



Policy Type: Required
Policy Title: Code of Conduct and Discipline
Effective: February 9, 2017

Lakeview Academy understands that proper discipline and order are essential to the accomplishment of the school's goals, which are to:

1. Maintain an orderly school operation.
2. Maintain optimal learning opportunities for students. School facilities and classrooms must be free of behaviors that interfere with teaching and learning.
3. Help students develop skills and behaviors necessary for healthy social interaction, both present and future.
4. Help students learn how their decisions affect the quality of their lives and others.
5. Help students develop responsibility and character.

Lakeview Academy believes in and adheres to the Love and Logic approach to school discipline and understands that each student is a unique individual with unique personal, social, and educational needs. As a result, every disciplinary situation is unique in nature. Consequences for misbehavior provide the best learning value when matched to the unique student and the unique situation. The odds for children learning from their mistakes increase dramatically when they see a reasonable connection between their behavior and the resulting consequences.

The staff of Lakeview Academy dedicates itself to following a set of core beliefs that provide a guide for dealing with student discipline. These core beliefs guide attempts to individualize disciplinary procedures and to help students see reasonable connections between their behavior and the resulting consequences. Parents are encouraged to address any concerns or questions with Lakeview Academy staff in the event that student discipline is handled in ways that appear to be inconsistent with these core beliefs. These core beliefs are as follows:

1. Every attempt will be made to maintain the dignity and self-respect of both the student and the teacher.
2. Students will be guided and expected to solve their own problems, or the ones they create, without creating problems for anyone else.
3. If a student cannot solve a problem, or they choose not to, staff members will impose upon them an appropriate consequence.
4. Students will be given opportunities to make decisions and live with the consequences, be they good or bad.
5. Misbehavior will be handled with natural or logical consequences instead of punishment, whenever possible.

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6. Misbehavior will be viewed as an opportunity for individual problem solving and preparation for the real world as opposed to a personal attack on the school or staff.
7. Students are encouraged to request a due process hearing whenever consequences appear to be unfair.
8. School problems will be handled by Lakeview Academy staff. Criminal activity will be referred to the proper authorities.

To follow is a list of general school rules. It is impossible to create an all-inclusive list of rules, so the school's core beliefs should be kept in mind as school rules and proper behavior are discussed or considered.

1. Cell phones must remain off and put away during school hours, unless they are being used for class instruction purposes
2. Electronic toys and games are not allowed on campus.
3. Be polite and courteous at all times.
4. Stay on school grounds during school hours unless leaving with permission and supervision of a parent, guardian,, or teacher.
5. Walk bikes and carry skateboards while on school grounds.
6. Take care of school property and respect the property of others.
7. Observe the dress code.
8. Come to class prepared, follow directions, and fully participate.
9. Hands and feet must be kept to oneself at all times.
10. No food or drink allowed in class (except a clear water bottle). No gum allowed on campus.
11. Bringing weapons or facsimile weapons of any type to school is absolutely prohibited.
12. Lakeview Academy will adhere to all state and federal laws.

If an offense requires disciplinary action, parents will be notified. If the nature of the offense is serious, or a pattern of inappropriate behavior develops, school administration will become involved.

The following violations will result in immediate referral of the student to school administration:

1. Weapons possession with intent to cause injury, or intimidation with any type of weapon, firearm, knife, or other object which is capable of causing bodily harm.



2. Defiance of school authority by showing willful, open, or continued disobedience or use of profanity, vulgarity, insults, or obscenities toward school staff.
3. Improper behavior at school sponsored extracurricular events whether they be on or off campus.
4. Assault of either another student or school staff.
5. Harassment or bullying (refer to the Bullying/Hazing and Harassment policies).
6. Gang activity, which includes wearing clothing with gang affiliation, making gestures or signs that symbolize gang membership, or engaging in any type of behavior that condones or suggests support of gang activity.
7. Failure to adhere to the terms of the *Acceptable Computer Use Agreement*.
8. Throwing objects that have the potential to cause bodily harm or cause damage to property.
9. Possession, use, or sale of drugs.
10. Stealing or vandalism of private or school property.
11. Severely disruptive behavior that infringes upon the educational rights of other students.

Certification

The undersigned officers and/or directors of Lakeview Academy certify that this Code of Conduct and Discipline policy was duly adopted on February 9, 2017 and replaces all previous Code of Conduct and Discipline policies.

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

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