Greetings, Wolverines - welcome to Woodgrove High School! What an exciting year we have ahead of us as we are celebrating our 10th year serving Western Loudoun! By the end of this year, over the past ten years, we will have graduated nearly 3,300 young men and women from our remarkable school. This year, we anticipate our enrollment for the first day will be just over 1,600 students.

Many thanks to our new PTSO President, Ms. Erica Voorhees, and former PTSO President, Ms. Adrienne Lyne, for welcoming staff back on August 14. Also, tremendous thanks to Ms. Deana Czaban, Ms. Wendy Murray, and many other parents for providing a delicious welcome back breakfast for staff. In addition, our sincere gratitude to former LCPS Superintendent, Dr. Edgar Hatrick, who was instrumental in the opening of Woodgrove, for also joining us with welcoming remarks as well. All shared wonderfully encouraging comments with staff. As we begin this year, we look forward to continuing our work with our local community members, businesses, and towns to establish thriving relationships that will enhance our students’ educational opportunities.

In addition, I also want to thank Winding Creek Farm and Andy’s Pizza & Subs for hosting staff and providing them with a beautiful location and a delicious lunch on their first day back. We are most grateful for their exceptional efforts to make this an excellent first day back for our staff.

As in years past, the staff was given a variety of directions to reach their destination Winding Creek Farm, which is located on Milltown Road between Lovettsville and Waterford. We do this intentionally so staff may travel on the many back roads that Western Loudoun has, and so staff can experience the same routes many of our students must navigate to get to school. This provides teachers a great perspective of just how far away some of our students live. Just so you know, Woodgrove’s school boundary is 166 square miles – for comparison, some of our Eastern Loudoun schools’ boundaries are around five square miles. This activity also provides many other insights such as helping teachers understand that there are still areas within our boundary zone that do not have internet access and the significant impact inclement weather will have on some students when traveling to school.

This year we will continue sending out an on-line monthly newsletter from the school, which will be accessible on our school website. The purpose of this newsletter is to share information about Woodgrove which will include the activities at the school, upcoming events, and important dates. We also will be highlighting our students’ successes as we move through the year. In addition, organizations supporting the school, such as the Parent, Teacher, Student Organization (PTSO), the Woodgrove Music and Arts Association (WMAA) and the Woodgrove Wolverine Athletic Booster Club (WWABC) may also have information included in this newsletter. If you would
like a hard copy of the newsletter mailed to you, please contact Ms. Teri Hoover at 540 751 2600. Below is a direct link to our Parent organizations - the PTSO, WMAA, and WWABC on our website:

http://www.lcps.org/domain/5115

Inside this newsletter, you will find school information which will assist you and your son or daughter in preparing for school. This year, we have established a schoolwide grading practice which aligns with the Loudoun County Public Schools’ grading philosophy – the major points of our practice are included in this newsletter. In addition, the 2019-2020 school calendar, bell schedule, the Loudoun County dress code, and other school information articles can be found within. Also, please be sure to discuss with your son/daughter the safest route to the bus and proper behavior. Students must conduct themselves appropriately to and from school and at the bus stops. If you have any questions, please call the school. Likewise, for students who are driving to school, please discuss the safest route to school. Students who are driving to school must also purchase a parking permit – these may be purchased in the main office.

In preparation for the year, our open house will be Tuesday, August 20. We are inviting all students and parents/guardians to Woodgrove for this open house. Rising freshman should plan on attending from 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM, and sophomores, juniors, and seniors should plan to attend from 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM. Please note that student schedules will be available on StudentVue beginning on Monday, August 19, at 3 PM.

The first day of school, Thursday, August 22, will be an “A” day, with blocks 1-4 meeting. All students must report to their assigned homeroom/Dentime. The second day of school will be a “B” day, with blocks 5-8 meeting. We will continue to follow the alternating A/B schedule – this is a set schedule for the year and all days have already been designated on our school calendar. School will begin at 9:10 AM and end at 3:58 PM. Our lunch shifts will be held during the 2nd and 6th blocks. FACEtime, our student-staff advisory, will meet on Wednesdays, and Dentime will meet on Thursdays. During Dentime, students will have the opportunity to meet with their teachers and on specifically designated days, clubs also will meet during that time. This year, students again will have a study hall block. During this study hall time, students will be able to work on assignments, receive help in a learning lab, or make up any missed quizzes or tests in our testing center. Since each block is eighty-eight minutes, attendance is critical. If your son or daughter must be absent, please notify the school.

This year, parents and guardians will continue to have access to their son or daughter’s grades through ParentVue. If you have any questions regarding ParentVue, please contact our counseling department at 540 751 2607.
A number of teachers and staff members have started a food pantry at Woodgrove for students who may need some assistance. Information pertaining to the food pantry and how you may help is included in this newsletter.

We are very pleased to welcome some outstanding new staff members to our team. We have included a listing of all new staff and their positions in this newsletter.

We will host our annual Kickoff Celebration on the gravel parking lot beginning at 4:30 PM on Friday, September 6. This celebration will culminate with our award-winning Woodgrove Wolverine Band leading us to the stadium for our first home football game against the Phoenix of Rock Ridge High School at 7 PM.

I certainly hope you find this information useful. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the school at 540 751 2600. You also may visit our website. Please continue to be involved with our school – our Back to School Night is on Wednesday, August 28, beginning at 7 PM. There will be a meeting for parents of Seniors beginning at 6 PM in the auditorium regarding the college application process. In addition, the next PTSO meeting for this year will be Tuesday, September 10, at 7:00 PM. Please mark those dates on your calendar and we hope you will be able to attend.

Once again, welcome to Woodgrove - we are looking forward to a stellar 10th year!

William S. Shipp
Principal

Christina Thompson
Assistant Principal

Don Keener
Assistant Principal

Tim Panagos
Assistant Principal

Geri Fiore
Director of School Counseling

Rusty Lowery
Athletic Director
Woodgrove High School Mission Statement

The mission of Woodgrove High School is to enable all members of the school community to think critically and act responsibly, while preparing students for their futures.

Beliefs:

• We believe that critical thinking means using knowledge to make informed decisions and to solve problems, both independently and collaboratively.
• We believe that we must be responsible for achieving our own goals, for contributing to society, and for being effective global citizens.
• In order to be successful, we all must work, honor, and strive.

Early Dismissal and Front Office Policies

➢ Early Dismissals: Early dismissal requests should be submitted by 9:15 am through WHSearlydismissal@lcps.org. The request must include: student’s name, time of dismissal, and reason for dismissal.
  o It is your student’s responsibility to pick up their dismissal note at the Welcome Center (in the main foyer)
  o You will receive a confirmation of your early dismissal request
  o If a request is made through the above email, parents are not required to sign students out
  o If a request is not made in advance, the student will not be dismissed from class until a parent/guardian arrives to sign the student out
  o Unless for an emergency, phone calls will not be permitted for early dismissal requests

➢ Student Item Drop Off: When dropping off lunch or other items for your child, please leave them on the table across from the Welcome Center Desk located in the main foyer. This drop off is intended for your child only. We do not accept food or other items intended for a group of students. Please communicate with your child to pick up the item between classes only as students will not be allowed to leave class to pick up items. Items left on the table are not supervised and are left at your own risk.

➢ The school does not permit restaurant food deliveries at any time.

➢ Visitors are not permitted unless arranged in advance; in writing with teachers and administration. All visitors are required to supply a government issued ID when entering the building and must sign in at the Welcome Center.
DRESS AND GROOMING

All students who attend Loudoun County Public Schools are expected to dress appropriately for a K-12 educational environment. A student's attire should facilitate the participation in learning as well as the health and safety of students. This policy is intended to provide guidance for students, staff and parents.

A. Appropriate Student Attire.
   Students must wear clothing that is appropriate to a K-12 educational environment and that does not or is not likely to cause a substantial disruption that includes the following attire:

   1. No hats are hoods permitted
   2. Clothing must cover the midriff.
   3. Tops with straps greater than one inch wide.
   4. Clothing that covers private areas should be opaque and appropriate undergarments must be worn.
   5. Clothing that does not reveal undergarments and/or private areas.
   6. Clothing should be suitable for all scheduled classroom activities where unique hazards exist.
   7. Clothing that is required in specialized courses, such as sports uniforms or safety gear.
   8. Clothing that includes head covering if worn for religious purposes, as a matter of safety, medical condition, or in connection with a school-sponsored program, activity, or event. Any other hats or headwear are prohibited at Woodgrove High School.
   9. Faces should to be clearly visible by other students and staff, as a reasonable measure of safety and security.
   10. Clothing free from language that is profane or images that depict, advertise or advocate illegal, violent or lewd conduct, the unlawful possession or use of weapons, drugs, drug paraphernalia, alcohol, tobacco, marijuana or other controlled substances or are discriminatory.
   11. Clothing and/or head coverings free from gang related or associated symbols, such as words or drawings that could pose a reasonable threat to the health or safety of any other student or staff.

B. Responsibilities

   1. Student Responsibility. Students are responsible for complying with the division dress code during school hours and school sponsored activities.
   2. Staff Responsibility. Staff are responsible for communicating and equitably enforcing the division dress code during school hours and school-sponsored activities.
   3. Parent Responsibility. Parents or guardians are responsible for ensuring student compliance with the division dress code. Parents or guardians of students requiring accommodation for religious beliefs, disabilities, or other good causes should contact the principal or principal’s designee.

C. Enforcement

   1. Enforcement of this policy is the responsibility of the school administration.
   2. Enforcement must be reasonably discreet, equitable, and gender neutral in implementation.
   3. Enforcement should include options for reasonable remediation of the infraction that demonstrates respect and where possible, minimizes loss of instructional time.
   4. Enforcement may include disciplinary actions that are consistent with other discipline policies and sufficiently escalatory to encourage compliance.
WHS School Counselors

- Mrs. Geri Fiore - Director of School Counseling
- Mr. Patrick Weaver ------ A to Cop
- Mr. Steven Cohen ------- Cor to Gra
- Ms. Amy Scott -------------- Gre to K
- Mrs. Donna Kelly ----------- L to O
- Mrs. Barbara Bell ---------- P to Sm
- Mrs. Rachel Sutphin ------- Sn to Z
Woodgrove High School’s Newest Wolverines!!

2019-2020 New Staff and/or Assignments

Licensed
Ben Bates – Special Education – Intensive Program (IP)
Sarah Emerson – Librarian
Mary Duvall – CTE - Business and Marketing
Sarah Hendricks – Special Education - Community and Schools Together (CAST)
Audra Hobson -EL
Kathleen Jenkins – Health and Physical Education
Russell Korn - Mathematics
Andrew Olejer – CTE - Family and Consumer Science
Jennifer “Addie” Schafer – English / Drama
Rachel Sutphin - Counselor
Ashley Valasek – Social Sciences and Global Studies
Annie Vasquez – Special Education – Autism

Behavioral Assistants
Janie Dailey – Special Education - IP
Justin Grantham – Special Education - IP
Amber Monahan – Special Education - IP
Anna Recinos – Special Education – IP

Teaching Assistants
Tammi Carlow – Special Education – Autism
Ann Harding - Career Center Specialist
Christine Pruden – Special Education – CAST
Brean Rotruck – Special Education – Cross Category
Huma Sheikh – Library Assistant
Michele Whetsell – Special Education – Cross Category

New Positions
Geoff DeMark – Fine Arts Department Chair
Tyler Dorsey – Health and Physical Education Department Chair
1. We weight summative grades at 100% and relate them to specific standards. We clearly indicate which assignments are summative.

2. Formative grades may appear in the gradebook, however, formative grades do not calculate in the final grade.

3. We treat practice as formative assessments.

4. We count no one assessment as more than 20% of the quarter grade.

5. Extra credit or grades for activities such as bringing in materials, providing parent/guardian signatures, participation in fundraising/charity, or participating in extra-curricular or non-curricular activities will not be given.

6. There is a 50% floor for the first 3 quarters. There is no 50% floor for the fourth quarter.

7. We will provide a reassessment opportunity for students to demonstrate mastery on major summative assessments.

8. We receive approval from Counseling before giving incompletes as a final quarter grade.

9. We post assignments in Phoenix when they are assigned.

10. We grade assignments within two weeks of being turned in unless otherwise noted.

11. We accept late work through the end of the quarter. Late work may not be awarded full credit. An incomplete may be assigned until the work has been graded and entered into the grade book.

12. Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement (AP) courses have their unique grading policies as set forth by the accrediting college or university.
### Woodgrove High School Bell Schedules 2019-2020 School Year

#### Activity Days:
- **Wednesday** = FACEtime
- **Thursday** = DenTime Opportunities

#### Student Leader Meetings
- September 19
- October 10
- October 24
- December 5
- January 9
- February 13
- March 5
- April 2
- April 23

#### Club Meetings
- September 12
- October 17
- November 14
- December 19
- January 23
- February 20
- March 12
- April 30
- May 21

#### Culture Team Meetings
- September 19
- October 3
- October 31
- December 12
- January 9
- February 20
- April 2
- May 21

#### Student Council General Assembly Meetings Open to the Entire School
- September 5 - Homecoming Voting
- October 3 - Charity of the Year Voting
- November 7 - Spirit Plate Party Voting
- December 12 - Executive Board Elections
- February 6 - 100th Day Celebration

#### Note concerning a Delay Day or Cancellation:
If school is delayed or cancelled on a Wednesday or Thursday, that event will be moved to Friday which will then be an Activity Day schedule. If Friday is also delayed or cancelled, that event will be lost.

#### August
- August 29 - **Pep Rally**
- September 26 - **Homecoming Court Show**
- November 21 - **Seniors v Staff Volleyball**
- January 30 - **Seniors v Staff Basketball**

#### February
- February 27 - **Woodgrove Idol**
- March 19 - **Eighth Grade Expo**
- March 26 - **Wellness Fair**
- April 16 - **Dodgeball Tournament**
- May 28 - **Underclass Awards Assembly**
Woodgrove HS A-B Day Calendar 2019-2020

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Woodgrove High School Food Pantry

What is it….
Woodgrove High School is establishing a food pantry this school year to serve students in need. The goal of the project is to provide food for students whose families are experiencing financial hardship. To accomplish this, we plan to provide a bag of staple food products once a week to help supplement meals these students eat at school as well as provide meals for weekends, and longer school breaks. Additionally, students from our special education transition program will be shopping in the community to help stock the pantry, as well as learn job skills organizing, packing, and maintaining the inventory.

How can you help….
To make this project possible, we are asking the community for your support. The Leesburg Costco has graciously donated two shelves to store the food and we have acquired others from the school. Now, we need help stocking those shelves. We are accepting any single serve items that can be sent home with these students every weekend. Some examples of these items would be: canned pasta, soup, canned meals, mac and cheese cups, noodles, granola bars, and any other items that would be easily fit into a backpack. All donated food can be dropped off at Woodgrove High School’s front desk. We are also accepting monetary donations to be used by our transition students when shopping for the pantry. Checks can be made out to Woodgrove High School, please write “Food Pantry” on the memo line.

How can a student be referred….
We are creating this program to help our students. All information and involvement with this program will be kept confidential. If you know of a student that you believe would benefit from these services, you may contact the school counseling office at 540-751-2607.

Leslie Simpson (leslie.simpson@lcps.org) and the Woodgrove High School Pantry Committee would like to thank you for your support.
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Drivers Ed Available

Attention Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors who have not taken behind-the-wheel . . . . Why take it privately and pay more? Turn in your forms now to be added to the schedule. BTW sessions are offered before and after school.

Go to the Guidance Office to sign up.
Hello from your School Nurse.

Please be reminded that LCPS requires new physician’s order/care plans each school year for the medication or specialized care which your child receives at school. Health conditions which require specific forms are: Severe allergy and Epinephrine auto-injector, Seizures, Asthma with Inhaler and /or nebulizer, Diabetes, Current Medical procedures, i.e. tube feedings, cauterizations, New health concerns or Medical Procedures. You and your child’s physician must complete and sign the proper form(s). The required forms are available in the clinic or online www.lcpc.org. Click on the “Parents: tab and the forms will be found under Medication at School-for Parents. I will be happy to send a form home with your child if you need one.

All Over -the- Counter and Prescription Medications requires the Medication Authorization form to be completed. Parents must transport all medication to and from school. I cannot accept any prescription medication without current physician’s orders.

Seasonal Allergies and Cold and Flu season has arrived! Please remind your child that the Health Clinic does not stock any type of cold medicine, throat lozenges, or cough drops. If your child is taking allergy medication remind them to take their medication and or eye drops at home as prescribed or over the counter medications as directed by you the parent or guardian. I don’t want them to miss valuable class time coming to the clinic for medication I do not have to give them.

While good attendance is important to the learning process, illness compromises a sick child’s learning and jeopardizes other students. A child who is experiencing symptoms of illness should not be sent to school. In deciding when to send a child back to school after having the flu, the Health Department recommends that your child be out of school for at least 3 to 5 days after fever and respiratory symptoms begin and a full 24 hours after fever (100.0 F or greater) subsides. Symptoms of seasonal “Flu-like Symptoms” are fever >100.0, cough, and body aches, fatigue., runny nose, mild to moderate chills, sneezing. Check with your health care provider for this year’s flu vaccine.

Prevention Tips:

- Cough and sneeze into your elbow
- Wash hands with soap and warm water for a minimum of 15-20 seconds.
- Use hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth without washing or using hand sanitizer first.
- Stay home if you are sick to avoid contaminating others

All of us have heard that breakfast is the most important meal of the day, yet a surprising number of students come to the clinic with stomachaches and headaches caused by not eating breakfast. The most common reason given for skipping breakfast is “there wasn’t enough time to eat”. If breakfast is skipped by mid-morning the student may have little energy available until their scheduled lunch block. I discuss with students that breakfast doesn’t have to mean homemade waffles and pancakes. There are many quick and easy breakfasts that provide proper nutrition. They can also buy breakfast at the school cafeteria. Please remind your child to eat a healthy breakfast so they are ready to learn in the classroom.

As always, if you have any questions or would like to discuss a health concern of your child, please give me a call at 540-571-2606 (clinic)

Stephanie Lovasz, RN
Students are prohibited from possessing, distributing, selling, using, or being under the influence of alcohol, drugs, tobacco and e-cigarettes on school property or while under the authority or supervision of school personnel.

Students who violate Policy 8240, Alcohol, Drug, Tobacco and Electronic Cigarettes, may be expelled (removed from school for a minimum of 365 days) and will be reported to law enforcement.

Students who need to take medication (prescription or non-prescription) must comply with the provisions of Policy 8420, Student Medication, which is available on the LCPS Website (www.lcps.org).

Possession, sale, or distribution of alcohol, drugs, tobacco products, paraphernalia or look-like/imitation drugs, is also prohibited and punishable under Policy 8240.

LCPS Policy 8240 is printed below and on the reverse side of this form. Please read the policy and discuss it with your child. If you have any questions, contact your school’s principal.

POLICY: 8240 ALCOHOL, DRUG, TOBACCO AND ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES

The purpose of this policy is to promote and maintain a safe and healthy environment for the school community. The Loudoun County School Board is committed to supporting students to abstain from the possession, use, distribution, and/or sale of alcohol, illicit and unauthorized drugs, tobacco and e-cigarettes. Staff will intervene when a violation is detected, take appropriate corrective disciplinary action, and provide educational support for all students.

A. Prohibited Substances and Usage: Students are strictly prohibited from the following while under school authority, on a school bus, at a school bus stop, on school property, or at a school sponsored activity on or away from school property.

1. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of any drug or chemical substance that affects the brain or nervous system (including anabolic steroids) and any controlled substances (pill, capsule, tablet or any form which purports to act like a controlled substance) or any imitation or look-alike drug, controlled substance or marijuana.

2. The use or possession of alcohol (ethyl or grain alcohol obtained by distillation of any fermented liquor, shall include synthetic ethyl alcohol, spirits that includes brandy, rum, whiskey, vodka, scotch, gin, or any one or more, product or liquids shall include cough syrup, mouthwash, extracts and any other such products or material, whether solid or liquid, which contain alcohol) but shall not include methyl alcohol and alcohol completely denatured in accordance with formulas approved by the United States Government.
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3. Being under the influence of drugs (stimulants, depressants, hallucinogens, inhalants, opiates) including but not limited to narcotic drugs, amphetamines, barbiturates, marijuana, and any anabolic steroid, synthetic drug, or any contraband or controlled substance.

4. Being under the influence of alcoholic beverages (wine, beer, every liquid or solid, patented or not, containing alcohol spirits), or intoxicants of any kind.

5. The sale, delivery or intent to sell or deliver alcohol or controlled substances.

6. The sale, distribution or intent to sell or distribute look-alike controlled substances or synthetic drugs (substances that are represented or perceived as an illegal drug or marijuana regardless of the true nature of the substance) regardless of whether they produce similar subjective effects to illegal drugs.

7. The use, possession or distribution of drug-related paraphernalia.

8. The sale or distribution of non-prescription medication (substances or drugs used in treating diseases, healing or relieving pain, not limited to, all over-the-counter drugs such as aspirin, cough syrups, gargles, caffeine pills, homeopathic treatments and the like) as well as prescription medications.

9. The sale, distribution, or possession of tobacco (cigarettes, cigars, blunts, bidis, pipe tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, electronic smoking devices, and all other kinds, methods, products and any other products containing nicotine or accessories such as filters, rolling papers, pipes, and liquids used in electronic smoking devices to vape, whether or not they contain nicotine).

10. The use of tobacco (vaping, smoking, chewing, dipping, or any electronic smoking device use or any other use of tobacco products).

11. The sale or distribution of publications, T-shirts, other apparel or other printed matter, which advocate the use of illegal drugs or the abuse of legal drugs, which portray such use as socially acceptable behavior, or which advertise the sale of counterfeit or look-alike drugs or drug-related paraphernalia.

B. School Property. School property means in any building, structure, or vehicle owned, leased or contracted by the division, both on and off site, any property surrounding buildings and structures, athletic grounds, parking lots, or any other outdoor property owned, leased or contracted by the school division or a school division charter school, both on and off site.

C. School Responsibilities. Schools are responsible for maintaining an atmosphere conducive to learning and protecting students from illegal and harmful influences. All members of the school community are subject to the law, and school personnel have the obligation to report suspected violation of the law to proper authorities.

D. Possession of Prescription or Non-Prescription Medication. Students shall not possess any prescription or non-prescription medication with the exception of those identified in an approved health plan (e.g. inhalers, epi pens or prescription drugs) even if recommended or prescribed for the student’s use. All such items shall be taken to the clinic by the parent(s), legal guardian(s), eligible student or other responsible adult, or to an office designated by the principal or designee, at the start of the school day for safekeeping.

E. Substance Use Education Program. All students who violate this policy shall be required to attend the Substance Use Education Class or Program. Attendance in the class or program is not a placement in an alternative education program. Additionally, all students who violate this policy shall be required to undergo an evaluation for drug or alcohol use, or both, by an appropriately licensed professional with expertise in substance use treatment. If recommended by an evaluator, and with the
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consent of the student’s parent(s) or guardian(s) (or with the consent of the student if eligible), the student may be required to participate in a treatment program.

F. Violations. Violations of this policy shall result in the discipline outlined in the administrative regulation accompanying this policy.

G. Right of Appeal. Appeals will be processed as follows: A short-term suspension and an assignment to the Substance Use Class may be reviewed under School Board Policy §8-27. A long-term suspension and an assignment to the Substance Use Education Program may be appealed under School Board Policies §8-28 and §2-27.

H. Discipline Procedures. The provisions of this policy are intended to be and are hereby declared severable; in the event one or more portions are declared unenforceable by a court or competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not impair the enforceability of the remaining portions hereof.

[Former Policies 8-35, 8-36, 8-37]
Adopted: 10-24-2017

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Legal Refs: §§ 4.1-100, 22.1-277.04, and 22.1-277.05, Code of Virginia
Cross Refs: Policy 8-27, Short Term Suspension, Policy 8-28, Disciplinary Action by the Division Superintendent, and 2-27, Student Discipline - Appeals and Hearings – Long Term Suspensions and Expulsions
Se les prohíbe a los estudiantes poseer, distribuir, vender, usar o estar bajo la influencia del alcohol, drogas, tabaco y cigarrillos electrónicos en el establecimiento escolar o mientras estén bajo el control o supervisión del personal de la escuela.

Los estudiantes que necesiten tomar medicamentos (con o sin receta) deben cumplir con las disposiciones de la Política §8-53, que está disponible en el sitio web de LCPS (www.lcps.org).

La posesión, venta o distribución de alcohol, drogas, tabaco y cigarrillos electrónicos, parafernalia o drogas parecidas/imitaciones también está prohibida y es punible en virtud de la Política 8240.

La Política 8240 de LCPS figura impresa abajo y al dorso de este formulario. Lea la política y analícela con su hijo. Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con el director de su escuela.

POLÍTICA SOBRE ALCOHOL, DROGAS, TABACO Y CIGARRILLOS ELECTRÓNICOS: 8240

El propósito de esta política es promover y mantener un ambiente seguro y saludable para la comunidad escolar. La Junta Escolar de Loudoun County School se compromete a apoyar a los estudiantes a abstenerse de la posesión, uso, distribución y/o venta de alcohol, drogas ilícitas y no autorizadas, tabaco y cigarrillos electrónicos. El personal intervendrá cuando se detecte un incumplimiento, tomará las medidas disciplinarias correctivas correspondientes y brindará apoyo educativo a todos los estudiantes.

A. Sustancias prohibidas y uso: Los estudiantes tienen estrictamente prohibido lo siguiente mientras estén bajo la autoridad de la escuela, en un autobús escolar, en una parada de autobús escolar, en el establecimiento escolar o en una actividad patrocinada por la escuela dentro o fuera de la propiedad.

1. La fabricación, la distribución, la dispensación, la posesión o el uso ilegal de cualquier droga o sustancia química que afecte el cerebro o el sistema nervioso (incluidos esteroides anabólicos) y cualquier sustancia controlada (píldora, cápsula, comprimido o cualquier forma que pretenda actuar como una sustancia controlada) o cualquier imitación o semejanza de droga, sustancia controlada o marihuana.

2. El uso o la posesión de alcohol (alcohol etílico o de cereales obtenido por destilación de cualquier licor fermentado, incluye alcohol etílico sintético, bebidas alcohólicas que incluyan brandy, ron, whisky, vodka, escocés, ginebra, o cualquier otro producto o líquidos, incluye jarabe para la tos, enjuague bucal, extractos y cualquier otro producto o material de este tipo, ya sea sólido o líquido, que contenga alcohol), pero no incluye el alcohol metílico ni el alcohol completamente desnaturalizado, de conformidad con las fórmulas aprobadas por el Gobierno de los Estados Unidos.

3. Estar bajo la influencia de drogas (estimulantes, sedantes, alucinógenos, inhalantes, opiáceos), incluidos entre otros, narcóticos, anfetaminas, barbitúricos, marihuana, y cualquier esteroide anabólico, droga sintética, o cualquier sustancia prohibida o controlada.

4. Estar bajo la influencia de bebidas alcohólicas (vino, cerveza, cualquier líquido o sólido, patentado o no, que contenga bebidas alcohólicas), o estupefacientes de cualquier tipo.

5. La venta, entrega o intención de vender o entregar alcohol o sustancias controladas.

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6. La venta, distribución o intención de vender o distribuir sustancias controladas o drogas sintéticas (sustancias que son representadas o percibidas como una droga ilegal o marihuana, independientemente de la verdadera naturaleza de la sustancia) sin importar si producen efectos subjetivos similares a las drogas ilegales.

7. El uso, la posesión o la distribución de parafernalia relacionada con las drogas.

8. La venta o distribución de medicamentos sin receta (sustancias o medicamentos utilizados para tratar enfermedades, curar o aliviar el dolor, sin limitarse a todos los medicamentos de venta libre como aspirina, jarabes para la tos, gárgaras, pastillas de cafeína, tratamientos homeopáticos y similares), así como medicamentos recetados.

9. La venta, distribución o posesión de tabaco (cigarrillos, cigarros, porros, bidis, tabaco de pipa, rapé, tabaco de mascar, aparatos electrónicos para fumar y todos los demás tipos, métodos, productos y cualquier otro producto que contenga nicotina o accesorios tales como filtros, papeles de liar, pipas y líquidos utilizados en los aparatos electrónicos para fumar, ya sea que contengan nicotina o no).

10. El uso de tabaco (para fumar en vaporizador, para fumar de manera convencional, para masticar, mojar, o usar en cualquier dispositivo electrónico o como cualquier otro producto de tabaco).

11. La venta o distribución de las publicaciones, remeras, otra prenda de vestir u otros materiales impresos que defiendan el uso de drogas ilegales, el uso de drogas ilegales o el abuso de drogas legales que representen dicho uso o lo utilicen como comportamiento socialmente aceptable, o que promocionen la venta de drogas falsas, sustancias que parezcan drogas o que actúen como drogas, o la parafernalia relacionada con la droga.

B. El establecimiento escolar. El establecimiento escolar hace referencia a cualquier edificio, estructura o vehículo de propiedad, arrendado o contratado por la división, tanto dentro como fuera de la escuela, cualquier propiedad que rodee a los edificios y estructuras, terrenos deportivos, estacionamientos o cualquier otro establecimiento al aire libre de propiedad, arrendado o contratado por la división de la escuela o una escuela chárter de la división de la escuela, tanto dentro como fuera del sitio.

C. Responsabilidades de la escuela. Las escuelas son responsables de mantener un ambiente propicio para el aprendizaje y de proteger a los estudiantes de influencias ilegales y nocivas. Todos los miembros de la comunidad escolar están sujetos a la ley, y el personal de la escuela tiene la obligación de reportar cualquier sospecha de violación de la ley a las autoridades competentes.

D. Posesión de medicamentos con o sin receta. Los estudiantes no poseerán ningún medicamento con o sin receta, a excepción de aquellos que se identifiquen en un plan de salud aprobado (por ejemplo, inhaladores, lapiceros de epinefrina o medicamentos recetados) incluso si son recomendados o recetados para el uso del estudiante. Todos estos artículos se llevarán a la clínica por los padres, tutores legales, estudiantes elegibles u otros adultos responsables, o a una oficina designada por el director o persona designada, al inicio de la jornada escolar para su custodia.

E. Programa de Educación sobre el Uso de Sustancias. Todos los estudiantes que no cumplan con esta política deberán asistir a la Clase o Programa de Educación sobre el Uso de Sustancias. La asistencia a la clase o programa no constituye una asignación a un programa de educación alternativa. Además, todos los estudiantes que no cumplan con esta política deberán realizar una evaluación de uso de drogas o alcohol, o ambas, de un profesional certificado apropiadamente con experiencia en el tratamiento del uso de sustancias. Si lo recomienda un evaluador, y con el consentimiento de los padres o tutores del estudiante (o con el consentimiento del estudiante si es elegible), es probable que se le solicite al estudiante participar en un programa de tratamiento.

F. Incumplimientos. Los incumplimientos de esta política tendrán como resultado la medida disciplinaria que se describe en el reglamento administrativo que acompaña a esta política.

G. Derecho de apelación. Las apelaciones se procesarán de la siguiente manera: Una suspensión de corto plazo y una asignación a la Clase de Educación sobre el Uso de Sustancias pueden ser revisadas en virtud de la Política de la Junta Escolar §8-27. Una suspensión de largo plazo y una asignación al Programa de Educación sobre el Uso de Sustancias puede ser apelada en virtud de las Políticas de la Junta Escolar §8-28 y §2-27.

H. Procedimientos disciplinarios. Las disposiciones de esta política están destinadas a ser separables y son declaradas de tal modo; en el caso de que una o más porciones sean declaradas no ejecutables por un tribunal o jurisdicción competente, dicha declaración no afectará la aplicabilidad de sus porciones restantes.


Ref. legales: §§ 4.1-100, 22.1-277.04, y 22.1-277.05, Ref. cruzadas del Código de Virginia: Política 8-27, Suspensión de corto plazo, Política 8-28, Medidas Disciplinarias por el Superintendente de la División, y 2-27, Disciplina estudiantil - Apelaciones y audiencias - Suspensiones de largo plazo y expulsiones
STUDENT and PARENT WEAPONS ALERT

➢ Students are prohibited from possessing any weapons on school property or while under the control or supervision of school personnel.

➢ Weapons include knives, B-B guns, Airsoft guns, and fireworks.

➢ Students who possess weapons may be expelled (removed from school for a minimum of one year – possibly permanently) and will be reported to law enforcement.

➢ The LCPS Weapons Policy is printed below and on the reverse side of this form. Please read the policy and discuss it with your child. If you have any questions, contact your school’s principal.

STUDENT CONDUCT

§8-32 Weapons

Possession or use of a weapon, loaded or unloaded, operable or inoperable, by a student while under the control or supervision of school system personnel, at a school-sponsored activity, or on school property is prohibited. This policy is applicable to students at all grade levels. The term “weapon” is intended to be construed broadly and includes any instrument or device which, by its design or use, is capable of causing injury, harm, or threat of injury or harm to the physical well-being of another person, as largely defined within both federal and state law. For the purposes of determining appropriate penalties for violations of this policy, “weapons” are classified as either Category A or Category B, except under specified circumstances.

A. Category A:

1. Firearms, starter guns or any weapon that is designed or can be readily converted to expel a projectile by action of an explosion. Examples of firearms would include any pistol, shotgun, rifle, or revolver;

2. Pneumatic guns, including a paintball gun, BB or pellet gun, or air rifle that use pneumatic pressure to expel a projectile; and

3. Explosive or incendiary devices, including those containing poison gas, acid or in the form of a grenade, rocket or bomb and any combination of parts either designed or intended for use in converting any device into any destructive device. “Destructive device” does not include any device that is not designed or redesigned for use as a weapon, or any device originally designed for use as a weapon and that is redesigned for use as a signaling, pyrotechnic, line-throwing, safety, or other similar device.

B. Category B:

1. Any knife or other instrument or device that has a blade designed to cut or a point designed to penetrate, including a dirk, Bowie knife, switchblade, folding knife, ballistic knife, or machete;

2. Any gun or device designed to expel a projectile by any non-pneumatic or non-explosive action, including those using trigger, battery power or tension action. Examples include slingshots, bows, nail guns and toy shooting devices;

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3. A stun weapon of any kind;

4. Any club, baton, stick, flailing or thrown instrument or other similar device designed for use as a weapon, such as a blackjack, spring stick, brass or metal knuckles, nunchahka (nun chuck or nunchaku), fighting chain, shurken, throwing star or oriental dart;

5. Any chemical or chemical compound, including pepper spray, that produces an adverse effect on the normal functions of the human body;

6. Any instrument or device that is actually used intentionally to injure, harm, endanger or induce fear in another person, including “toy” or “look-alike” weapons; and

7. Any instrument or device, not included in Category A, which has as one of its designed purposes to be used as a weapon to injure, harm, or endanger another person.

C.  Exceptions to Weapons Classifications:

The following weapon or weapons may be exempted from those categorized above, depending on the appropriateness of their use and provided that such weapons are authorized by a school official:

1. Those that are specifically a part of the school’s curriculum or activities or any organization authorized by the school to conduct its programs;

2. Those tools, such as a knife, customarily used for food preparation or service and is being used for such purpose; or

3. Those used within the Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (JROTC) program in conducting marksmanship training when such training is a normal element of such programs; such programs may include training in the use of pneumatic guns. Such marksmanship training shall occur only at a location or locations approved by the Division Superintendent.

D.  Penalties for Violation:

1. Category A Weapons Violation: Any student who violates this policy with respect to a Category A weapon shall be automatically recommended for expulsion from Loudoun County Public Schools by the Principal and prosecuted according to Policy §8-28. In accordance with that policy, however, the Principal may indicate special circumstances that may exist and therefore also recommend an alternative disciplinary action be considered. The Superintendent or the Superintendent’s designee may determine that the recommended disciplinary action is appropriate or take an alternative disciplinary action in accordance with Policy §8-28.

2. Category B Weapons Violation: Any student who violates this policy with respect to a Category B weapon or any other terms of this policy may be subject to expulsion from Loudoun County Public Schools, or to such lesser disciplinary action, including long-term suspension, as may be deemed appropriate by the Superintendent or the Superintendent’s designee in accordance with Policy §8-28.

3. Safe Harbor Provision: The accidental or inadvertent possession of a weapon by a student, either brought onto or found on school property or at a school-sponsored activity shall not constitute a violation of this policy, provided the student immediately reports the same to a teacher or administrator upon discovery thereof by such student and before it is discovered or seen by a teacher, administrator or other school employee or by another student.

4. Reporting to Law Enforcement: Notwithstanding the foregoing, there may be a requirement to report such possession to law enforcement officials as provided in state law.

5. Right of Appeal: Certain disciplinary actions for violations of this policy are appealable to or must be formally determined by a Committee of the School Board as provided in Policy §8-28.

Legal Reference: Va. Code §§ 22.1-277.07, 18.2-308.1

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Revised: 9/8/92, 10/12/93, 6/23/98, 9/14/99, 2/8/00, 10/14/03, 2/26/08, 5/25/10, 10/28/14
Current Revision: 07/01/15
Se prohíbe a los estudiantes poseer cualquier arma en terrenos de la escuela o mientras estén bajo el control o la supervisión del personal de la escuela.

Las armas incluyen cuchillos, pistolas de postas, pistolas de aire y juegos pirotécnicos.

Los estudiantes que poseen armas pueden ser expulsados (retirados de la escuela por un mínimo de un año, posiblemente permanentemente), y serán reportados a los agentes del orden público.

La Política de Armas de LCPS se presenta a continuación y al dorso de este formulario. Lea esta política y hable sobre ello con su hijo. Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con el director de su escuela.

CONDUCTA DE ESTUDIANTES

§8-32 ARMAS

Se prohíbe la posesión o el uso de un arma, cargada o descargada, operable o no operable, por parte de un estudiante mientras esté bajo el control o la supervisión del personal del sistema escolar, en una actividad patrocinada por la escuela o en terrenos de la escuela. Esta política se aplica a los estudiantes de todos los grados. El término “arma” tiene por objetivo interpretarse ampliamente e incluye cualquier instrumento o dispositivo que, por su diseño o uso, es capaz de ocasionar lesiones, daño o amenaza de lesiones o daño al bienestar físico de otra persona, según se define en gran medida en leyes federales y estatales. Para los fines de determinar las sanciones apropiadas por incumplimiento de esta política, las “armas” se clasifican como Categoría A o como Categoría B, excepto bajo circunstancias especificadas.

A. Categoría A:

1. armas de fuego, pistolas de salva o cualquier arma que esté diseñada o pueda convertirse fácilmente en un elemento que expulse un proyectil por medio de una explosión. Ejemplos de armas de fuego incluyen cualquier pistola, escopeta, rifle o revólver;

2. pistolas neumáticas, incluso una pistola de bolas de pintura, pistola postas o de balines o rifle de aire comprimido que usa presión neumática para expulsar un proyectil; y

3. dispositivos explosivos o incendiarios, incluidos los que contienen gas venenoso, ácido o aquellos en forma de granada, cohete o bomba y cualquier combinación de piezas diseñadas o destinadas a usarse para convertir cualquier dispositivo en un dispositivo destructivo. No se incluye como “Dispositivo destructivo” cualquier dispositivo que no esté diseñado o rediseñado para ser usado como arma, o cualquier dispositivo originalmente diseñado para ser usado como arma y que haya sido rediseñado para ser usado como un dispositivo de señalización, pirotecnia, bengalas para señales, seguridad u otro dispositivo similar.

B. Categoría B:

1. cualquier cuchillo u otro instrumento o dispositivo que tenga una hoja diseñada para cortar o una punta diseñada para penetrar, incluyendo un puñal, un cuchillo Bowie, una navaja de muelle, un cuchillo plegable, un cuchillo balístico o un machete;

2. cualquier arma o dispositivo diseñado para expulsar un proyectil por cualquier acción no neumática o no explosiva, incluso las que son a gatillo, a batería o por tensión. Los ejemplos incluyen hondas, arcos, pistolas de clavos y dispositivos de tiro de juguete;
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3. un arma paralizadora de cualquier tipo;

4. cualquier garrote, bastón, instrumento para golpear o sacudir, o cualquier otro dispositivo similar diseñado para su uso como arma, como una cachiporra, un palo de resorte, nudillos de latón o de metal, nunchahka (nunchaku o nunchaku) o una cadena de combate, shurken o una estrella de lanzamiento o dardo oriental;

5. cualquier químico o compuesto químico, incluso el gas pimienta que produce un efecto adverso en las funciones normales del cuerpo humano;

6. cualquier instrumento o dispositivo que realmente se utilice intencionalmente para herir, dañar, poner en peligro o producir miedo en otra persona, entre las que se incluyen armas de “juguete” o “semejantes”; y

7. cualquier instrumento o dispositivo, que no se incluya en la Categoría A y que uno de sus propósitos de diseño sea ser usado como arma para herir, dañar o poner en peligro a otra persona.

C. Excepciones a las clasificaciones de armas:

Las siguientes armas pueden ser eximidas de las armas categorizadas anteriormente, dependiendo de lo apropiado de su uso y, siempre y cuando el uso de dichas armas esté autorizado por un funcionario escolar:

1. aquellas que son específicamente parte del plan de estudios o de las actividades de la escuela o cualquier organización autorizada por la escuela para llevar a cabo sus programas;

2. aquellas herramientas, como un cuchillo, que se utilizan habitualmente para la preparación de comidas o servicios y se utilizan para tal fin; o

3. las que se utilizan dentro del programa del Cuerpo de Entrenamiento de Oficiales de Reserva Jóvenes (JROTC, por sus siglas en inglés) para el entrenamiento de puntería y cuando dicho entrenamiento es una rutina de tales programas. Estos programas pueden incluir entrenamiento en el uso de pistolas neumáticas. Tal entrenamiento de puntería deberá ocurrir solamente en un lugar o lugares aprobados por el superintendente de la División.

D. Sanciones por incumplimiento:

1. Incumplimiento por uso de armas de Categoría A: cualquier estudiante que no cumpla con esta política con respecto a armas de la Categoría A será recomendado automáticamente para que el director lo expulse de Loudoun County Public Schools y que se procese de acuerdo con la política §8-28. De acuerdo con esa política, sin embargo, el director puede indicar que pueden existir circunstancias especiales y, por lo tanto, también recomendar que se considere una acción disciplinaria alternativa. El Superintendente o la persona designada por el Superintendente pueden determinar que la acción disciplinaria recomendada es apropiada o tomar una acción disciplinaria alternativa de acuerdo con la política §8-28.

2. Incumplimiento por uso de armas de Categoría B: cualquier estudiante que incumpla esta política con respecto a un arma de Categoría B o cualquier otro término de esta política puede ser expulsado de Loudoun County Public Schools, o recibir una sanción disciplinaria menor tal como la suspensión a largo plazo, según lo considere apropiado el Superintendente o la persona designada por el superintendente de acuerdo con la política §8-28.

3. Disposición Safe Harbor: la posesión casual o inadvertida de un arma por parte de un estudiante, ya sea que se lleve o se encuentre en el establecimiento escolar o en una actividad patrocinada por la escuela, no constituirá un incumplimiento de esta política, siempre y cuando el estudiante informe inmediatamente de la misma a un maestro o administrador al descubrirla, y antes de que sea descubierta o vista por un maestro, administrador u otro empleado de la escuela o por otro estudiante.

4. Presentación de informes a los agentes del orden público: a pesar de lo anterior, se puede solicitar el informe de dicha posesión a los agentes del orden público según lo estipulado en la ley estatal.

5. Derecho de apelación: ciertas acciones disciplinarias por incumplimiento de esta política son apelables o deben ser formalmente determinadas por un Comité de la Junta Escolar según lo estipulado en la política §8-28.

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