a failing grade on the assignment/test, and all other possible corrective strategies listed under the RTI table above will apply as well.
Texting/Sexting
Sexting can be defined as the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photographs electronically, primarily between mobile phones and/or any other communication devices.
Disrupting Learning
Disrupting learning includes any behavior that prevents other students from learning. It may include but is not limited to inappropriate language, eating or drinking during class against teachers' classroom rules, chewing gum, insubordination and/or selling or trading personal possessions to other students.
Horseplay
Rough or boisterous play including but not limited to shoving, play fighting, kicking, name calling,

teasing, pushing/pulling on a student and shoulder bumps.
Violating Uniform Policy
A student's dress and appearance shall conform to the specific uniform and appearance limitations described in this handbook.
Possession or Use of Drugs and/or Alcohol and the Sale or Intention to Sell Drugs and/or Alcohol
Use of drugs or alcohol means a student knowingly possesses, consumes, uses, handles, gives, stores, conceals, offers to sell, sells, transmits, acquires, buys, represents, makes, applies, or is under the influence of any narcotic drug, hallucinogen, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, tranquilizer, non-prescription or prescription drug (except when under the direction of a physician/parent and within school procedure), alcohol, intoxicant, solvent, gas, or any mood-altering chemical, drug of abuse or any counterfeit-controlled substance of any kind including butane lighters.
The sale, distribution, possession, or use of drugs, alcohol, fake drugs, steroids, inhalants, and look-alike drugs is prohibited everywhere on school grounds, at all school activities, and on all school transportation (drug free zone 1000 feet radius). Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by Administration and/or Law Enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.
False Fire Alarms
Issuing a false fire alarm is a violation of State law. Making false 911 calls is also violation of the State Law.
Forgery of Signatures
Any attempt by a student to sign a teacher's, administrator's, parent/guardian's, and/or another student's name to any school document will be considered forgery.
Vulgarity, Profanity and Obscenity
Any gesture or material of this nature is not permitted at school or school functions.
Bullying & Cyber Bullying
Bullying is not permitted at MPS. In addition, MPS will not tolerate unlawful intimidation and bullying

due to actual or perceived characteristics such as age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, disability, nationalist, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or a person's association with a person, or group, with or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Each student deserves an equal opportunity to obtain an education without dealing with the negative pressures of peers. Bullying consists of any of the following: pushing, shoving, hitting, and spitting, name calling, picking on, making fun of, laughing at, and excluding someone physically or via social media or electronic communications.

Bullying causes pain and stress to those who are victims and is never justified or excusable as "kids being kids", "just teasing", "joking", "playing around" or any other rationalization. This includes the use of social media for wrongful purposes.

Each MPS student agrees to:

- Value student differences and treat others with respect.
- Not become involved in bullying incidents or be a bully.

Harassment of Students, Teachers, Administrators, or Staff

Harassment means making unwelcome advances or any form of improper physical contact or sexual remark and any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating or offensive learning environment. See also the MPS Policy Against Unlawful Harassment.

Harassment can be verbal, physical and visual. (Education Code, § 212.5)

Harassment is a violation of Federal Law and is contrary to the School Board's commitment to provide a physically and psychologically safe environment in which to learn.

Behaving Disrespectfully towards Teachers or Staff

Disrespect (i.e. arguing, talking back, etc.) and insubordination (failure to comply with directives) toward any member of the faculty or staff will not be tolerated. Profanity, either spoken or written is considered a form of disrespect.

Student Hazing

Hazing is defined as doing any act or coercing another person for initiation into any organization that causes or creates a substantial risk or causes mental or physical harm. Permission, consent or assumption of the risk by an individual subjected to hazing does not lessen the prohibition contained in

this policy. Hazing may carry heavy legal consequences.

Smoking or Use of Other Tobacco Products

Possession of tobacco products in any part of the school (drug free zone 1000 feet radius) or on the student is prohibited under this policy. This includes cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vaporizers, cigars, herbs, and smokeless tobacco. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched if the presence of such items is suspected.

Stealing and/or Vandalizing School/Private Property & Graffiti

This means to cause or attempt to cause damage to private property, stealing or attempting to steal private property either on school grounds or during school activities, functions or events. Students and their parents or guardians will be held responsible for any theft/vandalism/graffiti (including graffiti tools such as permanent markers) that the student commits. Theft or vandalism of school property carries heavy legal penalties.

No Permanent markers or aerosol cans are allowed at school.

Displaying Threatening Behavior

Threatening behavior includes: verbal threats, both face to face and over electronic media (phone and/or computers), non-verbal threats ("hard" stares, gestures), willfully causing or attempting to cause physical injury to another person, causing or attempt to cause any student, teacher, administrator, or staff member to feel frightened or intimidated.

Bringing Weapon in School

A weapon includes, but is not limited to, conventional objects like guns, pellet guns, knives, smoke bombs, fireworks, club of any type, mace, tear gas, or other chemicals. This may also include any toy that is presented as a real weapon. It also includes objects converted from their original use to threaten or injure another. The Administration reserves the right to all final decisions regarding the definition of a weapon. Backpacks, gym bags, coats, and/or any other containers might be searched by administration or law enforcement if they suspect the presence of such items.

If you are aware of a weapon /drugs/alcohol on campus and do not inform school staff, you will be subject to disciplinary actions and serve consequences.

Possession or Use of Fireworks

Using or possessing any amusement device, smoke bomb, stink bomb, etc.

Gang and Secret Society Symbols

Disruption and/or intimidation caused by the wearing of any type of clothing, accessories, hair style, or by writing of any signs identified as or associated with gangs. No gang activity or gang association will be permitted at school or school sponsored activities. Gang symbols on notebooks, lockers, book bags, etc. are not permitted and will be documented. Students may not promise to become or be members of a gang, secret society, illegal club, sorority or fraternity.

Arson

Intentionally starting any fire or combustion on school property

Public Display of Affection

Public displays of affection are not allowed.

Provoking/Intimidating Behavior Encouraging or Urging Other Students to Violate School Rules

Any student who, by means of provocation, intimidation, encouragement, request, or other means of promotion, induces or attempts to induce another student to violate a MPS school rule shall be subject to discipline.

Students with an IEP:

If a student has an IEP, that IEP and any applicable behavior plan shall be followed, accordingly to state and federal law. If the behavior(s) worsens or the frequency increases, the student's IEP team may meet to review the plan and its implementation, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior(s). Special Education staff, general education staff, parents, and related service providers specified in the IEP must be informed and involved.

MPS follows state and federal laws regarding discipline, including suspension and expulsion, of students with disabilities. See also Section D: Suspension and Expulsion Procedures, below, for more information.

D. SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION PROCEDURES

The following Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy has been established in order to promote learning and protect the safety and well-being of all students at MPS. Staff shall enforce disciplinary rules and procedures fairly and consistently among all students. In creating this policy, the Charter School has reviewed Education Code Section 48900 et seq. which describes the non-charter schools' list of offenses and procedures to establish its list of offenses and

procedures for suspensions and expulsions. The language that follows closely mirrors the language of Education Code Section 48900 et seq. The Charter School is committed to annual review of policies and procedures surrounding suspensions and expulsions and, as necessary, modification of the lists of offenses for which students are subject to suspension or expulsion.

When the policy is violated, it may be necessary to suspend or expel a student from regular classroom instruction. This policy shall serve as MPS' policy and procedures for student suspension and expulsion. Suspended or expelled students shall be excluded from all school and school-related activities unless otherwise agreed during the period of suspension or expulsion.

This Policy and its Procedures will clearly describe discipline expectations, and it will be printed and distributed as part of the Student Handbook which is sent to each student at the beginning of the school year. The MPS administration shall ensure that students and their parents/guardians are notified in writing upon enrollment of all discipline policies and procedures.

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of or willfully causing the infliction of physical pain on a student. For purposes of the Policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to school property.

Discipline includes but is not limited to advising and counseling students, conferring with parents/guardians, reflection during and after school hours, use of alternative educational environments, suspension and expulsion.

PROGRESSIVE POSITIVE DISCIPLINE

Positive Consequences

MPS school staff has committed itself to encouraging and supporting the attainment of academic skills as well as social skills, such as listening, friendship-making, problem solving, and alternatives to aggression. To inspire and encourage students to develop their potential in all of these areas, the following reinforcements will be used for positive behavior:

- Individual awards/recognition
- Classroom awards/recognition
- Certificates
- Displays
- Positive contact with parent/guardian
- Special activities (field trips, movie nights, picnics, etc.)
- Publications
- Assemblies
- Positive SIS points

Positive student behavior and improvements will be acknowledged and encouraged by the MPS staff. Teachers will not only report discipline issues on the

school information system, but also positive behaviors and accomplishments. Parents will also be informed of positive behavior and improvements via phone, email, and home visits. Students will receive certificates and/or rewards for outstanding performance and behaviors.

Alternatives to Suspension

To intervene in student behavior, MPS has a progressive discipline plan in place at each of its schools. This plan is published at the beginning of each school year in the Parent/Student handbook. The handbook also includes a school-parent-student compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will develop a partnership to help children achieve high academic and behavior standards. The discipline plan includes information about student expectations and progression of disciplinary procedures from day-to-day discipline to suspension and expulsion.

MPS believes that alternatives to suspension align with our schoolwide positive behavior support plan. Following are list of alternatives to be considered before suspending a student: warning, phone call home, parent conference, teacher/administrative reflection, written assignment/research/presentation, loss of privileges, behavior contract, parent shadowing, mentorship (peer/teacher), referral (counseling, SSPT, Dean of Students/Principal), assigning volunteer work/community service, Saturday school, and in-school suspension.

Reflection:

Reflection will be held on assigned day either during the lunch period or after school for up to 60 minutes. Students will have at least one (1) day notice that they must serve a reflection that is longer than twenty (20) minutes in order to make arrangements to be picked up from school. Parents may request in person a delay of the reflection; no phone calls or notes will be accepted for this request.

In School Suspension (ISS):

Notice of In School Suspension (ISS) and the reasons for the ISS will be given to the student and the parent in writing. The student will remain on campus during school hours in a designated area not in their regular class setting. The student will have no or limited contact with students and teachers while serving an ISS. Student is expected to complete their classroom assignments and school community service during ISS.

GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION

Jurisdiction

A student may be suspended for prohibited misconduct if the act is (1) related to school activity; (2) school attendance occurring at MPS or at any other school; or

(3) a MPS sponsored event. A student may be suspended for acts that are enumerated below and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, and of the following:

- a) while on school grounds;
- b) while going to or coming from school;
- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

Enumerated Offenses

Discretionary Suspension Offenses

Students may be suspended for any of the following acts when it is determined the student:

- 26. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in minor harm.
- 27. Willfully used force of violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in minor injury.
- 28. Unlawfully possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished nominal amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
- 29. Unlawfully under the influence of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
- 30. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
- 31. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
- 32. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property resulting in negligible loss.
- 33. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property.
- 34. Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including but not limited to cigars, cigarettes, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets and betel. This section does not prohibit the use of his or her own prescription products by a pupil.
- 35. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.

36. Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.
37. Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties.
38. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
39. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
40. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committed a sexual battery as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
41. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
42. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
43. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or pre-initiation into a student organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective student. For purposes of this section, "hazing" does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
44. Made terrorist threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, "terroristic threat" shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family's safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.
45. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
46. Caused, attempted to cause, threaten to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.
47. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12 inclusive.
48. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.
 - 4) "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:
 - v. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.
 - vi. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
 - vii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic performance.
 - viii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.

5) "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

iv. A message, text, sound, video, or image.

v. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:

(d) Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.

(e) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.

(f) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.

vi. An act of cyber sexual bullying.

(c) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other

visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.

(d) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.

6) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.

49. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to subdivision (1)(a)-(b).

50. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee's concurrence.

Mandatory Suspension Offenses

Students shall be suspended when the following occur on school campus or at a school activity off campus, for any of the following reasons:

6. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(1)

7. Brandishing a knife at another person. E.C. 48915(c)(2)

8. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance. E.C. 48915(c)(3)

9. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery, as defined in the enumerated offenses, above. E.C. 48915(c)(4)

10. Possession of an explosive, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(5)

SUSPENSION PROCEDURES

Suspensions shall be initiated according to the following procedures:

Conference

Suspension shall be preceded, if possible, by a conference conducted by the Principal or the Principal's designee with the student and his or her parent and, whenever practical, the teacher, supervisor or school employee who referred the student to the Principal. The conference may be omitted if the Principal or designee determines that an emergency situation exists. An "emergency situation" involves a clear and present danger to the lives, safety or health of students or school personnel. If a student is suspended without this conference, both the parent/guardian and student shall be notified of the student's right to return to school for the purpose of a conference.

At the conference, the student shall be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action and the evidence against him or her and shall be given the opportunity to present his or her version and evidence in his or her defense.

This conference shall be held within two school days, unless the student waives this right or is physically unable to attend for any reason including, but not limited to, incarceration or hospitalization.

No penalties may be imposed on a student for failure of the student's parent or guardian to attend a conference with school officials. Reinstatement of the suspended student shall not be contingent upon attendance by the student's parent or guardian at the conference.

Notice to Parents/Guardians

At the time of suspension, the Principal or designee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the parent/guardian by telephone or in person. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian shall be notified in writing of the suspension and the date of return following suspension. This notice shall state the specific offense committed by the student. In addition, the notice will also state the date and time when the student may return to school. If school officials wish to ask the parent/guardian to confer regarding matters pertinent to the suspension, the notice will request that the parent/guardian respond to such requests without delay.

Suspension Time Limits

Suspensions, when not including a recommendation for expulsion, shall not exceed five (5) consecutive school days per suspension. A student may be suspended from school for not more than 20 school days in any school year unless, for purposes of adjustment, the student enrolls in or is transferred another regular school, an opportunity school, or continuation school or class, in which case suspension shall not exceed 30 days in any school year. However, this restriction on the number of days of suspension does not apply when the suspension is extended pending an expulsion. (Education Code 48903, 48911, 48912)

Suspension Appeals

Students and parent/guardian may appeal a suspension within five (5) school days of the suspension. This appeal will be made to the Principal and heard by a Reflection Committee. The Reflection Committee is an advisory committee to the Principal, trained quarterly in restorative practices and PBIS, and will be comprised of at least one school administrator, and at least two teachers, and may also include a non-certificated employee. All Reflection Committee hearings on suspensions will be held within two (2) school days of the appeal being made. The decision of the Reflection Committee is final. Based on the information submitted or requested, the Reflection Committee may make one of the following decisions regarding the suspension:

- Uphold the suspension
- Determine that the suspension was not within school guidelines, overturn the suspension, and order that all records and documents regarding the disciplinary proceeding be destroyed. No information regarding the suspension will be placed in the student's permanent record or shared with anyone not directly involved in the proceedings. Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom materials and assignments for the duration of student's absence. Student will be provided the opportunity to make academic progress, make up assignments, and earn credit missed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Charter School will maintain student records in accordance with Education Code Section 49602 and 5 CCR 16024.

Recommendation for Placement/Expulsion

Upon a recommendation of Placement/ Expulsion by the Principal, the student and the student's parent/guardian or representative will be invited to a conference to determine if the suspension for the student should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. This determination will be made by the Principal upon either of the following determinations: (1) the student's presence will be disruptive to the education process; or (2) the student poses a threat or danger to others. Upon either determination, the student's suspension will be extended pending the results of an expulsion hearing.

Access to Education

For suspensions that are not pending an expulsion hearing, Charter School shall make arrangements to provide the student with classroom material and current assignments to be completed at home during the length of the suspension. For suspensions pending an expulsion hearing, Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students. Please see "Interim Placement" below for details.

GROUNDS FOR EXPULSION

Jurisdiction

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- c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; or
- d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

The length of an expulsion is addressed above, under "Rehabilitation Plans."

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22. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person resulting in serious bodily harm.
23. Willfully used force of violence upon the person of another, except self-defense resulting in serious bodily injury.
24. Unlawfully possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished significant amounts of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058.
25. Unlawfully under the influence of any controlled substance, as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.
26. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.
27. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion in excess of \$1,000.
28. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
29. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property in excess of \$1,000.
30. Habitually disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties.
31. Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
32. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committed a sexual battery as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
33. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
34. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
35. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or pre-initiation into a student organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective student. For purposes of this section, "hazing" does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
36. Made terrorist threats against school officials and/or school property. For purposes of this section, "terroristic threat" shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family's safety, or for the protection of school property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.
37. Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

38. Caused, attempted to cause, threaten to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

39. Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading student rights by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to students in any of grades 4 to 12 inclusive.

40. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.

4) "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:

v. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student's or those students' person or property.

vi. Causing a reasonable student to experience a detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.

vii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her academic performance.

viii. Causing a reasonable student to experience interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the Charter School.

5) "Electronic Act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the school site, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

iv. A message, text, sound, video, or image.

v. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:

(d) Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.

(e) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.

(f) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.

vi. An act of cyber sexual bullying.

(c) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.

(d) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or

that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.

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41. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to subdivision (3)(a)-(b).
42. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Executive Director or designee's concurrence.
8. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance. E.C. 48915(c)(3)
9. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery, as defined in the enumerated offenses, above. E.C. 48915(c)(4)
10. Possession of an explosive, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(5)

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6. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm, as defined below. E.C. 48915(c)(1)
7. Brandishing a knife at another person. E.C. 48915(c)(2)

EXPULSION PROCEDURES

Authority to Expel

A student may be expelled by an Administrative Panel following a hearing before it. The Administrative Panel will include three or more certificated persons, none of whom have been members of the Board or on the staff of the school in which the student is enrolled. It is important for the Administrative Panel members to have experience in education law and student discipline. Typical Administrative Panel members include teachers, school administrators and Home Office Chiefs/Directors. The Home Office will coordinate all administrators and teachers who serve on the Reflection Committee at their school sites to be "on call" for a particular month should their presence be needed at an Administrative Panel hearing. The Administrative Panel may expel any student found to have committed an expellable offense.

Expulsion Hearing

Students recommended for expulsion are entitled to a hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled. The hearing shall be held within thirty (30) school days after the Principal determines that the Student has committed an expellable offense.

After an Administrative Panel hears the case, it will make a determination whether to expel.

Written notice of the hearing shall be forwarded to the student and the student's parent/guardian at least ten (10) calendar days before the date of the hearing. Upon mailing the notice, it shall be deemed served upon the student. The notice shall include:

9. The date and place of the expulsion hearing;
10. A statement of specific facts, charges and offenses upon which the proposed expulsion is based;
11. A copy of MPS' disciplinary rules which relate to the alleged violation;
12. Notification of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to provide information about the student's status at the school to any other school district or school to which the student seeks enrollment;
13. The opportunity for the student or the student's parent/guardian to appear in person or to employ and be represented by counsel or a non-attorney advisor;
14. The right to inspect and obtain copies of all documents to be used at the hearing;
15. The opportunity to confront and question all witnesses who testify at the hearing;

16. The opportunity to question all evidence presented and to present oral and documentary evidence on the student's behalf including witnesses.

Special procedures for Expulsion Hearings Involving Sexual Assault or Battery Offenses

MPS may, upon finding a good cause, determine that the disclosure of either the identity of the witness or the testimony of that witness at the hearing, or both, would subject the witness to an unreasonable risk of psychological or physical harm. Upon this determination, the testimony of the witness may be presented at the hearing in the form of sworn declarations which shall be examined only by the Board, administrative panel, or the hearing officer. Copies of these sworn declarations, edited to delete the name and identity of the witness, shall be made available to the student.

11. The complaining witness in any sexual assault or battery case must be provided with a copy of the applicable disciplinary rules and advised of his/her right to (a) receive five days notice of his/her scheduled testimony, (b) have up to two (2) adult support persons of his/her choosing present in the hearing at the time he/she testifies, which may include a parent, guardian, or legal counsel, and (c) elect to have the hearing closed while testifying.
12. MPS must also provide the victim a room separate from the hearing room for the complaining witness' use prior to and during breaks in testimony.
13. At the discretion of the person or panel conducting the hearing, the complaining witness shall be allowed periods of relief from examination and cross-examination during which he or she may leave the hearing room.
14. The person conducting the expulsion hearing may also arrange the seating within the hearing room to facilitate a less intimidating environment for the complaining witness.
15. The person conducting the expulsion hearing may also limit time for taking the testimony of the complaining witness to the hours he/she is normally in school, if there is no good cause to take the testimony during other hours.
16. Prior to a complaining witness testifying, the support persons must be admonished that the hearing is confidential. Nothing in the law precludes the person presiding over the hearing from removing a support person whom the presiding person finds is disrupting the hearing. The person conducting the hearing may permit any one of the support persons for the complaining witness to accompany him or her to the witness stand.
17. If one or both of the support persons is also a witness, MPS must present evidence that the witness' presence is both desired by the witness and will be helpful to MPS. The person presiding over the hearing shall permit the witness to stay

unless it is established that there is a substantial risk that the testimony of the complaining witness would be influenced by the support person, in which case the presiding official shall admonish the support person or persons not to prompt, sway, or influence the witness in any way. Nothing shall preclude the presiding officer from exercising his or her discretion to remove a person from the hearing whom he or she believes is prompting, swaying, or influencing the witness.

18. The testimony of the support person shall be presented before the testimony of the complaining witness and the complaining witness shall be excluded from the courtroom during that testimony.
19. Especially for charges involving sexual assault or battery, if the hearing is to be conducted in the public at the request of the student being expelled, the complaining witness shall have the right to have his/her testimony heard in a closed session when testifying at a public meeting would threaten serious psychological harm to the complaining witness and there are not alternative procedures to avoid the threatened harm. The alternative procedures may include videotaped depositions or contemporaneous examination in another place communicated to the hearing by means of closed-circuit television.
20. Evidence of specific instances of a complaining witness' prior sexual conduct is presumed inadmissible and shall not be heard absent a determination by the person conducting the hearing that extraordinary circumstances exist requiring the evidence be heard. Before such a determination regarding extraordinary circumstances can be made, the witness shall be provided notice and an opportunity to present opposition to the introduction of the evidence. In the hearing on the admissibility of the evidence, the complaining witness shall be entitled to be represented by a parent, legal counsel, or other support person. Reputation or opinion evidence regarding the sexual behavior of the complaining witness is not admissible for any purpose.

Record of Expulsion Hearing

A record of the hearing shall be made and may be maintained by any means, including electronic recording, as long as a reasonably accurate and complete written transcription of the proceedings can be made.

Presentation of Evidence

While technical rules of evidence do not apply to expulsion hearings, evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. A recommendation by the Administrative Panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed an expellable offense.

Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. While hearsay evidence is admissible, no decision to expel shall be based solely on hearsay

and sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses of whom the Board, Panel or designee determines that disclosure of their identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to an unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm.

If, due to a written request by the accused student, the hearing is held at a public meeting, and the charge is committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery as defined in Education Code Section 48900, a complaining witness shall have the right to have his or her testimony heard in a session closed to the public.

The decision of the Administrative Panel shall be in the form of written findings of fact.

If the Administrative Panel decides not to recommend expulsion, the student shall immediately be returned to his/her educational program.

Written Notice to Expel

The Principal or designee following a decision of the Administrative Panel to expel shall send written notice of the decision to expel, including the Administrative Panel's adopted findings of fact, to the student or parent/guardian. This notice shall also include the following:

4. Notice of the specific offense committed by the student
5. Notice of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with MPS
6. The reinstatement eligibility review date; a copy of the rehabilitation plan; the type of educational placement during the period of expulsion, and notice of appeal rights/procedures

The Principal or designee shall send a copy of the written notice of the decision to expel to the student's district of residence. This notice shall include the following:

3. The student's name
4. The specific expellable offense committed by the student

Disciplinary Records

MPS shall maintain records of all student suspensions and expulsions at MPS. Such records shall be made available to the District upon request.

Expulsion Appeals

In order to appeal an expulsion, the student/parent/guardian must submit a written appeal to the CEO of MPS outlining the reason for the appeal,

attaching any supporting documentation, within ten (10) calendar days of being informed of the expulsion.

In response to the written request for an appeal, the CEO of MPS shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors. The Board shall convene a hearing on the appeal within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of a timely written request for an appeal.

At the hearing on the appeal, the student shall have the right to present evidence. The Board will consider evidence and/or testimony as appropriate and will render a written decision that shall be in the best interest of the student and the Charter School. That decision shall be final.

Interim Placement

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of the Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

Charter School shall work with the District for an interim placement or other alternative program. Should Charter School determine after the referral that the student will remain at the charter school pending the expulsion hearing based on the best interest of the student, or if Charter School secures another alternative interim placement at another charter school or school within its CMO, if appropriate and aligned with applicable charter petitions, Charter School will notify the District of such determination.

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

Bullying

The Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Safe Place to Learn Act, Education Code section 234 *et seq.* MPS' policy on bullying prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified in the definition of hate crimes. MPS' process for receiving and investigating complaints includes complaints of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics, as specified, and a requirement that Charter School personnel who witness such acts take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so, a timeline to investigate and resolve complaints, and an appeal process.

Special Procedures for the Consideration of Suspension and Expulsion of Students with Disabilities

8. Notification of SELPA

The Charter School shall immediately notify the SELPA and coordinate the procedures in this policy with the SELPA of the discipline of any student with a disability or student who the Charter School or SELPA would be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability.

9. Services During Suspension

Students suspended for more than ten (10) school days in a school year shall continue to receive services so as to enable the student to continue to participate in the general education curriculum, although in another setting, and to progress toward meeting the goals set out in the child's IEP/504 Plan; and receive, as appropriate, a functional behavioral assessment and behavioral intervention services and modifications, that are designed to address the behavior violation so that it does not recur. These services may be provided in an interim alternative educational setting.

10. Procedural Safeguards/ Manifestation Determination

Within ten (10) school days of a recommendation for expulsion or any decision to change the placement of a child with a disability because of a violation of a code of student conduct, the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team shall review all relevant information in the student's file, including the child's IEP/504 Plan, any teacher observations, and any relevant information provided by the parents to determine:

- c. If the conduct in question was caused by, or had a direct and substantial relationship to, the child's disability; or
- d. If the conduct in question was the direct result of the local educational agency's failure to implement the IEP/504 Plan.

If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team determine that either of the above is applicable for the child, the conduct shall be determined to be a manifestation of the child's disability.

If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team make the determination that the conduct was a manifestation of the child's disability, the IEP/504 Team shall:

- d. Conduct a functional behavioral assessment and implement a behavioral intervention plan for such child, provided that the Charter School had not conducted such assessment prior to such determination before the behavior that resulted in a change in placement;
- e. If a behavioral intervention plan has been developed, review the behavioral intervention plan if the child already has such a behavioral intervention plan, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior; and
- f. Return the child to the placement from which the child was removed, unless the parent and the Charter School agree to a change of placement as part of the modification of the behavioral intervention plan.

If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team determine that the behavior was not a manifestation of the student's disability and that the conduct in question was not a result of the failure to implement the IEP/504 Plan, then the Charter School may apply the relevant disciplinary

procedures to children with disabilities in the same manner and for the same duration as the procedures would be applied to students without disabilities.

11. Due Process Appeals

The parent of a child with a disability who disagrees with any decision regarding placement, or the manifestation determination, or the Charter School believes that maintaining the current placement of the child is substantially likely to result in injury to the child or to others, may request an expedited administrative hearing through the Special Education Unit of the Office of Administrative Hearings or by utilizing the dispute provisions of the 504 Policy and Procedures.

When an appeal relating to the placement of the student or the manifestation determination has been requested by either the parent or the Charter School, the student shall remain in the interim alternative educational setting pending the decision of the hearing officer or until the expiration of the forty-five (45) day time period provided for in an interim alternative educational setting, whichever occurs first, unless the parent and the Charter School agree otherwise.

12. Special Circumstances

Charter School personnel may consider any unique circumstances on a case-by-case basis when determining whether to order a change in placement for a child with a disability who violates a code of student conduct.

The Principal or designee may remove a student to an interim alternative educational setting for not more than forty-five (45) days without regard to whether the behavior is determined to be a manifestation of the student's disability in cases where a student:

- d. Carries or possesses a weapon, as defined in 18 USC 930, to or at school, on school premises, or to or at a school function;
- e. Knowingly possesses or uses illegal drugs, or sells or solicits the sale of a controlled substance, while at school, on school premises, or at a school function; or
- f. Has inflicted serious bodily injury, as defined by 20 USC 1415(k)(7)(D), upon a person while at school, on school premises, or at a school function.

13. Interim Alternative Educational Setting

The student's interim alternative educational setting shall be determined by the student's IEP/504 Team.

14. Procedures for Students Not Yet Eligible for Special Education Services

A student who has not been identified as an individual with disabilities pursuant to IDEIA and who has violated the Charter School's disciplinary procedures may assert the procedural safeguards granted under this administrative regulation only if the Charter School had knowledge that the student was disabled before the behavior occurred.

The Charter School shall be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability if one of the following conditions exists:

- d. The parent/guardian has expressed concern in writing, or orally if the parent/guardian does not know how to write or has a disability that prevents a written statement, to Charter School supervisory or administrative personnel, or to one of the child's teachers, that the student is in need of special education or related services.
- e. The parent has requested an evaluation of the child.
- f. The child's teacher, or other Charter School personnel, has expressed specific concerns about a pattern of behavior demonstrated by the child, directly to the director of special education or to other Charter School supervisory personnel.

If the Charter School knew or should have known the student had a disability under any of the three (3) circumstances described above, the student may assert any of the protections available to IDEIA-eligible children with disabilities, including the right to stay-put.

If the Charter School had no basis for knowledge of the student's disability, it shall proceed with the proposed discipline. The Charter School shall conduct an expedited evaluation if requested by the parents; however, the student shall remain in the education placement determined by the Charter School pending the results of the evaluation.

The Charter School shall not be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability if the parent has not allowed an evaluation, refused services, or if the student has been evaluated and determined to not be eligible.

Required Notification

If a pupil is expelled or leaves the Charter School without graduating or completing the school year for any reason, the Charter School shall notify the superintendent of the school district of the pupil's last known address within 30 days, and shall, upon request, provide that school district with a copy of the cumulative record of the pupil, including a transcript of grades or report card and health information.

GENERAL POLICIES

• SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

MPS will offer a range of activities that will enrich student development during and after school. Because the safety of students is very important to us, specific rules will apply to these activities.

Athletic Activities:

The Charter School complies with Education Code Section 49475 regarding student athletes who sustain concussions. A concussion is a brain injury that can be caused by a bump, blow, or jolt to the head, or by a blow to another part of the body with the force transmitted to the head. Even though most concussions are mild, all concussions are potentially serious and may result in complications, including prolonged brain damage and death if not recognized and managed properly. MPS offers an athletic program, and so we must immediately remove from the school-sponsored athletic activity for the remainder of the day an athlete who is suspected of sustaining a concussion or head injury during that activity. The athlete may not return to that activity until he or she is evaluated by, and receives written clearance from, a licensed health care provider. If the licensed health care provider determines the athlete has a concussion or head injury, the athlete shall also complete a graduated return-to-play protocol of no less than 7 days in duration under the supervision of a licensed health care provider.

Additionally, on a yearly basis, MPS must provide a concussion and head injury information sheet to athletes, which must be signed and returned by the athlete and the athlete's parent/guardian before the athlete initiates practice or competition. This requirement does not apply to an athlete engaging in an athletic activity during the regular school day or as part of a physical education course. MPS shall distribute this information sheet to athletes prior to the start of the athletic season. Copies are also available in the main office of each MPS school.

Additionally, those wishing to participate in athletics at MPS, must review the information sheet on sudden cardiac arrest and return the signed information sheet to the main office of each MPS school. The information sheet is located at: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/pd/ca/pe/documents/pescaform.pdf>.

Field Trips:

Field Trips offer exciting ways to learn. MPS students may have the opportunity to go on field trips at various times throughout the school year.

MPS plans many field trips, weekend getaways, summer camp, and the Europe Trip during spring break.

Students must bring to school a Field Trip Permission Slip signed by a parent or guardian by the specified

date. Phone calls will not be accepted as permission for students to attend.

Academic Tutoring Program:

- Tutoring will be available as part of the MPS after-school program.
- Students can receive tutoring from faculty and volunteers from local universities.
- The program will benefit all students.
- The sessions will generally occur after school; some may be scheduled on the weekends.
- Upon availability, Saturday tutoring is available to all students who wish to improve their academic skills. We offer math and SAT/ACT prep. All students are welcome to join at specified times.

After School Activities:

MPS offers a variety of after school tutoring, clubs, sports, and activities for all students free of charge. There is no better way for students to enrich their education than by taking part in clubs, after-school activities or working with a teacher (Tutoring). These opportunities allow students to explore more deeply things they already enjoy and to try other areas that sound interesting. Students who stay for an after-school activity must follow these rules:

- Be with a teacher or other staff member at all times.
- Arrange to have their transportation pick them up at the end of the activity.
- Abide by the MPS code of student conduct and all school rules and policies as outlined in the handbook while participating in the activity.

Students who are disruptive, disrespectful, or who do not follow the rules will be prohibited from participating in the after-school program.

Students not participating in after school activities may not stay after school to wait for another student.

A full list and description of after school clubs and activities will be posted after school starts. We strongly encourage our students to explore and take advantage of these after school opportunities.

MPS is not responsible for students on campus who are not participating in after school activities or who remain on campus after the completion of the after-school activity. Those students must leave the campus within ten minutes of school or after dismissal time. Following is the MPS policy regarding students left on campus after school hours. Contact the office of each MPS school for more information.

POLICY REGARDING STUDENTS LEFT ON CAMPUS AFTER SCHOOL HOURS

MPS is committed to providing a safe campus for all students. When students are left on school property after the close of business hours, MPS will follow certain steps to ensure students are safe until their parents/guardians come to pick them up. In the event students are left on campus after school hours, MPS staff will:

1. Notify the principal or designee immediately.
2. Attempt to reach parents/guardians through the phone number provided to the School by parents/guardians at the beginning of the year. This may include contacting any emergency contact(s) listed for the student.
3. If a staff person becomes aware a child is on campus more than ten minutes after dismissal of the regular school day or after school activity, the staff person or another employee will remain on site until an adult, including but not limited to an emergency contact, police officer, or social worker, retrieves the student.
4. Notify the principal or designee after the ten (10) minutes after dismissal has passed if there is a possibility that law enforcement may be called to assist the student.
5. As a last resort, contact law enforcement and/or child welfare services who may remove the student and may assume responsibility for the student until the parent/guardian retrieves the student.
6. In cases of repeated incidents where parents/guardians have been late in picking up their child, notify the parents/guardians in writing of parental responsibilities and consequences for their child. A consequence may include: refusal to allow the student to attend after school programs if the parent is repeatedly late in retrieving the child.

Students should not be dropped off more than thirty (30) minutes early for School. The School will open its doors at 7:30 a.m. and at this time students will be supervised by School staff. All students that arrive before 7:30 a.m. will be unsupervised and the School will not be responsible for the safety and well-being of these students. (Each individual MPS school may include site-specific amendments into the drop-off, pick-up, and supervision times addressing local issues.)

- **ILLNESS, INJURY, AND MEDICATION POLICIES**

MPS does not have a nurse on staff. Consistent with doctor's orders, properly trained office staff can assist students with basic first aid treatment; however, office staff is not registered nurse. Students sent to the office or visiting the office claiming that they are ill will be quickly evaluated by the office staff. If a student needs treatment beyond basic first aid, Parent/Guardian will be contacted to pick him/her up.

Illness or Injury during the school day:

If a student becomes ill or injured during the school day, s/he must report to the Main Office. Do not leave the building without permission. Any absence or departure from class that is not first cleared through the office will be considered unexcused.

Illness at Home:

If a student is not physically well prior to the beginning of the school day, the office should be informed and the student should be kept at home.

Medications:

- Medication shall be administered during school hours only if determined by a physician to be necessary and with parental permission.
- All medications must be in the original container.
- The container must be clearly marked with the student's first and last name.
- A "Request for Medication to be Taken During School Hours" must accompany all medication, containing instructions for administration, including exact times and dosages. The "Request for Medication to be Taken During School Hours" will be filed in the student's folder. This form can be obtained from the Main Office. This form shall be provided at least annually and more frequently if the medication, dosage, frequency of administration, or reason for the administration changes.
- All medications are to be delivered to the Main Office in their original containers, with the name of the student, medication, dosage, and frequency of administration clearly marked. Extra medication should be picked up by the parent/guardian at the completion of the medication regimen or end of the school year, whichever is earlier. The school is not liable for any medication not picked up after the end of the school year.
- MPS staff shall keep records of medication administered at MPS.
- Medication will be kept in a secure and appropriate storage location at each MPS school and administered per physician's instructions by appropriately designated staff.
- Administration will consult with the parent/guardian and student's medical professionals to establish a written plan for Students with chronic health issues or conditions that require specific medication regimens or health plans, such as diabetes, asthma, etc.
- Any pupil requiring insulin shots must establish a plan for administration of insulin shots with the Principal in consultation with the parent or guardian and the pupil's medical professional.

Epinephrine Auto-Injectors:

Trained MPS personnel who have volunteered may use epinephrine auto-injectors to provide emergency medical aid to persons suffering, or reasonably believed to be suffering from, an anaphylactic reaction. MPS will ensure it has the appropriate type of epinephrine auto-injector on site (i.e., regular or junior) to meet the needs of its pupils. MPS will ensure staff properly store, maintain, and restock the epinephrine auto-injectors as needed.

MPS will ensure any school personnel who volunteer are appropriately trained regarding the storage and emergency use of epinephrine auto-injectors based on the standards developed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. MPS will distribute an annual notice

to all staff describing the request for volunteers who will be trained to administer an epinephrine auto-injector to a person if that person is suffering, or reasonably believed to be suffering from, anaphylaxis. The annual notice shall also describe the training the volunteer will receive.

Contagious Diseases:

If, during the course of the year, a child develops any contagious disease or condition, please notify the school immediately so that precautions can be taken and appropriate notifications sent home.

The School reserves the right to notify the municipal bodies and Department of Health if necessary under federal and state laws.

Diabetes Information Sheet:

MPS will provide an information sheet regarding Type 2 Diabetes to the parent or guardian of incoming 7th grade students, pursuant to Education Code Section 49452.7. The information sheet shall include, but shall not be limited to, all of the following:

1. A description of Type 2 Diabetes.
2. A description of the risk factors and warning signs associated with Type 2 Diabetes.
3. A recommendation that students displaying or possibly suffering from risk factors or warning signs associated with Type 2 Diabetes should be screened for Type 2 Diabetes.
4. A description of treatments and prevention of methods of Type 2 Diabetes.
5. A description of the different types of diabetes screening tests available.

Oral Health Assessment:

Students enrolled in kindergarten in a public school or while enrolled in first grade if the pupil was not previously enrolled in kindergarten in a public school are required to have an oral health assessment completed by a dental professional. Please contact the office if you have questions about this requirement. MPS provides the appropriate forms to incoming students to be completed by the oral health professional to satisfy this requirement. Please see the main office at your MPS school if you need another copy of this form.

Suicide Prevention:

MPS is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all students. Please see a copy of the MPS suicide prevention policy on the MPS website. It is also available at the Main Office.

• PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT AND SUPPORT

Since your child's education is a continuing process, parent cooperation, support, and assistance are needed if we are to be successful. Together, we can make a positive difference in your children's lives. The following are ways that we can work to fulfill our common goals:

Parents/Guardians are asked to:

- Be a good listener to both your child and the school staff when conflicts arise.
- Be a positive role model for your child.
- Contact the school as necessary.
- Participate as fully as possible in volunteer opportunities, student presentations, parenting programs, special projects, and assembly events.
- Be familiar with MPS student handbook and explain it as necessary.

• PARENT/TEACHER COMMUNICATION

- Parents are encouraged and are always welcomed to discuss the progress or problems of their children with the school faculty when an appointment is made prior.
- Parents may not disturb a teacher during school hours.
- An appointment is required for all conferences.
- To make an appointment with a teacher, call the main office or email them directly.
- Please do not attempt to have an impromptu conference with a teacher on campus as appointments are mandatory.
- If your question relates to the classroom, please ask the appropriate teacher.
- Any question involving a student's work or behavior must be discussed with the teacher before it is discussed with the administration.
- Parents are expected to make every reasonable effort to cooperate with the teachers and school staff to help their child have a successful educational experience.
- Parents who wish to observe their child's classes need to make arrangements with the teacher whom they like to visit and get approval from administration at least a day prior to their visit.
- Parent/teacher/student conferences are strongly encouraged when an appointment is made prior.

• HOME VISITS

- Research has shown that one of the keys to successful teaching and schooling is creating personal connections with students. MPS teachers visit students at their homes to enhance student learning and involvement. Family visits offer invaluable insights about students. They can provide new understanding about students' learning styles. Visits might also reveal the emotional and social needs and behaviors of students. It is helpful to know if they react to problems with tears, anger, or withdrawal, and how they socialize with peers. Through family visits, teachers can identify students' latest interests or concerns, such as a new hobby, an upcoming trip, or a change in the family.
- For most students home and school are two different domains. Especially for minority students even the people, languages, foods, rules, duties, and concerns are different in these two worlds. They do not intersect considerably. Parents and the teachers are critical partners in educating the "whole child." However, parent conferences and

other school-hosted meetings do not provide sufficient means for the parties to communicate enough and effectively and to show the student that they are on the same team. Home visits are the teachers' attempt to break the virtual border between the partners, which is most of the time successful.

- **CONTACTING YOUR CHILD DURING SCHOOL HOURS**

- Parents/Guardians should only contact the main office if they must leave a message for their child in case of an emergency. Students will not be disrupted during school hours for non-emergency reasons. In case of an emergency, the message will be given to the student by office personnel.
- Parents/Guardians should not contact their child's cellular phone during school hours; students are required to turn off all electronic devices, including cellular phones, and put them away and out of sight.

- **VOLUNTEER, VISITATION, SHADOWING, AND REMOVAL POLICY**

MPS encourages parents/guardians and interested members of the community to visit MPS and view the educational program, MPS also endeavors to create a safe environment for students and staff. Additionally, parents volunteering in the classroom can be extremely helpful to our teachers and valuable to our students. We thank all parents for their willingness to volunteer in this manner.

To ensure the safety of students and staff as well as to minimize interruption of the instructional program, MPS has established the following procedures to facilitate volunteering and visitations during regular school days:

Volunteering Categories and Application Process

A. Certified Volunteers ("C-Volunteers")

- a. Who are C-Volunteers: These are volunteers that would like to volunteer with MPS on an ongoing basis and may have unsupervised exposure or contact with students. Examples may include but are not limited to: classroom volunteers, tutors, field-trip volunteers, etc.
- b. Application Process: C-Volunteers must provide MPS with the following documents:
 - Volunteer Application Form (signed)
 - Volunteer Commitment Form (signed)
 - Fingerprinting and Background Clearance (if volunteering outside of the direct supervision of a credentialed employee)

- Tuberculosis risk assessment or examination
- Valid photo I.D. (driver's license, passport, military ID, US or other government identification)

B. Single Event Volunteers ("SE-Volunteers")

- a. Who are SE-Volunteers: These are volunteers that would like to volunteer at MPS for a one (1) days special event or activity and have no unsupervised exposure or contact with students. Examples may include but are not limited to: guest story reader, guest speaker, senior exhibition panel member, etc.
- b. Application Process: SE-Volunteers are not required to submit a volunteer application but must comply with the Volunteering Guidelines below and provide MPS with a valid photo I.D.

Volunteering Guidelines

Parents or guardians who are interested in volunteering must adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Volunteers must arrange volunteering schedule with the classroom teacher and/or MPS Principal or designee, at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance. Volunteering in class may be limited to certain hours or specific assignments as determined by the classroom teacher(s) or MPS administration.
2. For all prospective volunteers (both C-Volunteers and SE-Volunteers), the MPS Principal or designee will review California Megan's Law online database at <http://www.meganslaw.ca.gov> to ensure that prospective volunteers are not registered sex offenders.
3. Prior to volunteering in the classroom or on campus, the volunteer should communicate with the teacher and/or MPS staff to discuss the expectations for volunteering needs. Classroom volunteers are there to benefit the entire class and are not in class solely for the benefit of their own child. Classroom volunteers must follow the instructions provided by the classroom teacher or aide. Classroom rules also apply to volunteers to ensure minimal

distraction to the teacher. If a volunteer is uncomfortable following the direction of the teacher or aid the volunteer may leave their volunteer position for that day.

4. Information gained, overheard, or inadvertently acquired by volunteers regarding students (e.g. academic performance or behavior) is to be maintained in strict confidentiality and may not be shared with any individual except with the MPS Principal.
5. Volunteers shall follow and be governed by all other guidelines indicated elsewhere in this Policy. This includes, but is not limited to, the process of registering and signing out of the campus at the main office as indicated below.
6. Volunteer hours are applied to the non-mandatory 10 hours of volunteering requested pursuant to the Charter Petition/Student-Parent Handbook. All parents are encouraged – but not required – to contribute a minimum of 10 hours per year to the school. No child will be excluded from the Charter School or school activities due to the failure of his or her parent or legal guardian to fulfill the encouraged volunteer hours.
7. This Policy does not authorize MPS to permit a parent/guardian to volunteer or visit the campus if doing so conflicts with a valid restraining order, protective order, or order for custody or visitation issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

Visitation Guidelines

1. Visits during school hours should first be arranged with the teacher and MPS Principal or designee, at least three (3) school days in advance. If a conference is desired, an appointment should be set with the teacher during non-instructional time, at least three (3) school days in advance. Parents seeking to visit a classroom during school hours must first obtain the written approval of the classroom teacher and the MPS Principal or designee.
2. All visitors shall register in the main office immediately upon entering any school building or grounds when during regular school hours, including immigration enforcement officers. When registering, the visitor

is required to provide his/her name, address, age (if under 21), his/her purpose for entering school grounds, and proof of identity. If the visitor is an immigration enforcement officer, the officer will also be asked to produce any documentation that authorizes school access. A copy of the documentation provided by the officer and notes from the encounter may be maintained by MPS. The appropriate agencies will be contacted regarding any attempt by a law-enforcement officer to access a school site or a student for immigration-enforcement purposes.

For purposes of school safety and security, the MPS Principal or designee have designated that each visitor wear a visitor's pass/sticker as a visible means of identification for visitors while on school premises.

3. Except for unusual circumstances, approved in advance by the MPS Principal, MPS visits should not exceed approximately sixty (60) minutes in length and may not occur more than twice per semester.
4. While on campus, visitors are to enter and leave classrooms as quietly as possible, not converse with any student, teacher, or other instructional assistant unless permitted, and not interfere with any school activity. No electronic listening or recording device may be used in a classroom without the teacher's and MPS Principal's advance written permission.
5. Before leaving campus, the visitor shall sign out of the Visitors Log Book in the main office.
6. The MPS Principal, or designee, may refuse to register a visitor or volunteer if it is believed that the presence of the visitor or volunteer would cause a threat of disruption or physical injury to teachers, other employees, or students.
7. The MPS Principal or designee may withdraw consent to be on campus even if the visitor has a right to be on campus whenever there is reason to believe that the person has willfully disrupted or is likely to disrupt MPS' orderly operation. If consent is withdrawn by someone other than the MPS Principal, the MPS Principal may reinstate consent for the visitor if the MPS Principal

believes that the person's presence will not constitute a disruption or substantial and material threat to MPS' orderly operation. Consent can be withdrawn for up to fourteen (14) days.

8. The MPS Principal or designee may request that a visitor who has failed to register, or whose registration privileges have been denied or withdrawn, promptly leave school grounds. When a visitor is directed to leave, the MPS Principal or designee shall inform the visitor that if he/she reenters the school without following the posted requirements he/she will be guilty of a misdemeanor.
9. Any visitor who is denied registration or has his/her registration revoked may request a conference with the MPS Principal. The request shall be in writing, shall state why the denial or revocation was improper, shall give the address to which notice of conference is to be sent, and shall be delivered to the MPS Principal with fourteen (14) days of the denial or revocation of consent. The MPS Principal shall promptly mail a written notice of the date, time, and place of the conference to the person who requested the conference. A conference with the MPS Principal shall be held within seven (7) days after the MPS Principal receives the request. If no resolution can be agreed upon, the MPS Principal shall forward notice of the complaint to the MPS Board of Directors. The MPS Board of Directors shall address the Complaint at the next regular board meeting and make a final determination.
10. At each entrance to the campus, signs shall be posted specifying the hours during which registration is required, stating where the office of the MPS Principal or designee is located, and what route to take to that office, and setting forth the penalties for violation of this policy.
11. The MPS Principal or designee shall seek the assistance of the police in managing with or reporting any visitor in violation of this Policy.

Shadowing Guidelines

Shadowing gives parents and students an opportunity to observe instruction during an ordinary school day and can help open dialog between parents and

students about school. Parents are welcome to shadow their children, that is, to follow them through their school day. In order to maximize the benefits of shadowing, we request that parents adhere to the following guidelines:

- Follow the above procedure for providing three (3) school days advance notice of your visit, signing in at the main office when arriving at MPS, and obtaining a visitor's pass/sticker. Notice of your visit and intent to shadow should be provided by completing the Shadow Request Form, below, and submitting it to MPS at least three (3) school days in advance of your visit.
- Shadowing is not a time for parent/teacher conferences. If you desire a conference, please make prior arrangements with your child's teachers.
- To preserve the academic environment, please do not take part in the lesson unless invited to do so by the teacher. Do not visit with your child or other students during class time. At no time may visiting parents address other students directly. Visitors are not allowed to record audio or video, or take photos. Should you have any concerns, report them to the MPS administrators.
- Meet with MPS administration to debrief your visit.

MPS administration has the right to withdraw consent for a visitor to be on campus, as described above. All persons making the visit shall be deemed to have waived claims against the school for injury, accident, illness, or death occurring during or by reason of visit.

Penalties

1. Pursuant to the California Penal Code, if a visitor does not leave after being asked or if the visitor returns without following the posted requirements after being directed to leave, he/she will be guilty of a crime as specified which is punishable by a fine of up to \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) or imprisonment in the County jail for a period of up to six (6) months or both.
2. Under California Education Code section 44811, disruption by a parent, guardian or other person at a school or school sponsored activity is punishable, upon the first conviction by a fine or no less than \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) and no more than \$1,000.00 (one thousand dollars) or by imprisonment in a County jail for no more than one (1) year, or both the fine and imprisonment.
3. Disruptive conduct may lead to MPS' pursuit of a restraining order against a visitor, which would prohibit him/her from coming onto school grounds or attending school activities for any purpose for a period of up to three (3) years.

- **SCHOOL INFORMATION SYSTEM**

Parents, as well as students, will have access to their child's grades in each class, missing/incomplete/upcoming assignments, upcoming tests/projects, discipline, communication log, and teacher contact information. Each parent will be provided with a username and password to have access throughout the school year, 24 hours a day.

All discipline entries will remain on SIS for the entire year.

- **PHONE USE**

In case of emergency, students may go to the office with a hall pass from a teacher. Please note: The office phone is for emergency calls only.

- **NEWSLETTER**

- Communications regarding school activities from faculty to parents/guardians and students will be sent home periodically.
- Copies of the newsletter are available at the school office.

- **ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

MPS policy regarding possession of cellular phones, any personal electronic devices, iPods, MP3 players, cameras, video cameras, laptops, and recording devices is as follows:

- From the moment a student arrives on campus to the time that the student leaves the campus, the power of the electronic device must be turned off and all devices are to be out of sight, secure with the student's belongings in a backpack or purse. The duration of the non-permitted use includes before school on school grounds, instructional time, passing periods, lunch time, and tutoring. At no time, shall the educational program or school activity be interrupted.
- The school is not liable if such devices are damaged, lost or stolen. The use of these devices or their ringing/vibrating during school time will be considered a disruption of school activities and subject to disciplinary action which will include confiscation and discipline entry.
- All confiscated devices will be returned to the parent/guardian accompanied by the student at the end of the school day.

- **LOST AND FOUND**

There will be a lost and found box in the school. If you find books, clothing, or personal items on school grounds, please bring the items to the main office. Items not picked up will be donated monthly.

- **PE LOCKERS**

- When available, lockers are provided for physical education class during that period only.
- Lockers are not assigned to students.
- The lockers are school property; anything placed in them or brought to campus is subject to inspection at the discretion of the administration.
- Students are responsible for all items in their locker.
- Students may be provided with a lock or allowed to bring a lock for their gym lockers and use it for the period with the condition of removing them daily. Please check with the school administration for specifics.

MPS does not accept any responsibility for stolen or lost money, clothing, valuables or other articles.

- **TEXTBOOKS**

Textbooks and work books are issued at teacher's discretion. Students may be assigned a set of textbooks in addition to a classroom set. Students are responsible for the care of all textbooks and work books. Books are to be returned to the school in good condition at the end of the school year or at the time a student transfers out to another school.

Students will be required to report any damages to the textbooks to their classroom teachers. Parents/Guardians will be held responsible for the loss or willful cutting, defacing, or otherwise damaging of MPS textbooks, up to an amount not to exceed \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars), adjusted annually for inflation.

- **MEAL PROGRAM**

- MPS participates in the National School Lunch Program. Applications for free or reduced price meals are included in the enrollment packets to all families and can also be obtained on the MPS website and in the main office of each MPS school. All families are encouraged to complete the application form in order to include as many eligible students as possible.
- Students are responsible for adding funds to their meal account if they pay reduced or full price.

- **EARTHQUAKE AND MAJOR DISASTER PROCEDURES**

- Parents may contribute to supply ten dollars (\$10) to cover the cost of a survival kit to be kept at school and used in case of emergency.
- In the event of a fire, major earthquake or major disaster, students are to be evacuated to the assigned area by MPS.
- If the local public schools announce that the students will be dismissed, MPS will do the same.
- Parents are to remain in assigned area and sign out their child with the appropriate staff member because MPS has to account for all students.
- MPS Emergency Dismissal/Evacuation Card information must be updated with any change in

information by parents/guardians as soon as it occurs.

- **STUDENT TRANSFER**

- Any student transferring out of Magnolia Public Schools must complete the "Student Transfer Form" which can be obtained from the main office. The form must be completed prior to a student transferring. It is the parent/guardian's responsibility to complete the form. The school is not responsible for having it completed.
- It is the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) responsibility to contact the school that student will be transferring to. It is the parent's responsibility to make all necessary arrangements for a successful transfer.
- If a student will be transferring to another school for the following school year, the parent is still responsible to inform the main office before the last day of school, or last day of attendance.
- All textbooks must be turned in before the last day of attendance in order to complete a successful transfer. Parents/Guardians are responsible to pay for the loss, or willful cutting, defacing, or otherwise damaging of MPS textbooks, up to an amount not to exceed \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars), adjusted annually for inflation.
- The application of these obligations are enforced notwithstanding any contrary provisions of law applicable to homeless students or foster youth,

- **HOMELESS STUDENTS**

It is the policy of MPS that homeless students are provided with a full and equal opportunity to succeed and receive an education. "The term "homeless children and youth" means individuals who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence due to economic hardship. It includes children and youths who (42 USC 11434(a)):

1. Are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; are abandoned in hospitals;
2. Have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as regular sleeping accommodations for human beings;
3. Are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings;
4. Migratory children and unaccompanied youth (youth not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian) may be considered homeless if they meet the above definition of "homeless."

Homeless status is determined in cooperation with the parent or guardian. In the case of unaccompanied youth, status is determined by the Homeless Liaison.

School Liaison: The Principal of each MPS school site shall serve as the Homeless Liaison for homeless students ((42 USC 11432(g)(1)(J) & (e)(3)(C).):

Principal

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The Homeless Liaison shall ensure that (42 U.S.C. 11432(g)):

1. Homeless students are identified by school personnel and through coordination activities with other entities and agencies.
2. Homeless students enroll in, and have a full and equal opportunity to succeed at MPS.
3. Homeless students and families receive educational services for which they are eligible, including services through Head Start programs (including Early Head Start programs) under the Head Start Act, early intervention services under part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, any other preschool programs administered by MPS, if any, and referrals to health care services, dental services, mental health services and substance abuse services, housing services, and other appropriate services.
4. Parents/guardians are informed of the educational and related opportunities available to their children and are provided with meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their children.
5. Public notice of the educational rights of homeless children is disseminated at places frequented by parents or guardians of such youths, and unaccompanied youths, including schools, shelters, public libraries, and soup kitchens, and in a manner and form understandable to the parents and guardians of homeless youth and unaccompanied youth.
6. Enrollment/admissions disputes are mediated in accordance with law, the MPS charter, and Board policy.
7. Parents/guardians are fully informed of all transportation services, as applicable.
8. School personnel providing services receive professional development and other support;
9. The School Homeless Liaison collaborates with State coordinators and community and school personnel responsible for the provision of education and related services to homeless children and youths.
10. Unaccompanied youth are enrolled in school; have opportunities to meet the same challenging State academic standards as the State establishes for other children and youth; and are informed of their status as independent students under section 480 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and that the youths may obtain assistance from the School Liaison to receive verification of such status for the purposes of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid described in section 483 of the Act.

The complete copy of the MPS policy is available at the main office.

- **DRESS CODE**

MPS has a uniform policy to help create a safe, orderly environment, instill discipline, and eliminate the competition and distractions caused by varied dress styles. Students are expected to arrive in a clean and neat uniform every day. Students will not be allowed to enter the campus if they are not in proper uniform. This uniform policy will be enforced, without exception, from the very first day of school. Please cooperate, display modesty and neatness, and take pride in the MPS uniform. We rely on your understanding and your parents' and/or guardians' support in helping to maintain this uniform policy and follow it daily.

In addition to wearing the school uniform, MPS requires that you follow these additional guidelines in terms of uniform appearance and personal appearance. If you are still unsure about how you should look, or how the uniform should fit, check with administration. Religious head coverings shall be permitted. **If any aspect of the uniform, including clothes, shoes, jewelry, cosmetics, or any type of body adornment, is not explicitly listed as acceptable in this handbook, then that item is not permitted to be worn when the student is at school or representing the school.**

If a student is unable to wear the school uniform to school due to extenuating circumstances, you need to obtain written permission from the school's administration.

Free Dress & Theme Dress Days Code:

Free Dress days are earned at the discretion of the administration. These days are granted at different

times of the year for positive behavior and special occasions. Violation of this policy may result in loss of free dress privileges for the remainder of the school year.

- On free dress days, clothing must be in good taste and appropriate for school. Clothing should not be form fitting, revealing, or transparent.
- The school's dress code is strictly enforced during free dress days as well. All students must follow the same guidelines with the exception of not wearing their uniform.
- T-shirts are acceptable; however printing on clothing must be suitable for school, no inappropriate image(s) or language may be displayed. The administration has discretion in determining appropriateness of images or language on clothing.
- Mini-skirts, skirts, and short shorts are not allowed. Jeans may be worn during free dress days but cannot be tight fitting or baggy.
- Midriffs, backless or side less shirts or dresses, halter tops, or tank tops with less than a 1 inch strap are NOT allowed.
- Hats, gloves, bandanas, or sunglasses are not permitted to be worn in school, except for religious head coverings.
- Neatness and good grooming is required.
- Hairstyles must follow the schools dress code policy.

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BOTTOM	Pants, shorts, skirts, skorts, or capris are acceptable.	<p>Pants/Skirts/Skorts/Shorts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May not be baggy or tight fitting. May not be rolled at waist. Waist size must be same as student's waist size. Top of garment must be at or above hip bone. • Skorts/shorts should be no shorter than your longest finger when standing with your hands by your sides. • Skirts that are above the top of the kneecap should be worn with leggings/tights, and must be no shorter than the longest fingertip. • Pants may not be made from legging or jegging material. • Pants must touch the top of the shoes when the student is standing, but not be long enough to bunch up around the ankle. • The bottom of the skirt, skort, and/or shorts must be no higher than 1 inch above the middle of the kneecap when the student is standing. • Socks may not be worn over pants. • Rubber bands are not allowed on the bottom of pants or ankles. • No jean/denim style pants. • No Cargo pants/shorts. • Must have a built in pocket not a sewn on pocket. <p>Undergarments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should not be noticeable through or outside of clothing, tops and bottoms. <p>Uniform:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woven Shirt or Polo Shirt must be tucked in neatly at the waist at all times on campus, inside and outside. These shirts may not fit tightly or be baggy. • Undershirts must be short-sleeved if worn. • The student may choose to button, or not button, the top button of the woven shirt. All other buttons of the woven shirt must be buttoned. • Under shirt may not hang out of sleeves. <p>Shoes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acceptable athletic shoes must be low-profile with minimal design. They must be modest and not attract attention. Shoe
	<p>Skirts, pants, shorts, skorts, or capris must be either khaki color, black or navy blue.</p> <p>Belts (required for all variations of dress uniform):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smooth, straight edge, all black, all blue or all brown belts no wider than 1½ inches with a plain, unadorned buckle (no mesh, rope, or all metal). • The buckle may only have one catch. • Belt must be of correct waist size, so that there is minimal excess length (less than five inches). • Any excess length of belt must be tucked through a belt loop and may not hang down. 	
TOP	<p>White, gray, black or navy blue polo shirts must have the school logo. They may be either short or long sleeved.</p> <p>Hoods may not be worn at school.</p> <p>Top of garment must be no lower than the level of the navel when student is standing. Top of garment must be at or above hipbone when student is standing up.</p>	
FOOTWEAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The majority of the shoe must be black, brown, white or gray. Small logos are acceptable. (Shoes must be closed toe.) • "Athletic" shoes for the dress code must be completely black, white or brown. • Plain, unadorned socks or tights (for girls) must always be worn. Color of socks or tights: Black, dark brown, navy blue, or white <p>No sandals, boots, clogs, mules, slippers, flip flops, high heels, platform shoes or shoes with wheels.</p>	
PE UNIFORM	<p>TOP: Students will wear a solid gray t-shirt, preferably with the MPS logo. MPS sweatpants and MPS sweatshirts may also be worn during PE.</p>	
	<p>BOTTOM: Properly fitting navy shorts of comfortable length for active participation. Waist size of shorts must be appropriate to student's waist size. The same rules which apply to the level at which the tops of the dress pants are worn, also apply to PE shorts.</p>	
	<p>FOOTWEAR: Any athletic shoes suitable for basketball, tennis, and field sports. PE shoes may be the same black athletic shoes discussed in the dress uniform section.</p>	

OUTERWEAR

Hats, hoods, caps, and other headgear may not be worn in school buildings, except for religious head coverings. No gloves or finger lacing of any sort are allowed.

For colder weather:

- MPS Navy Crew-Neck and zip V-Neck Sweatshirt, and Jackets are recommended and preferred to be worn on campus, inside and outside.
- Sweatshirts and jackets must be solid navy blue or gray.

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If a student is unable to wear the school uniform to school due to extenuating circumstances, you need to check with your school's administration.

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Each individual MPS school may include site-specific amendments into the uniform policy addressing local issues.

laces must match shoes and be in solid color.

Jewelry and Accessories/Cosmetics:

- Should be modest, appropriate for school, and not attract undue attention.
- Necklaces: If worn must be underneath uniform. If visible through an open collar, it must be tasteful and formal (no leather or string). Pendants must not be large or attract attention. Must be tucked in collar of shirt.
- No "glitter", decorations, or drawing of any kind should be visible on the skin, hair, body, or uniform.
- Facial, tongue, and body piercing are not allowed.
- Bracelets: Must be tasteful and not attract undue attention.
- Visible tattoos are not acceptable. Permanent visible tattoos must be covered by a flesh-tone bandage while at school or representing the school.
- Cosmetics must be appropriate for school and not attract undue attention.
 - No brightly colored or glitter eye shadow, or blush.
 - Mascara and eyeliner should be minimal.
 - Lipstick should be a natural color.
 - Earrings must be studs or one (1) inch hoops and worn on earlobe.

STUDENT TECHNOLOGY USE POLICY AND AGREEMENT

New technologies are modifying the way in which information may be accessed, communicated and transferred. Those changes also alter instruction and student learning. Magnolia Public Schools ("Charter School") offers students access to technologies that may include Internet access, electronic mail, and equipment, such as computers, tablets, or other multimedia hardware. The Charter School Governing Board intends that technological resources provided by the school be used in a safe, responsible, and proper manner in support of the instructional program and for the advancement of student learning.

Educational Purpose

Use of Charter School equipment and access to the Internet via Charter School equipment and resource networks is intended to serve and pursue educational goals and purposes. Student use of the Internet is therefore limited to only those activities that further or enhance the delivery of education. Students and staff have a duty to use Charter School resources only in a manner specified in the Policy.

"Educational purpose" means classroom activities, research in academic subjects, career or professional development activities, Charter School approved personal research activities, or other purposes as defined by the Charter School from time to time.

"Inappropriate use" means a use that is inconsistent with an educational purpose or that is in clear violation of this policy and the Acceptable Use Agreement.

Notice and Use

The Charter School shall notify students and parents/guardians about authorized uses of school computers, user obligations and responsibilities, and consequences for unauthorized use and/or unlawful activities.

Before a student is authorized to use the Charter School's technological resources, the student and his/her parent/guardian shall sign and return the Acceptable Use Agreement specifying user obligations and responsibilities. In that agreement, the student and his/her parent/guardian shall agree not to hold the Charter School or any Charter School staff responsible for the failure of any technology protection measures, violations of copyright restrictions, or user mistakes or negligence. They shall also agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Charter School and Charter School personnel for any damages or costs incurred.

Safety

The Charter School shall ensure that all Charter School computers with Internet access have a technology protection measure that blocks or filters Internet access to websites that have no educational purpose and/or contain visual depictions that are obscene, constitute child pornography, or that are harmful to minors. While the Charter School is able exercise reasonable control over content created and

purchased by the Charter School, it has limited control over content accessed via the internet and no filtering system is 100% effective. Neither the Charter School nor its staff shall be responsible for the failure of any technology protection measures, violations of copyright restrictions, or user mistakes or negligence.

To reinforce these measures, the Principal or designee shall implement rules and procedures designed to restrict students' access to harmful or inappropriate matter on the Internet and to ensure that students do not engage in unauthorized or unlawful online activities. Staff shall supervise students while they are using online services on campus and may have teacher aides, student aides, and volunteers assist in this supervision.

The Principal or designee also shall establish regulations to address the safety and security of students and student information when using email, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communication.

The Principal or designees shall provide age-appropriate instruction regarding safe and appropriate behavior on social networking sites, chat rooms, and other Internet services. Such instruction shall include, but not be limited to, maintaining the student's online reputation and ensuring their personal safety by keeping their personal information private, the dangers of posting personal information online, misrepresentation by online predators, how to report inappropriate or offensive content or threats, behaviors that constitute cyberbullying, and how to respond when subjected to cyberbullying. Students are expected to follow safe practices when using Charter School technology.

Students shall not use the Internet to perform any illegal act or to help others perform illegal acts. Illegal acts include, but are not limited to, any activities in violation of local, state, and federal law and/or accessing information designed to further criminal or dangerous activities. Such information includes, but is not limited to, information that if acted upon could cause damage, present a danger, or cause disruption to the Charter School, other students, or the community. Damaging, debilitating or disabling computers, computer networks or systems through the intentional or overuse of electronic distribution or the spreading of computer viruses or other harmful programs shall be prohibited. Any unauthorized online access to other computers by means of hacking into other computers, downloading hacker tools such as port scanners and password crackers designed to evade restrictions shall also be strictly prohibited.

Student use of Charter School computers to access social networking sites is not prohibited, but access is limited to educational purposes only. To the extent possible, the Principal or designee shall block access to such sites on Charter School computers with Internet access. The Principal or designee shall oversee the maintenance of the Charter School's technological resources and may establish guidelines and limits on their use.

All employees shall receive a copy of this policy and the accompanying Acceptable Use Agreement describing expectations for appropriate use of the system and shall also be provided with information about the role of staff in supervising student use of technological resources. All employees shall comply with this policy and the Acceptable Use Agreement, in addition to any separate policies governing employee use of technology.

Student use of school computers, networks, and Internet services is a privilege, not a right. Compliance with the Charter School's policies and rules concerning computer use is mandatory. Students who violate these policies and rules may have their computer privileges limited and may be subject to discipline, including but not limited to suspension or expulsion per school policy.

ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT

The Charter School believes that providing access to technology enhances the educational experience for students. However, student use of school computers, networks, and Internet services is a privilege, not a right. To make that experience successful for everyone, students must abide by the following terms and conditions:

1. **Security.** Students shall not impair the security of Charter School technology resources. Students are expected to:
 - a. Safeguard all personal passwords. Students should not share passwords with others and should change passwords frequently. Students are expected to notify an administrator immediately if they believe their student account has been compromised.
 - b. Access technology only with their account or with a shared account as directed by their teacher and not to allow others to use their account or to use the accounts of others, with or without the account owner's authorization.
2. **Authorized Use.** Students may use Charter School technology resources when directed by a teacher, when technology has been designated for open student use (e.g., computers in the library), and for other educational purposes.
3. **Protection Measures.** While the Charter School is able exercise reasonable control over content created and purchased by the Charter School, it has limited control over content accessed via the internet and no filtering system is 100% effective. Neither the Charter School nor its staff shall be responsible for the failure of any technology protection measures, violations of copyright restrictions, or user mistakes or negligence. The student and parent agree not to hold the Charter School or any Charter School staff responsible for the failure of any technology protection measures, violations of copyright restrictions, or user mistakes or negligence. They also agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Charter School

and Charter School personnel for any damages or costs incurred.

4. **Inappropriate Use.** Charter School technology, hardware, software and bandwidth are shared and limited resources and all users have an obligation to use those resources responsibly. Students are provided access to the Charter School technology primarily for educational purposes. Students shall not use Charter School technology or equipment for personal activities or for activities that violate school policy or local law. These include but are not limited to:
 - a. Playing games or online gaming.
 - b. Downloading software, music, movies or other content in violation of licensing requirements, copyright or other intellectual property rights.
 - c. Installing software on Charter School equipment without the permission of a teacher or other authorized Charter School staff person.
 - d. Downloading, viewing or sharing inappropriate content, including pornographic, defamatory or otherwise offensive material.
 - e. Conducting any activity that is in violation of school policy, the student code of conduct or local, state or federal law.
 - f. Engaging in any activity that is harmful to other student(s), including the use of technology to harass, intimidate, bully or otherwise disrupt the educational process.
 - g. Participating in political activities.
 - h. Conducting for-profit business.
 - i. Using hacking tools on the network or intentionally introducing malicious code or viruses into the Charter School's network.
 - j. Using any software or proxy service to obscure either the student's IP address or the sites that the student visits.
 - k. Disabling, bypassing, or attempting to disable or bypass any system monitoring, filtering or other security measures.
 - l. Accessing or attempting to access material or systems on the network that the student is not authorized to access.
5. **No Expectation of Privacy.** Student acknowledges that computer equipment, Internet access networks, email accounts, and any other technology resources are owned by Charter School and provided to students for educational purposes. The Charter School may require staff to monitor and supervise all access to computer equipment, Internet access networks, and email accounts. To facilitate monitoring of activities, computer screens may be positioned so that they are visible to the staff member supervising the students. The Charter School reserves the right to access stored computer records and communications, files, and other data stored on Charter School equipment or sent over Charter

School networks. Such communications, files, and data are not private and may be accessed during routine system maintenance; during inspection of Charter School equipment at the end of the school year/term or agree to use period; and review of individual files or monitoring of individual activity when there is a reasonable suspicion that the student is engaging in an inappropriate use.

6. **Disruptive Activity.** Students should not intentionally interfere with the performance of the Charter School's network or intentionally damage any Charter School technology resources.
7. **Unauthorized Networks.** Students may not create unauthorized wireless networks to access the Charter School's network. This includes establishing wireless access points, wireless routers and open networks on personal devices.
8. **Consequences of Inappropriate Use.** Students who violate this Agreement will be subject to discipline which may include loss of access to Charter School technology resources and/or other appropriate disciplinary or legal action in accordance with the MPS student discipline policy and applicable laws.
9. **Technology Systems/Equipment Care.** Students are not permitted to have food or drink near computers/other technology and must keep equipment and assigned areas free of vandalism.

MPS promotes the use of networked computer technology in its instructional program in order to facilitate learning and teaching. Towards this end, students may be provided with a "device" (computer, laptop / iPad / Chromebook, etc.) for educational activities at school and home. MPS will make every effort to ensure that the MPS technology services are used responsibly by students. Students are expected to act in a responsible, ethical and legal manner in accordance with this Agreement, accepted rules of network etiquette, and Federal and State law. Following are some safekeeping instructions for MPS-provided devices. As applicable, students shall:

- Bring their MPS device to school every day, fully charged;
- Never leave the MPS device unattended;
- Never loan the MPS device to other individuals;
- Know where the MPS device is at all times;
- Store the MPS device in the bag/case if provided by MPS; otherwise students are encouraged to purchase protective covers/cases for their devices;
- Store and use the device in a safe location and environment to avoid loss or damage to the device;
- Not remove the Asset Tag or other school property identifiers;
- Charge the MPS device's battery daily;
- Keep food and beverages away from the MPS device;

- Only use a soft cloth or approved screen cleaning solution to clean the screen of the device;
- Not disassemble any part of the MPS device or attempt any repairs;
- Not place decorations (such as stickers, markers, etc.) on the MPS device;
- Understand that the MPS device is subject to inspection at any time without notice and remains the property of MPS;
- Notify MPS by the next school day in the event of loss or damage to the device;
- File a police report in case of theft, vandalism, and other acts covered by MPS' insurance;
- Return the device to MPS when requested by the Technology Department for maintenance and upgrades;
- Return the MPS device and accessories upon demand, upon termination of enrollment and/or at the expiration of the school year in good working condition;
- Be aware that they may be held accountable for damage to a laptop resulting from "user abuse." Examples of "user abuse" include, but are not limited to, the following: leaving cables plugged in when storing the device in the carrying case which can cause broken connectors or ports; using the carrying case/sleeve for carrying textbooks, etc.; eating or drinking while using the device, resulting in damage to the device; storing the device for prolonged periods while in "stand by" or "sleep" mode (overheating can occur).

WAIVER OF PRIVACY RIGHTS

Users of the MPS technology services expressly waive any right of privacy in anything they create, store, send, or receive on the MPS device or through the Internet or any other computer network. Users consent to allowing MPS to access and review all materials users create, store, send, or receive on the device or through the Internet or any other computer network. Users understand that MPS monitors the use of its computer resources.

DISCLAIMER

Electronic information available to students does not imply endorsement of the content by MPS, nor can MPS guarantee the accuracy of information obtained on the Internet.

MPS makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, with respect to the information technology services it provides. MPS will not be responsible for damages resulting from the use of MPS device and MPS information technology services, including, but not limited to, loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, missed deliveries, service interruptions.

MPS shall not be responsible for any charges or fees resulting from access to the internet or internet resources which are not authorized in writing by MPS.

SIGNATURES

After reading the Student Technology Use Policy and this Acceptable Use Agreement, please note that your signature on the MPS Acknowledgement of Student Handbook page at the end of this Handbook indicates that you agree to the terms and conditions provided here. Please note, the signature of both the parent/guardian and student are mandatory before access may be granted to the technologies available at MPS. This document, which incorporates the Use Policy and procedure, reflects the entire agreement and understanding of all parties.

TITLE I INFORMATION:

MPS receives Title I funding, and is therefore required to provide certain information to parents as well as develop, with parental input, a Parent Involvement Policy. Please see below for these required notices and Policy.

Teacher Qualifications

Parents may request information regarding the professional qualifications of classroom teachers and/or paraprofessionals to parents upon request.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY

I. Introduction

Research has shown that the attitudes, behavior and achievement of children are enhanced when parents or other caregivers are involved in their children's education. To that end, the **Magnolia Public Schools (MPS)** (the "LEA") has adopted this parent involvement policy in order to promote learning and provide a more positive learning experience for the students of its schools.¹ This policy has also been submitted to the California Department of Education with the LEA's Consolidated Application.

II. Involvement in Drafting the LEA Plan

Parents will be involved in the development of the LEA/SSD plan, Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA), and the LEA's Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP). On an annual basis, the LEA will submit California Department of Education ("CDE") –required plans to the Parent Council for review and suggested changes before appropriate plans are submitted to the authorizers and the CDE with the Consolidated Application. In addition, all parents of participating children will annually be invited to review the LEA plan and submit comments.

If the LEA/SSD plan is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, the LEA will submit any comments from parents of participating children with the LEA/SSD plan when it is submitted to the CDE.

¹ Within this policy, the word "parent" is employed. This word is intended to reach any caregiver of students enrolled in the

III. Involvement in School Review and Improvement

All parents will be involved, to the extent applicable, in the process of school review and improvement. This includes disseminating the results of the local annual review of each school served under Title I, Part A to parents.

In addition, the parents of participating children will be invited to annually review the effectiveness of the parental involvement policy and other Title I, Part A activities and provide comments to the LEA.

Identification of a school for improvement: Before the LEA identifies its school for improvement, for corrective action, or for restructuring, it shall provide the parents of all children enrolled in the school with notice of an opportunity to review the school-level data, including academic assessment data, on which the proposed identification is based. If the **Principal** of the school believes, or a majority of the parents of the students enrolled in such school believe, that the proposed identification is in error for statistical or other substantive reasons, the **Principal** may provide supporting evidence to the LEA, which shall consider that evidence before making a determination.

School plan: Parents of participating children will be involved in the development and/or revision of a school plan required of the school identified for improvement, corrective action or restructuring, which plan shall be approved by the LEA in accordance with the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

Notice required after school identification: If the LEA's school is identified for improvement, corrective action or restructuring, the LEA will promptly provide to all parents of children enrolled in the school (in an understandable and uniform format, and to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand), a notice containing the following:

- An explanation of what the identification means, and how the school compares in terms of academic achievement to other elementary or secondary schools served by the LEA and the CDE;
- The reasons for the identification;
- An explanation of what the LEA or the CDE is doing to address the problem of low achievement;
- An explanation of how the parents can become involved in addressing the academic issues that caused the school to be identified for school improvement; and
- As applicable, an explanation of the parents' option to transfer their child to another public school under the control of the LEA, return to their district of residence or to obtain

LEA's school, including but not limited to, parents, guardians, grandparents, aunts, uncles, foster parents, stepparents, etc.

supplemental educational services for the child.

Information regarding corrective action taken: The LEA shall publish and disseminate information regarding any corrective action taken at a school to parents of each student enrolled in the school in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provided in a language that the parents can understand.

Restructuring: Whenever a school fails to make adequate yearly progress after 1 full school year of corrective action or when the LEA is required to implement alternative governance, the LEA shall provide prompt notice to parents and provide parents with an adequate opportunity to comment before taking any action and to participate in developing any plan required by ESSA.

IV. Coordination, Technical Assistance, and Other Support

The LEA will provide the coordination, technical assistance and other support necessary to assist its participating schools in planning and implementing effective parent involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance in the following ways:

- The LEA will reserve funds to the school for parent involvement activities as required by law;
- The LEA (board and school leaders) will collaborate to devise a timeline for parental involvement activities throughout the school year and create a follow up tool to ensure that the activities occur.
- The LEA will develop the necessary technical assistance for planning and implementing effective parent involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance.

V. Annual Meeting

Within 60 days of the first day of school, the School shall convene an annual meeting to which all parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs are invited and encouraged to attend. The School will hold additional meetings to ensure the maximum parental participation, providing the same information, to be offered at flexible times, such as in the morning or evening.

The information provided at the meetings will inform parents of the School's receipt of Title I, Part A funds and the specific requirements of Title I, Part A. Additionally, parents shall be informed of their rights to be involved in Title I, Part A programs.

VI. Notice

Within 60 days of the beginning of school, the School will send **[e.g., via mail, sent home with students, and/or placed in orientation packets and/or registration packets]** a notice to **[if in a targeted**

assistance school] [parents of participating children] **[or if in a school with a school wide program]** [all parents] containing, but not limited to, the following information:

- Information about Title I, Part A programs;
- An explanation of the requirements of Title I, Part A programs;
- A description of the rights parents have for participation in Title I, Part A programs;
- A description (including timing of meetings, location, etc.) of how parents can participate in the planning, review and/or improvement of the parent involvement policy, and if applicable, the school wide program.
- A description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the School, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet;
- An invitation to attend the annual meeting and additional meetings, providing information about the purpose of the meetings and the dates and times.
- A copy of the most current Parent Involvement Policy and a feedback form for parents to comment on its content.

With this notice, the School will include a survey for parents to complete identifying whether they will require transportation, child care or home visits in order to participate in the parental involvement program of the School. If there is sufficient need for transportation or child care at any of the parental involvement activities identified in this policy, the School may provide such services and notify the parents of such provided services.

In addition to mailing this notice to parents of participating children, the School will post the information on its website.

VII. Title I, Part A Program Involvement

In order to involve parents in an organized, ongoing and timely way in the planning, review and improvement of Title I, Part A programs, the parent involvement policy, and if applicable, the schoolwide program plan, the School will involve parents of participating students as follows:

- The School will conduct at least one Family Learning Night each year where all parents of participating children will be invited to the School to learn about the different Title I, Part A programs, details of this policy, and if applicable, the schoolwide program plan. These meetings will be held at flexible times. Additionally, some may be located at community libraries or at parent volunteer homes for those who live far from the School.
- Parents not attending the Family Learning Nights will be contacted by a volunteer by

telephone to encourage participation and inform them of future Family Learning Nights.

- The School will publish a regular Newsletter with notification of upcoming participation opportunities.
- The School will create a School Site Council (SSC) where it will plan, review and improve Title I, Part A programs, the parent involvement policy, and if applicable, the schoolwide program plan. The SSC will meet at the School and will consist of:

Category (a):

- The principal
- 4 teacher representatives selected by teachers at the school
- 1 other school personnel selected by peers at the school

Category (b):

- 3 parents of students attending the school selected by such parents
- 3 students selected by students attending the school

The SSC shall be constituted to ensure parity between the principal, classroom teachers and other school personnel; (b) equal numbers of parents or other community members selected by parents, and pupils. Classroom teachers shall comprise the majority of persons represented under category (a). (Education Code Section 52852)

Furthermore, Education Code Section 52852 states that parents or community members on the SSC may not be employed by the school district.

Additionally, the SSC will be involved in decisions regarding how funds reserved for parent involvement activities are allotted for those activities.

- Each year, the School will hold an End of School Night, at which parents of participating children will be invited to review Title I, Part A programs, the parent involvement policy, and if applicable, the schoolwide program plan and recommend any changes.
- **At least one** of parents of participating children will be invited to accompany School staff on retreats to participate in discussions and sessions dealing with Title I, Part A programs.
- If requested by parents of participating children, the School will schedule regular meetings where parents are able to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children. The School will respond to such suggestions within **48 hours**.

- If the schoolwide program plan is not satisfactory to parents of participating children, the School will submit any parent comments on the plan when it submits the plan to the LEA.

VIII. Building Capacity for Involvement

A. Standards, Assessments, Title I Requirements, Monitoring Progress and Improving Student Achievement

In order to ensure effective parental involvement and support a partnership among the LEA, parents and the community to improve student academic achievement, the LEA will provide the following programs to assist parents in understanding State academic content standards and State student academic achievement standards, State and local academic assessments, Title I requirements, and how to monitor their child's progress and work with educators to improve the academic achievement of their children (collectively referred to "Standards and Requirements"):

- The LEA will encourage parents to serve on its board of directors;
- The LEA will seek input from the Parent/Guardian Club and the SSC on ways to assist parents to understand the Standards and Requirements.
- The LEA will encourage parents to serve on its board committees.
- The LEA will regularly publish in its Newsletter, and/or on its website, descriptions and explanations of State academic content standards and State student academic achievement standards, State and local academic assessments, Title I requirements, and how to monitor their child's progress and work with educators to improve the academic achievement of their children.
- Regular meetings will be held by the LEA at each school, at community libraries and/or parent volunteer homes to discuss how parents can work with educators to improve their child's academic achievement.
- The LEA will hold Back to School nights to introduce parents to the School's curriculum and its correlation to the State's academic content standards and academic achievement standards.
- Parents will be invited to attend regular classes to learn about State and local academic assessments and to take sample tests.

B. Helping Parents to Work with their Children

In an effort to foster parental involvement, the LEA will provide materials and training to help parents to work with their children to improve their children's achievement through the following programs:

- **Student-Teacher Status Portal:** MPS uses an online web portal to enable parents, students, and teachers to communicate more efficiently. Teachers have a webpage for every class in which they post course material, homework assignments, projects, course grade statistics and records of students' grades on quizzes, tests, class participation and homework assignments. Students and parents use confidential passwords to log on.

Families without home computers will be encouraged to come to the school and use one of the available computer stations. Classes are held at the school on how to use the portal as well as how to access it via free Internet access at public libraries if that is more convenient than coming to the school.

- The LEA will provide parents with access to literacy programs that bond families around reading and using the public library.
- The LEA will provide annual seminars on parenting skills and parent-child communication.
- The school's psychologist will work with parents to better understand their children and the issues facing them.
- The LEA will train parents how to tutor their children in the school.
- Individualized student and parent advisory sessions: Each of LEA teachers and mentors will be assigned to a small group of students. They will arrange two to four meetings at school during the school year to discuss their students' academic achievements.
- One-on-one meetings with the parents of academically low-achieving students to support the parent in providing the student the study environment he/she needs.

C. Education on Parent Involvement

The LEA will annually educate teachers, pupil services personnel, principals and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and the School. The training shall take place each year in staff orientations, annual staff development materials and other in-service trainings held throughout the school year.

In order to better understand what works best for the current parents of participating children attending the LEA's schools, the education will take place after the following research is done (which shall be

accomplished within the first 90 days of the commencement of the School year):

- **Home Visits:** Research has shown that one of the keys to successful teaching and schooling is creating personal connections with students inside and outside of school.² Knowing the students' outside interests, families, and home routines, and then using this information to connect in meaningful, individualized ways can have huge rewards in helping to create happier, healthier, and smarter kids. Recognizing these facts, the LEA will use home visits as one of the important features of its education program to not only improve student and school performance, but also to identify and intervene early with low-achieving students.

The LEA teachers will visit students at their homes to enhance student learning and involvement. Family visits offer invaluable insights about students. They can provide new understanding about students' learning styles. Visits might also reveal the emotional and social needs and behaviors of students. It is helpful to know if they react to problems with tears, anger, or withdrawal, and how they socialize with peers. Through family visits, teachers can identify students' latest interests or concerns, such as a new hobby, an upcoming trip, or a change in the family.

- A phone tree will be established where volunteers call all parents of participating students to solicit feedback and ideas for building ties between parents and the LEA, how to best communicate with parents and how to work with parents as equal partners.
- A survey will be sent home to parents of participating students that solicits information on what skills each parent has to offer the LEA and what types of parental involvement programs in which parents would most likely participate.

D. Other Optional Parent Participation

The LEA will involve parents in the development of the training regarding the importance of parent involvement for teachers, principals and other educators to improve the effectiveness of such training.

In order to maximize parental involvement and participation, the LEA will arrange school meetings at various times or conduct in-home conferences between teachers or other educators, who work directly with participating children, with parents who are unable to attend such conferences at the LEA.

The LEA will adopt and implement model approaches to improving parental involvement.

² Source:

http://crede.berkeley.edu/products/print/pract_briefs/pb1.shtml

The LEA will develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parent involvement activities, such as sponsoring events, providing volunteers for school activities, and creating internships for students.

IX. Coordination with Other Programs

If applicable, the LEA shall, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with programs such as Head Start, Early Reading First, and public preschool and other programs and conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children.

The LEA will coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with these programs as follows: 1) requiring that the school conduct meetings involving parents, kindergarten or elementary school teachers, and Head Start teachers or, if appropriate, teachers from other early childhood development programs such as the Early Reading First program, to discuss the developmental and other needs of individual children; 2) developing and implementing a systematic procedure for receiving records regarding such children, transferred with parental consent from a Head Start program or, where applicable, another early childhood development program such as the Early Reading First program.

X. Annual Evaluation

The LEA, with the involvement of parents, shall conduct an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of this family involvement policy in improving the academic quality of the schools served under Title I, Part A, including identifying barriers to greater participation by parents in activities under NCLB. The LEA will pay particular attention to parents who are economically disadvantaged, are disabled, have limited English proficiency, have limited literacy, or are of any racial or ethnic minority background. The LEA will use the findings of such evaluation to design strategies for more effective parental involvement and to revise, if necessary, this family involvement policy.

XI. School-Parent Compact

At the beginning of each school year, the School will enter into School-Parent Compacts with parents of participating children. The School-Parent Compact will outline how parents, the entire school staff and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the School and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the State's high standards.

The Parent Council will annually evaluate the effectiveness of the School-Parent Compact and provide feedback and suggestions for revision.

XII. Involvement of Parents of Limited English Proficient Students, Disabled Parents and Parents of Migratory Children

The LEA shall implement an effective means of outreach to parents of limited English proficient students to inform them regarding how they can be involved in the education of their children and be active participants in assisting their children to attain English proficiency, achieve at high levels in core academic subjects and meet challenging State academic achievement standards and State academic content standards expected of all student. To accomplish this goal, the LEA will do the following:

- The LEA will hold regular meetings, and send notice of these meetings, for the purpose of formulating and responding to recommendations from parents of participating children.
- The LEA will provide language translators at parent meetings to the extent practicable.
- The LEA will schedule meetings to enable families to share information about culture, background, children's talents and particular needs for the schools.
- The LEA will provide parents of limited English proficiency with access to English as a Second Language (ESL) classes to increase their English language proficiency to assist their children with homework. The school's principal will visit the classes to interact with the parents.
- **English Learner Advisory Committee:** The English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) is mainly a committee of parents or other community members who want to advocate for English Learners. The committee provides parents of English Learners opportunities to learn more about the programs offered to their students and advises the principal and the School Site Council (SSC) on programs and services for English Learners.

State law mandates each school site with 21 or more students of Limited English Proficiency (LEP) in attendance, regardless of language, to form a functioning English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC). The ELAC will be formed at the LEA when the School has 21 or more students of LEP.

The LEA will provide full opportunities for participation of parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children. To accomplish this goal, the LEA will do the following:

- The LEA will schedule meetings to enable families to share information about culture, background, children's talents and particular needs for the schools.
- Teachers will be encouraged to make home visits to discuss student progress with the parents. Parents, students, and teachers meet throughout the year to monitor students' progress.

- Teachers will meet one-on-one with parents of such students on an as needed basis to ensure the proper supports are in place for the student.

XIII. Notices

In accordance with law, the LEA will provide the following notices to parents of children attending Title I, Part A schools:

- Annual report card;
- A notice regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers;
- The notice regarding language instruction programs;
- Any other notices required by law.

XIV. Miscellaneous

The LEA shall ensure that all information related to LEA and parent programs, meetings and other activities is sent to the parents of participating children in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.

The LEA will provide other reasonable support for parental involvement activities as requested by parents.

SCHOOL-PARENT-STUDENT COMPACT

This School-Parent³-Student Compact is adopted by the Magnolia Public Schools (MPS) (hereinafter "School") and is intended to outline how parents, the entire School staff and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the School and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the State's high standards. To this end, the School, the Parent, and the Student roles are outlined as follows:

I. School Responsibilities

- The School will provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables all students to meet the State Core Curriculum Content Standards in all content areas through aligned curriculum and rigorous assessment.
- The School will provide a variety of support programs to enhance instruction at all grade levels.
- The School will send frequent reports to parents on their child's progress.
- The School will hold parent-teacher conferences during which this Compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual student's achievement. Conference dates will

be listed on the school calendar and additional dates will be sent through notification by the School.

- The School will grant parents reasonable access to staff by appointment through the office.
- The School will provide parents with the ability to observe classroom activities by appointment through the office.

II. Parent Responsibilities

I understand that my child's studies are very important and my participation in activities at MPS is a critical component of my child's educational success. Therefore, I agree to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of my ability:

- I will take a positive and active role in supporting my student's education.
- I will make certain my student attends school regularly and on time.
- I will notify school when child is absent and provide appropriate documentation.
- I will ensure that my student follows the school attendance policy and dress codes.
- I will ensure that my child come to school rested, clean, well-fed, and appropriately dressed (in student uniform).
- I will notify office immediately if there is a change of home address or phone number.
- I will set aside a specific time and place for my student to do homework.
- I will support my student in completing homework, including, if necessary, limiting time watching television, computer gaming, and recreational internet use.
- I will allow my student to attend remedial and other programs offered if requested by the school as is needed for individual improvement.
- I will set up a college bound environment at home and support my student through the college admission and scholarship finding process.
- I will emphasize my child adhere to the MPS Discipline Code at all times.
- I will enforce the School Code of Conduct with my child, including ensuring my child is wearing the uniform and promoting respect for teachers and all adults and students.
- I will follow through with any problem behaviors noted by the School.
- I will attend orientation meetings prior to the start of School.
- I will communicate regularly with my student's teachers to ensure his/her academic success

³ Within this policy, the word "parent" is employed. This word is intended to reach any caregiver of students enrolled in the

School, including but not limited to, parents, guardians, grandparents, aunts, uncles, foster parents, stepparents, etc.

(includes attending at least two conferences in a school year).

- I will review information and work sent home and/or posted on-line for parents and students via the school website and the online Student Information System and respond as necessary (computer access is available for parents at School if needed).
- I will review progress reports that are sent by the School and respond as necessary.
- I will encourage positive attitudes toward school.
- I will talk with my student about what he/she is learning.
- I will expect and encourage my student to be focused on learning.
- I will expect and support my student to strive consistently to give his/her best, and to make his/her best academic progress.
- I will assure that my child does not destroy materials (textbooks, equipment, etc.) and/or MPS property.
- I will pay for any damages to materials and/or property incurred by student.
- I will assure that students do not bring destructive materials to school (markers, paint, etc.)
- I will assure that all school materials loaned to students will be returned in the condition issued (textbooks, library books, etc.) I will pay for any lost or damaged books in CASH only.
- I understand that a student's bringing or possession of any weapon is grounds for expulsion from the Charter School.
- I will complete and return all necessary school forms and documents on time as requested by school officials.
- I will try to volunteer at School when requested.

- I will act responsibly and respectfully at all times and towards all members of the school community.
- I will follow all school rules.
- I will obey the School's Code of Conduct.
- I will respect my property, that of others, and that of the School.
- I will take good care of my books, and other materials the School allows me to use.
- I will serve my community.

III. Student Responsibilities

I am aware of my responsibilities and will do my best to satisfy my parents'/teachers' expectations at MPS because this will help me do better in the future. I agree to really try and do the following:

- I will come to school dressed in uniform every day and on time.
- I will be prepared for all my classes with all required materials.
- I will complete class work and homework on time.
- I will do all the homework assigned to me the best way I can and ask for help when needed.
- I will strive consistently to give my best, and to make my best academic progress.

INTERNAL COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

The purpose of the "Internal Complaint Review Policy" is to afford all employees of the School the opportunity to seek internal resolution of their work-related concerns. All employees have free access to the CEO or Board of Directors to express their work-related concerns. Please use the Internal Complaints Policy Form following this Policy to file complaints. A copy of this Policy and Complaint Form are also available in the main office of each MPS school.

Specific complaints of unlawful harassment are addressed under the School's "TITLE IX, HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, DISCRIMINATION, AND BULLYING POLICY."

a) Internal Complaints:

(Complaints by Employees Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a School employee raises a complaint or concern about a co-worker.

If reasonably possible, internal complaints should be resolved at the lowest possible level, including attempts to discuss/resolve concerns with your direct supervisor. However, in the event an informal resolution may not be achieved or is not appropriate, the following steps will be followed by the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees):

- The complainant will bring the matter to the attention of the Principal (or the CEO (or designee) for MPSCO employees) as soon as possible after attempts to resolve the complaint with the immediate supervisor have failed or if not appropriate; and
- The complainant will reduce his or her complaint to writing, indicating all known and relevant facts. The Principal (or the CEO for MPSCO employees) (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the Principal, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the CEO (or designee.) The CEO (or designee) will then investigate the facts and provide a solution or explanation;
- If the complaint is about the CEO, the complainant may file his or her complaint in a signed writing to the President of the Board of Directors of the School, who will then confer with the Board and may conduct a fact-finding or authorize a third party investigator on behalf of the Board. The Board President or investigator will report his or her findings to the Board for review and action, if necessary.

This policy cannot guarantee that every problem will be resolved to the employee's satisfaction. However, the

School values each employee's ability to express concerns and the need for resolution without fear of adverse consequence to employment.

b) Policy for Complaints Against Employees:

(Complaints by Third Parties Against Employees)

This section of the policy is for use when a non-employee raises a complaint or concern about a School employee.

If complaints cannot be resolved informally, complainants may file a written complaint with the office of the Principal or the CEO (if the complaint concerns the Principal) or the Board President (if the complaint concerns the CEO) as soon as possible after the events that give rise to the complainant's concerns. The written complaint should set forth in detail the factual basis for the complaint.

In processing the complaint, the Principal (or the CEO (or the Board President)) (or designee) shall abide by the following process:

- The Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) shall use his or her best efforts to talk with the parties identified in the complaint and to ascertain the facts relating to the complaint.
- In the event that the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) finds that a complaint against an employee is valid, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may take appropriate disciplinary action against the employee. As appropriate, the Principal (or the CEO) (or designee) may also simply counsel/reprimand employees as to their conduct without initiating formal disciplinary measures.
- The Principal's (or the CEO's) (or designee's) decision relating to the complaint shall be final unless it is appealed to the Board of Directors of the School. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final.

General Requirements:

- **Confidentiality:** All complainants will be notified that information obtained from the complainants and thereafter gathered will be maintained in a manner as confidential as possible, but in some circumstances absolute confidentiality cannot be assured.
- **Non-Retaliation:** All complainants will be advised that they will be protected against retaliation as a result of the filing of any complaints or participation in any complaint process. Resolution: The Board (if a complaint is about the CEO) or the CEO (if a complaint is about the Principal or MPSCO employees) or the Principal or designee will investigate complaints appropriately under the circumstances and pursuant to the applicable procedures, and if necessary, take appropriate remedial measures to ensure effective resolution of any complaint.

INTERNAL COMPLAINT PROCEDURES FORM

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s): _____

Name of Person(s) you have a complaint against: _____

List any witnesses that were present: _____

Where did the incident(s) occur?

Please describe the circumstances, events, or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I hereby authorize MPS to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation. I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further understand providing false information in this regard could result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Signature of Complainant

Date: _____

Print Name
To be completed by MPS:

Received by: _____

Date: _____

TITLE IX, HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, DISCRIMINATION, AND BULLYING POLICY

MPS believes all students have the right to a safe and civil learning environment. Discrimination, sexual harassment, harassment, intimidation, and bullying are all disruptive behaviors which interfere with students' ability to learn, and negatively affect student engagement, diminish school safety, and contribute to a hostile school environment. As such, MPS prohibits any acts of discrimination, sexual harassment, harassment, intimidation, and bullying altogether. This policy is inclusive of instances that occur on any area of the school campus, at school-sponsored events and activities, regardless of location, through school-owned technology, and through other electronic means.

As used in this policy, discrimination, sexual harassment, harassment, intimidation, and bullying are described as the intentional conduct, including verbal, physical, written communication or cyber-bullying, including cyber sexual bullying, based on the actual or perceived characteristics of disability, pregnancy, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, ancestry, race or ethnicity, religion, religious affiliation, sexual orientation, childbirth or related medical conditions, marital status, age, or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics or any other basis protected by federal, state, local law, ordinance or regulation. In addition, bullying encompasses any conduct described in the definitions set forth in this Policy. Hereafter, such actions are referred to as "misconduct prohibited by this Policy."

To the extent possible, MPS will make reasonable efforts to prevent students from being discriminated against, harassed, intimidated, and/or bullied, and will take action to investigate, respond, address and report on such behaviors in a timely manner. MPS school staff that witness acts of misconduct prohibited by this Policy will take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so.

Moreover, MPS will not condone or tolerate misconduct prohibited by this Policy by any employee, independent contractor or other person with which MPS does business, or any other individual, student, or volunteer. This policy applies to all employee, student, or volunteer actions and relationships, regardless of position or gender. MPS promptly and thoroughly investigate any complaint of such misconduct prohibited by this Policy and take appropriate corrective action, if warranted.

Title IX, Harassment, Intimidation, Discrimination and Bullying Coordinator (“Coordinator”):

Chief Executive Officer
Magnolia Public Schools
250 E. 1st St., Ste. 1500
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Phone: (213) 628-3634

Definitions

Title IX (20 U.S.C. § 1681 *et. seq*; 34 C.F.R. § 106.1 *et. seq*) and California state law prohibit harassment on the basis of sex. In accordance with these existing laws, discrimination on the basis of sex in education institutions is prohibited. All persons, regardless of sex, are afforded equal rights and opportunities and freedom from unlawful discrimination in education programs or activities conducted by MPS.

MPS is committed to provide a workplace and educational environment free of sexual harassment and considers such harassment to be a major offense, which may result in disciplinary action.

Sexual harassment consists of sexual advances, request for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature when: (a) Submission to the conduct is explicitly or implicitly made a term or a condition of an individual's employment, academic status, or progress; (b) submission to, or rejection of, the conduct by the individual is used as the basis of employment or academic decisions affecting the individual; (c) the conduct has the purpose or effect of having a negative impact upon the individual's work or academic performance, or of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work or educational environment; and/or (d) submission to, or rejection of, the conduct by the individual is used as the basis for any decision affecting the individual regarding benefits and services, honors, programs, or activities available at or through the educational institution.

It is also unlawful to retaliate in any way against an individual who has articulated a good faith concern about sexual harassment against him/her or against another individual.

Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- Physical assaults of a sexual nature, such as:
 - Rape, sexual battery, molestation or attempts to commit these assaults and
 - Intentional physical conduct that is sexual in nature, such as touching, pinching, patting, grabbing, brushing against another's body, or poking another's body
- Unwanted sexual advances, propositions or other sexual comments, such as:
 - Sexually oriented gestures, notices, remarks, jokes, or comments about a person's sexuality or sexual experience
 - Preferential treatment or promises of preferential treatment to an individual for submitting to sexual conduct, including soliciting or attempting to solicit any individual to engage in sexual activity for compensation or reward or deferential treatment for rejecting sexual conduct
 - Subjecting or threats of subjecting an employee to unwelcome sexual attention or conduct or intentionally making performance of the employee's job more difficult because of the employee's sex
- Sexual or discriminatory displays or publications anywhere in the workplace or educational environment, such as:
 - Displaying pictures, cartoons, posters, calendars, graffiti, objections, promotional materials, reading materials, or other materials that are sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic or bringing or possessing any such material to read, display or view at work or the educational environment
 - Reading publicly or otherwise publicizing in the work or educational environment materials that are in any way sexually revealing, sexually suggestive, sexually demeaning or pornographic, and

- Displaying signs or other materials purporting to segregate an individual by sex in an area of the workplace or educational environment (other than restrooms or similar rooms)

The illustrations of harassment and sexual harassment above are not to be construed as an all-inclusive list of prohibited acts under this Policy.

Prohibited Bullying

Bullying is defined as any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act. Bullying includes one or more acts committed by a student group or group of students that may constitute as sexual harassment, hate violence, or creates an intimidating and/or hostile educational environment, directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:

1. Placing a reasonable pupil* or pupils in fear of harm to that pupil's or those pupils' person or property.
2. Causing a reasonable pupil to experience a substantially detrimental effect on his or her physical or mental health.
3. Causing a reasonable pupil to experience a substantial interference with his or her academic performance.
4. Causing a reasonable pupil to experience a substantial interference with his or her ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by MPS.

* "Reasonable pupil" is defined as a pupil, including, but not limited to, an exceptional needs pupil, who exercises care, skill and judgment in conduct for a person of his or her age, or for a person of his or her age with his or her exceptional needs.

Cyberbullying is an electronic act that includes the transmission of harassing communication, direct threats, or other harmful texts, sounds, or images on the Internet, social media, or other technologies using a telephone, computer, or any wireless communication device. Cyberbullying also includes breaking into another person's electronic account and assuming that person's identity in order to damage that person's reputation.

Electronic act means the creation and transmission originated on or off the school site, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

1. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
2. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited to:
 - a. Posting to or creating a burn page. A "burn page" means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in the definition of "bullying," above.
 - b. Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in the definition of "bullying," above. "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.
 - c. Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in the definition of "bullying," above. "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.
3. An act of "Cyber sexual bullying" including, but not limited to:
 - a. The dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in definition of "bullying," above. A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.
 - b. "Cyber sexual bullying" does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.
4. Notwithstanding the definitions of "bullying" and "electronic act" above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.

Reporting

All staff are expected to provide appropriate supervision to enforce standards of conduct and, if they observe or become aware of misconduct prohibited by this Policy, to intervene as soon as it is safe to do so, call for assistance, and report

such incidents. The Board requires staff to follow the procedures in this policy for reporting alleged acts of misconduct prohibited by this Policy.

Any employee or student who believes they have been subject to misconduct prohibited by this Policy or has witnessed such prohibited misconduct is encouraged to immediately report such misconduct to the Coordinator:

Chief Executive Officer
Magnolia Public Schools
250 E. 1st St., Ste. 1500
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Phone: (213) 628-3634

Complaints regarding such misconduct may also be made to the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights.

While submission of a written report is not required, the reporting party is encouraged to submit a written report to the Coordinator. Oral reports shall also be considered official reports. Reports may be made anonymously, but formal disciplinary action cannot be based solely on an anonymous report.

Students are expected to report all incidents of misconduct prohibited by this Policy or other verbal, or physical abuses. Any student who feels she/he is a target of such behavior should immediately contact a teacher, counselor, the Principal, Coordinator, a staff person or a family member so that she/he can get assistance in resolving the issue in a manner that is consistent with this Policy.

MPS acknowledges and respects every individual's right to privacy. All reports shall be investigated in a manner that protects the confidentiality of the parties and the integrity of the process. This includes keeping the identity of the reporter confidential, as appropriate, except to the extent necessary to carry out the investigation and/or to resolve the issue, as determined by the Coordinator or administrative designee on a case-by-case basis.

MPS prohibits any form of retaliation against any reporter in the reporting process, including but not limited to a reporter's filing of a complaint or the reporting of instances of misconduct prohibited by this Policy. Such participation shall not in any way affect the status, grades, or work assignments of the reporter.

All supervisors of staff will receive sexual harassment training within six (6) months of their assumption of a supervisory position and will receive further training once every two (2) years thereafter. All staff will receive sexual harassment training and/or instruction concerning sexual harassment in the workplace as required by law.

Investigation

Upon receipt of a report of misconduct prohibited by this Policy from a student, staff member, parent, volunteer, visitor or affiliate of MPS, the Coordinator or administrative designee will promptly initiate an investigation. In most cases, a thorough investigation will take no more than seven (7) school days. If the Coordinator, or administrative designee determines that an investigation will take longer than seven (7) school days, he or she will inform the complainant and any other relevant parties and provide an approximate date when the investigation will be complete.

At the conclusion of the investigation, the Coordinator or administrative designee will meet with the complainant and, to the extent possible with respect to confidentiality laws, provide the complainant with information about the investigation, including any actions necessary to resolve the incident/situation. However, in no case may the Coordinator or administrative designee reveal confidential information related to other students or employees, including the type and extent of discipline issued against such students or employees.

All records related to any investigation of complaints under this Policy are maintained in a secure location.

Consequences

Students or employees who engage in misconduct prohibited by this Policy will be subject to disciplinary action.

Uniform Complaint Procedures

When harassment or bullying is based upon one of the protected characteristics set forth in this Policy, a complainant may also fill out a Uniform Complaint Procedures ("UCP") complaint form at any time during the process, consistent with the procedures laid out in this Handbook.

Right of Appeal

Should the reporting individual find the Coordinator's resolution unsatisfactory, he/she may follow the Dispute Resolution Process found in this Student/Family Handbook.

TITLE IX, HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, DISCRIMINATION, AND BULLYING COMPLAINT FORM

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Alleged Incident(s): _____

Name of Person(s) you have a complaint against: _____

List any witnesses that were present: _____

Where did the incident(s) occur? _____

Please describe the events or conduct that are the basis of your complaint by providing as much factual detail as possible (i.e. specific statements; what, if any, physical contact was involved; any verbal statements; what did you do to avoid the situation, etc.) (Attach additional pages, if needed):

I hereby authorize MPS to disclose the information I have provided as it finds necessary in pursuing its investigation. I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this complaint is true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further understand providing false information in this regard could result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Signature of Complainant Date: _____

Print Name

To be completed by MPS:

Received by: _____ Date: _____

Follow up Meeting with Complainant held on: _____

UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

- a. MPS has the primary responsibility to insure compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations and has established procedures to address allegations of unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying, and complaints alleging violations of state or federal laws governing educational programs, the charging of unlawful pupil fees, non-compliance with the Local Control Funding Formula, and non-compliance with reasonable accommodations for lactating pupils.
- b. MPS shall investigate and seek to resolve complaints using policies and procedures known as the Uniform Complaint Procedure ("UCP") adopted by our local board. Unlawful discrimination harassment, intimidation, or

bullying complaints may be based on actual or perceived characteristics of age, ancestry, color, disability, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, genetic information, nationality, national origin, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, or sexual orientation, or on the basis of a person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, in any MPS program or activity.

- c. The UCP shall also be used when addressing complaints alleging failure to comply with state and/or federal laws in:
 - Adult Education Programs; After School Education and Safety Programs; Agricultural Vocational Educational Programs; American Indian Education Centers and Early Child

Education Program Assessments; Consolidated Categorical Aid Programs; Migrant Education; Career Technical and Technical Education and Training Programs; Child Care and Developmental Programs; Child Nutrition Programs; Foster and Homeless Youth Services; No Child Left Behind Act (2001) Programs (Titles I-VII), including improving academic achievement, compensatory education, limited English proficiency, and migrant education; Regional Occupational Centers and Programs; Special Education Programs; State Preschool; Tobacco-Use Prevention Education; Requirements governing the Local Control Funding Formula or Sections 47606.5 and 47607.3 of the Education Code, as applicable; and Reasonable Accommodations to a Lactating Pupil.

d. A complaint of noncompliance with laws relating to pupil fees may be filed pursuant to the local UCP. A pupil enrolled in a public school shall not be required to pay a pupil fee for participation in an educational activity. A pupil fee includes, but is not limited to, all of the following:

1. A fee charged to a pupil as a condition for registering for school or classes, or as a condition for participation in a class or an extracurricular activity, regardless of whether the class or activity is elective or compulsory, or is for credit.
2. A security deposit, or other payment, that a pupil is required to make to obtain a lock, locker, book, class apparatus, musical instrument, clothes, or other materials or equipment.
3. A purchase that a pupil is required to make to obtain materials, supplies, equipment, or clothes associated with an educational activity.
4. A pupil fee complaint shall not be filed later than one year from the date the alleged violation occurred.

e. Complaints of noncompliance with the requirements governing the Local Control Funding Formula or Sections 47606.5 and 47607.3 of the Education Code, as applicable, may also be filed under the local UCP.

f. Complaints of noncompliance with the requirements of Education Code Section 222 regarding the rights of lactating pupils on a school campus may also be filed under the local UCP.

g. All complaints that fall within the UCP, including complaint of noncompliance with laws relating to pupil fees, must be filed in writing with the

complaint officer listed below. A complaint regarding pupil fees may be filed anonymously if the complaint provides evidence or information to support an allegation of noncompliance with laws relating to pupil fees. The compliance officer is:

Chief Executive Officer
Magnolia Public Schools
250 E. 1st St., Ste. 1500
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Phone: (213) 628-3634

h. Complaints alleging unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying, must be filed within six (6) months from the date the alleged unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying, occurred or the date the complainant first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying, unless the time for filing is extended by the Compliance Officer or his or her designee.

i. Complaints will be investigated and a written Decision or report will be sent to the complainant within sixty (60) days from the receipt of the complaint. This sixty (60) day time period may be extended by written agreement of the complainant. The School person responsible for investigating the complaint shall conduct and complete the investigation in accordance with California regulations and in accordance with the School's procedures.

j. The complainant has a right to appeal the School's Decision to the California Department of Education (CDE) by filing a written appeal within 15 days of receiving the Decision. The appeal must include a copy of the complaint filed with the School and a copy of the School's Decision. The appeal should be sent to:

California Department of Education
1430 N Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

k. Civil law remedies may be available under state or federal discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying laws, if applicable. In appropriate cases, an appeal may be filed pursuant to Education Code Section 262.3. A complainant may pursue available civil law remedies outside of [the LEA]'s complaint procedures. Complainants may seek assistance from mediation centers or public/private interest attorneys. Civil law remedies that may be imposed by a court include, but are not limited to, injunctions and restraining orders.

l. A complete copy of the UCP policy and complaint procedures is posted in every classroom and shall be available free of charge in the main office of each MPS school and MPS website. A copy of the UCP complaint form is contained in this Handbook.

Magnolia Science Academy-1, 2, 3, and 5 are authorized by the Los Angeles County Board of Education.

Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE)
Charter School Office (CSO) Contact:

- Los Angeles County Office of Education
Charter School Office
9300 Imperial Highway
Downey, CA 90242
Office Phone Line: (562) 922-8806
Comments & Concerns Line: (562) 922-8807
Office Fax: (562) 922-8805
Website: www.lacoe.edu

Magnolia Science Academy-4, 6, 7, and Bell are authorized by the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) Board of Education.

LAUSD Charter Schools Division (CSD) Contact:

- Los Angeles Unified School District
Charter Schools Division
333 S. Beaudry Ave. 20th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90017
Main Office: (213) 241-0399
Fax: (213) 241-2054
Website: www.lausd.net

Magnolia Science Academy-San Diego is authorized by the San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD) Board of Education.

SDUSD Office of Charter Schools (OCS) Contact:

- San Diego Unified School District
Office of Charter Schools
4100 Normal Street, Annex 15
San Diego, CA 92103
Main Office: (619) 725-7107
Website: www.sandiegounified.org

Magnolia Science Academy-Santa Ana is authorized by the State Board of Education (SBE).

California Department of Education (CDE) Charter Schools Division (CSD) Contact:

- California Department of Education
Charter Schools Division
1430 N Street, Suite 5401
Sacramento, CA 95814-5901
Phone: (916) 322-6029
Fax: (916) 322-1465
Email: charters@cde.ca.gov
Website: www.cde.ca.gov

UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES FORM

Last Name: _____ First Name/MI: _____

Student Name (if applicable): _____ Grade: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Street Address/Apt. #: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

School/Office of Alleged Violation: _____

For allegation(s) of noncompliance, please check the program or activity referred to in your complaint, if applicable:

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Education | <input type="checkbox"/> After School Education and Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Vocational Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated Categorical Aid | <input type="checkbox"/> Career/Technical Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Development Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Child Nutrition | <input type="checkbox"/> Foster/Homeless Youth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Migrant Education | <input type="checkbox"/> No Child Left Behind Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Occupational Programs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Education | <input type="checkbox"/> State Preschool | <input type="checkbox"/> Tobacco-Use Prevention Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pupil Fees | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Control Funding Formula | <input type="checkbox"/> Lactating Pupils |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bilingual Education | <input type="checkbox"/> School Safety Plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Impact Aid |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Every Student Succeeds Act | | |

For allegation(s) of unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying, please check the basis of the unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying described in your complaint, if applicable:

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age | <input type="checkbox"/> Gender / Gender Expression / Gender Identity | <input type="checkbox"/> Sex (Actual or Perceived) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ancestry | <input type="checkbox"/> Genetic Information | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Orientation (Actual or Perceived) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Color | <input type="checkbox"/> National Origin | <input type="checkbox"/> Based on association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disability (Mental or Physical) | <input type="checkbox"/> Race or Ethnicity | <input type="checkbox"/> Marital Status |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ethnic Group Identification | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Condition | | |

1. Please give facts about the complaint. Provide details such as the names of those involved, dates, whether witnesses were present, etc., that may be helpful to the complaint investigator.

2. Have you discussed your complaint or brought your complaint to any MPS personnel? If you have, to whom did you take the complaint, and what was the result?

3. Please provide copies of any written documents that may be relevant or supportive of your complaint.

I have attached supporting documents. Yes No

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail complaint and any relevant documents to:

Chief Executive Officer
Magnolia Public Schools
250 E. 1st St., Ste. 1500
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 628-3634

INFORMAL COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

The ultimate purpose of this informal complaint procedure is to encourage the growth and development of MPS as a healthy community. Conflict is often a part of any development or growth process and may arise in any community. An effective process for resolving conflict is therefore both consistent with the vision and mission of MPS, and an essential component of the communication model that our School has adopted.

MPS recognizes that effective communication is paramount in effective conflict resolution and therefore strongly encourages communication strategies that include: Taking personal responsibility for one's own feelings and needs; communication that mutually acknowledges the needs and concerns of one another; and demonstrating honesty and integrity in every interaction.

LEVEL 1: Direct Resolution

If reasonably possible, informal complaints should be resolved at the lowest possible level, including attempts to discuss/resolve concerns with the person directly using conflict resolution skills without the intervention of a supervisor or other School administrator. It is the hope of MPS that most disputes can be resolved informally by direct and healthy communication between individuals. Such attempts at informal resolution should be documented in writing to assist the Principal (or CEO) and/or Board of Directors to participate effectively in the conflict's resolution.

Examples:

- Pedagogical issues pertaining to anything that occurs in the classroom, i.e., teaching, curriculum, classroom management, or teacher-student relationships, should be addressed directly with the class teacher. Teachers can be contacted by email, written note or via appointment.
- Complaints/concerns about employees or supervisors that do not involve complaints of discrimination or harassment or violations of law should be first addressed with the employee or supervisor directly.

If the person(s) involved are unable to resolve the conflict or complaint, the complainant should contact the immediate/appropriate supervisor in an effort to resolve the issue.

LEVEL 2: School Level Resolution

- At this step, the complainant should be prepared to give details about the complaint and steps taken to resolve it. The immediate/appropriate supervisor will acknowledge receipt of the complaint in three (3) working days, investigate the complaint, a process which normally involves a discussion with the complainant, gathering of relevant facts and evidence, and respond to the complainant within ten (10) working days.

Examples:

- Pedagogical, academic or teacher related issues should be addressed with the Dean of Academics/Assistant Principal.
- Student behavior and discipline issues should be addressed with the Dean of Students/Assistant Principal.
- All other issues should be addressed with the Principal.

If the complainant is not satisfied with the response from the immediate/appropriate supervisor, e.g., Dean of Academics/Students or Assistant Principal or the complaint should be directly addressed with the Principal, the complainant should contact the Principal, who will respond within the same timeline. If the complainant is still dissatisfied, and wishes to take it further, the complainant, in writing, should bring the matter to the attention of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of MPS in an effort to resolve the issue.

LEVEL 3: MPS Home Office ("Home Office") Level Resolution

At this step, the complainant should fill out the attached "Informal Complaint Procedures Form" giving details about the complaint and steps taken to resolve it, and contact the CEO of MPS at:

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Magnolia Public Schools
250 E. 1st St., Ste. 1500
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 628-3634

The CEO (designee) will acknowledge receipt of the written complaint in five (5) working days, attempt to identify a resolution that is acceptable to both parties, within fifteen (15) working days of the receipt of the written complaint.

If the complainant is not satisfied with the response from the CEO (designee), and wishes to take it further, the complainant, in writing, should bring the matter to the attention of the MPS Board of Directors ("the Board.")

LEVEL 4: Board Level Resolution *

At this step, the complainant can file a written complaint with the Board through the Administrative Assistant at the MPS Home Office. (Same contact information as in Level 3) The complainant should update the Internal Complaint Procedures Form that was used in Level 3. The Administrative Assistant will acknowledge receipt of the written complaint in five (5) working days. The Board may consider the matter at its next regular Board meeting or at a special board meeting convened in order to meet the internal 60 day target within which MPS strives to answer the complaint. The Board may decide not to hear the complaint, in which case the CEO's decision will be final. If the Board hears the complaint, the Administrative Assistant will send the Board's decision to the complainant within 60 days of the School's initial receipt of the complaint or within the time period that has been specified in a written

agreement with the complainant. The decision of the Board shall be final.

* For MSA-San Diego, MSA-San Diego Governance Committee will work with the Principal and the Home Office in following the Informal Complaint Procedures to resolve internal complaints and conflicts before they escalate to the MPS Board level.

The complainant has a right to appeal the Board's Decision to the California Department of Education (CDE). In that case, the complainant needs to fill out a "Uniform Complaint Procedure Form" - provided in this handbook – and file it within 15 days of receiving the Decision. The appeal must include a copy of the complaint filed with the School and a copy of the Board's Decision. The appeal should be sent to:

California Department of Education
1430 N Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Please provide copies of any written documents that may be relevant or supportive of your complaint.

I have attached supporting documents. Yes No

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail complaint and any relevant documents to:

Chief Executive Officer
Magnolia Public Schools
250 E. 1st St., Ste. 1500
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 628-3634

The following is information regarding your rights and responsibilities regarding filing a Title IX Complaint.

Title IX Coordinator Contact Information

All complaints should be sent to our Title IX Coordinator, who can be reached at:

Chief Executive Officer
Magnolia Public Schools
250 E. 1st St., Ste. 1500
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Phone: (213) 628-3634

Your Rights and Responsibilities Under Title IX

(a) You have the right to fair and equitable treatment and you shall not be discriminated against based on your sex.

(b) You have the right to be provided with an equitable opportunity to participate in all academic extracurricular activities and athletics offered by the MPS.

(c) You have the right to apply for athletic scholarships.

(d) You have the right to receive equitable treatment and benefits in the provision of all of the following:

- Equipment and supplies.
- Scheduling of games and practices.
- Transportation and daily allowances.
- Access to tutoring.
- Coaching.
- Locker rooms.
- Practice and competitive facilities.
- Medical and training facilities and services.
- Publicity.

(e) You have the right to have access to our Title IX Coordinator regarding gender equity laws. Please see above for this Coordinator's contact information.

(f) You have the right to file a confidential discrimination complaint with the United States Office for Civil Rights or California Department of Education if you believe you have been discriminated against or if you believe you have received unequal treatment on the basis of your sex. See below for more information regarding how to file a complaint.

(g) You have the right to pursue civil remedies if you have been discriminated against.

(h) You have the right to be protected against retaliation if you file a discrimination complaint.

(i) You can find out more information regarding your rights, MPS' responsibilities, and access information on gender equity laws from the following resources:

- California Interscholastic Federation: <http://www.cifstate.org/governance/equity/index>
- California Department of Education, Office for Equal Opportunity: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/eo/dutytoprotect.asp>
- United States Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/fro-ntp/pro-students/sex-pr.html>

How to File a Complaint Under Title IX

(a) You can find more information regarding how to file a complaint as follows:

- The United States Office for Civil Rights website: <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/howto.html?src=rt>.
- California Department of Education website: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/eo/complaint.asp>
- MPS Uniform Complaint Procedures ("UCP") or Harassment, Intimidation, Discrimination, Bullying Policy. Please check your School's website or main office for a complete copy of these policies.

(b) A complaint regarding discrimination or harassment based on sex must ordinarily be filed with the U.S. Office for Civil Rights within 180 days of the last act of discrimination. If your complaint involves matters that occurred longer than this and you are requesting a waiver, you will be asked to show good cause why you did not file your complaint within the 180-day period. If you have questions about your situation, you can contact the California branch of the Office for Civil Rights at the address listed below. A complaint filed with MPS under our UCP alleging unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying must be initiated no later than six (6) months from the date when the alleged unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying occurred, or six (6) months from the date when the complainant first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying.

(c) The U.S. Office for Civil Rights has its own policies and procedures for investigating complaints. Please review the above link for more information about this process. A complaint filed with MPS under our UCP or Harassment/ Intimidation/ Discrimination/ Bullying policy will be investigated in compliance with those policies.

(d) There are a variety of ways to file your complaint. You can use the U.S. Office for Civil Rights electronic complaint form filed directly through their website; or mail, email, or send by facsimile your own letter or a completed copy of the Office for Civil Rights Discrimination Complaint Form.

- The electronic complaint form is available at <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/complaintintro.html>
- You can send a completed version of this form or your own letter via email, facsimile, or regular mail to the following addresses:

**San Francisco Office
Office for Civil Rights
U.S. Department of Education
50 United Nations Plaza
Mail Box 1200, Room 1545
San Francisco, CA 94102**

**Telephone: 415-486-5555
FAX: 415-486-5570; TDD: 800-877-8339
Email: ocr.sanfrancisco@ed.gov or
ocr@ed.gov**

To file a UCP or complaint under our Title IX/ Harassment/ Intimidation/ Discrimination/ Bullying complaint directly with MPS, please follow procedures set forth in those policies.

MAGNOLIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Receipt of an Agreement to the MPS Handbook, Student Technology Use Policy-Acceptable Use Agreement, and School-Parent-Student Compact

I have received a copy of the Magnolia Public Schools Student/Parent Handbook including the Student Technology Use Policy-Acceptable Use Agreement, and School-Parent-Student Compact, or I can access it at the school website. I understand that it is a source of information and a set of guidelines for implementation of school policies and procedures. I have read, understood, and agreed to the Student/Parent Handbook including the Student Technology Use Policy-Acceptable Use Agreement and School-Parent-Student Compact. I, as a Magnolia Public School student, understand and agree that use of Magnolia Public Schools computer and technology is a privilege and not a right. I understand that if I violate the Student Technology Use Policy-Acceptable Use Agreement in any way, I will be subject to referral and possible suspension. I, as a Magnolia Public School parent or guardian, understand that I may be liable for the replacement cost for property Magnolia Public School loaned to my student that my student fails to return or that is willfully cut, defaced, or otherwise damaged, up to an amount not to exceed \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars), adjusted annually for inflation. When I am unable to pay for the damages, Magnolia Public School will provide a program of voluntary work for my student in lieu of the payment of monetary damages. If my child is over the age of majority, he/she shall be liable for the same. I understand that Magnolia Public Schools can unilaterally rescind, modify, or make exceptions to any of these policies, or adopt new policies, at any time. I also understand that the provisions of the Handbook will control over any contrary statements, representations or assurances made by any supervisory personnel except those made in writing by the Chief Executive Officer or his or her designee.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Dear Parents/Guardians,

- *Please read and discuss the policies, procedures, and expectations with your child/children before signing and returning the receipt on this page.*
- *Each individual MPS school may include amendments into this handbook addressing local issues.*
- *Any changes or additions to this handbook will be given to the students and parents/guardians in writing.*

Student's Name: _____ **Student's Signature:** _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____ **P/G's Signature:** _____

(If known, circle grade and group.) **Date:** _____

Grade:

TK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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Group:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	Other:
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Copy for Student File

Appendix F

Lockdown & Shelter In Place

Lockdown Procedures

LOCKDOWN

- A lockdown will begin with a P.A. announcement:
 - **“Code RED. Prepare immediately for a lockdown. This is not a drill. Prepare immediately for lockdown.”**
 - **“Code RED. We have a lockdown situation. Begin lockdown procedures now.”**
- Call 911 and follow police directives
- **LOCK/CHECK ALL exterior doors**
- Stay away from windows and doors
- DO NOT OPEN doors for any reason until you hear **“All clear to resume your daily routine”** is announced
- Notify MPS Home Office to notify them of lockdown
- Monitor main phone line
- Text & tweet message to parents that we are on lockdown
- When it is deemed SAFE, an announcement will be made over PA: **“All clear to resume your daily routine”**
- **After a lockdown is declared over by the principal or law enforcement, students may be directed to evacuate- Listen for directions**
- Text & Tweet message to parents that we are no longer in lockdown
- Email parents with an approved message from Central Office
- Call MPS district office to let them know we are no longer in lockdown
- Enter this in the log in the emergency binder

Auditorium- Lock doors; **Restrooms-** Students/staff should move into a stall, lock the door and crouch on the toilet so feet, hands and head are hidden from view; **Hallway-** Students should move into closest classroom immediately; **Locker Rooms-** Students should stay inside, lock all doors and close the blinds

SHELTER IN PLACE

- The need to isolate students and staff from outdoor environment to prevent airborne contaminants
- Close and seal all doors, windows, vents
- Shutdown HVAC system
- REMAIN INDOORS
- Instruction and classroom activities continue

SECURE CAMPUS

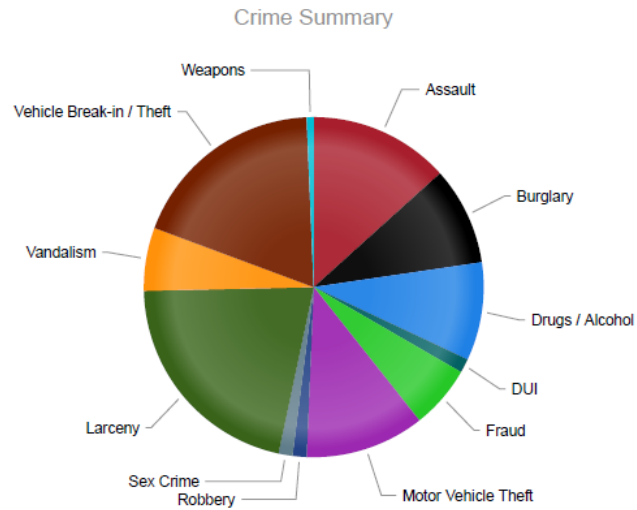
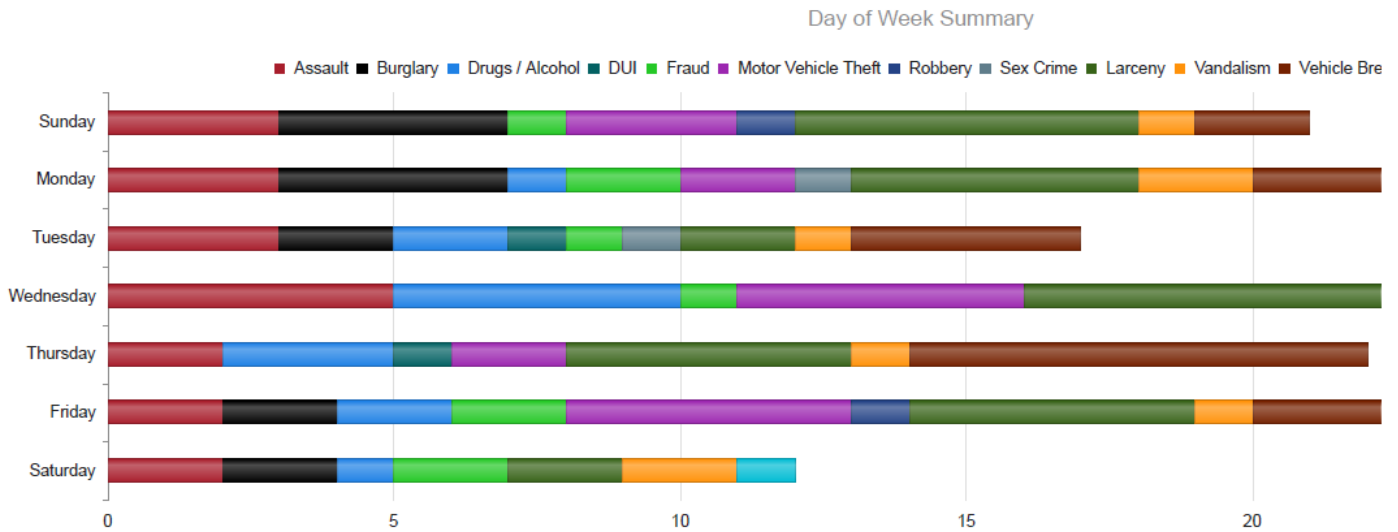
- If there are vague threats or violence in the community not directed at the school, announce over PA:
 - **“Code YELLOW...we are going on SECURE CAMPUS mode”**
- **LOCK/CHECK ALL exterior doors**
- **TEACHING AND LEARNING DOES NOT STOP- Keep routine**
- **NOBODY LEAVES THE CLASSROOM**
- Enter this in the log in the emergency binder
- DO NOT OPEN doors for any reason until you hear **“All clear to resume your daily routine”** is announced

Appendix G

Criteria

CRITERION 1

The following crime report was gathered to recognize the crime statistics in our school neighborhood. Magnolia Science Academy San Diego has a Zero Tolerance Policy for drugs and alcohol. Students participate in a number of programs throughout the school year that impact his/her social-emotional needs. MSASD implements Multi-Tiered Systems of Supports promising practices each school year to support students. Some of the Tier I supports implemented are as follows: Wizard PRIDE- School-wide Character Education Program, Restorative Practices- Circles in homerooms and in core classes as needed, anti-bullying assemblies, social emotional learning assemblies, character education assemblies, character development awards, citizenship/academic semester awards. Also, all our students are exposed to our Life Skills elective. Lastly, we have open lines of communication with parents via in person conferences, MailChimp and SchoolMessenger.



CRITERION 2

MSA-San Diego administration facilitates an in-service to all our employees during our August 2018 staff development meetings. All staff members are required to complete modules via SafeSchools online program for the 2018-19 School Year. Records of each staff member completing this training are on file with the principal.

CRITERION 3

The School Safety Manual is reviewed by the MSA-San Diego administration team, which includes the Principal, Dean of Students, Dean of Academics, and Dean of Culture. Faculty members participate in an in-service at the beginning of each school year on the various types of emergency and disaster procedures and routines. As required by state law, safety drills (including fire, lockdown, and earthquake drills) are conducted twice each school year. Students and staff review the evacuation procedures, routes, assembly areas, assigned responsibilities, and actions that must be taken. Emergency procedure information is distributed to each classroom teacher. Students receive information via our practice drills and classroom instruction.

CRITERION 4

At the beginning of each school year and during critical periods of the year, student conduct, expectations, responsibilities, and discipline procedures are reviewed with students. Information with specific procedures relating to suspension, expulsion, and mandatory expulsion is distributed through our Staff and Student/Parent Handbooks. In addition, students receive information during assemblies and classroom instruction. When a student commits an act which requires a suspension, the Disciplinary Committee meets, and parent are contacted by either the Dean of Students or the principal for a conference. The conference includes the student, parents, principal or Dean of Students, and/or the staff member involved. An action plan is discussed and implemented. The suspension is recorded in Illuminate and in CalPads by the school clerk or administrator.

CRITERION 5

If a dangerous student is placed at MSA-San Diego, the Principal will verbally notify the classroom teachers, the Dean of Academics, and the Dean of Students. All court records regarding a dangerous student are kept in a separate file in the Principal's office in order to maintain student's confidentiality. In addition, any information received by a teacher, counselor, or administrator will also be kept confidential and shall not be disseminated further by the teacher, counselor, or any administrator.

CRITERION 6

All MSA-San Diego staff participate in an in-service on sexual harassment during our back to school meetings. In addition, staff members complete an online training via SafeSchools. Moreover, the Staff Handbook information is given to address sexual harassment. All students and parents are required to sign a Student & Parent Acknowledgement form annually. Student and Parent signatures acknowledge that they have read and understood, and have agreed to the Student/Parent Handbook, which includes the discrimination and sexual harassment policy, and will abide by the policy and accept consequences in case of policy violations.

CRITERION 7

MSA-San Diego Dress Code is provided in the Parent & Student Handbook that is sent home yearly to all students. It can also be found in the student's planners.

The dress code states:

MPS has a uniform policy to help create a safe, orderly environment, instill discipline, and eliminate the competition and distractions caused by varied dress styles. Students are expected to arrive in a clean and neat uniform every day. Students will not be allowed to enter the campus if they are not in proper uniform. This uniform policy will be enforced, without exception, from the very first day of school. Free Dress days are earned at the discretion of the administration. These days are granted at different times of the year for positive behavior and special occasions. Violation of this policy may result in loss of free dress privileges for the remainder of the school year.

- On free dress days, clothing must be in good taste and appropriate for school. Clothing should not be form fitting, revealing, or transparent.
- The school's dress code is strictly enforced during free dress days as well. All students must follow the same guidelines with the exception of not wearing their uniform.
- T-shirts are acceptable; however, printing on clothing must be suitable for school, no inappropriate image(s) or language may be displayed. The administration has discretion in determining appropriateness of images or language on clothing.
- Mini-skirts, short skirts, and short shorts are not allowed. Jeans may be worn during free dress days but cannot be tight fitting or baggy.
- Midriffs, backless or side less shirts or dresses, halter tops, or tank tops with less than a 1 inch strap are NOT allowed.
- Hats, gloves, bandanas, or sunglasses are not permitted to be worn in school
- Neatness and good grooming is required.
- Hairstyles must follow the school's dress code policy.

Failure to observe the dress code will result in the following:

Change of attire by either having a parent bring it in, or alternative appropriate article clothing will be provided by the school. The parents or guardians will be notified through our online Student Information System (SIS). The dress code has been specifically addressed in assemblies, orientation night, and voice dials to all parents and guardians.

CRITERION 8

The site's Emergency Preparedness Plan includes evacuation procedures as well as evacuation routes. Lockdown procedures are also included and address emergencies during the school day, before school, after school, and at lunch. These procedures have been reviewed with staff, students and parents via classroom discussion, staff meetings, and school assemblies. In case the evacuation area is inaccessible, students will exit the classrooms and meet at the parking lot in front of the school. An off-site evacuation site has been established at Mission Trails Church located at 4880 Zion Ave, San Diego, CA 92120. In addition, we conduct two school-wide drills each school year which includes the annual "California Shakeout Earthquake Drill".

CRITERION 9

Building a safe school environment, creating a positive learning climate, and providing students with opportunities for successful, rewarding experiences requires the effort of many. This is illustrated in the Student-Parent Handbook, which outlines the commitments and responsibilities required of students, teachers, parents/guardians, school administrators, and central office. Our handbook is prepared annually and is provided to students and parents to review. The principal is responsible for maintaining the discipline in the school. The principal may delegate tasks required for the maintenance of good student conduct to the Dean of Students, and other site personnel. Our students are under direct supervision by staff members at all times while in school or while attending all school-directed activities. Annually, all the staff and administration commits to improving the climate by having a clean, healthy, safe, and well-maintained school environment. In addition, we communicate with school police in securing our campus with safety alarms and gates, thus prioritizing the safety of our students and campus. Unlawful access onto our campus by those without legitimate business is strictly forbidden.

CRITERION 10

This plan includes procedures ensuring the full participation of students and staff with special needs and disabilities through the planning and implementation of mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery strategies as part of the overall management of school emergencies and disasters.

To comply with statutes involving students with special needs, individuals responsible for evacuation and emergency operation plans, notification protocols, shelter identification, emergency medical care, and other emergency response and recovery programs involve the following:

- Review working knowledge of the accessibility and nondiscrimination requirements applicable under Federal disability rights laws
- Understanding special needs demographics of students on site
- Involve students with different types of disabilities and staff and teachers in identifying the communication and transportation needs

- Accommodations, support systems, equipment, services, and supplies that they will need during an emergency.
- Identify existing resources within the school and local community
- Local responders establish a relationship with individual students with disabilities and their teachers

In addition, at MSA-San Diego, our Special Education Assistants and Special Education Teachers work in the classrooms with students that have special needs. In the event of an emergency, these employees are available to help students and adults evacuate the buildings.

CRITERION 11

The Comprehensive School Safety Plan will be presented to the Site Advisory Board after receiving approval from the school police department. All constituents were invited to provide their input. Communication was through email among the Site Advisory Board members.

The MSA- San Diego School Safety Committee:

Gokhan Serce- Principal

Neil Egasani- Dean of Students

Nellie Tate- Dean of Academics

Halil Akdeniz- Dean of Culture

Grade Level Leads: Megan Craig, Stephen Predergast & Janell Abraham

Appendix H

Emergency Role Descriptions

Site Incident Command Team

According to the Incident Command System (ICS), the size of the organization (i.e. number of positions) will vary depending on the operational needs of the incident. In some cases one individual may be able to fill more than one “position”. (Example: in a small incident the Principal oftentimes serves as the Site Incident Commander and the Public Information Officer.)

Only under very unusual conditions will all of the positions identified below be activated and fully staffed. To that extent, the Site Incident Commanders are encouraged to “cluster” certain same-section positions, if the workload allows. The Site Incident Commander could assume the Safety Officer, Public Information Officer, and Liaison Officer duties. The Planning Chief could assume the Documentation and Situation Analysis duties. The Logistics Chief could assume the Supplies, Facilities, & Staffing duties.

The Incident Command System calls for staffing that will accommodate 24 hour coverage. Accordingly, the position assignments in Section Four call for two shifts. If an individual is assigned to the “first shift” they cannot also be assigned to the “second shift”.

Site Incident Command Team Assignments

Key staff will be pre-assigned to the Site Incident Command Team and have specific duties during emergencies. These duties include:

- **Site Incident Commander**– responsible for overseeing on-site emergency operations. Typically, also assumes responsibilities of the Safety Officer, Liaison Officer, and Public Information Officer duties
 - **Safety Officer**- ensures that all activities are conducted in as safe a manner as possible
 - **Public Information Officer**– acts as official spokesperson for the site in an emergency situation, until the District’s Communications Officer is available
 - **Liaison Officer**– serves as the point-of-contact for agencies outside of the District’s organization.
- **Operations Chief**– manages direct response to the on-site emergency. Shares gathered information with the Planning Chief.
 - **Site Facility Check & Security**– controls utilities, restricts access to unsafe areas, provides traffic control, and communicates damage to the Operations Chief
 - **Search & Rescue Leader and Buddy Teams**– checks campus for damage, rescues victims, and reports site conditions. The Leader stays at the Site Command Post. Each “buddy team” will consist of two Search & Rescue Team members. The number of buddy teams is dictated by the size of the site (see Search & Rescue Team position checklist for standards).
 - **First Aid & Medical Leader and Buddy Teams**– sets up Triage to provide first aid and medical response including CISM (Critical Incident Stress Management). The Leader stays at Triage. Each “buddy team” will consist of two First Aid & Medical Team members. The number of buddy teams is dictated by the size of the site (see First Aid & Medical Team position checklist for standards).
 - **Student/Parent Reunification**
 - **Evacuation Area**– ensures the care and safety of all students on campus (except those in Triage)

Request Area– processes request by parents or other authorized adults for release of students

Release Gate– releases student to parent or other authorized adult

- **Planning Chief**– in charge of collection, evaluation and documentation of information about the incident
 - **Documentation**– collects, evaluates, and documents event
 - **Situation Analysis**– assesses the overall incident
- **Logistics Chief**– provides facilities, services, personnel, equipment and materials to support response including food and transportation services
 - **Supplies, Facilities, & Staffing**– provides supplies, equipment and staffing to support response
- **Finance & Administration Chief**– primary duty is accountability of students, employees, and visitors. Also tracks purchases, staff hours, and costs

In the event of an emergency, the Site Incident Commander will establish a Site Command Post. Site Incident Command Team members will be informed of the location upon activation.

The Emergency Roles and Responsibilities Section (Section Four) of this plan provides checklists for each of the above assignments. The Site Incident Command Team will report to the Site Incident Commander at the Site Command Post. Any staff may be assigned to assist each of the above positions depending upon the circumstances and demands of the incident and care of the students, employees, and visitors.

The District's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) located at the District Offices' may be activated to support on-site emergency operations. In the event that the District EOC is activated, the Site Incident Commander will establish communications and coordinate closely with the District EOC.

It's important that the Site Incident Command Team refer to both the District Administrative and Emergency Procedures and the Emergency Quick Reference Guide for command directives and clarifications.

Site Incident Commander

The Site Incident Commander is the point of contact for the Site Emergency Plan.

During emergencies, the Site Incident Commander coordinates all operations. The Site Incident Commander is typically the site principal or leading administrator. To assist the Site Incident Commander, a Site Incident Command Team is assigned to address key issues during emergency operations. The team works as directed by the Site Incident Commander.

The Site Incident Commander and Site Incident Command Team are responsible for maintaining and implementing their Site Emergency Plan. School Police Services will assist with emergency preparedness, disaster planning, and will be responsible for generating the final, approved version of each site's Site Emergency Plan. As a component of the overall Comprehensive Safe Schools Plan document, School Police Services will review this emergency plan on an annual basis to determine if the Site Emergency Plan is compliant with Federal, State, and local laws, as well as with district policy and procedure.

The Site Incident Commander will coordinate training for all new staff (paid and volunteer) with assignments in the Site Emergency Plan. The Site Incident Commander, coordinating with School Police Services will conduct scheduled exercises to provide staff with an opportunity to train and practice the emergency procedures outlined in the Site Emergency Plan.

Assigned individuals are required to review their duties and responsibilities at least twice per year.

Roles and Responsibilities

Reports to: Superintendent (or designee)

Staffing Principal or designee

Characteristics: Leads by example. Sets the tone for staff and students.

Responsibility: The Site Incident Commander is solely responsible for emergency and disaster response and shall remain at the Site Command Post to observe and direct response. Ensures the safety of students, staff and others on campus.

Special Equipment:

Emergency Response Box(es)

Emergency Disaster Kit

Campus maps (multiple copies)

Master keys

Site Incident Command Forms (Forms 1-13)

Emergency Personnel Position Descriptions

AM/FM radio (batteries)

Command Post Supply Bin (pens, pencils, paper, clipboards, basic first aid supplies, duct tape, stapler, etc.)

Site Emergency Response Plan

Tables & chairs (if Site Command Post is outdoors)

Job Descriptions on Clipboards

Bull horn

Staff rosters (2 sets)

School Radios

District emergency radio

Copies of Forms

Start-Up:

- Assess type and scope of emergency
- Determine threat to human life and structures
- Determine safe and proper location for command post
- **Implement Site Emergency Response Plan and District Emergency Procedures**

REMEMBER: THE MORE INVOLVED YOU ARE IN PERFORMING TASKS AND ASSIGNMENTS, THE LESS SUPERVISION AND ORGANIZATION THERE IS. YOU ARE A FACILITATOR AND COORDINATOR, YOU MUST DELEGATE TASKS AND REMAIN IN CONTROL OF THE ENTIRE SCENE.

Develop and communicate an Incident Action Plan (Site Form 1) with objectives and a time frame to meet those objectives

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Activate functions (assign positions) as needed

Fill in Form #6 Site Incident Command Team Assignment Form as positions are staffed

Appoint a second shift or Deputy Site Incident Commander in preparation for long-term response

During Event:

Continue to monitor and assess total site situation

Ensure critical issues are addressed immediately

Ensure Public Information Officer or Liaison Officer is properly communicating with district and emergency personnel

Update site maps as Search & Rescue progresses and record damage assessment information

Check with chiefs for regular updates

Reassign personnel as needed or as they complete each assignment

Report through Communications to school district on status of staff, site as needed. (Site Form 11 Site Status Report)

Develop and communicate revised incident action plans as needed

Authorize release of information

Utilize your back up; plan and take regular breaks, 5-10 minutes each hour, relocate away from the CP

Plan regular breaks for all staff and volunteers. **Take care of your caregivers!**

Release staff as appropriate per district guidelines. By law, during a disaster, the staff will become "Disaster Service Workers"

Remain on and in charge of your site until redirected or released by the Office of the Superintendent

After:

Authorize deactivation of sections or units when they are no longer required

At the direction of the Office of the Superintendent, deactivate the entire emergency response. If the Fire Department or other outside agency calls an "All Clear," contact the district before taking any further action

Ensure that any open actions not yet completed will be taken care of after deactivation

Ensure the return of all equipment and reusable supplies to Logistics

Ensure that all logs, timekeeping records, reports, and other relevant documents are completed and provided to the Documentation Unit

Proclaim termination of the emergency and proceed with recovery operations if necessary

Schedule a post incident meeting to take place no later than the following day with all staff and incident personnel

Receive any information that needs to be followed up on from all personnel

Account for all personnel prior to leaving

Liaison Officer

Reports to: **Site Incident Commander**

Staffing

Characteristics: **Staff with good communication skills, ability to retain and relay information, and ability to follow direction**

Responsibility: The Liaison Officer serves as the point-of-contact for Agency Representatives from assisting organizations and agencies from within and from outside the school district and assists in coordinating the efforts of these outside agencies by ensuring the proper flow of information. It is essential that the Liaison Officer communicates often with Incident Commander and other assigned personnel to acquire accurate information and relay information from other agencies.

Special Equipment: Clipboard, paper, writing utensils
 School Radio
 School site map(s) and area map(s):

During Event:

- Brief Agency Representatives on current situation, priorities and incident action plan
- Ensure coordination of efforts by keeping Site Incident Commander informed of agencies' action plans
- Provide periodic update briefings to Agency Representatives, as necessary
- Record pertinent information to keep an accurate log of actions and information

Public Information Officer

Reports to: **Site Incident Commander**

Staffing

Characteristics: **It is common for the District's Communications Office to carry out these duties. Until the Communication Office is able to assume the responsibilities involved, a staff member with good communication skills, ability to retain and relay information, and ability to follow direction is necessary to fulfill these duties.**

Responsibility: Staff, students, parents and the public have the right and need to know important information related to emergencies/disaster at the school site ***as soon as it is available and authorized for release.***

DO NOT RELEASE INFORMATION UNLESS AUTHORIZED TO DO SO BY THE INCIDENT COMMANDER

A school site-based Public Information Officer should only be used if the media is on campus and the District's Communications Officer is not available.

Special Equipment:

Battery operated AM/FM radio

Writing utensils, paper, clipboard

Scotch tape/masking tape/duct tape

Forms:

- Public Information Release Worksheet (Site Form 12)

School site map(s) and area map(s):

- 8-1/2 x 11 handouts
- Laminated display

Start-Up Activities:

Determine a possible "news center" site as a media reception area (located away from the Site Command Post and students). This site should be on school grounds and away from the request gate. Get approval from the Site Incident Commander.

Instruct all staff to direct parents-guardians to the request gate.

Identify yourself as the site "Public Information Officer" (vest, visor, sign, etc.).

Consult with District's Communications Office to coordinate information release.

Assess situation and obtain statement from the Site Incident Commander.

Record information to maintain accurate information and verify which information is to be released.

Advise arriving media that the site is preparing a press release and approximate time of its issue.

Open and maintain a position log of your actions and all communications. If possible, tape media briefings. Keep all documentation to support the history of the event.

During Event:

Keep up-to-date on the situation.

ALWAYS brief the parents at the request gate before releasing the information to the media. Notify media of times they can expect briefings.

Do not remain in the media area. Remain near the command post and go to the media staging area when you are ready to make statements.

Statements must be approved by the Site Incident Commander and should reflect:

- Reassurance — “Everything’s Going To Be OK.”
- Incident or disaster cause and time of origin
- Current situation — condition of school site, evacuation progress, care being given, injuries, student request gate location. Do not release any names.
- Resources and agencies present
- Best routes to school if known and appropriate
- Other relevant information school wishes to be released to the public, with approval from Site Incident Commander
- Prepare ahead of time and read statements if possible**

When answering questions, only answer questions you know the answer to and are authorized to release information about. Do not make up answers or lie.

Useful phrases include:

- “I do not have that information at this time”
- “I can try to obtain that information for you”
- “I am not able to release that information at this time”

Remind school site/staff volunteers to refer *all* questions for information from media or waiting parents to the PIO.

Update information periodically with Site Incident Commander.

Ensure announcements and other information is translated into other languages as needed.

Monitor news broadcasts about incident and correct any misinformation heard.

Notify parents, with available assistance (crisis teams, law enforcement or school administration), of any requested students who are missing, absent, or deceased.

After Event:

Provide all documents, press releases and notes to the Documentation Unit.

Brief Incident Commander on any issues that arose, any information that needs follow-up, or any tasks that require further action (parent notification, etc.).

Safety Officer

Reports to: **Site Incident Commander**

Staffing

Characteristics: **Good organization, communication and observation skills**

Responsibility: The Safety Officer ensures that all activities are conducted in as safe a manner as possible under the circumstances which exist, and coordinate distribution of safety equipment to proper personnel.

Special Equipment:

Hard hat (if available)

Access to Emergency Container with tools and equipment

Clipboard, paper, writing utensils

During Event:

Monitor emergency evacuation and note any potential dangers or hazards.

Identify and mitigate safety hazards and situations as quickly and thoroughly as possible.

Ensure safety personnel, search and rescue personnel, and medical personnel have proper safety equipment.

Access Emergency Container to obtain any tools or instruments available for extrication, search and rescue, or safety.

Stop and modify all unsafe operations.

Ensure that responders use appropriate safety equipment and procedures.

Think ahead and anticipate situations and problems before they occur.

Anticipate situation changes, such as severe aftershocks, in all planning.

Keep the Site Incident Commander advised of the status of all safety aspects and activity as well as on any problematic areas which require attention.

Operations Chief

Reports to: **Site Incident Commander**

Staffing

Characteristics: The Operations Chief should be a staff member familiar with the site, emergency procedures and adequate skills pertaining to organization and supervision

Responsibility: The Operations Chief manages the direct response to the disaster, which includes Facility Check & Maintenance Unit, Security Unit, Search & Rescue Unit, and Medical Unit.

Special Equipment:

Clipboard, paper, writing utensils

Campus maps

School Radio

Copy of Emergency Response Plan

Incident Action Plan (Site Form #2)

During Event:

Ensure all operations staff are promptly assigned and activated.

As staff is assigned, brief them on the situation and direct their immediate responsibilities, utilizing the position checklists.

If additional supplies or staff is needed for the Operations Section, notify Logistics. When additional staff arrives, brief them on the situation, and assign them as needed.

Notify Documentation Unit and Law Enforcement officials of deceased individuals.

Ensure all Team or Unit Leaders have all necessary forms and equipment.

Ensure Medical personnel have necessary resources and location for triage and treatment area.

Ensure the Security Leader immediately facilitates securing the campus and record the time the campus is verified as secure.

Ensure Facility Maintenance Unit is inspecting the campus for issues, dangers or hazards and addressing as needed or able.

Ensure Search & Rescue Team Leader directs their operations keeping safety and hazards in mind.

Relay information about hazards or damages to Search and Rescue, Medical and Facility Maintenance Leaders and to the Command Post for relay to all other appropriate personnel.

As information is received from operations staff, pass it on to Situation Analysis and/or the Site Incident Commander.

Inform the Site Incident Commander regarding tasks and priorities.

Make sure that Operations staff is following standard procedures, utilizing appropriate safety gear, and documenting their activities.

Keep accurate record of all tasks and assignments to account for personnel and necessary tasks.

Schedule breaks and reassign Operations staff within the section as needed.

Site Facility Check & Security

Reports to: Operations Chief

Staffing

Characteristics: Building Safety Supervisor or others familiar with the site's facilities.

Responsibility: Secures utilities as necessary, restricts access to unsafe areas and communicates results of the initial damage assessment to the Site Incident Commander. Utilize members of the Command Team to conduct the initial damage assessment. Purpose of the initial damage assessment is to identify physical damage to the buildings.

Special Equipment:

Hard hat

Work gloves

Whistle

Master keys

Bucket or duffel bag with goggles

Flashlight

Dust masks

Yellow caution tape

Shutoff tools — for gas & water (crescent wrench)

Start Up Activities:

Check condition and take along appropriate tools.

During Event:

As you do the following, observe the campus and report any damage by walkie talkie to the Site Command Post.

Lock or open gates and major external doors appropriate for the situation.

Locate/control/extinguish small fires as necessary.

Check gas meter and, ***if gas is leaking***, shut down gas supply.

Shut down electricity only if building has clear structural damage or advised to do so by Site Command Post.

Post yellow caution tape around damaged or hazardous areas.

Verify that site's gates and fences are "secure" and report same to Site Incident Command Post.

Advise Site Incident Command Post of all actions taken for information and proper logging.

Be sure that the entire site has been checked for safety hazards and damage.

No damage should be repaired prior to full documentation, such as photographs and video evidence, unless the repairs are essential to immediate life-safety.

Direct traffic of vehicles of parents, public safety, and media on and off campus as appropriate.

Site Security Leader

Reports to: **Operations Chief**

Staffing

Characteristics: Security Assistants, general staff or others familiar with the site, with good communication skills and able to be firm and authoritative when needed.

Responsibility: Ensures the overall safety of students, staff and facility, restricts access to unsafe areas and communicates damage to the Operations Chief. Also assists with traffic control for public safety vehicles, parent pick-up and the media. Will coordinate and oversee site security teams if available.

Special Equipment:

Whistle

Flashlight

School Radio

Safety Cones

Start Up Activities:

Secure all gates and exterior doors to the campus.

Advise Operations Chief as soon as campus is completely secure.

Post personnel at any areas that may be accessible by persons outside the campus.

During Event:

As you do the following, observe the campus and report any hazards by radio to the Operations Chief.

Assist students and staff evacuate buildings if necessary.

Conduct perimeter checks for the duration of response.

Advise Operations Chief of all actions taken for information and proper logging.

Direct traffic of vehicles of parents, public safety, and media on and off campus as appropriate.

Assist in the safe evacuation to off-site location.

Assist Request and Release Gates as needed for maintaining order.

Address or facilitate a response from law enforcement personnel for persons who pose a threat due to violence, out of control behavior, irrational behavior, or defiance.

Search & Rescue Team Leader

Reports to: **Operations Chief**

Staffing

Characteristics: Trained in Search and Rescue or good decision making, organization, documentation and coordination skills.

Responsibility: Establish and direct Search & Rescue Teams, document rooms cleared, search progress, report campus situation to the Operations Chief.

Special Equipment:

Search & Rescue Team Member Backpack

Sturdy shoes and long sleeves

Clipboard, paper, writing utensils

Forms:

Search and Rescue Recommended Supplies (Site Form #08)

Search and Rescue Log (Site Form #09)

Start-Up Activities:

First to arrive assumes role of Team Leader and obtains a briefing from the Operations Chief, noting known hazards, injuries, or other situations requiring

response. Upon arrival of assigned team leader, brief team leader of known information.

Teams should be assigned based on available manpower, minimum 2 persons per team.

The District recommends the following standards for establishing Search & Rescue Teams:

- Schools and Administrative Facilities with less than 500 persons = 2 Teams**
- Schools and Administrative Facilities with 500-1000 persons = 4 Teams**
- School and Administrative Facilities with more than 1000 persons = 6 Teams**

During Event:

Buddy system: Minimum of 2 persons per team.

- Take no action that might endanger yourself or others
- Do not work beyond your expertise
- Use appropriate safety gear
- Evaluate the situation prior to taking action
- Follow all operational and safety procedures

Report gas leaks, fires, or structural damage to Operations Chief immediately upon discovery

When each room is cleared by the teams, report by radio to Operations Chief that room has been cleared (ex: "Room A-123 is clear")

When injured victim is located, notify Operations Chief of location, number of victims, and condition of injured

Do not use names of students or staff. Follow directions from Operations Chief

Record exact location of damage, trapped or injured victims on Search and Rescue Log (Form #11)

Keep radio communication brief and simple

Update Operations Chief regarding the status of search and rescue progress

Search & Rescue/Utility Team

Reports to: **Search & Rescue Team Leader**

Staffing

Characteristics: Trained in Search & Rescue or good observation, decision making and physical skills and abilities

Responsibility: Check the site for damage, locate and rescue victims, report location of victims or hazards to the Search & Rescue Team Leader

Special Equipment:

Search & Rescue Team Member Backpack

Forms:

Search and Rescue Recommended Supplies (Site Form #08)

Search and Rescue Log (Site Form #09)

Sturdy shoes and long sleeves

Hard Hat, Gloves, Goggles

Chalk, marker, wax pencil

Start-Up Activities:

First to arrive assumes role of Team Leader and obtains a briefing from the Operations Chief, noting known hazards, injuries, or other situations requiring response. Upon arrival of assigned team leader, brief team leader of known information.

During Event:

Buddy system: Minimum of 2 persons per team.

- Take no action that might endanger yourself or others
- Do not work beyond your expertise
- Use appropriate safety gear
- Evaluate the situation prior to taking action
- Follow all operational and safety procedures

Report gas leaks, fires, or structural damage to Search and Rescue Team Leader immediately upon discovery.

Before entering a building, inspect complete exterior of building. Report structural damage to team leader. Use yellow caution tape to barricade hazardous areas. **Do not enter severely damaged buildings.**

If building is safe to enter, search assigned area (following map) using orderly pattern.

Use chalk or grease pencil to mark slash on door when entering room.

Check under desks and tables. Search visually and vocally and listen for any noises or victims.

When leaving each room, draw another slash to form "X" on door.

Report by radio to Team Leader that room has been cleared (ex: "Room A-123 is clear").

When injured victim is located, notify the Team Leader of the location, number of victims, and condition of injured.

Report information of importance to Team Leader but do not use names of students or staff.

Keep radio communication brief and simple, do not use codes.

NEVER separate from your partner and always maintain visual contact with your partner.

If a victim has injuries that prevent them from being able to move on their own, ensure the area is safe and request the Team Leader to direct medical personnel to your location.

Do not move an unconscious victim or one who cannot move unless the environment poses an immediate threat

Medical Team Leader

Reports to: **Operations Chief**

Staffing

Characteristics: Trained as a leader in providing emergency medical and psychological aid (i.e. School Nurse)

Responsibility:

Leader to team providing emergency medical response, first aid, and psychological, or Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM).

Special Equipment:

Marking pens

First Aid Supplies

Stretchers, Blankets, Vests (if available), Quick reference medical guides

Tables & chairs

Ground cover/tarps

Forms:

First Aid and Medical Team Supplies (Site Form #06)

First Aid and Medical Treatment Log (Site Form #07)

Morgue supplies:

- Tags
- Vicks Vapor Rub
- Pens/Pencils
- Plastic tarps
- Plastic trash bags
- Stapler
- Duct tape
- 2" cloth tape

Start-Up Activities:

Teams should be assigned based on available manpower, minimum 2 persons per team.

- The District recommends the following standards for establishing Medical Teams:**
 - Schools and Administrative Facilities with less than 500 persons = 2 Teams**
 - Schools and Administrative Facilities with 500-1000 persons = 4 Teams**
 - School and Administrative Facilities with more than 1000 persons = 6 Teams**

Establish scope of disaster with the Site Incident Commander and determine need for outside emergency medical support and transport capabilities

Request assistance from the District Crisis Response Team for psychological staff and student needs when available

Make personnel assignments (If possible, assign a minimum of two people to Triage, two to Immediate, two to Delayed, and two to Psychological)

Review safety procedures and assignments with personnel

Set up First Aid & Medical Treatment Area in a safe place, away from students and parents, with access to emergency vehicles

Obtain equipment/supplies from the container

Assess available inventory of supplies & equipment

Establish flow of patients into treatment area (document, triage, treatment, monitoring, release)

Establish “immediate” and “delayed” treatment areas

Set up a separate Psychological First Aid area with staff trained in CISM from the District Crisis Response Team

If a morgue is needed, establish an appropriate location in consideration of the following:

- Tile, concrete, or other cool floor surface

- Accessible to Coroner's vehicle
- Covered or enclosed area out of direct sunlight
- Remote from evacuation area
- Coordinate security to keep unauthorized persons out of morgue.
- Maintain respectful attitude.

During Event:

Oversee care, treatment, and assessment of patients.

Ensure caregiver and rescuer safety.

ALWAYS use accepted universal precautions and personal protective equipment for protection from body fluids; replace with new gloves for each new patient.

Make sure that accurate records are kept for EVERY person given any form of medical treatment, including the condition for which treatment was provided.

Provide personnel response for injuries in remote locations to assist Search and Rescue teams when requested, or request Logistics for staffing assistance.

If needed, request additional personnel from Logistics.

Brief newly assigned personnel.

Keep Operations Chief informed of overall status.

Stay alert for communicable diseases and isolate appropriately.

Deceased Individuals:

Report deaths immediately to Operations Chief, and Documentation Unit.

Do not use decedents name on radio. For immediate notification, use age, gender and location only.

After pronouncement or determination of death:

- Do not*** move the body until directed by Site Command Post
- Do not*** remove any personal effects from the body. Personal effects must remain with the body ***at all times***

- As soon as possible, ***notify Operations Chief of the name of any decedents in person or using adult assistants,***
- Operations Chief will notify the Site Command Post, who will attempt to notify law enforcement authorities of the location and, if known, the identity of the body. The law enforcement authorities will notify the Coroner
- Keep accurate records, collaborate with Documentation Unit, and make records available to law enforcement and/or the Coroner when requested
- Write the following information on two tags:
 - Date and time found
 - Exact location where found
 - Name of decedent, if known
 - If identified—how, when, by whom
 - Name of person filling out tag
 - Attach one tag to body

 - If the Coroner's Office will not be able to pick up the body soon, place body in plastic bag(s) and tape securely to prevent unwrapping. Securely attach the second tag to the outside of the bag and move body to morgue

 - Place any additional personal belongings found in a separate container and label as above. Do not attach to the body—store separately near the body.

After:

Conduct a Critical Incident Stress Debriefing for staff

Medical/Utility Team

Reports to: **Medical Team Leader**

Staffing

Characteristics: Trained in first aid and Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM).

Responsibility: Works with a buddy to administer first-aid and arrange for transport of victims as necessary.

Special Equipment:

First-aid supplies (See Section Five)

Marking pens

Stretchers, blankets, vests (if available)

Quick reference medical guides

Tables, chairs, ground cover/tarps, medication from health office

Forms: First Aid and Medical Treatment Log (Site Form#07)

Start-Up Activities:

Obtain & wear personal safety equipment including latex gloves.

Use approved safety equipment and techniques.

Check with Medical Team Leader for assignment.

During Event:

Administer appropriate first aid

ALWAYS use accepted universal precautions and personal protective equipment for protection from body fluids; replace with new gloves for each new patient.

Make sure that accurate records are kept for EVERY person given any form of medical treatment, including the condition for which treatment was provided.

Provide personnel response for injuries in remote locations to assist Search and Rescue teams when requested, or request Logistics for staffing assistance.

If needed, request additional personnel from Medical Team Leader.

Continue to assess victims at regular intervals.

Report deaths immediately to First Aid & Medical Team Leader.

Do not use decedents name on radio. For immediate notification, use age, gender and location only.

If and when transport is available, do final assessment and document on triage tag or medical form.

Keep and file records for reference—**do not send with victim.**

Student's Emergency Card must accompany student removed from campus to receive advanced medical attention.

Triage Entry Area:

Staffed with minimum of 2 trained team members, if possible.

One member confirms or determines triage tag category (red, yellow, green) and directs to proper treatment area.

- Should take 30 seconds to assess — no treatment takes place here

Second team member logs victims' names on form and sends forms to Site Incident Command Post as completed.

Treatment Areas ("Immediate" & "Delayed")

Staff with minimum of 2 team members per area, if possible.

One member completes secondary head-to-toe assessment.

Second member records information on triage tag and on-site treatment records.

Follow categories: Immediate, Delayed, Dead

When using 2-way radio, do not use names of injured or dead.

After:

Clean up First Aid & Medical Treatment Area

Dispose of hazardous waste safely

Assist in the Critical Incident Stress Debriefing for the staff.

Evacuation Area

Reports to: **Operations Chief**

Staffing

Characteristic: Trained in or have the ability to manage large groups of students and coordinating other staff.

Responsibility: Ensure the care and safety of all students during an emergency (except those who are in the First Aid & Medical Treatment Area).

Special Equipment:

Ground cover and tarps

School radio

Writing utensils, paper, clipboards

First aid kit, water, food, sanitation supplies

Student activities: books, games, coloring books, etc.

Start-Up Activities:

Request additional personnel, if needed.

If school is evacuating:

- Verify that the evacuation area and routes to it are safe

- Count or observe the classrooms as they exit, to make sure that all classes evacuate
- Facilitate the set-up of portable toilet facilities and hand-washing stations

During Event:

Monitor the safety and well-being of the students and staff in the Evacuation Area.

Administer minor first aid as needed.

Arrange for escort of students to Medical Area or out of evacuation area if necessary. Do not let any students out of the evacuation area without an escort.

When necessary, provide water and food to students and staff.

Coordinate with Evacuation Leader to facilitate the set-up of portable toilet facilities and hand-washing stations.

Make arrangements to provide shelter for students and staff.

Arrange activities and keep students reassured, calm, and orderly.

Update records of the number of students and staff in the Evacuation area (or in the buildings) upon request.

Direct all requests for information to the Public Information Officer.

Reunification Leader

Reports to: **Operations Chief**

Staffing

Characteristics: School staff

Responsibility:

Serve as the coordinator between the request and release gates, medical area, and evacuation area. Facilitate the release of students and notification to

guardians of
any medical
treatment
provided.
Ensure the
proper
documentatio
n of any
notification of
treatment
given when
students are
released.

Special Equipment:

Clipboard, Writing Utensils, Paper

Forms (from Command Post and Medical Area):

- School Wide Student/Staff Missing or Deceased Persons Log (Site Form #05)
- First Aid/Medical Treatment Log (Site Form #07) *completed by medical teams or work with teams to ensure accountability for all students requested*

Start-Up Activities:

Ensure proper set up of Request Gate at the main student access gate or other designated secure space away from the release gate.

Ensure student roster is available to request gate.

Ensure an adequate distance between the Request Gate and the Release Gate.

Ensure all information regarding student status is accurate and complete prior to taking forms from the command post.

During Event:

Refer all requests for information to the Public Information Officer. Do not spread rumors!

Receive request for student from the Request Gate via the designated "runner(s)".

Determine status and location of student.

- If the student is deemed to be in class or in the evacuation area, send runner with request to corresponding location and escort the student to the release gate.
- If the student is in the medical area OR has received medical treatment, send an adult to escort the student to the release gate and notify guardians of injuries and treatment received. The adult shall then make a note of proper notification and initial the Student Release Record (Site Form #5 at the release gate).
- If the student is deemed to be absent, missing or deceased, take the request to the command post. A designated person from the command post shall be responsible for notifying the guardian and properly

documenting the notification on the Student Release Record (Site Form #5 at the release gate).

If runner is retrieving multiple students and one or more are missing, walk available students to Release Gate before returning “Missing” forms back to Reunification Leader for follow-up with command post. Send all requests to see staff members to the command post.

Request Gate

Reports to: Reunification Leader

Staffing

Characteristics: School staff familiar with parents (if possible)

Responsibility: Assure proper processing of reunification requests at the Request Gate. Also, process requests from volunteers.

Special Equipment:

Table (if possible)

Stapler, writing utensils, paper, clipboards (5-10)

Student Emergency Cards

Signs: Student Pick Up Request Gate

Student Rosters (with room number and emergency contact information)

Forms:

Student Release forms (i.e. Permit To Leave Grounds During School Hours or Absence Excuse Slip aka ‘Blue Slips’) if available or similar forms or index cards to include:

Student Name & Number

- Student Name & Room Number
- Parent Name
- Parent Signature
- Time
- Name and Signature of Request Gate Staff (After identification of requestor has been verified)
- Volunteer Sign in and Waiver Form (Site Form #10)

Start-Up Activities:

Secure area against unauthorized access. Mark gate with “Student Pick Up Request Gate” sign.

Set up Request Gate at the main student access gate. Use alphabetical grouping signs to organize parent requests.

Have Student Release forms (described above) available for parents or guardians outside of fence at Request Gate Assign volunteers to assist.

Ensure an adequate distance between the Request Gate and the Release Gate.

During Event:

Refer all requests for information to the Public Information Officer. Do not spread rumors.

If volunteers arrive to help, have them fill out the Volunteer Sign in form and sign the liability waiver. Verify their identification and record their driver’s license or ID number. Sign the form and provide the volunteer a name tag.

- Have one of the runners or a volunteer escort the volunteer(s) to the command post and connect them with the Logistics Leader for assignment

Reunification Procedures:

Requesting parent or guardian fills out student release forms and shows identification to request gate staff.

Staff verifies identification, uses Emergency Card or student roster to verify the requester is listed as an emergency contact.

Staff instructs the requester to proceed to the Release Gate with a copy of the student release form (if possible) and wait for their student to check out with release gate personnel.

Request Gate

Reports to: Reunification Leader

Staffing

Characteristics: School staff familiar with parents (if possible)

Responsibility: Assure proper processing of reunification requests at the Request Gate. Also, process requests from volunteers.

Special Equipment:

Table (if possible)

Stapler, writing utensils, paper, clipboards (5-10)

Student Emergency Cards

Signs: Student Pick Up Request Gate

Student Rosters (with room number and emergency contact information)

Forms:

Student Release forms (i.e. Permit To Leave Grounds During School Hours or Absence Excuse Slip aka 'Blue Slips') if available or similar forms or index cards to include:

- Student Name and Room Number
- Parent Name
- Parent Signature
- Time
- Name and Signature of Request Gates Staff (After identification of requestor has been verified)
- Volunteer Sign in and Waiver Form (Site Form #10)

Start-Up Activities:

Secure area against unauthorized access. Mark gate with "Student Pick Up Request Gate" sign

Set up Request Gate at the main student access gate. Use alphabetical grouping signs to organize parent requests

Have Student Release forms (described above) available for parents or guardians outside of fence at Request Gate Assign volunteers to assist.

Ensure an adequate distance between the Request Gate and the Release Gate

During Event:

Refer all requests for information to the Public Information Officer. Do not spread rumors.

If volunteers arrive to help, have them fill out the Volunteer Sign in form and sign the liability waiver. Verify their identification and record their driver's license or ID number. Sign the form and provide the volunteer a name tag.

- Have one of the runners or a volunteer escort the volunteer(s) to the command post and connect them with the Logistics Leader for assignment

Reunification Procedures:

Requesting parent or guardian fills out student release forms and shows identification to request gate staff.

Staff verifies identification, uses Emergency Card or student roster to verify the requester is listed as an emergency contact.

Staff instructs the requester to proceed to the Release Gate with a copy of the student release form (if possible) and wait for their student to check out with release gate personnel.

Release Gate

Reports to: **Reunification Leader**

Staffing

Characteristics: Attendance clerk or school staff familiar with parents and students

Responsibility: Ensure proper student release to authorized guardians and verify notification to parents of any injuries or treatment received by the student. Record release information for every student.

Special Equipment:

Table (if possible)

Stapler, writing utensils, paper, clipboards (5-10)

Student Emergency Cards

Signs: Student Pick Up Release Gate

Student Rosters (with room number and emergency contact information)

Forms:

- Student Release Record (Site Form #14)
- Empty file boxes to use for processed Student Release Forms

Start-Up Activities:

Secure area against unauthorized access. Mark gate with sign.

Set up Release Gate away from the Request Gate.

Assign staff and volunteers to assist, as needed.

During Event:

Refer all requests for information to the Public Information Officer. Do not spread rumors!

Refer parents or guardians to Request Gate if they have not already properly requested their child.

Document student's and requestor's names on the Student Release Record and check a proper form of identification for the requestor.

When the student is brought to the release gate, ask the child if they received any medical treatment.

If there is an adult with the student, the student most likely received some form of treatment from medical personnel. The requestor **MUST** be notified of any treatment rendered and the notification recorded on the Release Record prior to initialing the form signifying release of the student.

If a student fails to report to the release gate, contact the request gate via radio, runner or send the parent back over to ensure the student was summoned. Any student who is absent, missing or deceased will be reported to the parent by a member of the command post.

ALL STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOUNTED FOR UPON LEAVING CAMPUS. WE MUST BE ABLE TO ENSURE ALL STUDENTS ARE SAFELY RELEASED TO PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO CARE FOR THEM AND REPORT THAT INFORMATION TO ANY OTHER AUTHORIZED GUARDIANS UPON REQUEST.

Planning & Intelligence Chief

Reports to: **Site Incident Commander**

Staffing

Characteristics: Vice Principal, counselor or someone familiar with site and its occupants, detail oriented, good communication skills

Responsibility: Oversee operations related to documentation of incident information, situation analysis and ensuring all information is properly documented, analyzed, current and thoroughly communicated.

Equipment:

School Radio

Paper, writing utensils, clipboard, stapler, etc

File box(es)

Dry-erase pens and eraser

Large site map of campus, laminated or covered with Plexiglas

Forms:

Incident Action Log (Site Form #2)

During:

Assume the duties of all Planning Section positions until staff is available and assigned

As staff is assigned, brief them on the situation and supervise their activities, utilizing the position checklists.

Assist the Site Incident Commander in writing Incident Action Plan (Site Form #2).

Assist the Site Incident Commander in writing Site Incident Command Team Assignment Form (Site Form #1).

Documentation

Reports to: **Planning Chief**

Staffing

Characteristics: Good listening skills, attention to detail, good documentation skills

Responsibility: Collection, evaluation, documentation and status of all documents associated with the emergency response, including financial expenditures, timekeeping, and other necessary documentation.

Special Equipment:

Paper, writing utensils, clipboard, stapler, etc

School Radio

File box(es)

During:

Records:

Maintain time log of the Incident, noting all actions and reports.

Record content of all radio communication with District Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Record verbal communication for essential information.

Collect and log all written reports.

- **Important:** A permanent log may be typed or rewritten at a later time for clarity and better understanding. Keep all original notes and records—**they are legal documents**

File all reports and completed forms for reference.

File forms for reference.

Work with Finance and Administration Chief to track regular and overtime of all staff.

Maintain a list of all persons who perished as a result of the emergency.

Maintain a list of all persons who were never located after all searches and accounting have concluded.

After:

Collect and file all paperwork and documentation from deactivating sections.

Securely package and store these documents for future use.

Situation Analysis

Reports to: **Planning Chief**

Staffing

Characteristics: Good communication skills, good documentation skills, analytical decision making, legible writing

Responsibility: Analyzes the range of events impacting the campus to provide the Site Incident Commander and the rest of the Site Incident Command Team with cumulative information about the incident.

Special Equipment:

Dry-erase pens and eraser

Paper, writing utensils, clipboard, stapler, etc

Large site map of campus, laminated, covered with plexiglass or other material capable of being written on

File box(es)

School Radio

Map of local area

Site aerial map

Site Hazards Assessment Key

During:

Situation Status Map:

Receive, record, and analyze Student and Staff Accounting Forms

Compute number of students, staff, and others on campus for Command Post and update periodically.

Report missing persons and site damage to Command Post Personnel.

Report first aid needs to Medical Team Leader.

Mark site map appropriately as related reports are received. This includes but is not limited to Search & Rescue reports and damage updates, giving a concise picture status of campus.

Preserve map as legal document until photographed.

Use area-wide map to record information on major incidents, road closures, utility outages, etc.

Update Incident Commander of current situation assessments based on analysis of information received.

Obtain needed information via requests to appropriate personnel.

Develop situation reports for the Site Incident Command Post to support the action planning process.

Think ahead and anticipate situations and problems before they occur.

Report only to Site Incident Command Post personnel. Refer all other requests to Public Information Officer

After:

Document overall concerns or issues to be improved upon or changed for future incidents.

Document concerns or issues raised during incident debriefing.

Logistics Chief

Reports to: **Site Incident Commander**

Staffing

Characteristics: Administrative skills, coordination and communication skills

Responsibility: The Logistics Section is responsible for providing facilities, services, personnel, equipment, and materials in support of the incident

Special Equipment:

Paper, writing utensils, clipboard, stapler, etc

Cargo container or other storage facility with all emergency supplies stored on site

Emergency Response Box

Emergency Disaster Kit

Inventory list of all emergency equipment & supplies.

Staff Roster

School Radio

Forms:

- Site Status Report (Site Form #13)
- Volunteer Assignment List (Site Form #11)
- Completed Staff Accountability/Status Report (Site Form #04)

Start-Up Activities:

Assume the duties of all Logistics positions until staff is available and assigned.

Ensure that the Site Incident Command Post and other facilities are setup as quickly as possible.

During Event:

Coordinate supplies, equipment, and personnel needs with the Site Incident Commander

Ensure security of cargo container, supplies and equipment

After:

Secure all equipment and supplies.

Supplies, Facilities, & Staffing

Reports to: **Logistics Chief**

Staffing

Characteristics: **Good coordination skills, resourceful with good observation skills**

Responsibility: Provides facilities, equipment, supplies, materials, and staffing in support of the incident

Special Equipment:

Cargo container or other storage facility and all emergency supplies stored on site

Inventory list of all emergency equipment & supplies.

Paper, writing utensils, clipboard

School Radio

Start-Up Activities:

Open supplies container or other storage facility if necessary.

Begin distribution of supplies and equipment to appropriate teams or team leaders.

Keep record of equipment distributed to which teams or leaders.

Set up the Site Incident Command Post (including Emergency Response Box and Emergency Disaster Kit).

Review staff roster and begin call-back, as required.

During Event:

Coordinate security of cargo container, supplies and equipment.

Distribute supplies and equipment as needed.

Assist team members in locating appropriate supplies and equipment.

Facilitate distribution and acquisition of supplies for Evacuation Area, Sanitation Area, Feeding Area, First Aid & Medical Treatment Area, and other facilities as needed.

Coordinate with the Site Incident Commander on establishing the need for future work shifts and related staffing needs.

After:

Secure all equipment and supplies.

Record all supplies returned (check off of initial list as items are returned to cargo container).

Develop list of supplies needed for replacement.

Develop list of supplies needed that were not already on hand.

Finance & Administration Chief

Reports to: **Site Incident Commander**

Staffing

Characteristics: Familiar with common financial record keeping standards – (e.g School Receptionist, financial office personnel)

Responsibility: Purchasing of all necessary materials, tracking financial records, maintain timekeeping records, student accountability during emergencies, and recovering school records following an emergency.

Special Equipment:

Paper, writing utensils, clipboard, stapler, etc

During:

Work closely with Planning & Intelligence Section and Logistics Section on purchasing any necessary supplies, equipment, and materials.

Support Logistics in making any purchases which have been approved by the Site Incident Commander. Maintain accurate and complete records of purchases. Most purchases will be made at the district level; however, in emergency situations, it may be necessary for school sites to acquire certain items quickly.

Manage and analyze timekeeping records for emergency responders.

Determine process for tracking regular and overtime of staff.

Ensure that accurate records are kept of all staff members, indicating hours worked.

If district personnel not normally assigned to the site are working, be sure that records of their hours are kept.

Determine process for tracking purchases.

Track student accountability records during emergencies. Missing and extra students should be reported to allow for accurate accounting of students.

After:

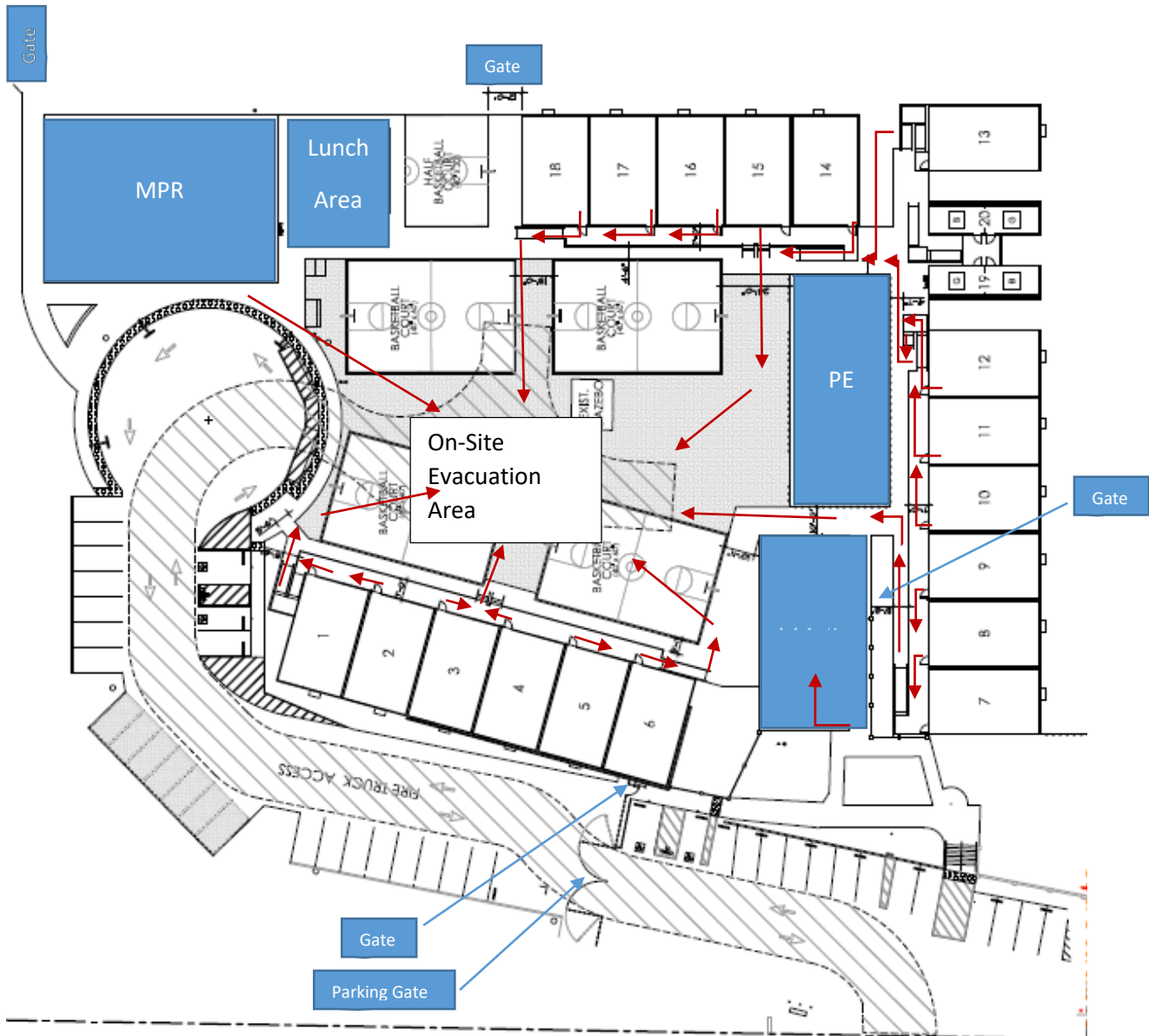
Responsible for managing the recovery of school records and applying for reimbursement following an emergency. Work with Documentation Unit to gather all pertinent documents and records.

Note: All the Safety Planning Job Descriptions are copied from **sandi.net**

Appendix I

Emergency Exit Map

On-Site Evacuation Map



Appendix J

Emergency Procedure Quick Reference Guide

EVACUATION SITES

On-Campus Site: The on-site evacuation area is located in the **quad area**.

Off-Campus Site: The off-site evacuation area is located at:

**Mission Trails Church
4880 Zion Avenue, San Diego 92120**

FIRE EVACUATION

- Call 911 FOR REAL FIRE
- Sound the fire alarm via Public Announcement (P.A.) System
- In the event of a fire or fire drill, a fire sound initiates the response to immediately evacuate the building. Further instructions may be given over the P.A. system.
- If you discover the fire, call 911 as deemed necessary. Use fire extinguishers as needed and safe to do so.
- Notify the administration office.
- Evacuate your classroom and report to your assigned evacuation area.
- Everyone should be in the designated evacuation area in less than three (3) minutes.
- **Shut but do not lock the classroom door.**
- Do NOT stop to collect belongings.
- Use your district i.d. to identify yourself as a staff member to emergency personnel
- Each teacher is required to complete the *Emergency Evacuation Absence List* and turn it into the assembly area supervisor- Office Manager and Office Support Staff
- Assembly area supervisor will appraise administrators of Emergency Evacuation Absence Lists
- Office manager and office support staff will collect pink accountability slips and keep administration updated
- **Please do not leave your evacuation assembly area until you are cleared to do so**
- Check that all students and teachers have evacuated the building to on-site evacuation area- Quad Area
- Administrators sweep the following buildings:
 - Principal- Admin building and classrooms 1-6
 - Dean of Academics- Classrooms 7-13
 - Dean of Students- Classrooms 14-18 and MPR
 - Dean of Culture- Support as necessary
- Administration will meet faculty and students at on-site evacuation area
- Monitor students
- If all students are accounted for- **GREEN CARD**
- If not all students are accounted for- **RED CARD**
- Enter evacuation time in the emergency binder

EARTHQUAKE- DUCK, COVER, HOLD

- Activate one long bell
- INDOORS:
 - Drop to knees with back to windows
 - Get under furniture
 - Grasp furniture with both hands
 - Stay clear of objects that can fall
- OUTDOORS
 - Move to the closest OPEN area
 - Cover your head with your arms
 - Drop to the ground until shaking ends
- AFTER SHAKING ENDS, cover and hold ends
- Wait for evacuation order issued by school administration
- Follow fire drill evacuation procedures when instructed to evacuate
- **A PA announcement will inform faculty to return to classrooms:**
 - *“It is safe to go back to class”*

*Note: The reunion area for parents will be located at the pedestrian gate

SHELTER IN PLACE

- The need to isolate students and staff from outdoor environment to prevent airborne contaminants
- Close and seal all doors, windows, vents
- Shutdown HVAC system
- REMAIN INDOORS
- Instruction and classroom activities continue

SECURE CAMPUS

- If there are vague threats or violence in the community not directed at the school, announce over PA:
 - **“Code YELLOW...we are going on SECURE CAMPUS mode”**
- **LOCK/CHECK ALL exterior doors**
- **TEACHING AND LEARNING DOES NOT STOP- Keep routine**
- **NOBODY LEAVES THE CLASSROOM**
- Enter this in the log in the emergency binder
- DO NOT OPEN doors for any reason until you hear ***“All clear to resume your daily routine”*** is announced

LOCKDOWN

- A lockdown will begin with a P.A. announcement:
 - **“Code RED. Prepare immediately for a lockdown. Prepare immediately for lockdown.”**
 - **“Code RED. We have a lockdown situation. Begin lockdown procedures now.”**
- Call 911 and follow police directives
- **LOCK/CHECK ALL exterior doors**
- Stay away from windows and doors
- DO NOT OPEN doors for any reason until you hear **“All clear to resume your daily routine”** is announced
- Notify MPS district office to inform them of lockdown
- Monitor main phone line
- Text & tweet message to parents that we are on lockdown
- When it is deemed SAFE, an announcement will be made over PA:
 - **“All clear to resume your daily routine”**
- **After a lockdown is declared over by the principal or law enforcement, students may be directed to evacuate- Listen for directions**
- Text & Tweet message to parents that we are no longer in lockdown
- Email parents with an approved message from Central Office
- Call MPS district office to let them know we are no longer in lockdown
- Enter this in the log in the emergency binder

Auditorium- Lock doors; **Restrooms-** Students/staff should move into a stall, lock the door and crouch on the toilet so feet, hands and head are hidden from view; **Hallway-** Students should move into closest classroom immediately; **Locker Rooms-** Students should stay inside, lock all doors and close the blinds

IMPORTANT NOTES REGARDING THE USE OF THIS TEMPLATE:

The information presented in this template is intended to outline the emergency response options available to school personnel in an active shooter / armed assailant situation. This template should NOT be incorporated into Comprehensive School Safety Plans until school and district staff can be trained on these concepts.

When planning training and drills on the actions described in this template, school leaders should work with local law enforcement to incorporate the guidance provided in US Department of Education publication, [Guide for Developing High-Quality School Emergency Operations Plans](#), and [Best Practice Considerations for Schools in Active Shooter and Other Armed Assailant Drills](#), published by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) and the National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO).

ACTIVE SHOOTER / ARMED ASSAILANT SITUATIONS

“Active shooter situations” are defined as those where an individual or individuals is “actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a confined and populated area.” *Active shooters / armed assailants frequently use firearms but attacks of this type can also be made with other types of weapons (knives, swords, etc.). These situations are unpredictable and evolve quickly. Because of this, individuals must be prepared to deal with an active shooter / armed assailant situation before law enforcement personnel arrive on the scene.*

No single response fits all *active shooter / armed assailant situations*; therefore it is essential all members of the school staff know their options for response and are prepared to act decisively to protect their students and themselves.

ACTIONS – ALL SCHOOL STAFF

1. All employees are authorized to **take immediate action** to protect themselves and students if they see or hear anything that causes them to believe an active shooter / armed assailant situation is occurring or is to about to occur.
 - a. **Act immediately** if you or your students:
 - hear a sound that might be gunfire.
 - see something that looks like a weapon being carried or used on or near the campus.
 - sense any other indication of active shooter / armed assailant threat.
 - b. **Quickly evaluate** which option (Run, Hide or Fight) will best protect you and your students.
 - c. **Be decisive.** Communicate your plan to your students and act quickly.
 - d. **Call 911 and the School Office** as soon as it is safe to do so.

2. **Options: Run, Hide or Fight**
 - a. **Run:** If you can get yourself and your students safely away from danger, do so immediately.
 - Do not evacuate unless you...
 - know with certainty, the exact location of assailant (do not trust unofficial, second hand accounts),
 - **and** can visualize a route that will get your students and yourself safely off campus.
 - Don't carry anything with you.
 - Police may mistake an item in your hands as a weapon.
 - Leave everything behind.
 - If you encounter people along the way...
 - Adults: Warn them and take them with if you can but don't stop if they refuse to come.
 - Students: Warn any students you encounter and take them with if you. You may use reasonable force to take a student with you *if you can do so without endangering yourself or the other students in your care.*

- Place terrain and buildings between you and the assailant to cover your escape.
- Keep going until you are certain you are out of danger.
- Call 911 as soon as it is safe to do so.
- Keep your students with you. Call (insert phone #) to report your location and obtain instructions.

b. **Hide:** If you do not know the exact location of the assailant, get your students and yourself into the most secure location available and LOCKDOWN.

- Lock the doors
- Close and lock windows and close blinds or cover windows;
- Turn off lights;
- Barricade the doors with heavy furniture; be sure your barricade covers any glass in or near the door;
- Silence all electronic devices;
- Remain silent;
- Position occupants spread out and out of line of site from room entrance.
- Prepare to take action if the assailant attempts to get in the room;
- Use text or email to communicate your location, the number of students or staff with you, if you have any wounded and the extent of the injuries;
- Call 911 as soon as it is safe to do so.
- Remain in place until evacuated by identifiable law enforcement officers.

c. **FIGHT: Never seek out confrontation with an active shooter / armed assailant.** If you are confronted by an active shooter / armed assailant and you have no safer option, take immediate action to disrupt or incapacitate the assailant. **If you choose the FIGHT option, commit to your actions.**

- If you are in LOCKDOWN (Hide), prepare yourself and your students for the possibility that the assailant may attempt to get in the room you are in.
 - Construct a strong barricade.
 - If you have another way out (a window or back door) use it while the assailant is attempting to get in.
 - If no other exit is available be prepared to disrupt the assailant by throwing objects at the assailant and running for the exit as soon as the assailant enters the room.
 - a. Use items in the environment as improvised weapons (fire extinguishers, staplers, books, cups, etc.)
- Staff members may consider using aggressive and violent force to surprise and overwhelm the assailant.

3. **Call 911 and initiate a school-wide LOCKDOWN** announcement as soon as you can do so safely. Work with the people you are with to do both calls simultaneously if possible.

- a. Provide as much information as possible (slow down – be calm):
 - State the emergency: “I hear gunfire.” “I saw...”
 - Give information on people who are wounded.
 - Location of the assailant (if known):
 - Description of the assailant (if known):
 - Your precise location: “room ___”
 - The number of children with you:
- b. Keep the line open, even if you can’t talk, unless instructed by the dispatcher to end the call.

4. Special Topics

- a. Injuries: Your response to injured persons will need to vary given the specific circumstances that are present and the response option (Run, Hide or Fight) you are engaged in.

- *Run* – If you encounter injured persons while you are trying to get out of danger...
 - And you have children with you, you must place their safety ahead of the injured person. Take note of where the injured person is and report the location as soon as you get to safety.
 - *Hide* – If someone is injured where you are hiding, secure the room before tending to the wounded.
 - As soon as it is safe to do so, apply first aid using any supplies that are available. If necessary, use articles of clothing as improvised dressing for wounds and apply direct pressure to control bleeding.
 - *Fight* – This is always the option of last resort because the probability of injury is highest when you are in close proximity to the assailant. Commit to your plan. Do not stop to tend to the wounded until it is safe to do so.
 - If your intention is to disrupt the assailant to allow as many people to escape as possible, stick to that plan.
 - If your plan is to incapacitate the assailant, keep fighting until the assailant is incapacitated and the weapon and assailant are under control.
- b. Law Enforcement: If you encounter law enforcement officers...
- Immediately raise your hands in the air and display your open palms.
 - Don't run up to officers or attempt to hug or talk to them.
 - Don't talk unless they ask you a question.
 - Do exactly what they tell you to do.
- c. Weapons: If the assailant loses control of a weapon, exercise extreme care when securing it:
- Do not pick up the weapon. Law enforcement may shoot you if they see you holding a weapon.
 - Secure the weapon by placing an empty trash can over it and sliding it to a location where it can be kept covered and under control until a law enforcement officer can take possession of it.
- d. Ongoing Communication: (School and district staff should develop means to safely provide updates to staff to keep them informed during the incident.)
- e. Extended Day Programs / After School Activities: (School sites must also plan for and train all district / site staff involved with student activities and extracurricular programs.)

PRINCIPAL/SITE ADMINISTRATOR ACTIONS:

- Follow the All Staff guidance described above.
- Call 911 and initiate a **LOCKDOWN** announcement as soon as you can do so safely. Work with nearby staff to do them simultaneously if at all possible.
 - Include as much actionable information on the announcement as possible.
 - *Example "LOCKDOWN, LOCKDOWN, LOCKDOWN. Man with a gun on campus. LOCKDOWN now."*
 - If you have surveillance capabilities, and can safely provide real time announcements, broadcast continuous and accurate information on the location of the assailant. This will disrupt and distract the assailant. It will also provide people on campus with information they can use to better evaluate their options.
 - *Example: "The gunman is now in the D wing headed south. He is armed with a shotgun and is wearing a hooded jacket and blue jeans."*
- Notify the district office after you call 911.
- If possible assist emergency personnel.
 - Assist police in entering the school;
 - Provide officers with keys, maps and any other information requested.

DISTRICT STAFF ACTIONS

- **Emergency Operations Center (EOC)**
 - Activate the district's Emergency Operations Center
 - Dispatch a back-up ICS team to take over responsibility for ICS functions from site staff who will be impacted by this emergency.

- **Offsite Reunification**
 - The Operations Section should prepare an off-site evacuation site for reunification.
 - This should be at a location large enough to accommodate the evacuation, with parking available for parents coming to get their kids. Movie theater complexes work well for this type of emergency.
 - Once the assailant is neutralized emergency responders will begin to treat and evacuate the wounded.
 - School staff and students will remain in lockdown until evacuated on a room by room basis.
 - Buses should be placed on standby for evacuation.
 - Teams and materials should be mobilized to conduct an orderly reunification in which all students and staff are accounted for.

- **Crisis Intervention**
 - A Mental Health strike team should also be assembled to assist with stabilizing acutely impacted students, staff and parents during reunification.
 - This team will also provide ongoing support throughout the recovery phase of the emergency response.
 - Psychoeducational materials should also be developed / selected by the Planning Section for distribution to parents and other caregivers to assist them in supporting crisis recovery.
 - Mental Health staff should also be involved in plans related to reopening the school following an active shooter / armed assailant event.

		# of Items	15	17	11	14	16	14	16	16	15	14
SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT		17	88%	100%	65%	82%	94%	82%	94%	94%	88%	82%
2018-19 FOLLOW-UP												
SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT		Specific Deadline	MSA-1	MSA-2	MSA-3	MSA-4	MSA-5	MSA-6	MSA-7	MSA-Bell	MSA-SD	MSA-SA
Sufficient number of hand-held radios available for emergency use							6					
100%	9 School Emergency Documents Including updated Safe School Plan and School Emergency Response Box contents, current lists of students and staff, Field Trip Checklist, campus maps Link		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
100%	10 Office Supplies Poster board, paper, pens, markers, tape, school forms, etc.		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
80%	11 EpiPens Consider field trips. Enter # of EpiPen & EpiPen Jr	EpiPen EpiPen Jr	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
100%	12 Master Keys These must be kept in a very secure location or with specific authorized individuals	349 In (1 Amigo Camp 2 Feb 2019 337 J/R (2 Amigo Cam 2 Oct 2018	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
90%	13 Bullhorn		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
50%	14 AED Automated External Defibrillator		No We are looking into getting one.	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	N/A	Yes	Yes	No
100%	15 Fire Extinguishers Fire Permit; Annual Fire Inspection; Mark "Yes" if you have had your annual fire inspection.		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
70%	16 Vest or Position Identifier		Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
90%	17 Emergency Folders Per classroom and in admin building, evacuation maps, student rosters Link		Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

		# of items	25	26	5	24	26	26	26	25	20	26
	STAFF TRAINING 2018-19 FOLLOW-UP	26	96%	100%	19%	92%	100%	100%	100%	96%	77%	100%
	TRAINING:		MSA-1	MSA-2	MSA-3	MSA-4	MSA-5	MSA-6	MSA-7	MSA-Bell	MSA-SD	MSA-SA
	Specific Deadline or Links											
	A) Teachers & classroom staff who use disinfecting/antimicrobial wipes to clean surfaces B) Any employee who uses chemicals to control pests (facilities, kitchen, grounds, etc.) via Safe Schools					need 3			need 2	need 9	need 7	
90%	11 FERPA: Confidentiality of Records All employees via Safe Schools		Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
100%	12 Bullying: Recognition & Response All employees via Safe Schools		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
						need 4			need 2	need 10	need 7	
90%	13 Online Safety: Cyberbullying All employees via Safe Schools		Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
						need 3			need 1	need 5	need 7	
90%	14 Playground Supervision All employees via Safe Schools		Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
						need 1			need 2	need 7	need 7	
90%	15 Back Injury & Lifting All employees via Safe Schools		Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
						need 2			need 1	need 7	need 7	
100%	16 First Aid All employees via Safe Schools		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
						need 3			need 1	need 8	need 7	
90%	17 Active Shooter All staff		Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
						need 4		need 2	need 2	need 5	need 7	
100%	18 CPR All employees Enter # of staff who have hands-on vs. online CPR	0 0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
						12	18	need 1	27	Need 4	0	
						26			26	0	need 7	
	Via Safe Schools: Managers & Supervisors, PE Teachers & Coaches											
90%	19 Discrimination All admin via Safe Schools; Enter # of supervisors trained	0	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
						2	3		2	need 2	need 7	3

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STAFF TRAINING	26	96%	100%	19%	92%	100%	100%	100%	96%	77%	100%	
2018-19 FOLLOW-UP												
TRAINING:												
	Specific Deadline or Links	MSA-1	MSA-2	MSA-3	MSA-4	MSA-5	MSA-6	MSA-7	MSA-Bell	MSA-SD	MSA-SA	
80%	20 Retaliation All admin via Safe Schools; Enter # of supervisors trained	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
		0			2	3		2	need 2			
80%	21 Title IX All admin and PE Teachers/Coaches via Safe Schools; Enter # of staff trained	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
		14			3	4	2	3	All Done:6		2	
80%	22 Athletic Liability All admin and PE Teachers/Coaches via Safe Schools; Enter # of staff trained	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
		10			1	4	need PE teacher	3	need 1		2	
70%	23 Sudden Cardiac Arrest in Athletes Coaches of interscholastic athletics, cheerleading & noncompetitive cheerleading, club-sponsored sports activities & practices, interscholastic practices & scrimmage (but not physical education classes) via Safe Schools; Enter # of staff trained	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	No	N/A	
		5	5									
	On-site and/or Hands-on											
90%	24 Emergency Drills and Preparedness All staff, led by Deans of Students at school sites	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
80%	25 Epi-Pen Enter # of volunteer staff who are Epi-Pen trained	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
		35	3			3		16	Need 1		10	
50%	26 Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI) Enter # of Special Education (and other) staff who are CPI trained	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	
		6						5			1	
	Others	14						12			2	