# **BROOKFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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## 2022-2023 Early Outs & No School Days

| 08/22/22                 |                   |           |            | Final Children Day   |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------|------------|--|
|                          | Monday            | F B       | 2-00       | First Student Day  |
| 09/02/22                 | Friday            | Full Day  | 3:00 p.m.  | Full Day – Bell Game Activities  |
| 09/05/22                 | Monday            | No School |            | Labor Day  |
| 09/16/22                 | Friday            |           | 4.45       | 1st Quarter Progress Reports   |
| 09/23/22                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 09/30/22                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 10/07/22                 | Friday            | Early Out | 12:30 p.m. | Homecoming 5 1 (4) 0 1   |
| 10/14/22                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development - End of 1st Quarter                          |
| 10/21/22                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 10/27/22                 | Thursday          | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:00 – 7:00 p.m 1st Quarter Grade Cards     |
| 10/28/22                 | Friday            | No School | 4.4-       | No School  |
| 11/04/22                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 11/11/22                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 11/18/22                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Progress Reports      |
| 11/23/22                 | Wednesday         | No School |            | Thanksgiving Break   |
| 11/24/22                 | Thursday          | No School |            | Thanksgiving Break   |
| 11/25/22                 | Friday            | No School | 4.45       | Thanksgiving Break   |
| 12/02/22                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| — 12/09/22               | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 12/16/22                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Holiday Break Begins End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter                    |
| 12/19/22                 | Monday            | No School |            | Holiday Break  |
| 12/20/22                 | Tuesday           | No School |            | Holiday Break  |
| 12/21/22                 | Wednesday         | No School |            | Holiday Break  |
| 12/22/22                 | Thursday          | No School |            | Holiday Break  |
| 12/23/22                 | Friday            | No School |            | Holiday Break  |
| <b>12/26/22</b>          | Monday            | No School |            | Holiday Break  |
| 12/27/22                 | Tuesday           | No School |            | Holiday Break  |
| 12/28/22                 | Wednesday         | No School |            | Holiday Break  |
| 12/29/22                 | Thursday          | No School |            | Holiday Break  |
| 12/30/22                 | Friday            | No School |            | Holiday Break  |
| 01/02/23<br>01/03/23     | Monday<br>Tuesday | No School |            | Teacher Inservice<br>Students Return                                   |
| — 01/05/23<br>— 01/06/23 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Grade Cards           |
| 01/13/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 01/16/23                 | Monday            | No School | 1.40 p.m.  | Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  |
| 01/20/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 01/20/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 02/03/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 02/10/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 02/16/23                 | Thursday          | Full Day  | 3:00 p.m.  | Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:30 p.m 7:30 p.m. 3rd Qtr Progress Reports |
| 02/17/23                 | Friday            | No School |            | No School  |
| <b>02/11/23 02/20/23</b> | Monday            | No School |            | Presidents' Day  |
| 02/24/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 03/03/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter                |
| 03/10/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Grade Cards           |
| 03/17/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 03/24/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 03/31/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development 4th Quarter Progress Reports                  |
| 04/07/23                 | Friday            | No School |            | Spring Break   |
| 04/10/23                 | Monday            | No School |            | Spring Break   |
| 04/14/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 04/21/23                 | Friday            | No School |            | Brookfield Relays  |
| 04/28/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 05/05/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 05/12/23                 | Friday            | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Professional Development   |
| 05/16/23                 | Tuesday           | Early Out | 1:45 p.m.  | Students' Last Day End of 4th Quarter                                  |
|                          | •                 | •         | r          | K-12 Grade Cards Distributed the Following Week                        |
|                          |                   |           |            | Teacher Inservice  |

## INTRODUCTION

At the Brookfield R-III School District we "Teach, Learn, Grow...Every Day". The District believes that all students can learn, and that there is inherent worth and potential in all individuals. Education is the responsibility of the student, teacher, family, and community. We must all work together toward preparing students to be productive and contributing members of society.

The policies and procedures discussed in this handbook are the results of a concerted effort on the part of the faculty, administration, and Board of Education. This information is prepared and presented so that it will be of value in helping students and parents adjust to our school, and become an integral part of the educational process.

Attention Student/Parents: The ultimate purpose of education is to help you to become an effective citizen in a democracy. Developing and accepting the responsibilities and obligations of good citizenship will help you participate successfully in the world of tomorrow. We hope that you will participate in our varied activities and thus find those things within our school, which will prepare you to live a better life and finally take your place in this complex society. Remember that your success in school will be directly proportional to your efforts. Attending school, getting to class on time, completing your assignments on time, and to the best of your ability are all factors that you control. How far you grow academically depends upon how willing you are to accept the fact that you must be an active participant in your learning.

# CONTINUITY OF SERVICES PLAN (during any interruptions to in-person instruction)

Brookfield R-III will continue to provide instructional content on days when students are unable to physically attend classes on campus due to circumstances such as inclement weather, a natural disaster, and/or health and safety concerns such as pandemic virus situations. The district will utilize multiple methods to effectively facilitate teaching and support learning, including but not limited to: electronic/web-based instruction, textbooks, packets/worksheets, manipulatives, learning games, and teacher created materials. Completion of lessons and activities will be considered part of the required course content and will include review and reinforcement of previously taught skills as well as introduction to new concepts.

The need to implement the district's Continuity of Services Plan, using Alternative Methods of Instruction (AMI), will be communicated to parents and students by district established procedures, such as email, text, and social media. Building specific procedures and expectations for student participation will be shared with parents and students at the beginning of the school year, with quarterly reminders. Policies and procedures will be reviewed and updated at a minimum of two times a year to reflect current state guidelines and effective practices. It is the district's intent to sustain and accomplish our mission, regardless of the circumstances.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING PROCEDURES

## **Classroom Procedures and General Conduct**

Students are expected to behave at all times in a manner that will bring credit to themselves, their school, family and community. It is important for students to recognize that they are responsible for their behavior on the way to and from school, during school hours, on the bus and at all school events. We want students to develop habits of mind that reinforce respect, responsibility, and safety.

## Schoolwide Positive Behavior Support

#### **SW-PBS Mission Statement for Brookfield Middle School**

At Brookfield Middle School we will build a positive climate of cooperation, academic excellence, respect, and safety with a proactive approach to improving behavior and establishing school-wide expectations.

## What is Schoolwide Positive Behavior Support (SW-PBS)?

Schoolwide Positive Behavior Support is a process for actively teaching and recognizing appropriate social skills and behavior so the focus can be on teaching and learning. Students learn appropriate behaviors in the same way a child learns to read – through instruction, practice, feedback, and encouragement.

During the 2011-2012 school year, a list of expected behaviors for students and staff at Brookfield Middle School was collaboratively developed for all school settings. Throughout the year, staff will continue to demonstrate, explain and practice these skills with students. Students and staff who exhibit appropriate behaviors will be recognized through established procedures. Staff will also use a systematic approach, which will include a reteaching focus for responding when students fail to demonstrate expected behaviors.



|                   |   | SCHOOLW  | Brookfield R-III Middle School SCHOOLWIDE SOCIAL BEHAVIOR MATRIX " Be a Bulldog!" | I Middle Schoo<br>L BEHAVIO<br>ulldog!"                                | I<br>R MATRIX  |   |   |
|-------------------|---|--|---|--|--|---|---|
|                   | All Settings  | Classroom  | Hallway   | Cafeteria  | Bus  | Restroom  | Outdoors                                      |
| Be<br>Respectful  | Use appropriate voice Use school appropriate verbal and nonverbal language Take care of property Follow directions                                    | Attention to speaker                                   | Walk quietly  | Use food and silverware correctly Use your table manners               | Comply with bus driver requests                            | Allow privacy<br>for others<br>Flush toilet       | Include others  Take turns                    |
| Be<br>Responsible | Be on time Keep personal belongings organized Keep it clean   | Bring required<br>materials<br>Actively<br>participate | Return to and from class promptly Have a hall pass                                | Clean up after<br>yourself<br>Bring ID<br>Sit in assigned<br>area/seat | Take all of your belongings Get off at your scheduled stop | Return to and from class promptly Report problems | Bring items<br>back inside                    |
| Be Safe           | Keep all hands, feet, and other objects to yourself (KAHFOOTY)  Be where you are supposed to be  Maintain personal space Resolve conflicts peacefully | Remain seated Keep all furniture legs on floor Walk    | Walk to the right Face forward  | Eat only your<br>food<br>Walk<br>Report spills                         | Remain seated Keep aisle clear                             | Wash hands<br>with soap and<br>water              | Use equipment properly Stay in approved areas |

# Brookfield R-III Middle School Procedures for Encouraging Expected Behavior

|                         | Name                              | When and Where Presented   | Goals and Celebrations  |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| Free and<br>Frequent    | Bulldog Tickets                   | Bulldog Tickets will be given out daily to students following expectations and rules in any location.  The students will be responsible for depositing their tickets at the designated location in their TA. | A recognition menu will be provided and each TA will determine the desired reward and work toward earning the number of tickets to attain their goal.   |
| Short Term              | Bulldog Paw<br>Tokens             | Approximately every three weeks during a quarter, the students who meet the established criteria will receive a Bulldog Paw token during TA time.  | Any student who does not receive a major referral to the office and earns one or less violation (tardy, I.D. violation, hallway violation and/or ZAP) will be eligible to participate in pre-determined rewards and activities. |
| Strong and<br>Long Term | School-wide<br>PBS<br>Celebration | A kickoff will be held at the beginning of the first semester and/or the end of the school year for students.  | A school-wide celebration will be scheduled.  |

## **Student Attendance**

The following procedures were established to support Board Policy JED: Student Absences and Excuses, which can be located on the district website.

The importance of regular school attendance is a well-established principle of education which underlies and gives purpose to the requirement of compulsory schooling in this and every other state in the nation. The Brookfield R-III School District defines "regular attendance" as 95%. Teachers cannot teach pupils who are not present. The regular contact of the pupils with one another in the classroom and their participation in daily class work activities under the direction of a competent teacher are vital to this purpose. Frequent absences of pupils from regular classroom learning experiences disrupt the continuity of the instructional process. The benefit of regular classroom instruction is lost and cannot be entirely regained, even in extra afterschool instruction. In addition, the attendance patterns established in the pupils' educational years are critical to the development of a strong work ethic. Consequently, pupils who miss school frequently experience great difficulty in obtaining the maximum benefits of schooling.

An absence is defined as any period of time for which the child is not in attendance during the regular school day. School related events (i.e. field trips, extracurricular activities, pre-approved college visitations, etc.) will not be regarded as absences. It is the responsibility of the student to make up all missed work in a timely manner. Generally, students are given two days for every day they are absent to complete work assigned at the time of their absence. Work assigned prior to the student's absence is due upon their return to school.

State law requires that all children between the ages of 7 and 16 years of age attend some type of formal schooling. Regular attendance has a direct effect on a child's achievement. When it is necessary that a student be absent from school, the parent or guardian of the student is required to notify the school office prior to or the morning of the absence, letting office personnel know that the student will be absent and the reason for the absence. If the Middle School Office does not have verification before 9:00 a.m. of a child's absence, school personnel may call the home. In cases where the reason has not been provided, the

administration is directed to secure the information. <u>Students may only attend school activities if they are in attendance the entire school day</u>. The only exception to this is a funeral or a medical excuse.

• The Circuit Judge of the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit has stated, "When a child is absent, <u>for any reason</u>, five (5) days in any quarter, or ten (10) days total for the year, the school district shall notify the local Juvenile Office." If any additional information is required, the Juvenile Officer will request it or make their own investigation.

## **Attendance Procedures**

The following general procedures will be implemented for absences occurring during a one-semester period:

- When a student has missed 4 days in a semester, a letter from the Middle School Office will be mailed to the home.
- When a student has missed 5 days in a semester, a referral to the Juvenile Office will be made, regardless of the reason for the absences.
- When a student has missed 7 days in a semester, a second referral to the Juvenile Office will be made, regardless of the reason for the absences and he/she will be **REQUIRED** to attend one Saturday day for each day absent over the 7-day limit.
- When a student has missed 10 days or more in a semeseter, he/she may be required to attend Summer School in order to be promoted.

## **Items to Note Regarding Attendance Procedures**

- Absences having written verification from the proper medical authorities will be given special consideration.
- Attendance procedures may be modified at the discretion of the building administrator in cases of extenuating circumstances.
- When absent, it is the responsibility of the parent to verify the absence and it is the responsibility of the students to make up all missing assignments in a timely manner.
- Excessive and/or questionable absences may be referred to the Linn County Juvenile Office, the Linn County Children's Division (Child Abuse/Neglect Unit), and/or the local prosecuting attorney.

## **Excessive Absences**

As a result of excessive absences a student may receive an incomplete grade for a particular class or classes. This incomplete grade will remain in the permanent file of the student until make-up work is complete. The established length of time that the student has to complete missing work due to absences is 2 days for each day of absence.

## **Students Arriving Late / Leaving Early**

Students arriving after 8:00 a.m. must sign in at the Elementary Office and then report to the Middle School Office to receive a late admit pass. In addition, a student's late arrival at school may be assigned consequences consistent with the tardy policy. When it is determined that students/parents are exhibiting a pattern of behavior in regard to late arrivals to school, the Brookfield R-III School District will make a referral to the Linn County Juvenile Office, the Linn County Children's Division, and/or the 9th Circuit Court for legal assistance.

Students needing to leave the school early for any reason during the school day must also sign out in the office. Students will not be allowed to sign out without a parent/guardian present.

## **Tardy Policy**

Students are considered tardy when they are not in their assigned classroom at the beginning of their scheduled class activities. Situations in which the student has accumulated excessive tardies during a quarter will result in the following consequences:

Fourth unexcused tardy
Fifth unexcused tardy
Sixth unexcused tardy
After School Detention
After School Detention
Assigned Seat During Lunch

Seventh unexcused tardy
Eighth unexcused tardy
Ninth unexcused tardy
Tenth unexcused tardy
Eleventh unexcused tardy
Twelfth unexcused tardy

Friday Detention
Saturday Detention
Additional Consequences
Additional Consequences

NOTE: Students who accumulate 6 or more tardies in a quarter may not be able to attend assemblies, dances, parties, etc. that are occurring during that quarter.

#### **Attendance Awards**

We are very proud of those students who endeavor to come to school every day, and we feel that the effort to attend school daily should be acknowledged. At the end of the school year, award certificates are presented to those students exhibiting outstanding attendance during the school year. In order to reward those students who attend regularly and yet not penalize those students who miss because of illness or some other unavoidable reason, attendance awards will be presented at the end of the year.

## **Time Schedule**

The Elementary/Middle School building will not be unlocked until 7:15 a.m. each morning, Monday-Friday. Staff members are not asked to be here for the purposes of supervising students until 7:15 a.m. Students should not be left at the building before 7:15 a.m. unless they are scheduled to be at a school meeting/practice.

Students should not be in the halls of the Middle School building before 7:35 a.m. or in the High School building before 8:00 a.m. unless attending a practice, tutoring session, or club meeting. Students arriving at school prior to 7:35 a.m. will be required to wait in the Elementary/Middle School vestibule until 7:35 a.m., at which time they will be dismissed by an adult to enter the building. Students are not to be in the building after 3:30 p.m. unless accompanied by a teacher or adult supervisor.

## **Parents Transporting Children to School**

Children who do not ride the bus to school in the morning need to be at school no later than 7:45 a.m. This allows children ample time to prepare for the day. Students in grades 5-8 are required to enter the building through the Elementary/Middle School entrance where they will wait in the vestibule until 7:35 a.m. at which time they will be dismissed to enter the Middle School hallways. Students who arrive in class or on campus after 8:00 will be counted tardy.

## **Unloading Students at the Curb**

The safety of students is our foremost concern. We do not want children crossing or unloading in driveways or traffic areas. We want children unloaded at the curb as close to the Elementary/Middle School entrance as possible in order not to impede buses unloading in the morning. The following precautions should be followed when bringing your children to school.

- 1. When unloading parents should pull as close to the curb as possible. Students should not be dropped off out in the driveway or parking lot. Children should step out on the curb, if possible.
- 2. Parents should unload at the Elementary/Middle School entrance, <u>not at the cafeteria entrance</u>. This will minimize the car traffic interference with the busses, allowing bus drivers to unload students at the cafeteria doors. Children can enter the building at the main entrance and walk to the gym, cafeteria, or classroom (if it is after 7:35 a.m.).
- 3. Parents should not park by the curb at any time during the school day when coming into the building, especially in the morning. Parking by the curb impedes traffic.
- 4. If parents are accompanying their children into the building and park in one of the parking areas, children should be escorted as they cross the drive. Students should not be allowed to run across the drive or traffic area.
- 5. High school students who bring Middle School students to school must follow the same procedure, dropping the Middle School student at the Elementary/Middle School entrance prior to proceeding to the designated high school student parking area. If high school students elect to park prior to dropping their Middle School siblings off at the main entrance, they are required to escort them to the main entrance. Middle School students are not allowed to walk unescorted from the high school parking lot to the main entrance.

## **Procedures for Picking Up Students After School**

Students who are being picked up by their parents after school will be available for pickup at 3:05 p.m. at the Elementary/Middle School entrance located on the north side of the ES/MS building. Parents who chose to pick up their child will be asked to enter school property using Pershing Road following established district procedures. Vehicles will not be allowed to begin the oncampus line up process until after school buses have arrived at their designated pick-up zone, at approximately 2:55 p.m. Parents will be asked to wait in a loading zone, pulling forward to fill gaps as other cars leave the loading area. Parents need to remain in their vehicles at all times. Parents will be issued identification cards (hang tags) by the school to be displayed visibly in their vehicles to assist staff in the efficient dismissal of students to their parents. As vehicles move into the loading zone, staff members will utilize the school-issued identification cards to verify which student(s) are being picked up and will accompany students to the vehicle displaying proper identification. Once students have been picked up, vehicles may pull out and exit the loading zone. Cars will leave the pickup area and exit campus on Pershing Road.

## **Student Conduct on School Transportation**

Students, parents/guardians, bus drivers and school officials must work together to provide for the safe transportation of students. The school buses, bus stops, and all other forms of transportation provided by the district or provided incidental to a school activity are considered school property. Students are subject to district authority and discipline while waiting for, entering and riding district transportation. The superintendent or designee will create and enforce administrative procedures detailing the conduct expected of students and will make that information available to students and parents.

Students who fail to observe district rules or fail to contribute to a safe transportation environment will be subject to disciplinary action including, but not limited to, suspension of the privilege of riding the bus. Students with disabilities will be disciplined in accordance with their Individualized Education Program (IEP) or applicable law. The bus driver or other authorized personnel shall report all misbehavior or dangerous situations to the principal as soon as possible. Concerns regarding student transportation should be directed to the Director of Transportation at 660-258-5135.

The following procedures were established to support Board Policy JFCC: Student Conduct on School Transportion, which can be located on the district website.

## **Bus Expectations**

The riding of a school bus is a free service provided by the District to the students and is a privilege, not a right. All rules and regulations of the Brookfield R-III School District apply to all students riding on a school bus. Behavior on school busses that violates school policy may result in a student being suspended from riding on the bus or having other disciplinary action taken. All students are to respect the driver's authority and follow his/her directions.

- The driver is in charge of the pupils and the bus at all times. Students must obey and respect the directives of the driver on duty.
- Students must be on time. Students should be at the bus stop 5 minutes before the scheduled bus arrival. The bus cannot wait beyond its regular schedule for those who are tardy.
- Students should not stand in the roadway while waiting for the bus. Students should line up in a single file line on the designated sidewalk or yard area.
- Students are not allowed to eat or drink on the bus.
- The use of profanity is prohibited.
- The driver may assign a seat for any student.
- Students must be seated before the bus is in motion. Students should remain seated until the bus has come to a complete stop.
- Students will be picked up and dropped off only at scheduled bus stops. The driver will not drop students off at places other than their regular bus stop near the home or at school, unless by proper authorization from the Director of Transportation or the building principal.
- Classroom conduct is to be observed by students while riding on the bus. Horseplay, loud unnecessary noise, and shouting are prohibited. In addition, students are expected to keep hands, feet, and all other objects to themselves.
- Students must not throw waste or trash on the floor or out the windows of the bus. Throwing items of any nature is prohibited.
- Any damage to the bus should be reported to the driver. Damage to the bus by a student must be paid for by the student/parent responsible for the damage.

## **Items Carried On Bus**

Parents should monitor the items that students take on the bus. Items that would endanger the safety of a child or others should not be brought on the bus. Students should not bring objects on the bus that cannot fit in their backpack or duffel bag. Glass items or containers, sharp objects or tools, and items of unusual size or length should not be brought on the bus. Students will not be allowed to ride the bus while carrying large items that hinder proper seating. Children needing to bring such items to school for class activities should gain administrative approval and must be transported to school by a parent.

## **Riding a Different Bus After School**

Once bus assignments have been established and confirmed following initial enrollment for the year, changes will not be made. If there are extenuating circumstances, such as a change in the student's primary residence, the parent/guardian should contact the building administrator regarding the request for a permanent bus assignment change for the remainder of the year. Requests for changes on a day-to-day basis will not be accepted to prevent overcrowding of the buses. Buses are at or near full capacity, so

changes due to after-school activities such as non-school sponsored practices, personal parties, child-care conflicts, etc. will not be allowed.

If a conflict arises requiring parents to pick students up who typically ride a bus, a note should be sent with the student that day informing office personnel of the change in after-school routine. Phone calls are discouraged as office personnel are sometimes away from their workstations. Only in emergency situations, will a change from bussing to parent pickup be made after 2:30 p.m.

## **Emergency Dismissal/Cancellation Procedures**

Unplanned dismissals are considered "emergency dismissals". For example, when school is dismissed early for weather conditions, we would consider this an emergency dismissal because it's unplanned. Making the decision to cancel or dismiss school is difficult in that it involves predicting the weather several hours in advance. Every effort will be made to have school, if possible, without jeopardizing the safety of the students and faculty. When school is dismissed early due to bad weather, the decision will be made around 11:00 a.m. Except in extreme cases, the dismissal time will not be before 1:00 p.m. In the case of an early dismissal, a text alert will go out through SchoolMessenger, notification will be put on the district website, and local radio stations will be contacted.

- If school is cancelled in the morning before school starts, a text alert will be sent out, in addition to notification on local radio stations. Teachers or administrators should not be contacted as the district has provided other means for communicating this information.
- The school should not be called at any time **during an emergency dismissal**. When unnecessary phone calls flood our building during an emergency dismissal, our ability to take care of the students' immediate needs is hindered.

In the event that school is dismissed early due to bad weather, all after-school tutoring, events, practices, and activities are automatically cancelled. Students participating in those activities will be sent home following their normal dismissal routine.

## **Building Access Control (Visitor Procedures)**

The exterior doors to the Elementary/Middle School building will be secure until 7:15 a.m. each morning, Monday-Friday. The interior doors will be locked at all times, and individuals will not be allowed to enter the building unless an appointment has previously been scheduled or school officials deem it necessary. Any parent, visitor, guest or community patron requesting to enter the building will be required to notify office personnel of their presence by utilizing the access control device located in the Elementary/Middle School vestibule near the interior doors. All access to the building, during school hours (7:15 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.), will be through the Elementary/Middle School vestibule where all visitors must check in with Elementary Office staff. Non-school personnel who have business inside the building must wear a "visitor" name badge at all times, in addition to complying with all district health guidelines that are in place at that time. All other doors to the building will be locked at all times to restrict access from outside of the building.

No one, other than school personnel, will be allowed in the classroom areas unless there is a scheduled conference or activity coordinated with staff members. Parents will not be allowed to go to the classroom area to transact business with their child. Parents needing to talk with their child will do so in the office area. Office personnel will summon students from the classroom area who need to leave the building or talk with parents. Middle school or high school siblings are not to go to the classroom areas to talk with students. They need to transact any business or communication through the Middle School Office. School staff members have advised students not to talk with anyone who does not have proper reason or identification to be in the classroom areas.

## **Communication Plan: Color-Coding for Written Communications**

In accordance with the District's Communication Plan, and to foster ongoing, positive connections between parents and the school, communications (permission slips, grade-level newsletters, letters from the offices, etc.) are color-coded. The color-coding system is designed to assist parents in knowing what to look for when students are bringing multiple papers home daily/weekly.

Light gray paper will be used for all communication being sent from the building or district level. This will include building-level newsletters from the Middle School Office as well as disciplinary correspondence. In addition, light gray paper will be used for communication which requires a parent signature, such as field trip permission slips and planned participation in special occasions.

**Bright Colors** 

Bright OrangeExcessive ZAP Violations at the Middle SchoolBright PurpleExcessive Tardy Violations at the Middle SchoolBright GreenExcessive ID Violations at the Middle School

## **Special Education Services**

Parents or teachers may refer to the Director of Special Education those students who demonstrate learning and other problems. Alternative intervention strategies should be implemented in the regular classroom prior to a referral for a special education evaluation. Placement in special education programs is based on evaluation results which document the need for special education services based on Missouri eligibility criteria. An Individual Education Program (IEP) is developed to address the areas of concern identified through the special education evaluation process, and written parental consent is required before services can be provided. The student's parent or guardian has access to the results of the evaluation and may participate in the development of the IEP. Parents and guardians maintain the right to inspect education records and to appeal the accuracy of such information, as allowed by law or policy. Questions regarding services for disabled students may be directed to the district's Director of Special Services at 660-258-2159.

## **Title I Programs**

Brookfield R-III Middle School is a participant in the Title I Program, and receives federal funding to support the program under the Every Student Succeeds Act. Title I was enacted to ensure that all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach, at a minimum, proficiency on challenging state academic achievement standards and assessments. Brookfield Middle School implements a schoolwide program model, which utilizes the key elements of Title I to upgrade the entire educational program of the school so that all students can reach high educational standards. Through the schoolwide program, instructional staff use effective methods and instructional strategies based on scientifically based research that strengthen the core academic program in the school, as well as increase the amount and quality of learning time through activities such as after school tutoring, summer school, and preschool programs. The schoolwide Title I program assists the district's efforts to address the needs of all children in the school, particularly the low-achieving children, by providing an enriched and accelerated curriculum.

## **Brookfield Middle School Parent Involvement Plan (Title I)**

Brookfield R-III Middle School believes that parent involvement is an integral part of any child's success in school. Schools and teachers must make every effort to keep parents informed about and involved in their child's learning. Brookfield R-III Middle School staff will follow the guidelines of the Brookfield R-III School District Title I Parent Involvement Policy as described below:

- 1. Annual parent meetings will be held for the purpose of informing parents of their school's participation in Title I and providing an explanation of Title I requirements as well as the right of parents to be involved. These meetings will be held in conjunction with Back-to-School Night, Family Involvement Nights and/or building level Parent Advisory Meetings. In addition, information regarding the Title I program will be shared via building level newsletters periodically throughout the year.
- 2. Parents will be invited to attend Family Involvement Nights each year. Family involvement nights will consist of parent education along with opportunities for parent and student to participate in activities so that families can become more familiar with the daily experiences of their child.
- 3. Parent education activities will provide information about Title I programs as well as an explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet (grade level expectations.)
- 4. Parents will be provided information throughout the year regarding tips to work with their children in the area of English Language Arts. Title I teachers will coordinate with classroom teachers regarding dissemination of this information via classroom newsletters or other building-level procedures (such as having information available during parent-teacher conferences).
- 5. Parents of students receiving small group instruction by a Title I teacher will be provided with at least one report each semester informing them of their child's progress. Title I teachers will be available to attend regularly scheduled parent-teacher conferences along with the classroom teacher.
- 6. Title I personnel will be available to schedule individual conferences with parents to answer questions regarding their child's assessments and participation in instructional opportunities facilitated by Title I staff.
- 7. A school-parent compact will be developed and maintained by the district to encourage shared responsibilities for high student academic achievement. The compact will be reviewed and revised annually based on input provided by all

- stakeholders parents, school staff, and students. The compact will describe the responsibility of the school to provide a high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment as well as how parents will be responsible for supporting their child's learning. The school-parent compact will be shared with the parents of all middle school students.
- 8. Brookfield R-III will provide support and assistance to parents in the form of training and/or materials necessary to understand state standards and assessments as well as to improve the performance of their child's achievement. The district will also work with parents to educate all school personnel in valuing parent contributions, improving communication with parents, implementing and coordinating parent programs, and building ties between home and school.
- 9. Brookfield R-III will coordinate Title I parent involvement activities with other existing district parent involvement programs.
- 10. Brookfield R-III will provide support and assistance to parents for maintaining academic progress during distance learning opportunities as a consequence of any extended emergency closures. Parent input will be considered with identifying priorities for students during closures (technology, instructional materials, instructional supports available in the home, experiences from previous closures, training needed for parents in order to support distance learning at home, etc.)
- 11. Brookfield R-III will ensure that all information related to school and parent programs/activities is presented in a format and language that parents can understand. Parent resources and opportunities to learn about child development will be provided as appropriate.

The Brookfield Middle School Parent Involvement Plan will be developed with the assistance of parents of participating children. The plan will be updated periodically to meet the changing needs of parents and the school. Copies of the Parent Involvement Plan will be distributed to all parents of Middle School students at the beginning of school each year.

## "Parents Right to Know" Notification (Title I)

Our district is required to inform you of information that you, according to the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (Public Law 114-95), have the right to know.

Upon your request, our district is required to provide to you in a timely manner, the following information:

- Whether your student's teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
- Whether your student's teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived.
- Whether your student's teacher is teaching in the field of discipline of the certification of the teacher.
- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

In addition to the information that parents may request, a building receiving Title I.A funds must provide to each individual parent:

- Information on the level of achievement and academic growth of your student, if applicable and available, on each of the State academic assessments required under Title I.A.
- Timely notice that your student has been assigned, or has been taught for 4 or more consecutive weeks by, a teacher
  who has not met applicable State certification or licensure requirements at the grade level and subject area in which the
  teacher has been assigned.

## **Counseling Services**

The counseling program serves the educational, developmental and emotional needs of the individual student. The Brookfield R-II School District is fortunate to have school counselors available to provide services to students and parents. To speak with the Middle School counselor regarding questions about their child's progress and achievement, parents are encouraged to contact the Middle School Office at 660-258-7335.

## School-Based Social Worker

In association with the Linn County Schools Consortium, the Brookfield R-III School District contracts for school-based social work services for children and families within the district. Through this service free to families, the social worker provides direct services individually to the children and supportive services for families. The licensed clinical social worker provides consultative services to students who attend the Brookfield R-III School District. Parents who feel it would be beneficial for their child to receive services from the social worker should contact the building administrator.

## **School Health Services**

The Brookfield R-III School District has one Registered Professional Nurse, assisted by a Licensed Practical Nurse, to administer to the health needs of approximately 900 students and 120 employees. The school nurse is educated to address the wide range of health concerns that impact children and interfere with their ability to learn. The nurse identifies vision, hearing, and other health issues in students that impact school performance, making it possible for students to receive needed referrals, treatments, and enabling them to achieve. The nurse provides health services that both prevent and treat illnesses so students stay healthy and in school; healthy students have better attendance and academic achievement. Parents needing assistance with health or immunization concerns are encouraged to contact the lead school nurse at 660-258-7467. The lead school nurse's office is located near the Elementary Office, with an additional nurse's office in the High School. Parents needing to visit the nurse's office for any reason are required to schedule an appointment in advance.

## **Immunizations**

The following information is an excerpt of the complete Board Policy JHCB: Immunization of Students, which can be located on the district website. The district will not allow a student to attend school until the district has satisfactory evidence on file demonstrating that the student has been immunized, that the immunization process has begun and satisfactory progress is being accomplished or that the student is exempted from obtaining immunizations in accordance with law.

A student is exempted from obtaining immunizations if the district has the completed, original forms from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) necessary to prove that the student will not be immunized for religious or medical reasons. An exemption for medical reasons requires certification by a licensed doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy that either the immunization would seriously endanger the child's health or life or that the child has documentation of laboratory evidence of immunity to the disease. An exemption for religious reasons requires written certification from one parent/guardian that immunization of the student violates his or her religious beliefs.

The school must be kept up-to-date on student's immunizations. The school nurse coordinates with the Linn County Health Department to conduct immunization clinics during the year. If your child's record is not complete, please contact the school nurse at 660-258-7467 for assistance.

Information provided by the district regarding influenza, influenza vaccination, and/or other immunizations is identical or similar to that produced by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The district will notify parents/guardians at the time of initial enrollment of their student in district-sponsored preschools, daycare centers or nursery schools that they may request notice from the district as to whether any students currently enrolled in or attending the facility have an immunization exemption on file with the district.

## **Communicable Disease**

The Brookfield R-III School District School Board recognizes its responsibility to protect the health of students and employees from the risks posed by communicable diseases. The Board also has a responsibility to protect individual privacy, educate all students regardless of medical condition and treat students and employees in a nondiscriminatory manner. The following procedures were established to support Board Policy EBB: Communicable Diseases, which can be located on the district website.

#### **Immunization**

In accordance with law, students cannot attend school without providing satisfactory evidence of immunization, unless they are exempted from immunization.

#### **Universal Precautions**

The district requires all staff to routinely employ universal precautions to prevent exposure to disease-causing organisms. The district will provide the necessary equipment and supplies to implement universal precautions.

## Categories of Potential Risk

Students or employees with communicable diseases that pose a risk of transmission in school or at school activities (such as, but not limited to, chicken pox, influenza, and conjunctivitis) will be managed as required by law and in accordance with guidelines provided by the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) and local county or city health departments. Such management may include, but is not limited to, exclusion from school or reassignment as needed for the health and safety of students and staff.

Students or employees infected with chronic communicable diseases that do *not* pose a risk of transmission in school or at school activities (such as, but not limited to, hepatitis B virus or HIV) shall be allowed to attend school or continue to work without any restrictions based solely on the infection. The district will not require any medical evaluations or tests for such diseases.

## **Exceptional Situations**

There are certain specific types of conditions, such as frequent bleeding episodes or uncoverable, oozing, skin lesions that could potentially be associated with transmission of both bloodborne and nonbloodborne pathogens. In the case of students, certain types of behaviors, such as biting or scratching, may also be associated with transmission of pathogens.

Students who exhibit such behaviors or conditions may be educated in an alternative educational setting or, if appropriate, disciplined in accordance with the discipline code. In the case of a student with a disability, the Individualized Education Program (IEP) team or 504 team will make any change of placement decisions.

Employees who exhibit such conditions will not be allowed to work until the condition is resolved or appropriately controlled in a way that minimizes exposure.

## Confidentiality

The superintendent or designee shall ensure that confidential student and employee information is protected in accordance with law. Medical information about an individual, including an individual with HIV, will only be shared with district employees who have a reasonable need to know the identity of the individual in order to provide proper health care or educational services. Examples of people who may need to know a student's medical information are the school nurse and the IEP or 504 team if applicable. An example of an individual who may need to know an employee's medical information is the employee's immediate supervisor, if accommodations are necessary.

All medical records will be maintained in accordance with law and Board policy. Breach of confidentiality may result in disciplinary action, including termination.

## **Reporting and Disease Outbreak Control**

Reporting and disease outbreak control measures will be implemented in accordance with state and local law, DHSS rules governing the control of communicable diseases and other diseases dangerous to public health, and any applicable rules distributed by the appropriate county or city health department.

#### Notification

Missouri state law provides that superintendents who supply a copy of this policy, adopted by the district Board of Education, to DHSS shall be entitled to confidential notice of the identity of any district student reported to DHSS as HIV-infected and known to be enrolled in the district. Missouri law also requires the parent or guardian to provide such notice to the superintendent.

## **Student Emergencies/Illness**

In the event of an illness, injury or emergency, it is crucial that the school office and/or nurse be able to contact someone if the parents cannot be reached. It is the parents' responsibility to ensure that the school has the phone number of someone who can be reached in the event of such circumstances.

#### **Special Health Concerns**

If a child has a special health concern, (such as, but not limited to, Asthma, Diabetes, Seizures, Life Threatening Allergies such as food, bees, or latex, or other health concerns), the school nurse should be contacted so that school personnel are aware of the condition. In order for the school to make special accommodations or considerations for a child's medical or health condition, documentation from a physician is required.

Individualized Health Care Plans may be developed by the school nurse for students with significant health concerns. These plans will be developed in consultation with a student's parent/guardian and appropriate medical professionals. The Individualized Health Care Plan will address procedural guidelines and specific directions for particular emergency situations, and will be updated at the beginning of the year or as needed. Notice of the individualized Health Care Plan will be given to any/all school employees that may interact with the student.

## **Administration of Medications**

The Brookfield R-III School District is not legally obligated to administer medication to students unless specifically included in a Section 504 plan and/or Individualized Education Program (IEP). However, the Board recognizes that some students may

require medication for chronic or short-term illnesses to enable them to remain in school and participate in the district's education services. Parent/Guardians are encouraged to submit any relevant information regarding the medications their student needs, including a diabetes medical management plan or other information the district may use to develop an IEP, Section 504 Plan or Individualized Health Plan (IHP). The district will review all information submitted by the parents/guardians and work with them to create a plan to meet the student's medical needs while at school or school activities.

The school nurse will dispense medications, when necessary. Medications will not be dispensed, however, unless appropriate documentation is on file. If at all possible, medications should be scheduled so they do not have to be dispensed at school. In the case where this is necessary, <u>parents/guardians are required to bring the medication to school. Students are not allowed, under any circumstance, to transport medication to and from school.</u>

The nurse must use reasonable and prudent judgment to determine whether to administer particular medication to students while also working in collaboration with parents/guardians and the school administration. In carrying out their legal duty to protect the health, welfare and safety of students, nurses will, when necessary, clarify authorized prescriber orders and respond in accordance with such clarifications.

The district shall not knowingly administer medications in an amount exceeding the recommended daily dosage listed in the Physician's Desk Reference (PDR) or other recognized medical or pharmaceutical text. Except for the medications that are only used in an emergency situation, the district will not knowingly administer the first dose of any medication. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to arrange to administer prescription medications themselves when possible.

Staff, students and all other individuals are prohibited from possessing or administering any medication, while on district grounds, on district transportation or during district activities, that is illegal pursuant to state or federal law.

The district does not permit the possession or administration of marijuana-infused products for medicinal purposes on district property or at district events since these products are prohibited under federal law. Additional information regarding the use of medical marijuana and cannabidiol (CBD) oil can be found in **Board Policy JHCD: Administration of Medications to Students**, which can be found on the district website.

## **Prescription Medication**

The parent/guardian must provide the district with written permission to administer the medication before the district will administer the prescription medication to the student. The prescription label will be considered the equivalent of a prescriber's written direction. Medication must come to school in a container with the pharmaceutical label. The medication will be given as the label reads. When medication is dispensed from the pharmacy, ask the pharmacist for a second labeled bottle- Medication must be brought to school by the parent or guardian, at which time a face-to-face conversation with the nurse must occur. The following information must be included on the pharmaceutical label:

- 1. Student's Name
- 2. Date medication was dispensed
- 3. Name of medication
- 4. Specific instructions for giving the medication: time of day and amount of medication to be given
- 5. Name of doctor prescribing medication

## **Non-Prescription Medication**

Over-the-counter medications for pain, allergies, minor injuries, allergic reactions or fevers may be dispensed by the school nurse or designee with parental permission per the School Health Summary, which must be updated annually. The medication must be brought to school in the original container with written instructions for administration. Per the policy, both prescription medications and non-prescription medications will not be given unless properly labeled.

Administration of non-prescription medication will be given on a limited basis for acute symptoms. Chronic conditions must be diagnosed by a physician in order for medication to be given over a lengthy period of time. Multiple requests for medication (either several requests during one day or frequent requests over a period of time) will be evaluated. Parents will be notified if their child/student is frequently visiting the nurse/health services room.

## Possession and Self-Administration of Medications

The district will permit a student to possess and self-administer medications as required by law, except for substances that are illegal under states or federal law, and as allowed in this section. Permission to possess and self-administer medications may be revisited if there is evidence that the student is not handling or administering the medication appropriately or that the student's actions may be harming his or her own health or the health and safety of other persons. Such permission is required for students to possess and self-administer medication while at school, at a district-sponsored activity and on district-sponsored transportation. Such permission shall be effective only for the same school and school year for which is granted.

A student with an IEP or Section 504 plan may possess and self-administer medications in accordance with IEP or Section 504 plan. Students who do not have an IEP or Section 504 plan may possess and self-administer medications in accordance with number 1 below:

- 1. Students with Diabetes and other Chronic Health Conditions: Students may possess and self-administer medications for the treatment of diabetes, asthma, anaphylaxis and other chronic health conditions in accordance with this policy and law. The district will not permit students to possess and self-administer medications unless all of the following requirements are met:
  - The medication was prescribed or ordered by the student's physician.
  - The physician has provided a written treatment plan for the condition for which the medication was prescribed or authorized that includes a certification that the student is capable of and has been instructed in the correct and responsible use of the medication and has demonstrated to the physician or the physician's designee the skill level necessary to use the medication.
  - The student has demonstrated proper self-administration technique to the school nurse.
  - The student's parent/guardian has signed a statement authorizing self-administration of such and acknowledging that the district and its employees or agents will incur no liability as a result of any injury arising from the self-administration of such medication unless such injury is a result of negligence on the part of the district or its employees or agents.

## **Allergen Policy**

On July 1, 2011, Missouri House Bill 922 "Allergy Prevention and Response in Schools" went into effect and required that all school districts in the state of Missouri implement a policy addressing how to prevent potentially deadly food-borne allergies. In response to that requirement, the Brookfield R-III School District Board of Education approved Policy JHCF: Student Allergy Prevention and Response, which can be found on the district website. The purpose of this policy is to create an organized system for preventing and responding to allergic reactions. This policy is not a guarantee of an allergen-free environment; instead, it is designed to increase awareness, provide education and training, reduce the chance of exposure and outline responses to allergic reactions. The best form of prevention for life-threatening allergies is avoidance of the allergen. The policy requires that all food items brought into and served in our schools have the ingredient label and nutritional information readily accessible. This policy does not pertain to the food a child brings in for his/her own lunch or snack, but sharing of food and/or utensils will not be allowed.

In keeping with the law and board policy, the Brookfield R-III District requires that all foods brought in for snacks, parties, or other recognition events to be **PREPACKAGED** with a visible nutritional label. The District will not allow any homemade items to be served to students.

There are several students enrolled in the District with food allergies and many who have allergies to peanuts and peanut products. Parents/guardians can help staff and the school by taking advantage of opportunities to learn more about food allergies and by helping children understand the foods they freely enjoy can be dangerous to others. Equally important, however, is to let them know they can support their classmates by eating and handling food responsibly.

Here are a few suggestions for parents:

- Never take food allergies lightly; they can be serious and life-threatening.
- Tell your child/student, "do not share food."
- Frequent hand washing reduces the spread of viruses during the school year and helps protect food allergic students.
- Tell your child to get help from an adult immediately if a classmate has a reaction.

At enrollment, the person enrolling the student will be asked to provide information on the Health Summary of any allergies the student may have and visit with the school nurse. **Students with food allergies require a physician statement.** 

## **General Exclusion Guidelines for All Children**

Brookfield R-III School District follows the recommendations of the Department of Health and Senior Services, Bureau of Communicable Disease Control and Prevention regarding when it is appropriate for a student exhibiting signs of illness to attend school. A document located at <a href="https://health.mo.gov/living/families/schoolhealth/pdf/Communicable Disease.pdf">https://health.mo.gov/living/families/schoolhealth/pdf/Communicable Disease.pdf</a>, entitled "Prevention and Control of Communicable Diseases", provides guidance followed by the district. A summary of this document is also available on the district website or from the school nurse. Students with a fever of 100 degrees or higher should stay home until they are fever free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medicine. Students with illnesses that include symptoms of vomiting and/or diarrhea should also remain at home until symptom-free for 24 hours.

## **MO HealthNet for Kids**

The Federal Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), part of the MO HealthNet for Kids program, is a health insurance program for uninsured children of low-income families who do not have access to affordable health insurance.

To be eligible for this benefit program, you must be a resident of Missouri and meet all of the following:

- Either 18 years of age and under or a primary care giver with a child(ren) 18 years of age and under, and
- A U.S. Citizen, National, or a Non-Citizen legally admitted into the U.S., and
- Uninsured (and ineligible for Medicaid).

Additional information regarding the program and annual household income eligibility guidelines is available at https://www.benefits.gov/benefit/1606.

## Student Planner/Handbook

All students will purchase a student planner/handbook at a cost of \$5.00 upon enrolling at Brookfield Middle School. These planners are designed to help students organize assignments and develop good time management skills. All students are required to carry their planner with them at all times and are expected to fill-out the planners daily. Parents of students in grades 5 and 6 are required to sign the agenda every night to verify that all homework has been completed. If students are not completing the planner and parents are not signing it, the teacher/administrator will address this issue. If the planner is lost, the student will be required to pay an additional \$5.00 for a new planner. New planners can be purchased in the Middle School Office.

#### **School Breakfast/Lunch Information**

When a student purchases breakfast or lunch, he/she will use their school issued ID to deduct money from his/her account. The student ID number/ID card should not be shared with any other student. With this system, parents can deposit money into their child's account electronically through PayPal or parents may choose to send money to school to be turned into the building office.

The district's official cost for breakfast and lunch for the 2022-2023 school year is as follows:

EL/MS: Breakfast \$1.60 Lunch \$1.90 HS: Breakfast \$1.60 Lunch \$2.05 Adults: Breakfast \$1.85 Lunch \$2.45

The district expects students and employees to pay for meals prior to or at the time of receipt. The ability to charge meals is a privilege, not a right, and is subject to the following:

- A student may not accumulate more than \$20, or approximately ten unpaid meal charges.
- A student with money in hand will not be denied a meal even if the student has past due charges.
- Students will not be identified, singled out, shamed, or punished by the district for the failure of their parents/guardians to pay for or provide meals, and the district will not withhold records in violation of law.

The district will provide timely notification to parents/guardians when students have a negative balance of \$20.00 or more. Notifications will be provided by phone, text, and/or email. The district will encourage the parents/guardians of students who frequently accumulate unpaid balances to submit an application for free and reduced-price meals if an application has not been recently submitted. Parents/guardians should contact Scott Stevens at 660-258-7242 to resolve situations involving unpaid meal charges.

## Free and Reduced Lunch Program

Students from a family whose income is at or below the Federal Income Guidelines for Free and Reduced-Price lunch may be eligible to receive meals free or at a reduced cost. All parents are encouraged to complete the Application for Free and Reduced-Price School Meals. The use of this federal program is 100% confidential and provides a sensible way to help families with monthly expenses. Applications will be available at enrollment. In addition, the application is available on the district website <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/bit.100

## **Building Breakfast/Lunch Procedures**

School breakfast is served from 7:25 a.m. to 7:55 a.m. each morning. Students leaving the buses are to go directly to the cafeteria if they wish to eat breakfast. Students being dropped off by parents should enter the building through the Elementary/Middle School entrance and should report directly to the cafeteria.

All students in grades Middle School are <u>required</u> to bring a nutritional lunch from home or to purchase a school lunch every day. Pop, chips, candy bars, etc. do not constitute a nutritional lunch. Adolescence is a crucial time for growth and development both physically and emotionally. Skipping meals or eating an excessive amount of "junk" food can be detrimental to a child's growth and proper development. This can also create health issues for children later in life. Students who do not comply with this policy will be asked to report to the office during the lunch period and parents will be contacted.

## **Parents Eating Lunch With Students**

Parents <u>will not be allowed</u> to enter the building to eat lunch with their children, nor may they bring in fast food or drink for student consumption during their lunch shift.

## **Outside Food and Drink**

Students are allowed to bring their lunch; however, other than water in a clear container, students are not permitted to bring in outside food and drink. Students who chose not to comply with this expectation may be required to discard their food/beverage.

## **Brookfield R-III Wellness Program**

The Board recognizes the relationship between student well-being and student achievement as well as the importance of a comprehensive district wellness program. Therefore, the district provides nutrition and physical education that is developmentally appropriate and sequential. In addition, the district offers additional opportunities for physical activity. The wellness program makes effective use of school and community resources, equitably serves the needs and interests of all students, and is implemented in a multidisciplinary fashion.

The primary goals of the Brookfield R-III School District's wellness program are to promote student health, reduce student obesity, facilitate student learning of lifelong healthy habits and increase student achievement. Therefore, it is the policy of the Brookfield R-III School District that:

- The school district will engage students, parents, teachers, food service professionals, health professionals, and other interested community members in developing, implementing, monitoring, and reviewing district-wide nutrition and physical activity policies.
- All students in grades PreK through 12 will have opportunities, support, and encouragement to be physically active on a regular basis.
- Foods and beverages sold or served at school will meet the nutritional recommendations of the U.S.D.A.'s Smart Snacks in Schools guidelines.
- Children will be provided access to a variety of affordable nutritious, and appealing foods that meet their health and nutrition needs; religious, ethnic, and cultural diversity accommodations will be made in meal planning; a clean, safe, and pleasant environment and adequate time to eat will be provided.
- Schools will provide nutrition education and physical education to foster lifelong habits of healthy eating and physical
  activity, and will establish linkages between health education and school meal programs, and with related community
  services.

## **Recess Guidelines**

All students, grades 5-6 are expected to participate in recess. Time spent outside is an integral part of the school day for students in grades 5-6. Students need fresh air and exercise and time spent outside affords students a break from the structure of the classroom and allows time for social development. However, there are times when it is not safe for children to be outdoors. The safety of our students is our top priority.

It is the district's policy that during cold weather, the decision for outside activities will be made considering such factors as temperature, wind chill, rain, snow, etc. Outdoor recess will not occur when the temperature and/or wind chill ("feels like") temperature is below 20 degrees Fahrenheit. Instead, students will be kept inside for indoor recess. In addition, there may be times where modifications are necessary such as the length of time of recess when the temperature is below freezing, 32 degrees Fahrenheit.

Extremely cold weather can be very dangerous. Parents and guardians should ensure that children/students are appropriately clothed with warm coats, hats, and gloves to ensure a more positive recess experience. Even in cases where your child does not go outside for recess, most students are outside for a period of time coming to and from school. Children reporting to school without proper winter attire will not be permitted to participate in outdoor recess. Students who need to stay in from outdoor recess will need to have a doctor's note, or they will be expected to go out. Generally, if a child is too sick to go outside for recess, the child is too sick to be at school. There may be occasional exceptions to this rule, but it is a reasonable guideline.

## **Brookfield Middle School Dress Code**

The purpose of the Brookfield Middle School dress code is to ensure that all students are able to attend school in an environment that is free from the distraction of inappropriately clothed students. It is not the school's intention to infringe on the individual student's right to freedom of expression, but rather to encourage students to "dress for success" and to come to school properly prepared to participate in the learning process. The list that follows details items that are not appropriate for the school setting. However, teachers and administrators reserve the right to determine that other items not listed are causing interference to the educational process and therefore will not be allowed.

- 1. Hats, sunglasses, handkerchief head scarves, headbands and sweatbands are prohibited while in the building unless approved by the administration for special occasions.
- 2. No midriffs are allowed: The mid-section must always be covered.
- 3. Appropriate shorts may be worn during the school year: however, during the winter months there will be a span of time, determined by the administration, when shorts are prohibited due to cold temperatures. They will not be allowed if they are too tight or too short. (Mid-thigh is the appropriate length for school.) To be worn to school, dresses and skirts with a slit in the side must meet the same standard as shorts. Distressed denim (i.e., tears, holes, frays) must meet the standard as well.
- 4. Halter tops and tops with spaghetti straps may not be worn. Tank tops may not be worn in such a way as to expose an inappropriate amount of body or the undergarments. (We are using the "four finger rule" as a general rule for appropriate width.)
- 5. Low-cut shirts and open-back shirts are prohibited. "Off the shoulder" tops/blouses are not permitted.
- 6. No clothing with inappropriate language, phrases, pictures, or innuendoes will be allowed. Clothing that advertises illegal drugs or paraphernalia, alcohol, bars, or tobacco is also prohibited.
- 7. Jewelry and chains that are distracting or dangerous will not be allowed.
- 8. "Sagging" is not allowed. Boys' pants/jeans must cover the underwear or boxer shorts at all times. Girls' pants/jeans must cover the underwear at all times. "TikTok Leggings" will not be permitted.
- 9. Boys' shirts must have sleeves that cover the armpits.
- 10. All students must wear shoes, boots, or some type of footwear.
- 11. Students must refrain from wearing oversized or bulky coats/jackets that may conceal items not appropriate or safe for school.
- 12. Students should not wear pajamas to school unless approved by the administration for special occasions.

**NOTE:** The school may restrict any student from attending classes or school activities when that student's dress, general appearance, and/or conduct creates a disruption to the learning environment, or could potentially result in safety or health concerns.

## **Cell Phones and Smartwatches**

Use of cell phones is prohibited during school hours (7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.). This also includes all cell phone features such as text messaging, camera and video, etc., as well as other devices that have the capability of connecting to the internet (smartwatch). It is never permissible for individuals (students, staff and/or parents) to take photos or videos of others without their permission. The district is not responsible for lost, stolen or confiscated cell phones, computers, headphones or other technological devices brought to school, regardless of the reason why the device was at school. Middle School students who elect to bring a cell phone or other technological device to school will be required to turn it into the Middle School Office between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

## Failure to Wear the Identification Card to School

All students are required to wear an Identification Card. The card is used for student identification, internet use, library use, and for purchasing meals. Each student is given a card at 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Those students who lose or destroy the card are required to purchase a new card for \$5.00. Failing to wear the card visibly during the school day will result in the following consequences:

Failure to wear the card 4 times
Failure to wear the card 5 times
Failure to wear the card 6 times
Failure to wear the card 7 times
Failure to wear the card 8 times
Failure to wear the card 8 times
Failure to wear the card 8 times

After School Detention
After School Detention

Assigned Seat during Lunch
Friday Detention
Saturday Detention

Failure to wear the card 9 times
Failure to wear the card 10 times
Failure to wear the card 11 times
Failure to wear the card 12 times
Additional Consequences
Additional Consequences
Additional Consequences

NOTE: Students who fail to wear their ID card 6 or more times in a quarter may not be able to attend assemblies, dances, parties, etc. that are occurring during that quarter.

## **Hallway Violations**

All students are expected to demonstrate appropriate behavior in the hallways and commons areas. Running, physical aggression (pushing, shoving, tripping) and littering will not be tolerated. Failure to behave safely and appropriately in the halls or commons areas will result in the following consequences:

Fourth hallway violation After School Detention
Fifth hallway violation After School Detention
Sixth hallway violation Assigned Seat during Lunch

Seventh hallway violation
Eighth hallway violation
Ninth hallway violation
Tenth hallway violation
Eleventh hallway violation
Twelth hallway violation
Friday Detention
Additional Consequences
Additional Consequences
Additional Consequences

NOTE: Students who accumulate 6 or more Hallway Violations in a quarter may not be able to attend assemblies, dances, parties, etc. that are occurring during that quarter.

## **Use of Backpacks**

Backpacks are allowed; however, backpacks with wheels are not permitted. Backpacks are not to be carried from class to class. Fifth graders must keep the backpack in their classroom while all other students are required to place the backpack in their locker at the beginning of the day. It must remain there until the end of the day. The safety of our students is of utmost importance.

#### **Use of the Phone**

In general, students will not be allowed to make calls on school phones unless it is a special circumstance or an emergency. Any student needing to use the phone must report to the Middle School Office and obtain approval from office personnel before using it. At no time area students allowed to use classroom phones. Students are not allowed to call home after 7:50 a.m. for ID cards or for work due in the office at 8:00 a.m.

## **Note Writing and Note Passing**

The writing and passing of notes during school causes an interruption in the educational process and hinders learning. If a student is caught writing, passing, or receiving a note, he/she will be required to stay after school to serve an After School Detention. During this time the student will be required to complete a writing assignment.

## **Student Guests**

Students may **not** have out-of-school or out-or-town visitors at school during the day, or at school-sponsored dances or activity nights.

## Party Invitations, Personal

Personal invitations to parties are not to be given out at school in Middle School. In addition, gifts are not to be exchanged between students at school. This type of personal business needs to be taken care of outside of school.

## Advertisements, Notices, Solicitations - Posting

No notices or advertisements are to be posted on or within the building without the permission of the building principal. Poster advertisements or flyer solicitations related to the purchasing of products or services of profit-making organizations or concerns will not be allowed. Only items of a public service or not-for-profit nature will be considered.

The soliciting of students or teachers during school hours is not permitted.

## Homework

Homework has value in the educational setting as practice or reinforcement for work done in school. Some homework is assigned to challenge the student's creativity or higher-level thinking skills. Homework should be purposeful and not assigned as "busy" work. On a daily basis, homework is assigned in moderation. Part of the value of homework for the student is learning responsibility for getting tasks done on time.

It is the student's responsibility to complete homework assignments and to also study for tests. In Middle School, students should plan to spend at least 1-1½ hours each night on homework. All homework assignments are required to be completed and turned in on time. Anything less than a student's best work is not acceptable. If a student is absent two or more consecutive days, a parent may request that work be sent home. In this case, the parent should contact the Middle School Office prior to 9:00 a.m. to request work be compiled. Work will be available for pickup between 3:00 and 3:30 p.m. on a day agreed upon by the school and parent.

## Re-Take/Re-Do Policy

Re-take/Re-do ONLY applies when the teacher deems it necessary. A student DOES NOT have the option of redoing work or redoing a test unless the teacher has informed him/her of this opportunity. Students are expected to put forth their best effort on the first attempt of an assignment and/or test.

NOTE: In an effort to ensure that students have mastered essential concepts, students may be required to retake/redo tests and/or assignments if they have earned a failing grade. In this case, the initial score or an average of the two scores will be the recorded in the gradebook based on individual circumstances. Any exception to this general rule will be determined by the classroom teacher and administration.

## ZAP Program

Zeros Aren't Permitted (ZAP) is a program designed to increase expectations of those students who habitually, or even occasionally, fail to get their homework assignments turned in to the teacher when the assignment is due. ZAPs also apply to work that has not been fully completed, or in cases where the student hasn't followed the directions of the assignment. This policy specifically addresses **homework**, which is anything that the student is asked to complete at home. This could be a worksheet, an assignment from a book, a log to be completed indicating extra practice on math facts or reading time, a progress report or test to be signed, a book contract, etc. ZAP involves the entire staff and clearly emphasizes the belief that homework assignments and projects are important and must be completed. Even though ZAP is an external discipline, the program will direct students to tap into their abilities and acquire the self-discipline and work habits that will serve them well in an educational setting and hopefully in the future when they enter the workplace. When the belief is expressed and maintained that a student can and will be successful, it follows that the student will meet the expectations and will place a significant value on the importance of completing homework and doing it to the best of one's ability. Above all else, the Extended Learning

Opportunity (ELO) should not be misconstrued as a form of punishment; more to the point, the message is that failure is not acceptable and that our staff is willing to help students who need additional support.

## **ZAP Procedure**:

- 1. Student fails to complete and turn in assignment when it is due.
- 2. The student fills out a ZAP form that has his/her name, grade, telephone number, date and a brief description of the assignment. A yellow copy of the ZAP form is sent home with the student which requires a parent signature while the white copy is given back to the teacher.
- 3. At the end of the school day, the teacher delivers the white copy of the completed ZAP form to the office.
- 4. The ZAPS are recorded on a master list (compiled quarterly).
- 5. The student must take the yellow form home so that the parent is aware of the ZAP. The student must bring the completed assignment <u>and</u> the signed yellow form to the Middle School Office the next morning between 7:30 and 7:55 a.m. At that point, the student will only receive 75% of the recorded grade. Failure to hand in the completed assignment by 7:55 a.m. <u>and/or</u> the signed yellow form will require the student to remain after school that day to attend an Extended Learning Opportunity (ELO) from 3:05-4:00 p.m.

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• If the ZAP (yellow) form is not signed, the student will receive a writing assignment during ELO due to the office the next day.

## **Accumulated ZAPs:**

The maximum number of ZAPs allowed per quarter is 3 and includes ZAPs from all of a student's classes. Once the fourth ZAP is accumulated, the student will be assigned one Saturday Detention. Upon the receipt of an eighth ZAP, the student will be assigned an additional Saturday Detention and Extended Learning Opportunities (ELO) on Tuesday and Thursday WILL BE REQUIRED for the remainder of the quarter. Additional sanctions may be assigned for every 4<sup>th</sup> ZAP accumulated.

## Failure to report to ELO without prior administrative approval will result in the following:

1st Missed Opportunity: Student-administrator conference with a verbal warning. Student will be required to make-up the ELO time missed.

2nd Missed Opportunity: Parents notified by phone and an After School Detention (with writing assignment) will be assigned.
 3rd Missed Opportunity: The student will be assigned a Friday Detention (with a writing assignment) and the parents are notified that they must have a conference with the principal.

Our hope is that when students leave Middle School, they will do so with some built-in habits that will enhance their High School performance. We are focused on guiding students to their highest potential but firmly believe that students are also responsible for their education.

## **Grading System and Student Progress Reports**

Student progress and report cards will be distributed to the students each quarter as indicated on the official school calendar. Grade cards and progress reports lack the personal touch of a conference and do not relay the personal concern we may have for each child's progress. If there are any questions about your student's grades or progress, please contact the teacher or the administrator.

An incomplete grade is issued when a student, for reasons acceptable to the teacher and principal, has been unable to complete the assigned work. When the student has completed the work and it has been submitted to the teacher, the student will be assigned a letter grade.

Unless otherwise agreed to by all other parties, the deadline for submitting incomplete work will be two weeks after the end of the quarter. After such time, the student will receive a failing grade.

## **Grading Scale**

| 96 to 100  | A  | Excellent               |
|------------|----|-------------------------|
| 90 to 95   | A- |                         |
| 87 to 89   | B+ | Above Average           |
| 83 to 86   | В  |                         |
| 80 to 82   | B- |                         |
| 77 to 79   | C+ | Average                 |
| 73 to 76   | С  |                         |
| 70 to 72   | C- |                         |
| 67 to 69   | D+ | Below Average           |
| 63 to 66   | D  |                         |
| 60 to 62   | D- |                         |
| 59 or less | F  | Unsatisfactory, Failing |
|            |    | Incomplete              |

#### **Assemblies**

School assemblies are considered an integral part of the school program. Assemblies may be used to encourage student performances, disseminate information to the student body, or to bring in guest speakers. Pep assemblies will be scheduled when deemed advisable by mutual consent of the students, coaches, cheerleaders, cheerleading sponsor, and the administration. <u>ALL</u> students are to attend the assemblies unless otherwise determined by the administration.

Unless otherwise indicated, all assemblies will be held in the gymnasium. Students are expected to pass to the assembly quietly and orderly, take their seats, and sit quietly or speak in low conversational tones until the program begins, at which time all conversation should cease. Students who choose not to comply with these expectations may be assigned a seat or prohibited from attending.

General guidelines for assembly behavior are as follows:

- Give the presenter/program sponsor your utmost cooperation and attention.
- Treat performers as guests.
- Be attentive.
- Applaud only when applause is appropriate and refrain from drawing attention to individual students unless
  appropriate.
- Do not get up to get a drink or to use the restroom unless it is absolutely necessary.
- At the close of the program, wait for the signal from the sponsor to leave, and then leave quietly and orderly.
- <u>COURTESY AND RESPECT</u> should be your guide at all times.

## **Student Activities**

The opportunity for participation in a variety of student selected activities is a vital part of the students' educational experiences. Such participation is a privilege that carries with it responsibilities to the school, to the activity, to the student body, to the community, and to the student. Brookfield Middle School's student activities are considered an integral part of the school's program of education which provides experiences that will help to develop young men and young women physically, mentally, socially, and emotionally.

## **Secret Organizations**

Any organization composed of the district's students, in whole or in part, which seeks to perpetuate itself by taking in additional members from our student body on the basis of the decision of its membership rather than upon the free choice of any student in the school who is qualified by the policy of the Board, shall be deemed a secret organization and membership in the same shall be prohibited. Students who disregard this policy may be suspended or disciplined by the Superintendent until the matter is considered by the Board. Wearing of what is perceived as "gang clothing" and the flashing of signs is strictly prohibited.

## Library/Media Center

The Elementary/Middle School Library/Media Center is open from 7:35 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Students, under adult supervision, may use the library for research, reference materials, classwork, or for leisure reading. Students may work in the library beyond 3:00 p.m. with prior approval of the librarian. Middle School Students will be issued ID cards which they must use to check out library materials. Students will pay the replacement cost of the book when lost. Middle School Students coming to the library should have a pass from their classroom teacher.

## DISTRICT POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND NOTICES

# **School Admissions Board Policy JEC-1**

Persons seeking admission to the district and its instructional programs must satisfactorily meet all legal requirements to be enrolled. In addition, the district requests additional information from parents/guardians so that the district may better serve the student.

The district encourages parents/guardians to preregister their children in the spring prior to initial enrollment or register their children prior to the beginning of school so that the district can hire the appropriate staff and adequately prepare for the school year. In accordance with law, students enrolling in the district whose parents/guardians are transferring to Missouri under military orders will be allowed to register remotely without the parent/guardian or student being physically present.

Students who are homeless, in foster care or are otherwise entitled to admission will be admitted in accordance with Board policy and law.

#### **Immunizations**

Unless otherwise required by law or Board policy, the district will not allow a student to attend school, including a district-sponsored preschool, daycare or nursery school, until the district has satisfactory evidence on file demonstrating that the student has been immunized, that the immunization process has begun and satisfactory progress is being accomplished, or that the student is exempted from obtaining immunizations in accordance with law.

## Residency or Eligibility to Enroll

For admission into the district, students must reside in the district or otherwise be entitled to enrollment in accordance with law and policy JECA.

#### **Proof of Age**

During the admission process, the district may require the parent/guardian to provide documentation of the student's age for the purpose of determining whether the student satisfies state entrance age requirements. Such documentation may include, but is not limited to, a birth certificate, immunization records, a baptism certificate, any government-issued identification or an affidavit sworn by the parent/guardian in the presence of a district official.

## Entrance Ages

In general, students between the ages of 5 and 21 years old who do not have a high school diploma may attend the district's K–12 program. Any senior qualifying for graduation at the end of the school semester and attaining age 21 during the course of the semester may complete that particular semester tuition free.

In accordance with law, a student is eligible for admission to attend the Brookfield R-III School District, and is eligible for admission to summer school the summer prior to entering kindergarten, if the student:

- 1. Reaches the age of five before August 1 of the school year in which he or she plans to enroll;
- 2. Has attended school, or the summer school prior to a kindergarten school term, in the St. Louis City School District or the Kansas City 33 School District, regardless of the age of the student; or
- 3. Is a child in the household of an active duty member of the military, including some veterans who are deceased or injured as defined by law, who has successfully completed an accredited prekindergarten program or has attended an accredited kindergarten in another state, regardless of the age of the student.

A student who meets one of the entrance age requirements in this subsection and has previously attended a kindergarten program or otherwise demonstrates to the district's satisfaction that he or she is socially and academically ready to progress may be placed in a class, grade or program that would best meet the student's educational needs, after consultation with the student's parent/guardian. Likewise, a student who demonstrates that he or she is not socially or academically ready to enter kindergarten or the grade in which he or she would otherwise be placed may be placed in a preschool or other appropriate class or program offered by the district, after consultation with the student's parent/guardian.

## Preschool and Prekindergarten Entrance Ages

In accordance with law, if the district maintains a preschool or prekindergarten program for which state aid is collected, a child is eligible for admission to attend the preschool or prekindergarten program if the child reaches the age of three before August 1 of the school year in which he or she plans to enroll.

## Special Education Entrance Ages

Federal law requires the district to provide special education services to qualifying resident students as well as qualifying nonresident students attending private schools located in the district who are between the ages of 3 and 21.

## **Requests for Student Records**

Within two business days of enrolling a student, the school official enrolling the student shall request those records required by district policy for student transfer, including discipline records, from all schools previously attended by the student within the last 12 months.

Within 48 hours of enrolling a nonresident student placed in the district via foster homes, residential care facilities or child-placing agencies pursuant to law, the school official enrolling the student shall request those records required by district policy for student transfer, including discipline records, from all schools and facilities previously attended by the student; the Department of Social Services; the Department of Mental Health; the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; and any entity involved with the placement of the student within the last 24 months.

The district will accept hand-carried or unofficial records for the purpose of enrolling a student transferring from another state who is in the household of an active duty member of the military, including some veterans who are deceased or injured as defined by law, but will request official records in accordance with this policy.

## Statement of Prior Suspension, Expulsion or Criminal Offense

The Board of Education requires the parent, guardian or other person having control or charge of a child of school age to provide upon enrollment a signed statement indicating whether the student has been suspended or expelled from a public or private school in this state or any other state for an offense in violation of Board policies. In addition, the person enrolling the student must affirm that the student has not been convicted of or charged with an act listed in the "Admission Restrictions" section of this policy. This registration document shall be maintained as a part of the student's scholastic record.

## **Students Suspended or Expelled from Another District**

Without the superintendent's or designee's permission, no student may enroll in a school in the district during a suspension or expulsion from another in-state or out-of-state school district, including a private, charter or parochial school or school district, if it is determined upon attempt to enroll that the student's conduct would have resulted in a suspension or expulsion in this district. The parent/guardian or student may request a conference with the superintendent or designee to consider whether the conduct of the student would have resulted in a suspension or expulsion in this district. The superintendent or designee may make such suspension or expulsion from another district effective if it is determined that such conduct would have resulted in a suspension or expulsion in this district. If it is determined that such conduct would not have resulted in a suspension or expulsion in this district, the superintendent or designee shall not make such suspension or expulsion from another school or district effective. The superintendent or designee will consider whether the student has received the due process required by law before making any decision.

A remedial conference will be held in accordance with Board policy prior to the enrollment of any student following a suspension or expulsion from another school for an act of school violence as defined in § 160.261.2, RSMo. The remedial conference will be held regardless of whether such act was committed at a public or private school in this state, provided that such act shall have resulted in the suspension or expulsion of such student in the case of a private school.

#### **Admission Restrictions**

In accordance with § 167.171, RSMo., no student may be readmitted or enrolled to a regular program of instruction in the school district if he or she has been convicted of or charged with an act that if committed by an adult would be one of the following:

- 1. First-degree murder under § 565.020, RSMo.
- 2. Second-degree murder under § 565.021, RSMo.
- 3. First-degree assault under § 565.050, RSMo.
- 4. Forcible rape, as it existed prior to August 28, 2013, or rape in the first degree under § 566.030, RSMo.
- 5. Forcible sodomy, as it existed prior to August 28, 2013, or sodomy in the first degree under § 566.060, RSMo.
- 6. Statutory rape under § 566.032, RSMo.
- 7. Statutory sodomy under § 566.062, RSMo.
- 8. Robbery in the first degree under § 569.020, RSMo., as it existed prior to January 1, 2017, or robbery in the first degree under § 570.023, RSMo.
- 9. Distribution of drugs to a minor under § 195.212, RSMo., as it existed prior to January 1, 2017, or delivery of a controlled substance under § 579.020, RSMo.
- 10. Arson in the first degree under § 569.040, RSMo.
- 11. Kidnapping, or kidnapping in the first degree, when classified as a class A felony under § 565.110, RSMo.

## Assignment of Students to Grade Levels/Classes

The Board believes that a student should be placed in the grade level and classes that best meet the student's academic needs, after consultation with the student's parent/guardian. A student's social and emotional needs will also be considered, to the extent that they affect academic progress. Although the district will first consider placing students in grade levels or classes with students of similar age, age will not necessarily be the determining factor. Further, any student's placement may be adjusted by the principal or designee as needed, after consultation with the student's parent/guardian. The district's administrative staff will make the final decision regarding assignment of students to grade levels or classes. Students receiving special education services will be placed in accordance with law. The full Board Policy JECC-1: Assignment of Students to Grade Levels/Classes can be located on the district website.

## **Student Withdrawal Procedures**

When a student moves from the district or leaves school for any reason, the school office should be notified two or three days in advance if a parent anticipates withdrawal of the student from school. This gives the school time to update records and to complete withdrawal forms. The information should be presented at the student's new school. A copy of the permanent record will be sent to the new school upon receipt of a written request from the school.

Students must clear themselves of all obligations to the school before the school can complete and forward official school records and transcripts.

## **DISCIPLINE**

The information that follows discusses your legal rights as a student in the Brookfield R-3 School District, as well as your accompanying responsibilities. In order for you to enjoy each right, it is necessary that you accept a comparable responsibility so that a proper balance is struck between the rights of an individual and the rights of society.

It is hoped that this information will help you to achieve the needed balance between your rights and responsibilities. In order that such balance is assured, you must be aware of your rights, and the conditions accompanying those rights. Just as a player should know the rules of the game, a pupil should know the laws of the organization. In this way you can be assured of consistent treatment, fairness of due process, have clearly understood rules for self-discipline, and strive for behavior that will enable both school staff and you to develop to your fullest potential.

## **Student Rights and Responsibilities**

It is important that all students, grades K-12, attending the Brookfield R-3 School District recognize that the schools are built and operated for their benefit, providing them with the most appropriate and useful educational opportunities. An integral part of this concept is that the student shares the responsibility for the maintenance of a sound, enjoyable educational climate within the schools. Every student has the right to an opportunity to learn in an environment, which is safe, clean, peaceful, and well organized. Each student must also recognize that he/she has a responsibility to ensure that their actions do not deprive others of the same opportunity. It is hoped that the guidelines provided herein will help all students in understanding and protecting their rights.

## **Expression**

Students have the right to express themselves in speech, writing, or symbolism. Students must accept the responsibility that the activity of distribution of materials must not conflict or interfere with school functions and must meet standards of responsible journalism. Students involved with publications and/or distribution are responsible for knowledge of and for conformity with school policy on time, place, and manner of distribution. Students have the responsibility to ensure that such expression is not obscene or disrespectful and does not disrupt the educational process, present health or safety hazards, or damage public property. Freedom of student expression also applies to student dress and appearance so long as it is within school system and community standards. Students have the responsibility to adhere to the policy of dress as adopted by the School Board. (Refer to Dress Code)

## Use of Tobacco Products and Vaping Products Board Policy AH

To promote the health and safety of all students and staff, set a good example for students and promote the cleanliness of district property, the district prohibits all employees, students and visitors from using, possessing, smoking, vaping, consuming, displaying, promoting or selling any tobacco products, imitation tobacco products, vaping products or tobacco-related devices in all district facilities, on district transportation, on all district grounds at all times and at any district-sponsored event or activity while off campus. This prohibition extends to all facilities the district owns, contracts for or leases to provide educational services, routine healthcare, daycare or early childhood development services to children.

Students and employees who violate this policy will be disciplined in accordance with applicable Board policies and may be offered referrals to smoking cessation programs. Employees may be terminated for repeated violations. Visitors may be excluded from district property.

## Student Drug Testing Policy and Procedures Board Policy JFCI

(Only Applicable to 7th through 12th Grade Students)

The Brookfield R-III School District Board of Education is committed to protecting the health and safety of its students. The use of illegal drugs and alcohol by students poses a threat to all students' health and safety and has a detrimental effect on the learning environment. The Brookfield R-III School District strives to create a truly drug-free school district by implementing a program of deterrence and educating, preventing and intervening in students' use or abuse of illegal drugs and alcohol. The rules and procedures of this policy seek to (1) protect the health and safety of all students; (2) improve the learning environment by eliminating disruptive substance abuse-related influences; (3) encourage student substance-users and substance-abusers to participate in treatment programs; and (4) ensure that students have the opportunity to participate in extra-curricular activities in a fair and safe environment.

Participation in interscholastic athletics, competitive extracurricular activities, and on-campus parking is a privilege. Student participants voluntarily have positioned themselves as school leaders and role models in the learning community. Student participants are responsible for adhering to high standards of conduct, including refraining from the use of illegal drugs and alcohol.

## **Random Drug and Alcohol Testing**

The Brookfield R-III School District is committed to pro-actively protecting the health and safety of all students participating in interscholastic athletics, competitive extracurricular activities and on-campus parking. The district shall conduct random drug and alcohol testing of students in grades 7-12 as a condition of participation in interscholastic athletics, competitive extracurricular activities and on-campus parking. Eligible athletics and activities shall include those activities regulated by the Missouri State High School Activities Association ("MSHSAA"), excluding all activities for which students receive an academic grade for participation. Random drug and alcohol testing shall be performed in accordance with the policies and procedures herein.

No Brookfield R-III School District employee shall have the authority to waive the testing of any student selected in the random selection process. All students participating in competitive interscholastic athletics, competitive extracurricular activities, and on-campus parking shall be eligible for random drug and alcohol testing until graduation or completion of an "activity-drop" form.

Sanctions for positive drug and alcohol test results shall be limited to exclusion from participation in interscholastic athletics, competitive extracurricular activities, and on-campus parking. A violation, without more, shall not result in suspension from school, academic sanctions or reporting to municipal authorities. Documentation regarding drug and alcohol test results shall be maintained separately from all other student records.

#### **Student Orientation**

The Brookfield R-III School District shall hold an orientation session prior to the commencement of drug and alcohol testing. The orientation session shall inform students and parents of the sample collection, confidentiality and testing procedures that will be utilized. All students participating in interscholastic athletics, competitive extracurricular activities, and those students applying for on-campus parking, shall receive a copy of the student drug testing policy and procedures, including a consent form.

## **Drug Testing Consent Form**

Each student shall be required to sign a drug testing consent form, which shall be returned to the respective coach or activity sponsor prior to commencing participation. The signed drug testing consent form shall be valid for all eligible activities and will remain effective until revoked in writing by a parent or guardian. Students who fail to return the signed drug testing consent form shall be prohibited from participating in all eligible activities.

## **Student Drug Testing Procedural Guidelines**

## **Definition of Terms:**

Extracurricular Activities (competitive) - activities that take place outside the regular course of study in school.

Drug Use Test - scientifically substantiated method to test for the presence of illegal drugs in a person's urine.

**Alteration** - the process where an individual ingests large amounts of water, vitamins and/or other various chemicals in an attempt to interfere with testing results. In drugs-of-abuse screening, it is important to insure the integrity of samples. The test provides information on the possible alteration of urine samples submitted for DAU (Drugs-Of-Abuse Urine) testing. The object of tests for alteration is to discover deviations in urine samples, such as dilution, or the addition of drug-test interfering substances.

**Illegal Drugs** - the use, possession, distribution, sale or solicitation of alcohol, drugs (their imitators), unauthorized prescription or non-prescription drugs, drug-related paraphernalia, narcotic substances, marijuana or other intoxicants and any other substances, which an individual may not sell, posses, use, distribute, or purchase under either federal or Missouri law.

**Positive Test Result** - when referring to a drug test administered under this policy, a toxicological test result which is considered to demonstrate the presence of an illegal drug or the metabolites thereof using the standards customarily established by the testing laboratory administering the drug use test.

## **Procedure for Random Drug and Alcohol Testing**

The following procedure shall govern the implementation of the Brookfield R-III School District's random substance abuse testing policy.

## **Random Selection Process**

On a monthly basis or as deemed necessary by administration, at least 15 eligible students, grades 7-12, will be randomly selected for drug and alcohol testing. The random selection process will ensure an equal probability that any eligible student could be selected. No Brookfield R-III School District employee shall have the authority to waive the testing of any student selected in the random selection process.

## Confidentiality

All aspects of sample collection and testing under this Policy shall be conducted so as to ensure the confidentiality of all personal information and/or privacy rights of students to the maximum extent possible. Information identifying a student as a drug or alcohol user may be disclosed only for purposes and under conditions permitted by federal and state law.

## **Testing Procedure**

Upon receiving a notice from the building principal that the student has been selected for a random drug test, the student will go to the Central Office. Appropriate steps will be taken to respect the privacy of students while, at the same time, preventing the falsification of testing. Upon entering the testing site, the student will be asked to provide the identification number given to him/her by the supervising administrator. The student will then be asked to remove the contents of his/her pockets and remove outer garments. Next, the student will be asked to wash his/her hands. The collection technician secure the bathroom by putting blue dye in the stool, taping off water supplies, removing trash cans, etc. The collection technician will then open a collection container in the presence of the student, remove the contents and hand the collection cup to the student, explaining that the student is to provide a urine specimen in the collection cup and then place the cup on a pre-designated flat surface upon completion of the void. The student will also be reminded not to flush the toilet or to the faucet until the collection is completed. The collection technician will step outside the bathroom and shut the door, allowing the student to provide a specimen in private.

Once the student has completed the void and opened the bathroom door, the collection technician will check the specimen for appropriate temperature, foreign color and odor. If the specimen does not show signs of tampering, the student will be allowed to wash his/her hands. Prior to performing an initial screening, the specimen collected will be poured into the specimen vials that came in the collection cup. The collection technician initiates a preliminary drug screen of the specimen. If the initial screening test indicates the presence of a tested drug, or if the collection technician is conducting an internal self-audit of a testing device, the technician, using a Custody and Control Form, that, when completed, will be sent (along with the specimen) to a SAMHSA-certified laboratory for a second screening test. If the second screening test is also non-negative, the laboratory will conduct a more in depth test by means of a gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) analysis. The collection technician will conduct all procedures in accordance with accepted industry practices.

If the GC/MS test is non-negative, the results will be forwarded to the Designated School Official (DSO). The DSO will contact the student's parent/legal guardian and ask for a meeting. At the meeting, the DSO will inform the parent/legal guardian of the non-negative result and ask for permission to forward the results to a Medical Review Officer (MRO). If permission is granted, the DSO will obtain the parent/legal guardian's name, ID # and contact phone # and forward that information to Employee Screening Services, who will then forward the information to the MRO. If permission is not granted, or the parent/legal guardian will not meet with the DSO, the lab results will be accepted as the final results.

When the MRO receives the above information, he/she will contact the parent/legal guardian, verify identification and then discuss the medications the student is taking. If any of the medications being taken by the student could explain the non-negative result, the MRO will verify with the prescribing physician that there is a legitimate prescription in the student's name. Once all pertinent information has been obtained, the MRO will make a final determination of the test results. Those results will be forwarded to the professional drug selection company, who will then forward them to the DSO.

If the parent/legal guarding contests the MRO's decision, the parent/legal guardian may request, within 72 hours of the MRO's decision, to have the split specimen sent to the same or a different laboratory for a second-opinion analysis. The cost of the split specimen test will be at the parent/legal guardian's expense and may be required prior to the test being conducted.

Urine samples shall be tested for the presence of specific substances, including alcohol,

- A. Opiates: morphine, codeine, hydrocodone (Vicodin, Hycodan, Panacet, Anexsia) and hydromorphone (Diluadid). One manufacturer also noted that high concentrations of oxycodone might cause a positive.
- B. Amphetamines: Adderal, Dexedrine, Benezedrine. Methamphetamine will usually show up in an amphetamine panel.
- C. Benzodiazepines: diazepam (Valium), chlordiazepoxide (Librium), oxazepam (Serax), alprazolam (Xanax) and others.
- D. Barbiturates: pentobarbital, butabital, amobarbital, secobarbital and Phenobarbital.
- E. Methadone: Dolophine.
- F. Oxycodone: Percodan, Percocet, Oxycontin, oxymorphone (Numorphan), hydrocodone (Vicodin) and codeine.
- G. Cocaine
- H. Methamphetamine: though it usually shows up in the amphetamine panel, many manufacturers feel that a separate panel specifically for Meth is more beneficial. The material I have says that MDMA (Ecstasy) can show up as Meth. Some medications, taken in larger dosages, may show up as Meth. Those listed are: Pseudoephedrine, Selegiline (Atapryl, Dipryl, Eldepryl), Benzphetamine (Didrex), a Vicks inhaler and Ranitidine (Zantac). The lab confirmation can separate between legal and illegal Meth.
- I. Marijuana
- J. Phencyclidine (PCP): Venlafaxine (Effexor) may show up as PCP.
- K. MDMA (methylenedioxymethamphetamine): Ecstasy
- L. Propoxyphene (Darvon), a synthetic opiate.

In addition, urine samples may be tested for the presence of performance-enhancing drugs, including anabolic steroids.

If an initial positive test result occurs, the result will be verified through additional testing on the same urine sample. Following a second, confirmed positive result, the student and his or her parent(s) or guardian(s) may submit additional information to the School District or laboratory. The School District shall defer to the opinion of the laboratory in determining whether the positive test result was caused by the consumption of illegal drugs or alcohol.

#### **Refusal to Submit for Testing**

An eligible student refuses to submit for drug and alcohol testing when he or she (1) fails to provide adequate urine for testing when notified of the need to do so, or (2) engages in conduct that clearly obstructs the testing process. An eligible student who refuses to submit for testing, or who acts to falsify testing results, shall be suspended from all eligible activities for the remainder of the school year and will forfeit all awards and honors related to participation in eligible activities.

#### **Positive Test Results**

Positive test results shall be reported to the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee. The administrator shall notify only the student, the athletic coach or extra-curricular sponsor, and the parent or legal guardian of the student. All documentation regarding drug and alcohol test results shall be maintained separately from all other student records. Access to the confidential drug testing files shall be limited to school personnel on a need-to-know basis. No testing results will be used to initiate or substantiate any criminal charges against a student. The Brookfield R-III School District will not share students' test results with municipal authorities, unless required to do so by law.

Failure to abide by the consequences set forth below shall constitute ineligibility for all athletics, and extra-curricular activities.

**First Offense:** Following a confirmed positive test result, the responsible school administrator shall schedule a conference with the student, his or her parent or legal guardian, and the athletic coach or extra-curricular sponsor. At the conference, the administrator will implement [one or more of] the following consequences:

- 1. The student shall be suspended from participating in all eligible activities for a period of 30 school days. The student also shall have his or her parking permit revoked for a period of 30 school days.
- 2. The student shall receive substance abuse counseling from an alcohol and drug abuse agency that is certified by the Missouri Department of Mental Health Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse. Fees associated with counseling and treatment are the responsibility of the parent or legal guardian. The parent or legal guardian shall provide verification that the student has attended alcohol and drug abuse counseling.
- 3. The student shall be evaluated by a physician before resuming participation in eligible activities to certify that substance use or abuse no longer interferes with the student's mental or physical ability to participate in eligible activities.
- 4. The student shall voluntarily submit to a second drug test administered within two weeks of the conference.

**Second Offense:** Following a second confirmed positive test result, the responsible school administrator shall schedule a second conference with the student, his or her parent or guardian, and the athletic coach or extra-curricular sponsor. At the second conference, the administrator will implement [one or more of] the following consequences:

- 1. The student shall be suspended from participating in all eligible activities for a period of 90 school days. The student also shall have his or her parking permit revoked for a period of 90 school days.
- 2. The student shall receive additional substance abuse counseling from an alcohol and drug abuse agency that is certified by the Missouri Department of Mental Health Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse. Fees associated with counseling and treatment are the responsibility of the parent or legal guardian. The parent or legal guardian shall provide verification that the student has attended alcohol and drug abuse counseling.
- 3. The student shall be evaluated by a physician before resuming participation in eligible activities to certify that substance use or abuse no longer interferes with the student's mental or physical ability to participate in eligible activities
- 4. The student shall voluntarily submit to alcohol and drug testing for the remainder of the school year.

**Third Offense:** Following a third confirmed positive test result; the student shall be prohibited from participating in all interscholastic athletics, competitive extra-curricular activities, public performances and on-campus parking for a minimum period of one calendar year.

## Student Alcohol/Drug Abuse Board Policy JFCH

The Brookfield R-III School District is concerned with the health, welfare and safety of its students. Therefore, use, sale, transfer, distribution, possession or being under the influence of unauthorized prescription drugs, alcohol, narcotic substances, unauthorized inhalants, controlled substances, illegal drugs, counterfeit substances and imitation controlled substances is prohibited on any district property, in any district-owned vehicle or in any other district-approved vehicle used to transport students to and from school or district activities. This prohibition also applies to any district-sponsored or district-approved activity, event or function, such as a field trip or athletic event, where students are under the supervision of the school district. The use, sale, transfer or possession of drug-related paraphernalia is also prohibited.

For the purpose of this policy a controlled substance shall include any controlled substance, counterfeit substance or imitation controlled substance as defined in the Narcotic Drug Act, § 195.010, RSMo., and in schedules I, II, III, IV and V in section 202(c) of the Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. § 812(c).

Students may only be in possession of medication as detailed in Board policy JHCD. Searches of persons reasonably suspected to be in violation of this policy will be conducted in accordance with Board policy.

Any student who is found by the administration to be in violation of this policy shall be referred for prosecution and subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension, expulsion or other discipline in accordance with the district's discipline policy. Strict compliance is mandatory. The school principal shall immediately report all incidents involving a controlled substance to the appropriate local law enforcement agency and the superintendent. All controlled substances shall be turned over to local law enforcement.

Students with disabilities who violate this policy will be disciplined in accordance with policy JGE.

## **Searches by School Personnel**

The following information is an excerpt of the complete Board Policy JFG: Searches of Students, which can be located on the district website. Students do not have an expectation of privacy in district-provided property. Lockers, desks, technology and other district property are provided for the convenience of students and are subject to periodic inspection in accordance with law.

Student property, including vehicles parked on district property, may be searched based on reasonable suspicion of a violation of law, district policy or other rules applicable to students. Reasonable suspicion must be based on facts known to the administration, credible information or reasonable inference drawn from such facts or information. Searches of student property shall be limited in scope based on the original justification for the search. The privacy and dignity of students shall be respected. Searches shall be carried out in the presence of adult witnesses when possible.

If reasonable under the circumstances, district administrators performing a search may require students to empty pockets or remove jackets, coats, shoes and other articles of exterior clothing that when removed do not expose undergarments not otherwise observable.

#### **Drug-Detection Dogs**

The district may arrange for law enforcement officials to use professionally trained dogs to detect the presence of drugs on district property. A dog alerting to the presence of drugs will constitute reasonable suspicion for district administrators to conduct a search. Drug-detection dogs will not come into direct contact with students. The superintendent or designee shall develop procedures for the use of drug-detection dogs.

## **Student Drug and Alcohol Testing**

If district personnel have reasonable suspicion that a student is inebriated or has come to school soon after consuming drugs or alcohol, the district may require the student to participate in a drug or alcohol test given by district authorities. If the student refuses to participate, the student may be disciplined as if the student tested positive for the substance.

## **Seizure of Illegal Materials**

If a properly conducted search yields illegal or contraband materials, such findings shall be turned over to proper legal authorities for ultimate disposition.

## Corporal Punishment Board Policy JGA-2

For the purposes of this policy, corporal punishment is the use of physical force as a method of correcting student behavior. No person employed by or volunteering on behalf of the Brookfield R-III School District shall administer corporal punishment or cause corporal punishment to be administered upon a student attending district schools per board policy. For the purposes of this policy, corporal punishment is the use of physical force as a method of correcting student behavior.

A staff member may, however, use reasonable physical force against a student for the protection of the student or other persons or to protect property. Restraint of students in accordance with the district's policy on student seclusion, isolation and restraint is not a violation of this policy.

## Weapons in School Board Policy JFCJ

The Board recognizes the importance of preserving a safe educational environment for students, employees and patrons of the district. In order to maintain the safety of the educational community, the district will strictly enforce the necessary disciplinary consequences resulting from the use or possession of weapons on school property. No student may possess a weapon on school property at any time, except as specifically authorized during a school-sponsored or school-sanctioned activity permitting weapons. The school district will provide secured storage of student firearms if necessary.

School property is defined as: Property utilized, supervised, rented, leased, or controlled by the school district including but not limited to school playgrounds, parking lots and school buses, and any property on which any school activity takes place. A weapon is defined to mean one or more of the following:

- 1. A firearm as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 921.
- 2. A blackjack, concealable firearm, firearm silencer, explosive weapon, gas gun, knife, knuckles, machine gun, projectile weapon, rifle, shotgun, spring gun, switchblade knife, as these terms are defined in § 571.010, RSMo.
- 3. A dangerous weapon as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 930(g)(2).
- 4. All knives and any other instrument or device used or designed to be used to threaten or assault, whether for attack or defense.
- 5. Any object designed to look like or imitate a device as described in 1-4.

Pursuant to the Missouri Safe Schools Act and the federal Gun-Free Schools Act of 1994, any student who brings or possesses a weapon as defined in #1 or #2 above on school property will be suspended from school for at least one (1) calendar year or expelled and will be referred to the appropriate legal authorities. The suspension or expulsion may be modified on a case-by-case basis upon recommendation by the superintendent to the Board of Education. Students who bring or possess weapons as defined in #3, #4 and #5 and not otherwise included in #1 and #2, will also be subject to suspension and/or expulsion from school and may be referred to the appropriate legal authorities.

Students with disabilities who violate this policy will be disciplined in accordance with policy JGE.

## **Discipline Policy Administration**

The Student Code of Conduct is designed to foster student responsibility, respect for others, and to provide for the orderly operation of district schools. No code can be expected to list each and every offense that may result in disciplinary action; however, it is the purpose of this code to list certain offenses which, if committed by a student, will result in the imposition of a certain disciplinary action. Any conduct not included herein, any aggravated circumstance of any offense, or any action involving a combination of offenses may result in disciplinary consequences that extend beyond this code of conduct as determined by the principal, superintendent and/or board of education. In extraordinary circumstances where the minimum consequence is judged by the superintendent or designee to be manifestly unfair or not in the interest of the district, the superintendent or designee may reduce the consequences listed in this policy, as allowed by law. This code includes, but is not necessarily limited to, acts of students on district property, including playgrounds, parking lots and district transportation, or at a district activity, whether on or off district property. The district may also discipline students for off-campus conduct that negatively impacts the educational environment, to the extent allowed by law. The School Code of Conduct is an abbreviated version of Brookfield R-III School Policy JG-R1. Board policy can be found on the district website at <a href="https://www.brookfieldr3.org">www.brookfieldr3.org</a>. Board Policy JG-R1, EHB, and KKB include definitions of individual offenses listed below.

NOTE: It should be understood that repeated offenses by students will result in increasingly severe disciplinary action, which may range from detention, Friday/Saturday detention, In-School Suspension, Out-of-School Suspension, and finally, expulsion.

## **Student School Code of Conduct**

| Category I Offenses  | Violation Consequence<br>Range of Action  |
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| Academic Dishonesty Plagiarism Cheating Forgery Beepers/Cell Phones Bus/Transportation Misconduct Disrespectful Conduct/Speech Disruptive Conduct/Speech                               | 1st Violation Student-Administrator conference with parent contact; Before or after school detentions; Friday or Saturday detentions; 1-3 days of in-school suspension (ISS) (Electronic device-confiscated and returned to ES/MS parent / HS student end of day)  2nd Violation Student-Administrator conference with parent contact; Friday or Saturday detentions; 1-3 days of in-school suspension (ISS) or 1-3 days out-of-school suspension (OSS) (Electronic device-confiscated and returned to parent end of day) |
| Dress Code Failure to Care For/Return District Property Gambling Lack of Academic Effort Nuisance Items Out of Assigned Area Physical Aggression/Horseplay Public Display of Affection | 3rd Violation Student-Administrator-Parent conference; 3-5 days of in-school suspension (ISS) or 3-5 days of out-of-school suspension (OSS) (Electronic device-confiscated and returned to parent end of day)  4th & Subsequent Violations Student-Administrator-Parent conference; 5-10 days of in-school suspension (ISS) or out-of-school suspension (OSS) (Electronic device-confiscated and returned to parent end of day. In addition, 3-5 days of ISS or 1-3 of OSS)   |

| Category II Offenses  | Violation Consequence<br>Range of Action   |
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| Bullying/Cyberbullying Hazing Insubordination Profanity/Obscene Behavior Toward Peers Profanity/Obscene Behavior Toward Faculty/Staff Reckless/Improper Use of Vehicles Theft | 1st Violation Student-Administrator conference with parent contact; Before or after school detentions; Friday or Saturday detentions; 1-3 days of in-school suspension (ISS); 1-3 days of out-of-school suspension (OSS); Return and/or restitution for property; Possible law enforcement contact  2nd Violation Student-Administrator-Parent conference; Friday or Saturday detentions; 3-5 days of in-school Suspension (ISS); 3-5 Days of Out-Of-School Suspension (OSS); Return and/or restitution for property; Possible law enforcement contact |
| Tobacco Products / Use or<br>Possession of<br>Trespassing<br>Truancy<br>Unauthorized Entry<br>Vandalism   | 3rd Violation Student-Administrator-Parent conference; 5-10 days of out-of-school suspension (OSS); Return and/or restitution for property; Possible law enforcement contact  Serious or repeated violations of Category II offenses may become grounds for administrative recommendation for long-term suspension and/or recommendation for expulsion.  |

| Category III Offenses   | Violation Consequence<br>Range of Action  |
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| Assault Extortion False Alarms Fighting Incendiary Devices/Fireworks Possession/Use of Alcohol Possession/Use of Controlled Drugs Possession of | 1st Violation Student-Administrator-Parent conference; 3-10 days of suspension (ISS/OSS); Suspension of all extra-curricular activities for 30 school days; Possible law enforcement contact  2nd Violation Student-Administrator-Parent conference; 10-20 days of in-school suspension (ISS) or 5-10 days of out-of-school suspension (OSS); with possible recommendation for 180-day suspension and loss of all extra-curricular privileges; Possible law enforcement contact |
| Paraphernalia Threats or Verbal Assault   | Serious or repeated violations of Category III offenses may become grounds for administrative recommendation for long-term suspension and/or recommendation for expulsion.  |

| Category IV Offenses   | Violation Consequence   |
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| Category IV Offenses   | Range of Action   |
| Aggravated Assault Arson Bomb Threats Distribution or Intent to Distribute Alcohol or Controlled Drugs Distribution of OTC Drugs, Herbal Preparations, or Imitation Drugs Harassment Sexual Harassment Sexting/Possession of Sexually Explicit, Vulgar or Violent Material Sexual Activity | All Violations: Student-Administrator-Parent conference; 5-10 days of out-of-school suspension (OSS); Initiation or recommendation of legal action and immediate suspension with a recommendation for expulsion   |
| Technology Misconduct (excerpt of complete Board policies EHB and KKB and procedure EHB-AP1)   | <ul> <li>District Technology/Software</li> <li>First Offense: Restitution. Principal/Student conference, loss of user privileges, detention, or in-school suspension.</li> <li>Subsequent Offenses: Restitution. Loss of user privileges, 1-180 days out of school suspension or expulsion.</li> <li>Personal Electronic Devices</li> <li>First Offense: Restitution. Principal/Student conference, detention, or in-school suspension.</li> <li>Subsequent Offense: Restitution. Loss of user privileges, inschool suspension, 1-180 days out-of-school suspension or expulsion.</li> <li>Audio/Visual Recording Equipment</li> <li>First Offense: Confiscation. Principal/Student conference, detention, or in-school suspension.</li> <li>Subsequent Offense: Confiscation. Principal/student conference, detention, in-school suspension, or 1-10 days out-of-school suspension.</li> </ul> |

| Category V Offenses  | Violation Consequence<br>Range of Action                          |
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| The Brookfield R-3 School District shall cooperate fully and share all information with legal authorities if a student commits an act that would be a felony if committed by an adult, or any act of |   |
| violence.  |   |
| Possession/Brandishing/Use of a Firearm, or Weapon   |   |
| Possession of a Weapon   | All Violations:   |
| Other Than a Firearm   | Suspension for not less than one (1) year or expulsion. The       |
| Possession or Use of   | superintendent may modify the suspension on a case-by-case basis. |
| Ammunition or a  |   |
| Component of a Weapon  |   |

#### **Appendix of Notes and Definitions**

After School Detentions: The student is required to be at school for an assigned amount of time after school, typically from 3:05 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Students must arrive promptly and will adhere to all teacher/administrator directions. Students failing to attend the detention, who are late, or who do not adhere to the rules of the detention may be put in ISS or suspended from school.

Friday Detentions: The student is required to be at school from 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. on Friday afternoon.

Saturday Detentions: The student is required to be at school from 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. on Saturday morning.

**In-School Suspensions (ISS):** The student will be placed in a designated classroom/area. ISS students will be required to complete all work and behave in a cooperative manner or they will be suspended from school. Students assigned to ISS are eligible to attend practice (discretion of coach/sponsor), participate in activities or attend extra-curricular activities during the ISS placement period.

**Out-of-School Suspension (OSS):** Students assigned an out-of-school suspension will not be allowed on school premises. Students assigned to OSS are not eligible to attend practice, participate in activities or attend extra-curricular activities. They are allowed to make up all work during their suspension. Assignments will be provided upon the student/parental request.

#### **Removal of Threatening Students**

The Board of Education may authorize the immediate removal of a student upon a finding by the principal, superintendent, or school board that the student poses a threat of harm to self or others, as evidenced by prior conduct. Prior disciplinary actions shall not be used as the sole basis for removal, suspension, or expulsion.

#### Student Suspension and Expulsion Board Policy JGD

The following procedures apply to all students. However, additional procedures for discipline for students with disabilities are sometimes required, as discussed in policy JGE, Discipline of Students with Disabilities.

The Board of Education believes that the right of a child to attend free public schools carries with it the responsibility of the child to attend school regularly and to comply with the lawful policies, rules and procedures of the school district. This observance of school policies, rules and procedures is essential for permitting others to learn at school.

Therefore, the administration may exclude a student from school because of violation of school rules and procedures, conduct which materially or substantially disrupts the rights of others to an education, or conduct which endangers the student, other students or the property of the school. Furthermore, if a student poses a threat to self or others, as evidenced by the prior conduct of such student, the administration may immediately remove the student from school. Such actions will be taken in accordance with due process and with due regard for the welfare of both the student and the school.

The terms "suspension" and "removal" refer to an exclusion from school that will not exceed a specific period of time and shall be subject to the due process procedures set forth for "suspensions" in this policy. The term "expulsion" refers to exclusion for an indefinite period.

The district may honor suspensions and expulsions from another in-state or out-of-state school district including a private, charter or parochial school or school district pursuant to law and policy JEC, Student Admissions. Before making any decision to honor such suspensions or expulsions, the superintendent or designee will consider whether the student has received the due process required by law.

#### **Suspensions**

In Missouri, a principal may suspend a student for up to ten (10) school days. A superintendent may suspend a student for up to 180 school days. Procedures for suspending a student are outlined below.

- 1. Before suspending a student, a principal or superintendent must (a) tell the student, either orally or in writing, what misconduct he or she is accused of; (b) if the student denies the accusation, explain, either orally or in writing, the facts that form the basis of the proposed suspension; and (c) give the student an opportunity to present his or her version of the incident.
- 2. If the principal or superintendent concludes that the student has engaged in misconduct punishable by suspension, the procedures described below apply. If the student has a disability as defined in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) as amended or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, additional procedural safeguards described in the policy dealing with the discipline of students with disabilities apply.
- 3. The principal or superintendent should determine whether the student should be suspended or whether less drastic alternative measures would be appropriate. In many cases, the principal or superintendent may decide not to suspend a student unless conferences (between the teacher, student and principal and/or between the parent, student and principal) have been held and have failed to change the student's behavior.
- 4. If suspension is imposed, the student's parents or guardians must be promptly notified of the suspension and the reasons for the action.
- 5. Any suspension by a principal must be reported, immediately and in writing, to the superintendent, who may revoke the suspension, either part or in full, at any time.
- 6. If a student is suspended for more than ten (10) school days, the following rules also apply:
  - a. The student, his or her parents, guardians or others having custodial care have a right to appeal the superintendent's decision to the Board or a committee of the Board appointed by the Board president.
  - b. If the student gives notice that he or she wishes to appeal the suspension to the Board, the suspension shall be stayed until the Board renders its decision, unless in the superintendent's judgment, the student's presence poses a continuing danger to persons or property or an ongoing threat of disrupting the academic process.
  - c. All notices of appeal shall be transmitted, either by the appealing party or by the superintendent, to the secretary of the Board. Oral notices, if made to the superintendent, shall be reduced to writing and communicated to the secretary of the Board.
  - d. The superintendent, when notified of an appeal, shall promptly transmit to the Board a full written report of the facts relating to the suspension, the action taken by the superintendent, and the reasons for the action.
  - e. Upon receipt of a notice of appeal, the Board will schedule a hearing and within a reasonable time in advance of the scheduled date, will notify, by certified mail, the appealing party of the date, time and place of the hearing and of the right to counsel, to call witnesses, and to present evidence at the hearing.
  - f. Hearings of appealed suspensions will be conducted as described in the section of this policy dealing with student disciplinary hearings.

#### Suspensions for More Than 180 School Days and Expulsions

Only the Board may expel a student or suspend a student for more than 180 school days. The applicable procedures are outlined below.

- 1. Before recommending to the Board that a student be expelled or suspended for more than 180 school days, the superintendent must (a) tell the student, either orally or in writing, what misconduct he or she is accused of; (b) if the student denies the accusation, explain, either orally or in writing, the facts that form the basis of the proposed suspension/expulsion; and (c) give the student an opportunity to present his or her version of the incident.
- 2. If the superintendent concludes that the student has engaged in misconduct and should be expelled or suspended for more than 180 school days, the procedures described below apply unless the student has a disability. (In the case of a student with a disability, the procedures described in the policy dealing with the discipline of students with disabilities shall apply.)
  - a. The superintendent will recommend to the Board that the student be expelled or suspended for more than 180 school days. The superintendent may also immediately suspend the student for up to 180 school days.

- b. Upon receipt of the superintendent's recommendation, the Board will follow the procedures described in the section of this policy dealing with student disciplinary hearings.
- 3. If the student is expelled, he or she may later apply to the Board for readmission. Only the Board can readmit an expelled student.

#### **Student Discipline Hearings**

The Board of Education may originate student discipline hearings upon recommendation of the superintendent. In such cases, the Board of Education will review the superintendent's report and determine whether to conduct a discipline hearing. In addition, student discipline hearings also will be held upon written request of the student or the student's parents, to consider appeals from student suspensions in excess of ten (10) school days. A discipline hearing will always be held in cases of suspensions in excess of 180 school days or expulsions, unless after meeting with the superintendent or designee, the parent or guardian waives, in writing, the right to an expulsion hearing.

In all hearings, whether initiated by the Board of Education or by appeal, the following procedures will be adhered to:

- 1. The student and the parents/guardians will be advised of the charges against the student; their right to a Board hearing; the date, time and place of the hearing; their right to counsel; and their procedural rights to call witnesses, enter exhibits and cross-examine adverse witnesses. All such notifications will be made by certified mail, addressed to the student's parents or guardians. The Board shall make a good-faith effort to have the parents or guardians present at the hearing.
- 2. Prior to the Board hearing, the student and the student's parents/guardians will be advised of the identity of the witnesses to be called by the administration and advised of the nature of their testimony. In addition, the student and the student's parents/guardians will be provided with copies of the documents to be introduced at the hearing by the administration.
- 3. The hearing will be closed unless the Board decides otherwise. The hearing will only be open with parental consent. At the hearing, the administration or their counsel will present the charges and such testimony and evidence to support such charges. The student, his or her parents/guardians or their counsel shall have the right to present witnesses, introduce exhibits, and to cross-examine witnesses called in support of the charges.
- 4. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board of Education shall deliberate in executive session and shall render a decision to dismiss the charges; to suspend the student for a specified period of time; or to expel the student from the schools of the district. The administration or its counsel, by direction of the Board of Education, shall promptly prepare and transmit to the parents/guardians written notice of the decision.

#### **Remedial Conference**

Prior to the readmission or enrollment of any student who has been suspended out of school or expelled in accordance with this policy for any "act of school violence" as defined in § 160.261.2, RSMo., and Board policy JGF, a conference must be held to review the student's conduct that resulted in the suspension or expulsion and any remedial actions needed to prevent future occurrences of such conduct or related conduct. The conference shall include the appropriate school officials including any teacher directly involved with the conduct that resulted in the suspension or expulsion, the student, and the parent or guardian of the student or any agency having legal jurisdiction, care, custody or control of the student. The Board of Education shall notify, in writing, the parents or guardians and all other parties of the time, place and agenda of any such conference. Failure of any party to attend this conference shall not preclude holding the conference. This requirement applies to enrolling students transferring from another school as well, regardless of whether the "act of school violence" was committed at a public school or at a private school in Missouri, provided that such act shall have resulted in the suspension or expulsion of such student in the case of a private school.

#### Discipline Reporting and Records Board Policy JGF

In compliance with state law, the Board of Education establishes clear channels of communication between teachers, administrators, law enforcement officials and other schools concerning acts of school violence and other behaviors that endanger the welfare or safety of students, staff or patrons of the district. The purpose of this policy is to designate specific actions committed by students that must be reported to teachers, administrators and/or law enforcement officials as well as those actions that must be documented in a student's discipline record.

#### **Definitions**

The following definitions and terms apply to this policy:

Act of School Violence/Violent Behavior – The exertion of physical force by a student with the intent to do serious physical injury to another person while on school property, including while on school transportation in service on behalf of the district or while involved in school activities.

*Need to Know* – Relates to school personnel who are directly responsible for the student's education or who otherwise interact with the student on a professional basis while acting within the scope of their assigned duties.

School or District Property – Property utilized, supervised, owned, rented, leased or controlled by the school district including, but not limited to, school playgrounds, parking lots, school transportation and any property on which any school activity takes place.

Serious Physical Injury – Physical injury that creates a substantial risk of death or that causes serious disfigurement or protracted loss or impairment of any part of the body.

Serious Violation of District's Discipline Policy – One or more of the following acts if committed by a student enrolled in the district:

- 1. Any act of school violence/violent behavior.
- 2. Any offense that occurs on district property, on district transportation or at any district activity and that is required by law to be reported to law enforcement officials.
- 3. Any offense that results in an out-of-school suspension for more than ten school days.

#### Reporting to School Staff

School administrators shall report acts of school violence to all teachers at the attendance areas in which the involved students are educated and to other school district employees with a need to know the information to adequately supervise the students and to protect themselves or others. In addition, any portion of a student's individualized education program (IEP) that is related to demonstrated or potentially violent behavior shall be provided to any teachers and other district employees with a need to know the information.

The superintendent or designee will inform district employees with a need to know of any criminal act committed or allegedly committed by a student in the district that is reported to the district by a juvenile officer or an employee of the Children's Division (CD) of the Department of Social Services, sheriff, chief of police or other appropriate law enforcement entity in accordance with state law. Such reports shall not be used as the sole basis for denying educational services to a student.

#### **Reporting to Law Enforcement Officials**

School administrators are required by law to report certain crimes to law enforcement. In an effort to support timely and accurate reporting, the Board encourages all employees who have information about any criminal act to share that information with their supervisors. The Board expects employees to share information regarding serious criminal acts, and employees must report criminal acts when required by law and Board policy.

Any crime listed in this section, or any act that if committed by an adult would be a crime listed in this section, that is committed on school property, on any school transportation or at any school activity must be reported immediately by the appropriate school administrator to the appropriate law enforcement entity. The following criminal acts are subject to this reporting requirement:

- 1. First- or second-degree murder under §§ 565.020, .021, RSMo.
- 2. Voluntary manslaughter under § 565.023, RSMo.
- 3. Involuntary manslaughter in the first or second degree under §§ 565.024, .027, RSMo.
- 4. First- or second-degree kidnapping under §§ 565.110, .120, RSMo.
- 5. First-, second- or third-degree assault under §§ 565.050, .052, .054, RSMo.\*
- 6. Rape in the first or second degree under §§ 566.030, .031, RSMo.
- 7. Sodomy in the first or second degree under §§ 566.060, .061, RSMo.
- 8. Burglary in the first or second degree under §§ 569.160, .170, RSMo.
- 9. Robbery in the first degree under § 570.023, RSMo.
- 10. Possession of a weapon under chapter 571, RSMo., 18 U.S.C. § 921
- 11. Manufacture of a controlled substance under § 579.055, RSMo.
- 12. Delivery of a controlled substance under § 579.020, RSMo.
- 13. Arson in the first degree under § 569.040, RSMo.
- 14. Property damage in the first degree under § 569.100, RSMo.
- 15. First-, second- or third-degree child molestation under §§ 566.067, .068, .069, RSMo.
- 16. Sexual misconduct involving a child pursuant to § 566.083, RSMo.
- 17. Sexual abuse in the first degree pursuant to § 566.100, RSMo.
- 18. First-degree harassment under § 565.090, RSMo.
- 19. First-degree stalking under § 565.225, RSMo.

\* Immediate reporting of third-degree assault under § 565.054, RSMo., may not be required if an agreement with law enforcement exists.

If the district is aware that a student who is suspended for more than ten days or expelled is under court jurisdiction, the superintendent shall notify the appropriate division of the juvenile or family court of the suspension or expulsion.

All employees shall immediately report to the principal any incident that constitutes a crime, including any incident in which a person is believed to have committed an act that if committed by an adult would be first-, second- or third-degree assault, rape in the second degree or sodomy in the second degree against a student or school employee, while on school property, school transportation or at school activities. Employees shall also inform the principal if a student is discovered to possess a controlled substance or weapon in violation of the district's policy. The principal shall immediately report these listed offenses to the appropriate law enforcement entity and the superintendent. However, if the district has entered into an agreement with law enforcement regarding the reporting of third-degree assaults, the district will report third-degree assaults to law enforcement in accordance with that agreement.

School districts may report or disclose education records to law enforcement entities and juvenile justice authorities if the disclosure concerns the law enforcement entity's or juvenile justice authority's ability to effectively serve, prior to adjudication, the student whose records are released. The officials and authorities to whom such information is disclosed must comply with applicable restrictions set forth in state and federal law.

#### **Reporting Third-Degree Assault**

The superintendent and the appropriate local law enforcement entity may develop a written agreement outlining the procedure for reporting any incident in which a student is believed to have committed an act that if committed by an adult would be third-degree assault. If such an agreement exists in the district, the principal shall report third-degree assaults to the appropriate local law enforcement entity in accordance with the agreement.

#### **Student Discipline Records**

The Board of Education directs the superintendent or designee to compile and maintain records of any serious violation of the district's discipline policy for each student enrolled in the district. Such records shall be made available to all district employees with a need to know and shall be provided to any school district in which the student subsequently attempts to enroll within five business days of receiving the request, in accordance with state law. If a student is placed in another school by the CD, the records will be transferred to the new school within two business days after notification by the CD. Personally identifiable student records will only be released or destroyed in accordance with state and federal law. Pursuant to Department of Secondary and Elementary Education (DESE) data reporting requirements, the district shall report rates and durations of, and reasons for, student suspensions of ten days or longer and expulsions.

#### Confidentiality

Any information received by a school district employee relating to the conduct of a student shall be received in confidence and used for the limited purpose of assuring that good order and discipline are maintained in the schools.

#### Liability

Teachers and authorized district personnel, including volunteers selected with reasonable care by the district, shall not be civilly liable when acting in accordance with the Board's policies, including the Board's discipline policies, or when reporting acts of school violence or threatened acts of school violence to the appropriate supervisor or other person, pursuant to law and district policy.

#### Bullying Board Policy JFCF

In order to promote a safe learning environment for all students, the Brookfield R-III School District prohibits all forms of bullying. The district also prohibits reprisal or retaliation against any person who reports an act of bullying among or against students.

#### **Definitions**

Bullying – In accordance with state law, bullying is defined as intimidation, unwanted aggressive behavior, or harassment that is repetitive or is substantially likely to be repeated and causes a reasonable student to fear for his or her physical safety or

property; that substantially interferes with the educational performance, opportunities or benefits of any student without exception; or that substantially disrupts the orderly operation of the school. Bullying includes, but is not limited to: physical actions, including violence, gestures, theft, or property damage; oral, written, or electronic communication, including name-calling, put-downs, extortion, or threats; or threats of reprisal or retaliation for reporting such acts.

Cyberbullying – A form of bullying committed by transmission of a communication including, but not limited to, 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. The district has jurisdiction over cyberbullying that uses the district's technology resources or that originates on district property, at a district activity or on district transportation. Even when cyberbullying does not involve district property, activities or technology resources, the district will impose consequences and discipline for those who engage in cyberbullying if there is a sufficient nexus to the educational environment, the behavior materially and substantially disrupts the educational environment, the communication involves a threat as defined by law, or the district is otherwise allowed by law to address the behavior.

School Day – A day on the school calendar when students are required to attend school.

#### **Designated Officials**

The principal of each building is hereby designated as the individual to receive and investigate reports of bullying. Each building principal shall designate at least two teachers or administrators in the building who are authorized to receive and investigate reports of bullying in the principal's absence or at the principal's discretion.

The district compliance officer appointed in policy AC will serve as the districtwide antibullying coordinator. The antibullying coordinator will receive all completed investigative reports from all buildings and analyze the reports to identify any information that would inform the district's antidiscrimination and antibullying education and training programs. In addition, the antibullying coordinator will assist in making any relevant reports as required by state and federal law.

#### **Reporting Bullying**

School employees, substitutes or volunteers are expected to intervene to prevent student bullying, appropriately discipline the perpetrator, assist the victim and report the incident to the building principal or designee for further investigation and action. Any school employee, substitute or volunteer who witnesses or has firsthand knowledge of bullying of a student must report the incident to the building principal or designee as soon as possible, but no later than two school days after the incident.

Students who have been subjected to bullying, or who have witnessed or have knowledge of bullying, are encouraged to promptly report such incidents to a school employee. Any school employee receiving such a report shall promptly transmit the report to the building principal or designee.

If the bullying incident involves students from more than one district building, the report should be made to the principal or designee of the building in which the incident took place or, if more appropriate, to the principal or designee of the building attended by the majority of the participants in the incident.

#### Investigation

Within two school days of receiving a report of bullying, the principal or designee will initiate an investigation of the incident. Reports that involve students from multiple buildings will be investigated cooperatively by the principals of each building involved, or those principals may request that the district's compliance officer designated in policy AC conduct the investigation. If at any time during the investigation the principal determines that the bullying involves illegal discrimination, harassment or retaliation as described in policy AC, the principal will report the incident to the compliance officer designated in that policy, who will assist in the investigation. If the alleged bullying involves a special education student or a student with disabilities, the principal will also notify the special education director.

The investigation shall be completed within ten school days of the date the report of bullying was received unless good cause exists to extend the investigation. Upon completion of the investigation, the principal will decide whether bullying or harassment occurred and, if so, whether additional discipline is warranted in accordance with the district's student discipline code. The principal will generate a written report of the investigation and findings and send a copy of the completed report to the district's antibullying coordinator. The principal or designee will document the report in the files of the victim and the alleged or actual perpetrator of bullying. All reports will be kept confidential in accordance with state and federal law.

If the incident involved allegations of illegal discrimination or harassment, the principal's decision may be appealed in accordance with policy AC. Student discipline may be appealed when allowed by law in accordance with Board policy.

The principal or other appropriate district staff will work with victims and their families to access resources and services to help them deal with any negative effects that resulted from the incident.

#### Consequences

Students who participate in bullying or who retaliate against anyone who reports bullying will be disciplined in accordance with the district's discipline code. Such discipline may include detention, in-school suspension, out-of-school suspension, expulsion, removal from participation in activities, exclusion from honors and awards, and other consequences deemed appropriate by the principal or superintendent. The district will also contact law enforcement when required by law or notify social media companies of inappropriate online activity when appropriate.

Even in situations where the district does not have jurisdiction to discipline a student for bullying, such as when the acts take place off campus and there is an insufficient nexus to the district, the principal or designee will take appropriate actions to assist student victims. Such actions may include, but are not limited to, contacting the parents/guardians of the victim and the alleged perpetrators, communicating that this behavior is not allowed on district grounds or at district activities, notifying the appropriate district staff to assist the victim, and taking additional action when appropriate, such as notifying law enforcement or social media companies of inappropriate online activity.

District employees and substitutes who violate this policy will be disciplined or terminated. Discipline may include suspension with or without pay, a negative evaluation, prohibition from being on district property or at district activities, mandated training or other appropriate remedial action. Volunteers who violate this policy will no longer be permitted to volunteer.

#### **Policy Publication**

The district shall annually notify students, parents/guardians, district employees, substitutes and volunteers about this policy and the district's prohibition against bullying. A copy of this policy shall be included in student handbooks and posted on the district's website.

#### **Training and Education**

The district's antibullying coordinator will provide information and appropriate training designed to assist employees, substitutes and volunteers who have significant contact with students in identifying, preventing and responding to incidents of bullying.

The district will provide education and information about bullying and this policy to students every year. The principal of each school, in consultation with school counselors and other appropriate school employees, will determine the best methods for facilitating the discussion. Methods may include, but are not limited to: assemblies; homeroom presentations; class meetings; team or club meetings; special presentations by counselors, social workers or mental health professionals; and open-house events. When practical, parents/guardians will be invited to attend.

In addition to educating students about the content of this policy, the district will inform students of:

- 1. The procedure for reporting bullying.
- 2. The harmful effects of bullying.
- 3. Any initiatives the school or district has created to address bullying, including student peer-to-peer initiatives.
- 4. The consequences for those who participate in bullying or engage in reprisal or retaliation against those who report bullying.

School counselors, social workers, mental health professionals, school psychologists or other appropriate district staff will educate students who are victims of bullying about how to overcome the negative effects of bullying including, but not limited to:

- 1. Cultivating the student's self-worth and self-esteem.
- 2. Teaching the student to defend him- or herself assertively and effectively without violence.
- 3. Helping the student develop social skills.
- 4. Encouraging the student to develop an internal locus of control.

#### **Additional School Programs and Resources**

The Board directs the superintendent or designee to implement programs and other initiatives to address bullying, respond to such conduct in a manner that does not stigmatize the victim, and make resources or referrals available to victims of bullying. Such initiatives may include educating parents/guardians and families on bullying prevention and resources.

## PROHIBITION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT AND RETALIATION BOARD POLICY AC

The Brookfield R-III School District Board of Education is committed to maintaining a workplace and educational environment that is free from illegal discrimination, harassment and retaliation in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs, services, activities and facilities. In accordance with law, the district strictly prohibits discrimination and harassment against employees, students or others on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, disability, age, genetic information or any other characteristic protected by law. The Brookfield R-III School District is an equal opportunity employer.

#### The Board also prohibits:

- 1. Retaliatory actions including, but not limited to, acts of intimidation, threats, coercion or discrimination against those who:
  - a. Make complaints of illegal discrimination or harassment.
  - b. Report illegal discrimination or harassment.
  - c. Participate in an investigation, formal proceeding or informal resolution, whether conducted internally or outside the district, concerning illegal discrimination or harassment.
- 2. Aiding, abetting, inciting, compelling or coercing illegal discrimination, harassment or retaliatory actions.
- 3. Discrimination, harassment or retaliation against any person because of such person's association with a person protected from discrimination or harassment in accordance with this policy and law.

As used in this policy, "discrimination, harassment or retaliation" has the same meaning as "illegal discrimination, harassment or retaliation" and is limited to acts prohibited by law. All employees, students and visitors must immediately report to the district for investigation any incident or behavior that could constitute discrimination, harassment or retaliation in accordance with this policy. If a student alleges sexual misconduct on the part of any district employee to any person employed by the district, that person will immediately report the allegation to the Children's Division (CD) of the Department of Social Services in accordance with state law.

#### Sexual Harassment Reporting and District Response

Sexual harassment is prohibited under this policy and policy ACA, but policy ACA applies only to a narrower category of sexual harassment under Title IX, as defined in the federal regulations. All sexual harassment reports must be made to the Title IX coordinator identified in policy ACA and evaluated for policy ACA applicability. If a sexual harassment report is made to any other district employee, the report must be promptly referred to the Title IX coordinator for intake. Incidents of alleged sexual harassment that are not investigated under policy ACA may be referred for processing under this policy.

#### **Additional Prohibited Behavior**

Behavior that is not unlawful or does not rise to the level of illegal discrimination, harassment or retaliation might still be unacceptable for the workplace or the educational environment. The district encourages students, employees and the public to report such behavior so that it can be promptly addressed, but the grievance process in this policy is reserved for allegations of illegal discrimination, harassment and retaliation.

#### **Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act**

As required by law, the district will provide equal access to district facilities and related benefits and services and will not discriminate against any group officially affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America, the Girl Scouts of the United States of America or any other youth group designated in applicable federal law.

#### **School Nutrition Programs**

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its agencies, offices and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs (including the district), are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age or reprisal or retaliation for

prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by the USDA. These programs include the National School Lunch Program, the Special Milk Program, the School Breakfast Program and the Summer Food Service Program.

Any person or representative alleging discrimination based on a prohibited basis has the right to file a complaint within 180 days of the alleged discriminatory action with the USDA Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights or the district's compliance officer using the process outlined in policy EF.

#### **Interim Measures**

When a report is made or the district otherwise learns of potential discrimination, harassment or retaliation, the district will take immediate action to protect the alleged victim, including implementing interim measures. Such interim measures may include, but are not limited to, altering a class seating arrangement, providing additional supervision or suspending an employee pending an investigation. The district will also take immediate steps to prevent retaliation against the alleged victim, any person associated with the alleged victim, or any witnesses or participants in the investigation. These steps may include, but are not limited to, notifying students, employees and others that they are protected from retaliation, ensuring that they know how to report future complaints, and initiating follow-up contact with the complainant to determine if any additional acts of discrimination, harassment or retaliation have occurred.

#### **Consequences and Remedies**

If the district determines that discrimination, harassment or retaliation have occurred, the district will take prompt, effective and appropriate action to address the behavior, prevent its recurrence and remedy its effects.

Employees who violate this policy will be disciplined, up to and including employment termination. Students who violate this policy will be disciplined, which may include suspension or expulsion. Patrons, contractors, visitors or others who violate this policy may be prohibited from district property or otherwise restricted while on district property. The superintendent or designee will contact law enforcement or seek a court order to enforce this policy when necessary or when actions may constitute criminal behavior.

Students, employees and others will not be disciplined for speech in circumstances where it is protected by law.

In accordance with law and district policy, any person suspected of abusing or neglecting a child will be reported immediately to the CD.

#### **Definitions**

Compliance Officer – The individual responsible for implementing this policy, including the acting compliance officer when performing duties of the compliance officer.

Discrimination – Conferring benefits upon, refusing or denying benefits to, or providing differential treatment to a person or class of persons in violation of law based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, disability, age, genetic information or any other characteristic protected by law, or based on a belief that such a characteristic exists.

Grievance – A verbal or written report (also known as a complaint) of discrimination, harassment or retaliation made to the compliance officer.

*Harassment* – A form of discrimination, as defined above, that occurs when the school or work environment becomes permeated with intimidation, ridicule or insult that is sufficiently severe or pervasive enough that it unreasonably alters the employment or educational environment.

Behaviors that could constitute illegal harassment include, but are not limited to, the following acts if based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, disability, age, genetic information or any other characteristic protected by law or based on a belief that such a characteristic exists: graffiti; display of written material, pictures or electronic images; name calling, teasing or taunting; insults, derogatory remarks or slurs; jokes; gestures; threatening, intimidating or hostile acts; physical acts of aggression, assault or violence; theft; or damage to property.

Sexual Harassment – A form of discrimination, as defined above, on the basis of sex. Sexual harassment is unwelcome conduct that occurs when a) benefits or decisions are implicitly or explicitly conditioned upon submission to, or punishment is applied

for refusing to comply with, unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors or conduct of a sexual nature; or b) the school or work environment becomes permeated with intimidation, ridicule or insult that is based on sex or is sexual in nature and that is sufficiently severe or pervasive enough to alter the conditions of participation in the district's programs and activities or the conditions of employment. Sexual harassment may occur between members of the same or opposite sex. The district presumes a student cannot consent to behavior of a sexual nature with an adult regardless of the circumstance. "Sexual Harassment under Title IX" is a subset of this definition, and the district's response to qualifying allegations is set forth in policy ACA.

Behaviors that could constitute sexual harassment include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Sexual advances and requests or pressure of any kind for sexual favors, activities or contact.
- 2. Conditioning grades, promotions, rewards or privileges on submission to sexual favors, activities or contact.
- 3. Punishing or reprimanding persons who refuse to comply with sexual requests, activities or contact.
- 4. Graffiti, name calling, slurs, jokes, gestures or communications of a sexual nature or based on sex.
- 5. Physical contact or touching of a sexual nature, including touching of intimate parts and sexually motivated or inappropriate patting, pinching or rubbing.
- 6. Comments about an individual's body, sexual activity or sexual attractiveness.
- 7. Physical sexual acts of aggression, assault or violence, including criminal offenses (such as rape, sexual assault or battery, and sexually motivated stalking) against a person's will or when a person is not capable of giving consent due to the person's age, intellectual disability or use of drugs or alcohol.
- 8. Gender-based harassment and acts of verbal, nonverbal, written, graphic or physical conduct based on sex or sex stereotyping, but not involving conduct of a sexual nature.

Working Days – Days on which the district's business offices are open.

#### **Compliance Officer**

The Board designates the following individual to act as the district's compliance officer:

Director of Special Services Brookfield R-III School District

124A Pershing Rd., Brookfield, MO 64628-9300

Phone: 660-258-2159; Fax: 660-258-2243 E-mail: dcarlson@brookfieldr3.org

In the event the compliance officer is unavailable or is the subject of a report that would otherwise be made to the compliance officer, reports should instead be directed to the acting compliance officer:

Middle School Principal

Brookfield R-III School District

124A Pershing Rd, Brookfield, MO 64628-9300 Phone: 660-258-2241; Fax: 660-258-2243 E-mail: mwilbeck@brookfieldr3.org

For matters within the scope of this policy, the compliance officer or acting compliance officer will:

- 1. Coordinate district compliance with this policy and the law.
- 2. Receive all grievances regarding discrimination, harassment and retaliation in the Brookfield R-III School District except as provided in policy ACA.
- 3. Serve as the district's designated Title VI, Section 504 and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) coordinator, as well as the contact person for compliance with other discrimination laws.
- 4. Forward reports of sexual harassment and otherwise assist in Title IX compliance as directed in policy ACA.
- 5. Investigate or assign persons to investigate grievances; monitor the status of grievances to ensure that additional discrimination, harassment and retaliation do not occur; and recommend consequences.
- 6. Review all evidence brought in disciplinary matters to determine whether additional remedies are available, such as separating students in the school environment.
- 7. Determine whether district employees with knowledge of discrimination, harassment or retaliation failed to carry out their reporting duties and recommend disciplinary action, if necessary.
- 8. Communicate regularly with the district's law enforcement unit to determine whether any reported crimes constitute potential discrimination, harassment or retaliation.

- 9. Oversee discrimination, harassment or retaliation grievances, including identifying and addressing any patterns or systemic problems and reporting such problems and patterns to the superintendent or the Board.
- 10. Seek legal advice when necessary to enforce this policy.
- 11. Report to the superintendent and the Board aggregate information regarding the number and frequency of grievances and compliance with this policy.
- 12. Make recommendations regarding changing this policy or the implementation of this policy.
- 13. Coordinate and institute training programs for district staff and supervisors as necessary to meet the goals of this policy, including instruction in recognizing behavior that constitutes discrimination, harassment and retaliation.
- 14. Periodically review student discipline records to determine whether disciplinary consequences are applied uniformly.
- 15. Perform other duties as assigned by the superintendent.

#### **Public Notice**

The superintendent or designee will continuously publicize the district's policy prohibiting discrimination, harassment and retaliation and disseminate information on how to report discrimination, harassment and retaliation. Notification of the district's policy will be posted in a public area of each building used for instruction or employment or open to the public. Information will also be distributed annually to employees, parents/guardians and students as well as to newly enrolled students and newly hired employees. District bulletins, catalogs, application forms, recruitment material and the district's website will include a statement that the Brookfield R-III School District does not discriminate in its programs, services, activities, facilities or with regard to employment. The district will provide information in alternative formats when necessary to accommodate persons with disabilities.

#### Reporting

Students, employees and others may attempt to resolve minor issues by addressing concerns directly to the person alleged to have violated this policy, but they are not expected or required to do so. Any attempts to voluntarily resolve a grievance will not delay the investigation once a report has been made to the district.

#### **Reports Involving Sexual Harassment**

In cases involving sexual harassment, all persons must report incidents directly to the Title IX coordinator for evaluation under policy ACA. All district employees will instruct all persons seeking to make a report or complaint to communicate directly with the Title IX coordinator. Even if the suspected victim of discrimination, harassment or retaliation does not report on their own behalf, district employees are required to report to the Title IX coordinator any observations, rumors or other information about actions prohibited by this policy and policy ACA.

#### **All Other Reports**

Unless the concern is otherwise voluntarily resolved, all persons must report incidents that might constitute discrimination, harassment or retaliation directly to the compliance officer or acting compliance officer. All district employees will instruct all persons seeking to file a grievance to communicate directly with the compliance officer. Even if the suspected victim of discrimination, harassment or retaliation does not file a grievance, district employees are required to report to the compliance officer any observations, rumors or other information about actions prohibited by this policy. If a person refuses or is unable to submit a written complaint, the compliance officer will summarize the verbal complaint in writing. A grievance is not needed for the district to act upon finding a violation of law, district policy or district expectations.

Even if a grievance under this policy is not directly filed, if the compliance officer otherwise learns about possible discrimination, harassment or retaliation, including violence, the district will conduct a prompt, impartial, adequate, reliable and thorough investigation to determine whether unlawful conduct occurred and will implement the appropriate interim measures if necessary.

#### **Student-on-Student Harassment**

Building-level administrators are in a unique position to identify and address discrimination, harassment and retaliation between students, particularly when behaviors are reported through the normal disciplinary process and not through a grievance. In general, administrators can immediately discipline a student for prohibited behavior in accordance with the district's discipline policy. However, if sexual harassment is observed or alleged, the administrator must consult the Title IX coordinator to determine policy ACA's applicability to the reported facts or allegations prior to imposing discipline. Administrators will report all incidents as directed in the "Reporting" section of this policy and will direct the parent/guardian and student to the

compliance officer for further assistance. In cases not being handled under policy ACA, the compliance officer may determine that the incident has been appropriately addressed or recommend additional action.

#### Investigation

The district will use the investigation process outlined in this section for any grievance filed under this policy (AC).

The district will immediately investigate all grievances submitted under this policy. All persons are required to cooperate fully in the investigation. The district compliance officer or other designated investigator may utilize an attorney or other professionals to conduct the investigation and/or serve in other roles and capacities under the procedures for grievance processing.

The district does not assume responsibility or liability for actions that are unrelated to the district's programs or activities. However, the district may investigate any behavior that occurs on or off district property to the extent that such an investigation is necessary for the district to meet its legal obligations to address discrimination, harassment and retaliation that negatively impact the education or work environment. The district will address such behavior only to the extent that the district has the legal authority to do so.

In determining whether alleged conduct constitutes discrimination, harassment or retaliation, the district will consider the surrounding circumstances, the nature of the behavior, the relationships between the parties involved, past incidents, the context in which the alleged incidents occurred and all other relevant information. Whether a particular action or incident constitutes a violation of this policy requires a determination based on all the facts and surrounding circumstances. If, after investigation, school officials determine that it is more likely than not (the preponderance of the evidence standard) that discrimination, harassment or other prohibited behavior has occurred, the district will take prompt and effective corrective action in accordance with law.

#### **Collaboration with Outside Enforcement Agencies**

In the event an outside enforcement agency is investigating the same allegation of discrimination, harassment or retaliation or a similar allegation, the district will make a preliminary inquiry, then follow the outside enforcement agency's investigation and response procedures instead of the formal district grievance process. During the inquiry, if the district determines that a reasonable basis for concluding this policy was violated exists, it will enforce appropriate interim measures while ensuring due process to the alleged perpetrator when required. When requested by law enforcement, the district may reasonably delay its own investigation to permit law enforcement to conduct the criminal investigation process.

#### **Grievance Process Overview**

- 1. If a person designated to hear a grievance or appeal is the subject of the grievance, the compliance officer may designate an alternative person to hear the grievance, or the next highest step in the grievance process will be used. For example, if the grievance involves the superintendent, the compliance officer may designate someone outside the district to hear the grievance in lieu of the superintendent, or the grievance may be heard directly by the Board.
- 2. An extension of the investigation and reporting deadlines may be warranted if extenuating circumstances exist as determined by the district's compliance officer. The person filing the complaint will be notified when deadlines are extended. If more than twice the allotted time has expired without a response, the appeal may be taken to the next level.
- 3. Failure of the person filing the grievance to appeal within the timelines given will be considered acceptance of the findings and remedial action taken.
- **4.** To the extent permitted by law, the district will investigate all grievances, even if an outside enforcing agency such as the Office for Civil Rights, law enforcement or the CD is also investigating a complaint arising from the same circumstances.
- 5. The district will only share information regarding an individually identifiable student or employee with the person filing the grievance or other persons if allowed by law and in accordance with Board policy.
- 6. Upon receiving a grievance, district administrators or supervisors, after consultation with the compliance officer, will implement interim measures as described in this policy if necessary to prevent further potential discrimination, harassment or retaliation during the pending investigation.

#### Grievance Process

1. Level I – A grievance is filed with the district's compliance officer. The compliance officer may conduct the Level I investigation or assign an administrator or other qualified individual to conduct the investigation. If the compliance

officer determines that the grievance allegations involve sexual harassment under policy ACA, the report will be routed accordingly.

An investigation will commence no later than five working days after the compliance officer receives the grievance. The investigator shall conduct a prompt, impartial, adequate, reliable and thorough investigation, including the opportunity for the person filing the grievance and other parties involved to identify witnesses and provide information and other evidence. The investigator will evaluate all relevant information and documentation relating to the grievance.

Within 30 working days of receiving the grievance, the investigator will complete a written report that summarizes the investigation and makes determinations as to the facts and whether the facts constitute a violation of this policy based on the appropriate legal standards. If someone other than the compliance officer conducted the investigation, the compliance officer will receive the report and either adopt the report as submitted or modify and complete the report upon further investigation and/or review of applicable policy and law. If a violation of this policy is found, the compliance officer will recommend corrective action to the superintendent to address the discrimination, harassment or retaliation; prevent recurrence; and remedy its effects. The person who filed the grievance, the victim if someone other than the victim filed the grievance, and any alleged perpetrator will be notified in writing, within five working days of the completion of the report, in accordance with law and district policy, regarding whether the district's compliance officer or designee determined that district policy was violated.

2. Level II – Within five working days after receiving the Level I decision, the person filing the grievance, the victim if someone other than the victim filed the grievance, or any alleged perpetrator may appeal the compliance officer's decision to the superintendent by notifying the superintendent in writing. The superintendent may, at his or her discretion, designate another person (other than the compliance officer) to review the matter when appropriate.

Within ten working days, the superintendent will complete a written decision on the appeal, stating whether a violation of this policy is found and, if so, stating what corrective actions will be implemented. If someone other than the superintendent conducts the appeal, the superintendent will review and sign the report before it is given to the person appealing. A copy of the appeal and decision will be given to the compliance officer or acting compliance officer. The person who initially filed the grievance, the victim if someone other than the victim filed the grievance, and any alleged perpetrator will be notified in writing, within five working days of the superintendent's decision, regarding whether the superintendent or designee determined that district policy was violated.

3. Level III – Within five working days after receiving the Level II decision, the person filing the grievance, the victim if someone other than the victim filed the grievance, or any alleged perpetrator may appeal the superintendent's decision to the Board by notifying the Board secretary in writing. The person filing the grievance and the alleged perpetrator will be allowed to address the Board, and the Board may call for the presence of such other persons deemed necessary. The Board will issue a decision within 30 working days for implementation by the administration. The Board secretary will give the compliance officer or acting compliance officer a copy of the appeal and decision. The person who filed the grievance, the victim if someone other than the victim filed the grievance, and the alleged perpetrator will be notified in writing, within five working days of the Board's decision, in accordance with law and district policy, regarding whether the Board determined that district policy was violated. The decision of the Board is final.

#### **Confidentiality and Records**

To the extent permitted by law and in accordance with Board policy, the district will keep confidential the identity of the person filing a grievance and any grievance or other document that is generated or received pertaining to grievances. Information may be disclosed if necessary to further the investigation, appeal or resolution of a grievance, or if necessary to carry out disciplinary measures. The district will disclose information to the district's attorney, law enforcement, the CD and others when necessary to enforce this policy or when required by law. In implementing this policy, the district will comply with state and federal laws regarding the confidentiality of student and employee records. Information regarding any resulting employee or student disciplinary action will be maintained and released in the same manner as any other disciplinary record. The district will keep any documentation created in investigating the complaint including, but not limited to, documentation considered when making any conclusions, in accordance with the Missouri Secretary of State's retention manuals and as advised by the district's attorney.

#### Training

The district will provide training to employees on identifying and reporting acts that may constitute discrimination, harassment or retaliation. The district will instruct employees to make all complaints to the district's compliance officer or acting

compliance officer and will provide current contact information for these persons. The district will inform employees of the consequences of violating this policy and the remedies the district may use to rectify policy violations. All employees will have access to the district's current policy, required notices and complaint forms. The district will provide additional training to any person responsible for investigating potential discrimination, harassment or retaliation.

The district will provide information to parents/guardians and students regarding this policy and will provide age-appropriate instruction to students.

#### Title IX Board Policy ACA

The Brookfield R-III School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex in its education programs and activities, including employment and admissions, as required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX). All forms of sex-based discrimination are prohibited in the district, but this policy focuses exclusively on sexual harassment as defined in Title IX that occurs within the education programs and activities of the district. However, the district will respond promptly to investigate and address any report or complaint of sexual harassment.

"Sexual harassment under Title IX" is conduct on the basis of sex within the scope of the district's education programs or activities (as defined in this policy) that satisfies one or more of the following:

- 1. An employee of the district conditioning the provision of an aid, benefit or service of the district on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct;
- 2. Unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to the district's education program or activity; or
- 3. "Sexual assault" as defined in 20 U.S.C. 1092(f)(6)(A)(v), "dating violence" as defined in 34 U.S.C. 12291(a)(10), "domestic violence" as defined in 34 U.S.C. 12291(a)(8) or "stalking" as defined in 34 U.S.C. 12291(a)(30).

In creating this policy, the district does not relieve any person under the district's jurisdiction from the consequences for violations of other policies and rules of the district meant to establish an environment conducive to teaching, learning, support services, work and the social and emotional well-being and development of the students entrusted to the district.

If a student alleges sexual misconduct on the part of any district employee to any person employed by the district, that person will immediately report the allegation to the Children's Division (CD) of the Department of Social Services in accordance with state law and district policy. Moreover, nothing in the policy precludes the mandatory or voluntary reporting of any suspected criminal activity to the appropriate law enforcement agency at any time.

#### **Reporting Sexual Harassment or Title IX Retaliation**

Any person may report sexual harassment regardless of whether the person is the alleged victim (complainant). However, Board members and employees must immediately report to the Title IX coordinator any incident or behavior that could constitute sexual harassment or retaliation in accordance with this policy. Reports may be made at any time, including during nonbusiness hours, by using the telephone number, email address or office address listed below.

The Board authorizes the following individual(s) to serve as the Title IX coordinator(s) for the Brookfield R-III School District and coordinate and implement the district's efforts to comply with the requirements of Title IX.

Director of Special Services 124A Pershing Road Brookfield, MO 64628 660-258-2159 (Phone)/660-258-2190 (Fax) dcarlson@brookfieldr3.org

In the event the Title IX coordinator is unavailable or is the respondent to a complaint, reports should instead be directed to the compliance officer or alternate compliance officer listed in policy AC.

#### Training

Title IX coordinators, investigators, decision-makers and any person designated to facilitate an informal resolution process, should the district offer one, will receive training on the following:

- 1. The definition of sexual harassment under Title IX as used in this policy.
- 2. The scope of the district's education programs and activities.

- 3. How to conduct the investigation and grievance process, including determination of responsibility for sexual harassment, appeals, and informal resolution processes, as applicable.
- 4. How to serve impartially, including by avoiding prejudgment of the facts at issue, conflicts of interest, and bias.
- 5. Issues of relevance necessary to create an investigative report that fairly summarizes the relevant evidence.
- 6. Issues of relevance of questions and evidence, including when questions and evidence about the complainant's sexual predisposition or prior sexual behavior are not relevant.

The district will not use training materials that rely on sex stereotypes. All training materials used by the district will promote impartial investigations and adjudications of formal complaints of sexual harassment under Title IX. These training materials will be publicly available on the district's website or available upon request for inspection by members of the public.

The previous information is only an excerpt of the complete Board Policy ACA, which can be located on the district website.

#### **Section 504**

The district seeks to identify, evaluate and provide free and appropriate educational services in the least restrictive environment to all qualified students with disabilities within the definitions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). No qualified student with a disability shall, on the basis of disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any district program, including nonacademic services and extracurricular activities.

Students with disabilities may be eligible for accommodation under this policy even though they are not eligible for services pursuant to the IDEA. The district will initiate a referral if a student requiring accommodation is also believed to be a student with a disability under the IDEA. Implementation of an IEP in accordance with the IDEA satisfies the district's obligation to provide a free and appropriate education under Section 504.

The Board of Education has designated the following individual to act as the district's compliance officer regarding Section 504 and American with Disabilities Act (ADA):

Denise Carlson, Director of Special Services Brookfield R-III School District 128 Pershing Road, Brookfield, MO 64628 660-258-2159 or dcarlson@brookfieldr3.org

#### **Out of District Medical and Psychological Evaluations**

Occasionally parents seek evaluations that require information from school district employees. The school district will partner with other professionals in order to provide accurate information. It is the district's procedure to obtain a written release of information from the parent that will allow us to share information with the requesting agency. Subsequently, all rating scales, narratives, and other requested information will be forwarded directly from the school to the agency itself.

#### Public Concerns and Complaints Board Policy KL

The Brookfield R-III School District is interested in resolving concerns and hearing complaints from the public regarding district programs and services so that they may be improved and better meet the needs of the students and the community.

The district encourages parents/guardians, students and other members of the public to first discuss concerns with the appropriate district staff prior to bringing the issue to the Board so that the issue may be thoroughly investigated and addressed in a timely fashion. The Board will not act on an issue without input from the appropriate district staff and may require a parent/guardian, patron or student to meet with or discuss an issue with district staff prior to hearing a complaint or making a decision on the matter.

All district employees are expected to answer questions, receive input and professionally address concerns and complaints of parents/guardians, students and other members of the public. If an employee is unable to answer a question or resolve an issue, the employee must direct the person or the question to the appropriate district employee.

#### **Complaint Process**

Complaints regarding district compliance with nondiscrimination laws will be processed according to policy AC. Employee grievances will be processed in accordance with the established employee grievance procedure or as otherwise required by law. Complaints involving federal programs will be processed in accordance with policy KLA. Other grievances or complaints for which there is a specific policy or procedure will be addressed pursuant to that policy or procedure. If no other policy or procedure applies, the complaint may be brought as described below.

#### **Process for Resolving a Concern or Complaint**

The following steps are to be followed by parents/guardians, students or the public when concerns or complaints arise regarding the operation of the school district that cannot be addressed through other established policies or procedures.

- 1. Concerns or complaints should first be addressed to the teacher or employee directly involved.
- 2. Unsettled matters from (1) above or concerns or complaints regarding individual schools should be presented in writing to the principal of the school. The principal will provide a written response to the individual raising the concern ("complainant") within five business days of receiving the complaint or concern unless additional time is necessary to investigate or extenuating circumstances exist.
- 3. Unsettled matters from (2) above or concerns or complaints regarding the school district in general should be presented to the superintendent or designee in writing. The superintendent or designee will provide a written response to the complainant within five business days of receiving the concern or complaint, unless additional time is necessary to investigate or extenuating circumstances exist.
- 4. If the matter cannot be settled satisfactorily by the superintendent or designee, a member of the public may request that the issue be put on the Board agenda, using the process outlined in Board policy. In addition, written comments submitted to the superintendent or the secretary of the Board that are directed to the Board will be provided to the entire Board. The Board is not obligated to address a complaint. If the Board decides to hear the issue, the Board's decision is final. Otherwise, the superintendent's decision on the issue is final.

#### **Prohibition against Retaliation**

The Board strictly prohibits discrimination or retaliation against any person for bringing a concern to the attention of the district or participating in the complaint process. This prohibition extends to relatives and others associated with the person who brought the concern or complaint. The Board directs all district employees to cooperate in investigations of complaints.

### Concerns and Complaints Regarding Federal Programs Board Policy KLA

The Brookfield R-III School District receives funds under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) and is required to follow federal statutes and regulations regarding the programs governed by the ESEA. If any individual or organization (person) has a complaint or is concerned that the district may be violating these laws, the Board wants the superintendent or designee to immediately investigate and address the issue. For that reason, the Board has adopted this policy to address specific allegations of violations of federal statutes and regulations governing Title I, Parts A, B, C, D; Title II; Title III; Title IV, Part A; or Title V of the ESEA.

#### **Process**

The district will use the following process to address specific allegations that the district has violated a federal statute or regulation regarding a program under the ESEA:

- 1. The person with the complaint ("complainant") must present a written complaint to the superintendent or designee that specifies the federal law or regulation alleged to have been violated and the facts supporting the allegation. Alternatively, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) will forward a complaint from a complainant to the district for resolution.
  - The superintendent or designee will investigate and provide a written response to the complainant within five business days of receiving the complaint unless additional time is necessary to investigate or extenuating circumstances exist. The superintendent or designee is authorized to contact the district's private attorney for assistance in determining whether a violation has occurred.
- 2. If the complainant is not satisfied, he or she may request that the issue be placed on the Board agenda at the next Board meeting, using the process outlined in Board policy.

The superintendent or designee will notify the complainant of the Board's decision and will provide the complainant a copy of DESE's Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA) Complaint Procedures.

3. If the Board does not hear the issue or if the complainant is not satisfied with the Board's response, the complainant may appeal the issue to DESE in accordance with DESE's complaint procedures.

#### **Documentation and Release of Information**

The district will maintain a copy of the complaint, a written record of the investigation and documentation of any written resolution, when applicable, in accordance with law. The superintendent or designee will complete a written summary of the investigation and, if a violation has occurred, a description of how the matter was resolved. If the complaint was first filed with DESE, the written summary must be completed within 35 calendar days of the complaint being filed with DESE and must be submitted to DESE.

The summary will be released upon request when required by law. The superintendent or designee will have the district's attorney review the documents before they are released to DESE, the complainant or any other person to protect the confidentiality of legal advice.

#### **Prohibition against Retaliation**

The Board strictly prohibits discrimination or retaliation against any person for bringing a concern to the attention of the district or participating in the complaint process. This prohibition extends to relatives and others associated with the person who brought the concern or complaint. The Board directs all district employees to cooperate in investigations of complaints

#### Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education.

FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. These rights transfer to the student when he or she reaches the age of 18 or attends a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are "eligible students."

- Parents or eligible students have the right to inspect and review the student's education records maintained by the school. Schools are not required to provide copies of records unless, for reasons such as great distance, it is impossible for parents or eligible students to review the records. Schools may charge a fee for copies.
- Parents or eligible students have the right to request that a school correct records which they believe to be inaccurate or misleading. If the school decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student then has the right to a formal hearing. After the hearing, if the school still decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student has the right to place a statement with the record setting forth his or her view about the contested information.
- Generally, schools must have written permission from the parent or eligible student in order to release any information from a student's education record. However, FERPA allows schools to disclose those records, without consent, to the following parties or under the following conditions (34 CFR § 99.31):
  - School officials with legitimate educational interest;
  - Other schools to which a student is transferring;
  - Specified officials for audit or evaluation purposes;
  - Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student;
  - Organizations conducting certain studies for or on behalf of the school;
  - Accrediting organizations;
  - To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena;
  - Appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies; and
  - State and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to specific State law.

Schools must notify parents and eligible students annually of their rights under FERPA. The actual means of notification (special letter, inclusion in a PTO bulletin, student handbook, or newspaper article) is left to the discretion of each school.

#### Student Records Board Policy JO-1

In order to provide students with appropriate instruction and educational services, it is necessary for the district to maintain extensive and sometimes personal information about students and families. These records must be kept confidential in accordance with law, but must also be readily available to district personnel who need the records to effectively serve district students.

The superintendent or designee will provide for the proper administration of student records in accordance with law, develop appropriate procedures for maintaining student records, and standardize procedures for the collection and transmittal of necessary information about individual students throughout the district. The superintendent and building principals will develop a student records system that includes protocols for releasing student education records. Principals are responsible for maintaining and protecting student education records in each school. The superintendent or designee will make arrangements so that all district employees are trained annually on the confidentiality of student education records, as applicable for each employee classification.

#### **Definitions**

Eligible Student – A student or former student who has reached age 18 or is attending a postsecondary school.

Parent – A biological or adoptive parent of a student, a guardian of a student, or an individual acting as a parent or guardian in the absence of the student's parent or guardian.

Student – Any person who attends or has attended a school in the school district and for whom the district maintains education records.

#### **Health Information**

Student health information is a type of student record that is particularly sensitive and protected by numerous state and federal laws. Student health information shall be protected from unauthorized, illegal or inappropriate disclosure by adherence to the principles of confidentiality and privacy. The information shall be protected regardless of whether the information is received orally, in writing or electronically and regardless of the type of record or method of storage.

#### Parent and Eligible Student Access

All parents may inspect and review their student's education records, seek amendments, consent to disclosures and file complaints regarding the records as allowed by law unless a court order, statute or legally binding document prohibits such access. These rights transfer from the parent to the student once the student becomes an eligible student; however, under the Missouri Sunshine Law, parents maintain some rights to inspect student records even after a student turns 18. The district will extend the same access to records to either parent, regardless of divorce, custody or visitation rights, unless the district is provided with evidence that the parent's rights to inspect records have been legally modified.

If a parent or eligible student believes an education record related to the student contains information that is inaccurate, misleading or in violation of the student's privacy, the parent or eligible student may use the appeals procedures created by the superintendent or designee to request that the district amend the record.

The district will annually notify parents and eligible students of their rights in accordance with law.

#### **Directory Information**

Directory information is information contained in an education record of a student that generally would not be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed without the consent of a parent or eligible student. The district will designate the types of information included in directory information and release this information without first obtaining consent from a parent or eligible student unless a parent or eligible student notifies the district in writing as directed. Parents and eligible students will be notified annually of the information the district has designated as directory information and the process for notifying the district if they do not want the information released.

Even if parents or eligible students notify the district in writing that they do not want directory information disclosed, the district may still disclose the information if required or allowed to do so by law. For example, the district may require students to disclose their names, identifiers or district e-mail addresses in classes in which they are enrolled, or students may be required to wear, publicly display or disclose a student identification card or badge that exhibits information that is designated as directory information.

The school district designates the following items as directory information.

General Directory Information – The following information the district maintains about a personally identifiable student may be disclosed by the district to the school community through, for example, district publications, or to any person without first obtaining written consent from a parent or eligible student:

Student's name; date of birth; parents' names; grade level; enrollment status (e.g., full-time or part-time); student identification number; user identification or other unique personal identifier used by the student for the purposes of accessing or communicating in electronic systems as long as that information alone cannot be used to access protected educational records; participation in district-sponsored or district-recognized activities and sports; weight and height of members of athletic teams; athletic performance data; dates of attendance; degrees, honors and awards received; artwork or coursework displayed by the district; schools or school districts previously attended; and photographs, videotapes, digital images and recorded sound unless such records would be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy.

Limited Directory Information – In addition to general directory information, the following information the district maintains about a personally identifiable student may be disclosed to parent groups or booster clubs that are recognized by the Board and are created solely to work with the district, its staff, students and parents and to raise funds for district activities for the purposes of encouraging membership or participation in the group or club; parents of other students enrolled in the same school as the student whose information is released when the release is for the purpose of facilitating communication between parents; governmental entities including, but not limited to, law enforcement, the juvenile office and the Children's Division (CD) of the Department of Social Services for official governmental purposes:

The student's address, telephone number and e-mail address and the parents' addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses.

The district may require a person or entity that requests limited directory information to certify in writing that the information will not be redisclosed without the prior written consent of the parent or eligible student.

#### **Law Enforcement Access**

The district may report or disclose education records to law enforcement and juvenile justice authorities if the disclosure concerns law enforcement's or juvenile justice authorities' ability to effectively serve, prior to adjudication, the student whose records are released. The officials and authorities to whom such information is disclosed must comply with applicable restrictions set forth in federal law.

If the district reports a crime committed by a student with a disability as defined in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the district will transmit copies of the special education and disciplinary records to the authorities to whom the district reported the crime as allowed by law.

Law enforcement officials also have access to directory information and may obtain access to student education records in emergency situations as allowed by law. Otherwise, law enforcement officials must obtain a subpoena or consent from the parent or eligible student before a student's education records will be disclosed.

#### **Children's Division Access**

The district may disclose education records to representatives of the CD when reporting child abuse and neglect in accordance with law. Once the CD obtains custody of a student, CD representatives may also have access to education records in accordance with law. CD representatives may also have access to directory information and may obtain access to student education records in emergency situations, as allowed by law.

#### Military and Higher Education Access

The district will disclose the names, addresses and telephone numbers of secondary school students to military recruiters or institutions of higher education as required by law. However, if a parent, or a secondary school student who is at least 18, submits a written request, the district will not release the information without first obtaining written consent from the parent or the student. The district will notify parents, and secondary school students who are at least 18, that they may opt out of these disclosures.

#### **Volunteer Access**

District staff will not allow volunteers to access student records unless the volunteer has completed a criminal background check and the district has determined that the volunteer should have access. A volunteer who has completed a criminal background check may access student education records only under the supervision of staff members and when necessary to assist the district.

#### **Records Retention**

The district shall retain all student records in accordance with applicable federal and state law, as well as the current version of the Missouri Secretary of State's Public School Records Retention Schedule and General Records Retention Schedule.

#### Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) Public Notice

All responsible public agencies are required to locate, evaluate, and identify children with disabilities who are under the jurisdiction of the agency, regardless of the severity of the disability, including children attending private schools, children who live outside the district but are attending a private school within the district, highly mobile children, such as migrant and homeless children, children who are wards of the state, and children who are suspected of having a disability and in need of special education even though they are advancing from grade to grade. The Brookfield R-III School District assures that it will provide a free, appropriate public education (FAPE) to all eligible children with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 21 under its jurisdiction. Disabilities include autism, deaf/blindness, emotional disorders, hearing impairment and deafness, intellectual disability, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairments, specific learning disabilities, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, visual impairment/blindness and young child with a developmental delay.

The Brookfield R-III School District assures that it will provide information and referral services necessary to assist the State in the implementation of early intervention services for infants and toddlers eligible for the Missouri First Steps program.

The Brookfield R-III School District assures that personally identifiable information collected, used, or maintained by the agency for the purposes of identification, evaluation, placement or provision of FAPE of children with disabilities may be inspected and/or reviewed by their parents/guardians. Parents/guardians may request amendment to the educational record if the parents/guardian believes the record is inaccurate, misleading, or violates the privacy or other rights of their child. Parents have the right to file complaints with the U.S. Department of Education or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education concerning alleged failures by the district to meet the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

The Brookfield R-III School District has developed a Local Compliance Plan for the implementation of State Regulations for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This plan contains the agency's policies and procedures regarding storage, disclosure to third parties, retention and destruction of personally identifiable information and the agency's assurances that services are provided in compliance with the General Education Provision Act (GEPA). This plan may be reviewed in either the office of the Superintendent of the Special Services Office between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Monday through Friday.

This notice will be provided in native languages as appropriate.

#### Notification of Rights Under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA)

PPRA affords parents of elementary and secondary students certain rights regarding the conduct of surveys, collection and use of information for marketing purposes, and certain physical exams. These include, but are not limited to, the right to:

- *Consent* before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns one or more of the following protected areas ("protected information survey") if the survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U.S. Department of Education
  - 1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student's parent;
  - 2. Mental or psychological problems of the student or student's family;
  - 3. Sex behavior or attitudes;
  - 4. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
  - 5. Critical appraisals of others with whom respondents have close family relationships;
  - 6. Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as with lawyers, doctors, or ministers;
  - 7. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or student's parent; or
  - 8. Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.

- •Receive notice and an opportunity to opt a student out of
  - 1. Any other protected information survey, regardless of funding;
  - 2. Any non-emergency, invasive physical exam or screening required as a condition of attendance, administered by the school or its agent, and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of a student, except for hearing, vision, or scoliosis screenings, or any physical exam or screening permitted or required under State law; and
  - 3. Activities involving collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for marketing or to sell or otherwise distribute the information to others. (This does not apply to the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the exclusive purpose of developing, evaluating, or providing educational products or services for, or to, students or educational institutions.)
- Inspect, upon request and before administration or use
  - 1. Protected information surveys of students and surveys created by a third party;
  - 2. Instruments used to collect personal information from students for any of the above marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes; and
  - 3. Instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.

These rights transfer from the parents to a student who is 18 years old or an emancipated minor under State law.

Brookfield R-III School District will develop and adopt policies, in consultation with parents, regarding these rights, as well as arrangements to protect student privacy in the administration of protected information surveys and the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes. Brookfield R-III School District will directly notify parents of these policies at least annually at the start of each school year and after any substantive changes. Brookfield R-III School District will also directly notify, such as through U.S. Mail or email, parents of students who are scheduled to participate in the specific activities or surveys noted below and will provide an opportunity for the parent to opt his or her child out of participation of the specific activity or survey. Brookfield R-III School District will make this notification to parents at the beginning of the school year if the District has identified the specific or approximate dates of the activities or surveys at that time. For surveys and activities scheduled after the school year starts, parents will be provided reasonable notification of the planned activities and surveys listed below and be provided an opportunity to opt their child out of such activities and surveys. Parents will also be provided an opportunity to review any pertinent surveys. Following is a list of the specific activities and surveys covered under this direct notification requirement:

- Collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for marketing, sales, or other distribution.
- Administration of any protected information survey not funded in whole or in part by ED.
- Any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening as described above.

Parents who believe their rights have been violated may file a complaint with:

Student Privacy Policy Office U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20202

#### **Assessment Program**

The district will use high-quality academic assessments as one indication of the success and quality of the district's education program. Further, the Board recognizes its obligation to provide for and administer assessments as required by law. The Board directs the superintendent or designee to create procedures governing assessments consistent with law and Board policy.

In cooperation with the administrative and instructional staff, the Board will regularly review student performance data and use this information to evaluate the effectiveness of the district's instructional programs, making adjustments as necessary.

The district will comply with all assessment requirements for students with disabilities mandated by federal and state law, including the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

#### **Participation**

In order to achieve the purposes of the student assessment program and comply with state and federal law, the district requires all enrolled students to participate in all applicable aspects of the district assessment program, including statewide assessments.

#### **District Assessment Plan**

The district has a written assessment plan that will test competency in the subject areas of English, reading, language arts, science, mathematics, social studies and civics, as required by law. The Assessment Plan provides information regarding the following assessments: required reading assessments, English Proficiency assessments, statewide assessments (grade-level and end-of-course), National Assessment of Educational Progress, and assessments in preparation for postsecondary education and work opportunities.

#### **Parental Notice**

At the beginning of each school year, the district shall notify the parents/guardians of each student that the district will provide, upon request and in a timely manner, information regarding any state or district policy regarding student participation in any assessments. Such notice shall include information about state or local policies that would allow students to opt out of assessments. Missouri has no such policy, and the district expects all students to participate in all district or statewide assessments.

The district shall post on the district's website and, where practicable, on the website of each school in the district for each grade level in the district, information on any assessments required by state or federal law, including any assessments required by the district. The information shall include the subject matter being assessed, the purpose for the assessment, the source of the requirement for the assessment, and where the information on the assessment is available. The information shall also include the amount of time students will spend taking the assessments, the schedule for the assessments, and the time and format for disseminating the results, when available.

The district will provide parents/guardians information, if available, on the level of achievement and academic growth of the student on each of the statewide assessments in which the student participates. The district will provide the information in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent possible, the information will be written in a language the parent/guardian can understand. If it is not practical to provide written translations to parents/guardians, the information shall be orally translated for them. Upon request by a parent/guardian with a disability, the district will provide the information in an alternate format that is accessible to the parent/guardian.

The previous information is only an excerpt of the complete Board Policy IL-1, which can be located on the district website.

#### **Educational Needs of Diverse Student Populations**

Missouri school districts are responsible for meeting the educational needs of an increasingly diverse student population by providing a wide range of resources and support to ensure that all students have the opportunity to succeed and be college prepared and career ready. The Brookfield R-III School District has programs designed to help meet the unique educational needs of children working to learn the English language, students who are advanced learners, students with disabilities, homeless students, the children of migratory workers.

#### **Programs for Homeless Students**

The Brookfield R-III School District Board of Education recognizes that homeless students are particularly vulnerable and need special assistance to access and benefit from the education environment. Therefore, the district, in accordance with state and federal law and the Missouri state plan for education of the homeless, will give special attention to ensure that homeless students in the district are promptly identified and have access to a free and appropriate public education and related support services.

Homeless students are individuals who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence and include the following:

- 1. Children and youths who 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; or are abandoned in hospitals.
- 2. Children and youths who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designated for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings
- 3. Children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations or similar settings.
- 4. Migratory children who meet one of the above-described circumstances.

The Board designates the following individual to act as the district's liaison for homeless children and youths (district liaison):

Director of Special Services 128 Pershing Rd. Brookfield, MO 64628-9300 Phone (660) 258-2159, Fax (660) 258-2190 dcarlson@brookfieldr3.org

#### **Homeless Services**

Each homeless student shall be provided services comparable to the services offered to other students in the district including, but not limited to, transportation services; education services for which the student meets the eligibility criteria, such as education programs for disadvantaged students, students with disabilities and gifted students; programs in career and technical education; school nutrition programs; preschool programs; before- and after-school care programs; and programs for English learners. Homeless students will not be segregated in a separate school or program within a school based on the students' status as homeless.

The district will coordinate services for homeless students with local social service agencies and other agencies or entities providing services to homeless students and their families, including services and programs funded under the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act. The district will also coordinate transportation, transfer of school records and other interdistrict activities with other school districts.

The previous information is only an excerpt of the complete Board Policy IGBCA, which can be located on the district website.

#### **Programs for English Learners**

The Board of Education recognizes the need to provide equal educational opportunities for all students in the district. Therefore, if the inability to speak and understand the English language excludes a student from effective participation in the educational programs offered by the district, the district shall take appropriate action to rectify the English language deficiency in order to provide the student equal access to its programs.

Additional information regarding programs for English Learners can be located in Board Policy IGBH, which can be located on the district website.

#### **Programs for Migratory Students**

The Board of Education of the Brookfield R-III School District recognizes that migratory students face many educational challenges that may interfere with their ability to succeed in the regular education program and meet the same challenging state achievement standards as other students. The district is committed to creating and supporting a migrant education program (MEP) designed to help migratory students and their families overcome these challenges.

Additional information regarding programs for Migratory Students can be located in Board Policy IGBCB, which can be located on the district website.



#### **Sportsmanship**

Students are the most important factors in school sportsmanship. Their habits and reactions quite largely determine its quality. The better schools are those in which the students and administration join with the faculty and community in establishing and maintaining good school practices. The suggestions listed below will serve as a guide for our students in carrying out our responsibility at athletic contests.

- 1. We will consider athletic opponents and officials guests and should treat them as such.
- 2. We will respect the rights of students from the opposing school.
- 3. We will respect the rights of all spectators.
- 4. We will not 'boo' or use any form of profanity at any athletic events.
- 5. We will cheer both teams as they come on the field of play.
- 6. We will commend or cheer good plays made by either team.
- 7. We will cheer for an injured player when removed from the game.
- 8. We will support our teams and cheerleaders wholeheartedly.
- 9. We will accept the official's decision as final.
- 10. We will show self-control at all times during the game and after.
- 11. We will be modest in victory and gracious in defeat.

# SCHOOL FIGHT SONG "Loyalty"

We're loyal to you, BROOKFIELD High,
We're blue and we're white, BROOKFIELD High,
We'll back you to stand,
Against the best in the land
For we know you have sand BROOKFIELD High, RAH, RAH
So smash out that line BROOKFIELD High
Go crashing ahead BROOKFIELD High,
Our team is our fame protector
Of boys, for we expect
A touchdown from you BROOKFIELD High.
BLUE SPIRIT, BLUE PRIDE!

Fly... out... that dear old flag of blue and white
Lead on you sons and daughters fighting for you
Like men of old or giants

Placing reliance, shouting defiance, OSKEEWAWA!!
Amid the broad green plains that nourish our land
For honest labor and for learning we stand,
And unto thee we pledge our heart and hand,
Dear Alma Mater BROOKFIELD High.



## **AUGUST**

| August 9  | PK-12 Enrollment  |
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| August 10 | PK-12 Enrollment  |
| August 13 | Varsity Football Aquafina/Gatorade Scrimmage @ Burlington Field 9:00 a.m. |
| August 15 | Teacher Inservice Day   |
| August 16 | Teacher Inservice Day   |
|           | School Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.  |
| August 17 | Teacher Inservice Day   |
| August 18 | Teacher Inservice Day   |
|           | Open House/Back to School Night 6:00 p.m7:30 p.m.                         |
| August 19 | Varsity Football Jamboree @ Macon 7:00 p.m.                               |
| August 20 | Varsity Softball Jamboree @ Brookfield TBA                                |
|           | Varsity Volleyball Jamboree @ Brookfield 10:00 a.m.                       |
| August 22 | Students' First Day of Classes  |
|           | MS PBS Kick-Off Celebration   |
| August 25 | MS (Gr. 6-8) Fundraiser Assembly 1:45 p.m.                                |
| August 26 | Varsity Football vs. Trenton 7:00 p.m.                                    |
| August 29 | JV Football vs. South Shelby 6:00 p.m.                                    |
| August 30 | JV/V Volleyball @ Trenton 5:00 p.m.                                       |
|           | HS Girls' Golf @ Trenton 4:00 p.m.  |
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### **SEPTEMBER**

| September 1<br>September 2   | JV/Varsity Softball vs. South Shelby 5:00 p.m. Full Day (3:00 Dismissal)                                 |
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| 2 <b>- - - - - - - - - -</b> | K-12 Bell Game Assembly 1:15 p.m.<br>Varsity Football @ Marceline 7:00 p.m. (Bell Game)                  |
| September 3                  | Varsity Cross Country @ Bishop LeBlond (St. Joseph) TBA<br>Varsity Softball @ Monroe City Tournament TBA |
| September 5                  | NO SCHOOL: Labor Day   |
| September 6                  | 7th and 8th Grade Football vs. Palmyra 5:00 p.m.   |
| 1                            | MS/JV/V Softball @ Macon 5:00 p.m.   |
|                              | MS/V Cross Country @ Chillicothe 4:00 p.m.   |
|                              | JV/V Volleyball @ Chillicothe 5:00 p.m.  |
|                              | JV Football @ Monroe City 6:00 p.m.  |
| September 7                  | HS Girls' Golf @ Paris Tournament 8:30 a.m.  |
| September 8                  | MS Softball vs. Kirksville 5:00 p.m.   |
| 1                            | JV/V Softball @ Highland 5:00 p.m.   |
|                              | JV/V Volleyball vs. Hamilton 5:00 p.m.   |
| September 9                  | Varsity Football @ South Shelby 7:00 p.m.  |
| September 10                 | MS/V Cross Country @ Father Tolton (Columbia) 9:00 a.m.  |
| •                            | ACT Test Date  |
| September 11                 | Grandparents' Day  |
| September 12                 | MS Cross Country @ Salisbury TBA   |
|                              | MS Softball vs. Milan 5:00 p.m.  |
|                              | JV/V Softball vs. Milan 5:00 p.m.  |
|                              | 9/JV/V Volleyball @ Carrollton 5:00 p.m.   |
| September 13                 | Elementary School Pictures 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  |
|                              | 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Football vs. Macon 5:00 p.m.                                   |
|                              | HS Girls' Golf @ Westran Invitational Tournament 8:30 a.m.   |
|                              | JV/V Softball @ Hamilton 5:00 p.m.   |
| September 15                 | Middle School Pictures 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  |
|                              | MS vs. Chester Boren 5:00 p.m.   |
|                              | JV/V Softball vs. Centralia 5:00 p.m.  |
|                              | HS Girls' Golf vs. Marceline and Putnam Co 4:00 p.m.   |
| September 16                 | PROGRESS REPORTS ISSUED K-12   |
|                              | Varsity Football vs. Centralia 7:00 p.m.   |
| September 17                 | Varsity Volleyball @ Chillicothe Tournament TBA  |
|                              | MS Softball @ Schuyler County Tournament TBA   |
| a . 1 . 10                   | MS/V Cross Country @ South Calloway Invitational   |
| September 19                 | MS Softball vs. Clark County 5:00 p.m.   |
|                              | JV/V Softball vs. Clark County 5:00 p.m.   |
|                              | HS Girls' Golf @ Sedalia Tournament 10:00 a.m.   |
| G . 1 . 20                   | JV Football @ Carrollton 5:30 p.m.   |
| September 20                 | School Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.   |
|                              | MS Softball @ Chillicothe 5:00 p.m.  |
|                              | HS Girls' Golf @ Kirksville Tournament 8:30 a.m.   |

#### SEPTEMBER ACTIVITY CALENDAR CONT'D

September 21 HS Girls' Golf @ Salisbury Tournament 8:30 a.m. September 22 JV/V Softball vs. Monroe City 5:00 p.m. HS Girls' Golf vs. Salisbury/Cairo 4:00 p.m. JV/V Volleyball vs. South Harrison 5:00 p.m. Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m. September 23 Varsity Football @ Palmyra 7:00 p.m. September 24 Varsity Cross Country @ Harrisburg TBA Varsity Softball @ Nan Carter Tournament (Trenton) TBA MS/JV/V Softball @ Marceline (Pink Out) 5:30 p.m. September 26 9/JV/V Volleyball vs. Trenton 5:00 p.m. JV Football vs. Marceline 5:00 p.m. HS Girls' Golf @ LaPlata Quad with Cairo and Schuyler Co. 4:00 p.m. September 27 Student Health Fair K-5 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Football @ Kirksville 5:00 p.m. JV/V Softball @ Palmyra 5:00 p.m. JV/V Volleyball @ Penny (Hamilton) 5:00 p.m. JV/V Softball @ Schuyler County 5:00 p.m. September 29 9/JV/V Volleyball vs. Centralia 5:00 p.m. HS Girls' Golf Brookfield Invitational 8:30 a.m. MS/V Girls/Boys Cross Country @ Moberly Invitational 4:00 p.m. September 30 Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.

7th and 8th Grade Activity Night 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Varsity Football @ Macon 7:00 p.m.

### **OCTOBER**

|                              | OCTOBER  |
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| October 1                    | JV Volleyball @ Carrollton Tournament TBA                                      |
| october 1                    | Varsity Softball @ Schuyler County Tournament TBA                              |
|                              | MS Softball @ CCC Tournament (Palmyra) TBA                                     |
| October 3                    | Blue Shirt Day (Middle School)   |
| October 5                    | MS/JV/V Softball @ Putnam County 5:00 p.m.                                     |
|                              | MS Cross Country CCC Meet @ Centralia 3:30 p.m.                                |
|                              | Varsity Cross Country @ Clark County TBA                                       |
|                              | JV/V Volleyball @ North Callaway 5:00 p.m.                                     |
|                              | JV Football @ Macon 6:00 p.m.  |
| October 4                    | 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Football @ Cameron 5:00 p.m.         |
| 0010001 4                    | MS Softball vs. Trenton 5:00 p.m.  |
|                              | JV/V Softball vs. Trenton 5:00 p.m.  |
|                              | HS Girls' Golf vs. Chillicothe 4:00 p.m.                                       |
| October 6                    | MS Softball @ Salisbury 5:00 p.m.  |
| 0010001 0                    | JV/V Softball vs. Salisbury 5:00 p.m.  |
| October 7                    | Homecoming – Early Dismissal 12:30 p.m. / Homecoming Parade 2:30 p.m.          |
| October /                    | Varsity Football vs. Monroe City 7:00 p.m.                                     |
| October 8                    | MS/V Cross Country @ Brian Simpson Invitational (Harrisburg) TBA               |
| October 10                   | HS Girls' Golf Districts @ Bolivar TBA   |
| 3 <b>6</b> 100 <b>6</b> 1 10 | JV Football @ Westran 6:00 p.m.  |
| October 11-15                | Varsity Softball Districts TBA   |
| October 11                   | MS Football vs. Marceline (Tinkerbell) 6:00 p.m.                               |
| 30.000111                    | MS/V Cross Country @ Cameron Invitational 4:00 p.m.                            |
|                              | 9/JV/V Volleyball @ Mexico 5:00 p.m.   |
| October 13                   | MS Band/Chorus Concert (Grades 5-8) 6:00 p.m.                                  |
| -                            | JV/V Volleyball @ Centralia 5:00 p.m.  |
|                              | 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Football vs. Macon 6:00 p.m.                             |
| October 14                   | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
|                              | END OF 1ST QUARTER   |
|                              | 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Activity Night 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. |
|                              | Varsity Football @ Clark County 7:00 p.m.                                      |
| October 17-18                | HS Girls' Golf - State @ Nixa TBA  |
| October 17                   | JV Football @ Centralia 6:00 p.m.  |
|                              | Varsity Cross Country @ Salisbury  |
| October 18                   | School Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.   |
|                              | 9/JV/V Volleyball @ South Harrison 5:00 p.m.                                   |
| October 19                   | School Picture Retakes 8:00 a.m.   |
|                              | Missouri Day   |
|                              | Varsity Softball Sectionals TBA  |
| October 20                   | Great Central U.S. "Shake Out" Earthquake Drill 10:20 a.m.                     |
| October 20-25                | Volleyball Districts Begin TBA   |
| October 21                   | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
|                              | Varsity Football vs. Highland 7:00 p.m.  |
| October 22                   | ACT Test Date  |

ACT Test Date

Varsity Softball Quarterfinals TBA

October 22

#### OCTOBER ACTIVITY CALENDAR CONT'D

October 24-27 Red Ribbon Week Observed Mix It Up Day (Middle School) October 24 October 27-29 Varsity Softball State TBA

Early Dismissal Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:45 p.m. Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. October 27

Varsity Volleyball Sectionals TBA

NO SCHOOL October 28

October 29 Varsity Cross Country Districts TBA

Varsity Volleyball Quarterfinals TBA

### **NOVEMBER**

| Varsity Volleyball State Begins TBA  |
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| Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
| Varsity Cross Country State TBA  |
| Daylight Savings Time Ends   |
| 7th and 8th Grade Girls' and Boys' Basketball @ South Shelby 6:00 p.m.                         |
| MS Boys' Wrestling Quad @ home 5:30 p.m.   |
| Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
| Veterans Day Observed  |
| Veterans Day Assembly Gr. 5-12   |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Basketball @ Chillicothe 5:00 p.m.            |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys' Basketball vs. Chillicothe 6:15 p.m.           |
| American Education Week Celebrated   |
| School Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.   |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Basketball vs. Kirksville 5:00 p.m.           |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys' Basketball @ Kirksville 5:00 p.m.              |
| Varsity Basketball Jamboree @ Chillicothe 5:00 p.m.  |
| MS Boys' Wrestling Quad @ home 5:30 p.m.   |
| Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
| PROGRESS REPORTS ISSUED K-12   |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Basketball vs. Marceline 6:00 p.m.            |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys' Basketball @ Marceline 6:00 p.m.               |
| MS Girls' and Boys' Wrestling @ CBMS Quad (Centralia) 6:00 p.m.                                |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball @ Moberly Classic 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Tournament 10:00 a.m. |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' and Boys' Basketball vs. Moberly 6:00 p.m.    |
| VG/VB Basketball vs. Westran 6:00 p.m.   |
| VG/VB Basketball @ Putnam County 6:00 p.m.   |
| No School – Thanksgiving Break   |
| 8th Grade Basketball @ South Shelby Tournament TBA   |
| VG/VB Basketball Tri Rivers Tournament @ Schuyler County TBA                                   |
| MS Boys' Wrestling @ Chillicothe Quad 5:00 p.m.  |
| MS Boys' Wrestling @ Carrollton Tri 5:30 p.m.  |
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### **DECEMBER**

| December 1       | PreK (BBB) Holiday Concert 6:00 p.m.  |
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| December 2       | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.  |
| December 3       | MS Boys' Wrestling @ Moberly Tournament 9:00 a.m.   |
|                  | Varsity Girls' and Boys' Wrestling @ Marceline Classic Tournament TBA                     |
| December 5       | 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' and Boys' Basketball @ Milan 4:30 p.m.   |
|                  | MS Boys' Wrestling @ Iowa/Missouri Quad (Kirksville) 5:00 p.m.                            |
| December 6       | JVG/JVB and VG/VB Basketball vs. Milan 6:00 p.m.  |
|                  | Varsity Girls' Wrestling @ Lawson w/Higginsville 5:30 p.m.                                |
| December 7       | Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day  |
|                  | Grades 1 and 2 Music Concert/Art Show 6:00 p.m.   |
| December 8       | 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' and Boys' Basketball @ Macon 6:00 p.m.   |
|                  | JVG/JVB Basketball vs. Macon 6:00 p.m.  |
|                  | MS Boys' Wrestling @ Marceline Quad 5:00 p.m.   |
| December 9       | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.  |
|                  | 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' and Boys' Basketball @ Palmyra 6:00 p.m. |
|                  | VG/VB Basketball @ Fayette 6:00 p.m.  |
|                  | Varsity Girls' Wrestling @ Excelsior Springs Tournament TBA                               |
| December 10      | ACT Test Date   |
|                  | MS Boys' Wrestling @ Dave Kinen Classic (Chillicothe) TBA                                 |
|                  | Varsity Boys Wrestling @ Lexington 'Tom Hayes' Tournament TBA                             |
| December 12      | MS Boys' Wrestling @ Marshall 5:30 p.m.   |
|                  | JVG/JVB and VG/VB Basketball vs. Penny/Hamilton 6:00 p.m.                                 |
| December 13      | 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Basketball vs. Trenton 6:00 p.m.         |
|                  | 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys' Basketball @ Trenton 6:00 p.m.            |
|                  | School Board Meeting 5:30 p.m. (tentative)  |
| December 14      | MS Band/Chorus Concert 6:00 p.m.  |
| December 15      | HS Band/Chorus Concert 6:00 p.m.  |
|                  | 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Basketball @ Putnam 6:00 p.m.            |
|                  | 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys' Basketball vs. Putnam 6:00 p.m.           |
| December 17      | Early Dismissal 1:45 p.m. (Start of Holiday Break)  |
|                  | END OF 2 <sup>ND</sup> QUARTER  |
| December 16 – 17 | Varsity Girls' and Boys' Wrestling @ Battle (Sedalia) TBA                                 |
| December 17      | VG/VB Basketball @ SEC-CCC Shootout (Clark County) TBA                                    |
| Dec. 19 – Jan. 2 | NO SCHOOL – Holiday Break   |
| December 26 – 28 | VG/VB Basketball @ LeBlond Holiday Tournament/St. Joseph TBA                              |

NOTE: Schedules for first semester 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Finals will be determined at a later date.

### **JANUARY**

| January 2      | NO SCHOOL – Teacher Inservice   |
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| January 3      | Students' Return – First Day of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester                            |
| ,              | Varsity Girls' and Boys' Wrestling @ Marceline with Mid Buchanan & Penney 5:00 p.m. |
|                | JVG/JVB and VG/VB Basketball @ Harrisburg 6:00 p.m.                                 |
| January 5      | Varsity Girls' and Boys' Wrestling @ CCC Quad 5:00 p.m. TBA                         |
| January 6      | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.  |
| •              | 2 <sup>ND</sup> QUARTER GRADE CARDS ISSUED  |
| January 7      | Varsity Girls' and Boys' Wrestling @ Marshall Tournament TBA                        |
| January 9 – 14 | VG/VB Basketball @ Milan Tournament TBA   |
| January 10     | JVG/JVB Basketball @ Putnam County 6:00 p.m.  |
| -              | Varsity Girls' and Boys' Wrestling vs. Marceline 6:00 p.m.                          |
| January 12     | Varsity Girls' Wrestling @ Gallatin with Chillicothe 5:30 p.m.                      |
| January 13     | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.  |
| January 14     | Varsity Boys Wrestling @ Plattsburg Tournament TBA                                  |
| January 16     | NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day   |
| January 17     | School Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.  |
|                | JVG/JVB and VG/VB Basketball vs. Salisbury 6:00 p.m.                                |
|                | Varsity Girls' and Boys' Wrestling @ Richmond with Trenton 5:00 p.m.                |
| January 19     | JVG/JVB and VG/VB Basketball vs. Marceline 6:00 p.m.                                |
|                | Elementary Group Pictures   |
| January 20     | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.  |
|                | Brookfield Girls Wrestling Tournament (Brookfield) 3:00 p.m.                        |
| January 21     | Varsity Boys Wrestling – Gary Haag Invitational (Brookfield) 9:30 a.m.              |
|                | JVG/JVB Basketball @ Milan January JV Shootout TBA                                  |
| January 23     | JVG/JVB Basketball @ South Shelby 6:00 p.m.   |
| January 24     | VG/VB Basketball @ Palmyra 6:00 p.m.  |
|                | Varsity Girls' and Boys' Wrestling vs. Kirksville/Mexico/Palmyra 5:00 p.m.          |
| January 26     | JVG/JVB Basketball @ Lathrop 5:00 p.m.  |
| January 27     | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.  |
|                | VG/VB Basketball vs. Highland 6:00 p.m.   |
|                | Varsity Girls Wrestling @ St. Joe Girls Wrestling Tournament 3:00 p.m.              |
| January 31     | VG/VB Basketball @ Centralia 6:00 p.m.  |
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**NOTE:** Schedules for second semester Scholar Bowl events/competitions will be determined at a later date.

### **FEBRUARY**

| February 3       | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.<br>VG/VB Basketball @ Clark County 6:00 p.m.          |
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| February 7       | VG/VB Basketball vs. South Shelby 6:00 p.m.                                    |
| February 9       | JVG/JVB Basketball vs. Putnam County 6:00 p.m.                                 |
| February 10      | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
| •                | VG/VB Basketball vs. Macon 6:00 p.m.   |
| February 11      | ACT Test Date  |
| February 14      | JVG/JVB and VG/VB Basketball @ Monroe City 6:00 p.m.                           |
| February 16      | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.       |
| •                | PROGRESS REPORTS ISSUED K-12   |
| February 16 – 18 | HS State Wrestling @ Columbia TBA  |
| February 17      | NO SCHOOL  |
| February 20      | NO SCHOOL – President's Day  |
| February 21      | School Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.   |
| February 20 – 25 | HS District Basketball TBA   |
| February 24      | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
|                  | 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Activity Night 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. |

### **MARCH**

| March 1      | Varsity Basketball Sectionals  |
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| March 2      | MS Vocal/Band Concert 6:00 p.m.  |
| March 3      | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
|              | END OF 3 <sup>RD</sup> QUARTER   |
| March 4      | Varsity Basketball Quarterfinals   |
| March 8      | Elementary Spring Pictures   |
| March 9 – 11 | Varsity Basketball State   |
| March 9      | Middle School Spring Pictures  |
| March 10     | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
|              | 3 <sup>RD</sup> QUARTER GRADE CARDS ISSUED K-12                                |
|              | Missouri School Read-In Day  |
|              | 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Activity Night 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. |
| March 11     | Varsity Baseball Jamboree @ Moberly TBA  |
| March 12     | Daylight Savings Time Begins   |
| March 17     | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
| March 18     | Varsity Baseball vs. Centralia and Trenton 10:00 a.m.                          |
|              | Varsity Track @ Northwest Missouri State Indoor Meet (Maryville) 11:00 a.m.    |
| March 20     | HS Boys' Golf @ Father Tolton Tournament (Columbia)                            |
| March 21     | School Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.   |
|              | JV/V Baseball @ Linn County 5:00 p.m.  |
| March 22     | MS (Gr. 5-8) Group Pictures 1:30 p.m.  |
| March 23     | Grades 3 and 4 Music Concert/Art Show 6:00 p.m.                                |
|              | JV/V Baseball @ Northeast (Cairo) 5:00 p.m.                                    |
| March 24     | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
| March 27     | HS Boys' Golf vs. South Shelby 4:00 p.m.                                       |
|              | JV/V Baseball vs. Highland 5:00 p.m.   |
| March 28     | Varsity Track @ Brookfield HS Open 4:00 p.m.                                   |
| March 30     | HS Track @ Trenton Early Bird 4:00 p.m.  |
|              | Varsity Boys' Golf @ Boonville Tournament 8:30 p.m.                            |
|              | JV/V Baseball vs. Carrollton 4:30 p.m.   |
| March 31     | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
|              | PROGRESS REPORTS ISSUED K-12   |
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MS Track Meet @ Macon MS Open

### **APRIL**

| April 3-6 | Middle School Student Council Election Week (tentative)              |
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| April 3   | JV/V Baseball vs. Clark County 5:00 p.m.                             |
| April 4   | HS Track @ Clark County 3:30 p.m.                                    |
| •         | HS Boys' Golf @ Trenton 4:00 p.m.                                    |
| April 5   | HS Boys' Golf @ Macon 4:00 p.m.                                      |
| April 6   | Middle School Student Council Election Assembly TBA                  |
| 1         | MS Track Open Meet (Home) 4:00 p.m.                                  |
|           | JV/V Baseball vs. Marceline 5:00 p.m.                                |
| April 7   | NO SCHOOL – Spring Break   |
| 1         | HS Track @ Joe Shy Relays (Chillicothe)                              |
| April 10  | NO SCHOOL – Spring Break   |
| •         | MS Track Open Meet (Home) 4:00 p.m.                                  |
|           | JV/V Baseball @ South Shelby 5:00 p.m.                               |
|           | HS Boys' Golf vs. Chillicothe 4:00 p.m.                              |
| April 11  | HS Track @ Centralia Invitational TBA                                |
| -         | HS Boys' Golf @ Moberly Invitational 8:30 a.m.                       |
| April 12  | Kindergarten Concert 6:00 p.m.                                       |
| _         | MS Track @ Marceline 4:00 p.m.                                       |
|           | HS Boys' Golf @ Marceline Invitational 8:30 a.m.                     |
| April 13  | MS Track @ Putnam County Relays 3:30 p.m.                            |
|           | HS Track @ Trenton Relays 3:30 p.m.                                  |
|           | JV/V Baseball @ Macon 5:00 p.m.                                      |
|           | HS Boys' Golf Brookfield Invitational 8:30 a.m.                      |
| April 14  | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
| April 15  | ACT Test Date  |
|           | Varsity Baseball @ Trenton Tournament TBA                            |
| April 17  | MS Track Meet: Brookfield MS Relays 1:00 p.m.                        |
|           | JV Boys' Golf @ Macon Tournament 9:00 a.m.                           |
|           | JV/V Baseball vs. Milan 5:00 p.m.                                    |
| April 18  | Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.  |
|           | HS Track @ Marceline Relays 3:00 p.m.                                |
| April 19  | Kindergarten Enrollment Parent Meeting                               |
|           | MS Track @ Macon Relays 3:30 p.m.                                    |
|           | JV/V Baseball @ Tri-County 5:00 p.m.                                 |
| April 20  | HS Boys' Golf @ Chillicothe Tournament 8:30 a.m.                     |
| April 21  | NO SCHOOL – HS Track Meet: Gary Ewing Invitational Relays 10:00 a.m. |
|           | JV/V Baseball @ Palmyra 5:00 p.m.                                    |
| April 22  | Brookfield High School Prom  |
| April 24  | JV/V Baseball vs. Monroe City 5:00 p.m.                              |
| April 25  | HS Track @ Gerald Mansfield Invitation (Macon) 1:00 p.m.             |
|           | HS Boys' Golf @ Kirksville Tournament 9:00 a.m.                      |
| April 27  | MS Track @ Marceline Relays 4:00 p.m.                                |
|           | HS Boys' Golf @ Milan Tri (with Trenton)                             |
|           | JV/V Baseball @ Grundy County 5:00 p.m.                              |
| April 28  | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.   |
|           | HS Track @ Marcus Hounsom Invitation (Putnam County)                 |
|           | HS Boys' Golf @ Richmond Spartan Invitation TBA                      |

NOTE: Schedules for State Assessment Testing for students in Grades 3-8 will be determined at a later date.

### **MAY**

| May 1 – 5         | Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week   |
|-------------------|---|
| May 1             | JV/V Baseball vs. Glasgow 5:00 p.m.   |
|                   | HS Track CCC Relays @ Highland 3:30 p.m.  |
| May 2             | K-4 Field Day   |
|                   | HS/Vocal Band Concert 6:00 p.m.   |
| May 3             | HS Boys' Golf @ CCC TBA   |
|                   | Baccalaureate 7:00 p.m.   |
| May 4             | MS Vocal/Band Concert 6:00 p.m.   |
| -                 | K-4 Field Day (rain date – tentative)   |
|                   | JV/V Baseball @ Salisbury 5:00 p.m.   |
| May 5             | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.  |
| •                 | HS Student Council Installation/Senior Memories Assembly                              |
|                   | MS Track CCC Relays @ Centralia TBA   |
| May 6             | HS Track Districts TBA  |
| May 8 – 9         | HS Boys' Golf Districts TBA   |
| May 8             | JV/V Baseball @ Novinger 5:00 p.m.  |
| ·                 | Elks Student of the Month Banquet 6:00 p.m. (tentative)                               |
| May 9             | Kindergarten Round-Up/Step-Up Day K-4   |
| <b>J</b>          | 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Track and Field Day                         |
|                   | 4th Grade Transition Night 6:00 p.m. (tentative)                                      |
| May 10            | 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Track and Field Day (rain date – tentative) |
| <b>,</b>          | Teacher of the Year (Hurlbut) Recognition 5:30 p.m.                                   |
|                   | Senior Awards Night 7:00 p.m.   |
| May 11            | Grades 6-8 Inflatable Game Day (tentative)  |
| 1,14,7 11         | JV/V Baseball vs. Princeton 5:00 p.m.   |
| May 12            | Early Out (PD) 1:45 p.m.  |
| 1.14.7 12         | Elementary End-of-Year Assemblies (TBA)   |
| May 13            | HS Track Sectionals TBA 10:00 a.m.  |
| May 14            | High School Graduation 3:00 p.m.  |
| May 15 - 20       | HS Baseball Districts TBA   |
| May 15 – 16       | HS Boys' Golf State TBA   |
| May 15            | MS End-of-the-Year Awards Assemblies TBA  |
| 1.14) 10          | MS No ZAP Party (tentative)   |
|                   | MS Dance Grades 7-8 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. (tentative)                                      |
| May 16            | STUDENT'S LAST DAY – 1:45 p.m. Dismissal  |
| iviay 10          | END OF 4 <sup>TH</sup> QUARTER  |
|                   | School Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.  |
| May 17            | Teacher Workday   |
| May 19 - 20       | HS Track – State @ Jefferson City TBA   |
| May 22 – 23       | HS Baseball Sectionals TBA  |
| May 24 – 25       | HS Baseball Quarterfinals TBA   |
| May 29 – June 1   | HS Baseball State TBA   |
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NOTE: Schedules for second semester 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Finals will be determined at a later date.