LEARWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL

2023-2024

Dear Students,

We are thrilled to have you as a part of the Learwood Family, and are excited to begin a brand new year of learning at Learwood Middle School! We are excited to have you back at the building and see how you grow. You will hear a lot about the SHOREWAY, this is the way at Learwood; **Respect, Responsible, and Ready**. As you transition through your school years, you will take on more challenges, responsibilities, and experience changes in yourself. You will be expected to be Respectful, Responsible, and Ready to accept responsibility for your actions and behaviors. Remember, we will always be here to help you.

As your academic workload increases, so will your opportunities to grow socially. Research has shown that students who are involved in extracurricular activities are more successful academically in school. At Learwood, you will find many fun academic, athletic, leadership, and social activities in which you can participate.

Our school is committed to pride in excellence, and our goal is to be the "best" school we can be. We need your cooperation as we continue to move toward our goal. It takes a team (student, parent, school, and staff) to help you be successful. Your parents can help by reviewing the homework planner section on a regular basis to keep informed and involved with your education. Let's all do our job well. Mostly, enjoy your time here at Learwood Middle School. Take pride in your school and yourself, be involved, and strive for excellence, so that you can create some great memories of your time at "The Wood".

Sincerely,

Dr. Vishtasp Nuggud

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Dr. Vishtasp Nuggud—Principal Mr. Michael N. Okuma—Assistant Principal

Principal	Dr. Nuggud	2913
Assistant Principal	Mr. Okuma	2914
8th Grade Counselor	Mrs. Schanz	2912
7th Grade Counselor	Mr. Kaiser	2979
School Secretary	Mrs. Corbin	2915
School Secretary	Mrs. Vogel	2916
Office Assistant	Mrs. McChesney	2918
School Nurse	Mrs. Taips	2901
School Nurse	Mrs. Chmiel	2901
Head Cook	Mrs. Austin	2923
Head Custodian	Mr. Kozich	2924

LEARWOOD STAFF AND VOICEMAILS

Mrs. Augustine	2502	Mrs. S. Lee	2229
Mrs. Belz	2503	Mr. Lynch	2237
Mr. Bement	2604	Mr. Marlow	2223
Mrs. Campo	2888	Ms. McDougal	1542
Mrs. Carson	2208	Ms. Modock	2505
Mrs. Castrilla	2202	Ms. Moffat	2504
Mrs. Cedron	2134	Mrs. Moreck	2203
Mrs. Digges	2406	Mr. Myers	2233
Mr. Ewald	2105	Mr. Peepers	2301
Mrs. Farney	2132	Mr. Perry	2703
Mr. Ferrari	2205	Mrs. McClain	2103
Mr. Fitch	2704	Mr. Scarvelli	2201
Mrs. Fleming	2919	Mrs. Simmerly	2130
Mr. Gibbons	2233	Mrs. Smith	2138
Mr. Gomez	2602	Mrs. Soltis	2306
Mr. Grumbos	2702	Mrs. Walters	2204
Mr. Herman	2402	Mr. Warren	2228
Mr. Johnson	2920	Mrs. Warren	2404
Mr. Kapalko	2506	Ms. Wells	2501
Mrs. E. Lee	2606		

AUGUST

16 7th Grade Locker/Schedule Day 8:30-11:00 (A-L)
16 7th Grade Locker/Schedule Day 11:30-2:00 (M-Z)
17 8th Grade Locker/Schedule Day 8:30-11:00 (A-L)
17 8th Grade Locker/Schedule Day 11:30-2:00 (M-Z)
22 First Day of School
28 Washington DC Parent/Student Mtg. PAC 7:00 PM
31 Open House. Grade 8: 6:00 PM. Grade 7: 7:15 PM

SEPTEMBER

4 Labor Day ~No School
14 PTA Meeting 9:00 AM (AL Library)
22 Homecoming Game vs Amherst
27 Early Release - 11:35 AM
28 All Pro Parent Kick-Off 7:15-7:45 AM

OCTOBER

11 PSAT Test 8th grade only
11 Parent Conferences 3:30-7:00 PM
12 PTA Meeting 9:00 AM (AL Library)
12 Parent Conferences 7:00 AM-3:00 PM No School
13 NEOEA Day ~ No School
19 All Pro Parent meeting 7:15-7:45 AM
20 SouperBowl (@Avon)
24 Orchestra Fall Festival 6:00 PM @ HS Commons
25-27 Washington DC Trip.
27 End of 1st Quarter

NOVEMBER

PD Day No School
 PTA Meeting 9:00 AM (AL Library)
 Veterans Day Breakfast Program
 Student-Staff Volleyball Game
 22-24 Thanksgiving Break ~ No School
 All Pro Parent meeting 7:15-7:45 AM

DECEMBER

6 ALHS/Learwood Orchestra Concert 7 PM PAC
7 ALHS/Learwood Band Holiday Concert 7 PM PAC
12 Grade 7 Choir Winter Concert 6:30 PM PAC
12 Grade 8 Choir Winter Concert 7:30 PM PAC
18 Winter Break (School Resumes 1/3/24)

<u>2024</u>

JANUARY

3 Return to School
11 PTA Meeting 9:00 AM (AL Library)
15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School)
19 Early Release - 11:35 AM
19 End of 2nd Quarter
25 All Pro Parent meeting 7:15-7:45 AM

FEBRUARY

8 PTA Meeting 9:00 AM (AL Library)
16 Teacher In Service Day ~ No School
19 Washington's Birthday~ No School
22 Orchestra Winter Concert 7 PM @ PAC
22 All Pro Parent meeting 7:15-7:45 AM

MARCH

7 Early release - 11:35 AM
8 Parent Conferences No School
14 PTA Meeting 9:00 AM (AL Library)
22 End of 3rd Quarter
28 All Pro Parent meeting 7:15-7:45 AM
29 Spring Break (School Resumes 4/9/24)

<u>APRIL</u>

1-8 Spring Break (School Resumes 4/9/24)11 PTA Meeting 9:00 AM (AL Library)25 All Pro Parent meeting 7:15-7:45 AM

MAY

- 7 Early Release 11:35 AM
- 8 Band Spring Concert 7 PM @ PAC
- 9 PTA Meeting 9:00 AM (AL Library)
- 9 Orchestra Spring Concert 7 PM @ PAC
- 21 Grade 7 Choir Spring Concert 6:30 PM @ PAC
- 21 Grade 8 Choir Spring Concert 7:30 PM @ PAC
- 27 Memorial Day ~ No School

<u>JUNE</u>

5 Last Day of School. 11:00 AM

<u>2023</u>

CLASSROOM RULES

While each teacher will establish rules of conduct for his/her classroom, you should be on time and prepared to work. You should pay attention to your teachers' directions and not create a disturbance that would interfere with the learning of others. You should show respect for your teachers and fellow students at all times.

All staff has the following expectations for students:

- 1. Students will maintain a positive learning environment so that teachers may teach and students may learn.
- Students will treat ALL staff with respect and follow their directions in a respectful manner.
- 3. Students will come to class prepared, on time, and with their materials.
- 4. Students will keep hands, feet, objects and unkind remarks to themselves.
- 5. Students will not bring distractions to class.

Classroom rules are designed to provide the best learning environment for everyone in the classroom. If a student chooses to misbehave, then he/she chooses to accept all consequences for his/her actions.

VALUABLES

Students are encouraged to not bring large amounts of money or wear expensive watches or jewelry to school. Please do not leave purses, money, jewelry, electronics, or any item of value in the classroom, on lunch tables, or anywhere unattended. If you lose an article, please check with the lost and found located in the office or cafeteria.

LOCKERS

Lockers will be issued at the beginning of the year. Your locker should be locked at all times. Students should not tell anyone their combination. Each student is responsible for keeping his/her own locker clean, both inside and out. Students are NOT to share lockers. School lockers are property of the school district, with use granted by the district. Students shall have no expectation of privacy with regards to any contraband, dangerous objects or substances placed within such lockers. School officials may search lockers at any time if there are reasonable grounds to suspect a violation of school rules. Party and tape decorations are not permitted in or on lockers.

Students should go to their lockers to get their materials for class. It is easier to take materials for more than one class at a time. Students should be able to make it to their locker and to class on time, before the bell rings.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

The faculty and administration of Learwood Middle School strongly believe that consistent attendance and punctuality are important factors in pursuit of a high school education and diploma. Families are urged to make appointments outside of school hours. If students are absent they are not to be on the school grounds. When a student is absent, parents or guardians are requested to call the Attendance Office before 8:30 a.m. on the day of the absence. Please call the Attendance Office at **(440) 930-8295** to report absences 24 hours a day.

Ohio law requires attendance each day that school is in session. Regular attendance and punctuality are necessary for academic progress and success. In addition, regular attendance helps students learn responsibility as well as value the education opportunities provided in the District.

Parents who will be out of town are required to notify the school in writing of the name and phone number of a contact person who will be responsible for the attendance of the student.

EXCUSED ABSENCE

Excused absences from school are not counted in the number of accumulated absences and include:

- 1. Personal illness with a doctor's note
- 2. Medical appointment with a written note from the doctor's office or other proof of attendance.
- 3. Parents are encouraged to make appointments after school hours.
- 4. Court appointments with written proof
- 5. Death of a relative
- School approved field trips or extracurricular activities;
- Extenuating circumstances warranting individual consideration by the building administrator

Absences due to reasons indicated above will not be counted in the total accumulated absences. Students are responsible for making up missed work.

PERSONAL ILLNESS

Avon Lake City Schools understand that parents use their best judgment as to whether their child should attend school when suffering a personal illness. We appreciate this due diligence as it benefits the health of all others in the school. Many of these illnesses do not warrant a visit to the doctor's office and therefore will not have a doctor's note. For this reason, up to 65 hours (per semester) of personal illnesses without a doctor's note could be considered excused absences. Anything beyond the 65 hours would require a doctor's note to be considered excused.

PLANNED ABSENCE FROM LEARWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL

Absences due to a set of circumstances judged by the administration to constitute good and sufficient cause for excused absence from school may be approved for up to 65 hours (combined total) per year at administration's discretion, dependent on circumstances, for students considered to be in good standing. Reasons for such absence may include school visitations, retreats, participation in non-school athletic events, or family matters/trips out of town. These absences, while excused, are still counted in the student's total accumulated absences by school law.

Requests for a planned absence must be submitted 5 school days prior to the anticipated absence. The student will get a form from the attendance office and must give it to his/her classroom teachers for signatures indicating they are aware of the impending absence. At that time, it is the student's responsibility to check for assignments with each teacher. Final completely filled out forms must be submitted to the main office for approval.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCE

A student's absence is unexcused when he/she misses school for a reason other than the seven reasons stated above. The following are unexcused absences in accordance with Ohio attendance laws: truancy, suspension, trips not approved and excused in advance, shopping, hunting, fishing, baby-sitting, oversleeping, attendance at games, birthday or other celebrations, gainful employment.

Unexcused absence from school and/or classes include:

- 1. Truancy from classes and school;
- Student absences without a parental phone call stating the reason for the absence;

Unexcused absences are counted in a student's accumulated absences as defined in the Board policy on excessive absences.

Students with unexcused absences are expected to make up for their missed work. Unexcused absences can be changed to excused with proper documentation from a parent or guardian, or medical professional.

MAKE-UP WORK FOLLOWING AN ABSENCE

Students will be given adequate time to make up tests, quizzes and other academic work missed. The time frame for make-up work will be equivalent to the number of days absent. Work is due during the assigned period. It is the responsibility of the student to initiate contact with his/her teacher regarding academic work missed during the period of absence. For planned absences, students are to arrange make-up work, homework, tests, and quizzes with the teacher prior to departure.

Unless there are extenuating circumstances related to illness or injury, long-range assignments, such as term papers, are expected to be turned in on the due date.

PROCEDURE FOR LEAVING THE BUILDING AND SCHOOL GROUNDS

To leave the building and/or school grounds for any reason, a student **must sign out via the Main Office**. For illness or emergency, only the parent or guardian listed as the emergency contact or other emergency contact person listed will be notified. Parents or guardians must grant permission for a student to leave. If the parent cannot be reached, the student will be required to remain at school. Any student who leaves the building without administrative permission will be in violation of this policy and will be subject to disciplinary action. Students who are leaving school grounds for an appointment, out-of-town, etc. are to **bring a parent note indicating they are leaving** to the Main Office in the morning no later than 8:00 a.m. Upon returning from an appointment, the student must report to the **Main Office** before going to class. It is recommended that all appointments be made before school or after school. Verification of appointments is required before the absence will be excused. A student may not loiter, nor return to school on a day he/she is sent home from school.

STUDENT ATHLETES

A student athlete must be in attendance for five (5) full consecutive periods a day to be eligible to participate in athletic practice or interscholastic contests scheduled for that date. Exceptions to this policy are at administrator discretion. Friday attendance determines weekend eligibility.

TARDY

Accepting responsibility is an important part of learning, and the tardy policy reflects the belief that getting to school on time is a student and/or parent/guardian responsibility and a mandated school law. Students are expected to be in their first period class prior to the first period bell. Those students who are tardy to school will report to the office to sign in and to receive a pass. Unexcused and excessive tardiness will result in disciplinary consequences.

POWERSCHOOL

Learwood Middle School uses a web based program to monitor your student's progress. PowerSchool is intended to be a communication tool for teachers, students, and parents. PowerSchool does not replace the students' responsibility to accurately copy down daily assignments and test dates in their planner.

STUDY HALLS

Students must bring school work or reading material to the study hall. Study hall monitors may issue passes to the office, guidance office, library, and to the restroom in emergency cases. Other study hall procedures include:

- 1. Permission to work together must be obtained from the monitor.
- Passes to work in another teacher room must be given at the beginning of the period to the study hall monitor.
- 3. Students are to have all study materials with them when they arrive.
- 3. Students may use school provided electronic devices for teacher assigned activities.

DRESS CODE/STANDARDS OF APPEARANCE

Students shall appear in school and at school sponsored activities in dress that is clean, in good taste, and in a manner that will not tend to disrupt the school activity nor create a condition that would be adverse to the safety and health of the students. Student dress may be regulated if the administration deems said attire to be bizarre, offensive, disruptive or distracting to the educational process. Students may be sent home if a change of clothes are not available. Any time missed from class will be recorded as unexcused. Violations of these standards and guidelines shall be handled by the building principal and his/her designee who shall determine appropriate actions to be taken. Those actions may result in suspension or in recommendation for expulsion. The following guidelines shall constitute the Learwood Middle School student dress code.

- 1. Students shall, at all times, wear some kind of shoes.
- 2. Skirts and shorts of appropriate size, length, fit and propriety are permissible.
- 3. Excessive holes and rips in clothing are not permitted.
- 4. Leggings must be accompanied by an appropriate top.
- 5. Sunglasses are not to be worn unless prescribed by a doctor.

- 6. Hats/bandanas worn as head coverings may not be worn in the building.
- 7. Coats and outer garments not appropriate for indoor wear are to be kept in lockers and are not to be worn in classes.
- 8. Style of dress that exposes the midriff and cleavage is prohibited. This prohibition includes the exposure of the front, rear and sides of the waist. Tank tops, cut off shirts or any garment, which reveals undergarments, are not appropriate. No spaghetti straps or thin straps, bare backs, or revealing tops are allowed. No low cut armholes or necklines.
- 9. Garments advertising or displaying illegal and/or inappropriate activities for young people (reference to drugs, alcohol, tobacco, promiscuity, cults, or gangs) are not allowed.
- 10. Writing and/or symbols on garments should not literally or by implication, be obscene or be such as to shock or affront the standards of common decency and propriety as determined by administration.
- 11. No items that may present physical danger are allowed (such as chains or spiked jewelry, etc).
- 12. Any style of dress, which, by standards of common decency and good taste, constitutes sexual exhibitionism, is prohibited.
- 13. Students representing the Avon Lake Schools at events outside the school setting may be required to meet specific dress and appearance patterns. Coaches and advisors with the building principal are responsible for establishing these patterns with their respective teams or clubs.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Students are not to operate any personal electronic devices between 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM without staff permission. Violations of this policy will result in the confiscation of such items. Students should limit items brought to school to those items necessary for school activities. Students are responsible for securing /locking all personal belongings. Learwood is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Consequences include:

- 1. 1st offense: Warning.
- 2nd offense: Staff confiscation until the end of the period
- 3. 3rd offense: Device confiscated and held in office until the end of the day.
- Additional offenses: Parent picks up device from the office after school. Addition to disciplinary consequences.

Electronic devices (Phones, tablets, smart watches, etc.) can be used as "technology" during appropriate times as determined by the classroom teacher.

All devices must be in silent mode while on school campuses and while riding school buses or school vehicles. Devices may not be used to cheat on assignments or tests, or for non-instructional purposes (such as making personal phone calls and/or texts, social media, etc.). No recordings can be conducted without the participants' approval.

The use of technology to provide educational material is not a necessity but a privilege. Students are expected to follow the Avon Lake City School's Acceptable use Policy while using any technology in the District. I understand that any network resource including **@alstudent.org** emails are owned by Avon Lake Schools and are not private. Avon Lake City Schools has the right to access my information at any time on any device.

TECHNOLOGY LOANER AGREEMENT

Avon Lake City Schools is committed to providing high quality educational technology devices to all students. Chromebooks will be checked out to students via our library circulation system. Any loaned equipment is, and at all times, remains the property of Avon Lake City Schools and is herewith lent to the Borrower for educational purposes only for the current academic school year. Students shall have no expectation of privacy with respect to the Chromebooks provided by the District or any materials therein and may be inspected without notice. Borrowers may not deface or destroy this property in any way. Inappropriate use of the Chromebook may result in the Borrower losing his/her right to use this equipment. The equipment will be returned to the school when requested by Avon Lake City Schools, at year's end and/or if the Borrower withdraws from Avon Lake City Schools District prior to the end of the school year.

The Chromebook may be used by Borrower only for educational purposes, in accordance with the District's policies, Student handbook, and the District's Code of Conduct. Borrower may not install or use any software other than software owned or approved by the District and made available on the Chromebook. The Borrower agrees to make no attempts to change or allow others to change the privileges and capabilities of the device, to make no attempts to add, delete, access, or modify other user accounts.

Avon Lake City Schools asset tags and labels have been placed on the Chromebooks and are NOT to be removed or modified. If they become damaged or missing, contact your building's administrator for replacements. Additional stickers, labels, tags, or markings are not to be added to the Google Chromebook.

Borrower acknowledges his/her responsibility to protect and safeguard the District Property and to return the same in good condition. Students and parents/guardians must immediately report any damage to or loss of the Chromebook or accessories to the District. Avon Lake City Schools District can obtain reimbursement from, or on behalf of, students for any damage to, loss of, or failure to return school property. In the event of damage to the Chromebook or accessories which is not covered by the warranty, (broken screens are not covered) the student and parents/guardians may be charged for the cost of repair or replacement of the Chromebook or accessories according to the following incident schedule:

- 1. Incident 1 up to \$50.00
- 2. Incident 2 up to \$100.00
- Incident 3 up to full cost of repair or replacement

Avon Lake City Schools reserves the right to charge the student and parents/guardians the full cost of repair or replacement of the Chromebook or accessories at any time, such as when damage occurs due to gross negligence or intentional misconduct as determined by the District. In the event the Chromebook or accessories are lost, stolen, or otherwise not returned to the District, the student and parents/guardians may be billed a fine for the full cost of replacement of the Chromebooks or accessories.

Students are held accountable to all rules and regulations as set forth by the board approved Acceptable Use Policy - Policy EDE, Policy EDE-E-1 and our Policy EDE-R.

ATHLETICS/ELIGIBILITY

A student enrolling in the seventh grade for the first time will be eligible for the first grading period regardless of the previous academic achievement. Thereafter, in order to be eligible, a student in grade 7 or 8 must be currently enrolled in school the immediately preceding grading period and received passing grades during that grading period in a minimum of five of those scheduled classes in which the student received a grade. A failing grade may not preclude a student from participation.

All proper paperwork including physicals and emergency medical forms are due prior to any participation. The student-athletes Pay to Participate fee must be paid in order to participate in practices and games.

<u>Fall</u>

Cross Country - Cheerleading - Football - Volleyball

<u>Winter</u>

Basketball (Boys and Girls) - Cheerleading - Wrestling

<u>Spring</u>

Softball - Track and Field (Boys and Girls)

BULLYING AND OTHER FORMS OF AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR

Aggressive behavior toward a student, whether by other students, staff, or third parties, is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. This prohibition includes physical, verbal, and psychological abuse, including any gestures, comments, threats, or actions, which cause or threaten to cause bodily harm or personal degradation. This also includes intimidation and harassment based on any of the legally protected characteristics, such as sex, race, color, national origin, marital status, or disability, stalking, bullying/cyberbullying, intimidating, menacing, coercion, name-calling, taunting, making threats, and hazing. Any student who believes s/he has been or is the victim of aggressive behavior should immediately report to a staff member. The principal or his/her designee will contact the victim's parent(s) involved in a timely fashion in order to develop an appropriate action plan. Please refer to the Board of Education Policy File: JFCF.

HALLWAY CONDUCT

- 1. Students are to walk at all times.
- 2. Students must have a hall visible pass at all times (one per person).
- 3. Students are not allowed to eat any type of food while in the halls.
- 4. No loud, boisterous noises or vulgar language will be accepted.
- 5. Students are to avoid any type of physical contact with other students (i.e. bumping, tripping, trashing books, etc.).

CAFETERIA CONDUCT

Lunch should be a time of the day in which you should relax and talk with classmates. Students are responsible for keeping their tables clean. To accomplish this will take very little time. If food and dishes are kept on your tray, there will be a minimal chance of food being dropped on the table. If an accident should occur, ask a cafeteria worker for a cleaning cloth to wipe up spilled food.

- 1. Students are not permitted to leave the cafeteria without permission.
- 2. Throwing food or other objects will result in disciplinary action.
- 3. Running, pushing, or horseplay is not acceptable.
- 4. Students are not to move from table to table without permission.
- 5. No outside delivery of foods (i.e., McDonalds, pizza, DoorDash, etc.) is permitted.
- Students will not leave until their table has been dismissed by the lunch supervisor.
- There will be no more than six (6) students at each table unless otherwise directed by luncheon staff. Each student will have an assigned seat.
- 8. No use of electronic devices (Phones, tablets, etc).

LUNCH POINT OF SALE

Avon Lake City Schools has a point of sale system that allows students more time to enjoy their lunch and will give parents the ability to monitor what their child is eating and to check lunch account balances.

It's called a Point of Sale System, or POS, and schools across Ohio and the U.S have implemented POS debit accounts for lunchroom purchases with great success. There are several major benefits to the POS System:

- Students with food allergies can immediately be identified by Food Service staff through their personal account.
- Parents can monitor what their child is buying and the food choices their child is making.
- Students will have more time to enjoy their lunch since lunch lines won't be bogged down with students searching for money or lunch tickets.
- Students who qualify for the free and reduced lunch program cannot be identified which can help boost school lunch participation and federal

reimbursements.

Parents deposit money either weekly/monthly or on an annual basis into their child's lunch account for the purchase of lunch or a la carte lunch items. Check or money order payments will be made online at www.myschoolaccount.com with a credit card or a checking/savings account transfer. Please be advised of the following bank fees associated with making online payments: \$1.50 flat fee for checking/savings account debit, 6% transaction fee for credit cards-Visa/MasterCard. Cash and checks will be accepted at the school buildings with no fee. Our final goal is to eliminate the need for students to carry cash for lunch on a daily basis. Bringing cash to pay for lunch will delay the lunch lines. Individual student accounts are set up with the student's identification number and photo. Students will memorize their ID numbers to access their lunch account.

No student will be denied lunch. Students will be notified when their lunch account balance is low. Please keep track of your child's account and the amount of money available at www.myschoolaccount.com.

We look forward to seeing your children in our cafeterias and enjoying a healthy and wonderful lunch. Please post the website address near your computer. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Dietitian/Food Service Supervisor at 440-930-8215.

BUS REGULATIONS

The purpose of a school transportation system is to deliver students to and from school or authorized curricular/extracurricular events; therefore, conduct expected in the school is required on the bus and at loading points on and off school property. Riding the bus is a privilege. This privilege will be suspended for students who cannot abide by the rules and regulations prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code and local transportation rules. All students will sign the rule sheet that states the expected behavior while riding the school bus. Students are responsible and liable for damages that might result from malicious behavior (i.e. seat damages). Students are not permitted to ride on any unassigned bus. Misconduct on the bus will result in the following steps:

- 1. Warning
- 2. School consequence
- 3. Removal from bus

Code of Conduct

Any of the following will be considered a breach of the Learwood Intermediate's Student.

- 1. Insubordination and Disrespect
- 2. Tardiness
- 3. Class Cutting
- 4. Truancy
- 5. Loitering
- 6. Minor Violations of Bus Conduct
- 7. Motor Vehicle Offenses
- 8. Distribution of Unauthorized Materials
- 9. Inappropriate Appearance
- 10. Electronic Devices
- 11. Failure to Complete Detention
- 12. In Halls Without Permission or Misuse of Hall Pass
- 13. Minor Disruption and/or Removal From Class
- 14. Leaving the Building Without Permission
- 15. Use of Inappropriate Language
- 16. Inappropriate Display of Affection
- 17. Other Misconduct
- 18. Tobacco
- 19. Gambling
- 20. Honor Violations
- 21. Injurious Behavior
- 22. Violating Acceptable Use Policy
- 23. Trespassing
- 24. Disobedience to Administrative Directive
- 25. Misuse of Facilities and Equipment
- 26. Failure to Complete Minor Disciplinary Sanction
- 27. Repeated Minor Violations
- 28. Abusive, Harassing, and/or disrespectful behavior
- 29. Bullying/Cyber Bullying
- 30. Vandalism

- **31.** Fireworks and Explosives
- 32. Assault
- 33. Fighting
- 34. Involvement with Weapons or Dangerous Instruments
- 35. Involvement with Alcoholic Beverages
- 36. Involvement with Drugs and/or Drug Paraphernalia
- 37. Theft or Possession of Stolen School or Private Property
- 38. Arson/Attempted Arson/Possession of Incendiary Devices
- **39.** Disruption of School
- 40. Extortion
- 41. Making False Fire Alarms and Bomb Threats
- 42. Violation of Local, State or Federal Laws
- 43. Hazing
- 44. Violation of Board Policies or School Rules & Regulations
- 45. Sexual Harassment
- 46. Failure to Provide Evidence/Providing False Information/Lying
- 47. Sexual conduct
- 48. Repeated or Continued Violation of Minor conduct Rules

DETENTIONS

Students may be assigned a detention before or after school, or during their lunch period as a disciplinary consequence. The student is responsible for notifying parents and arranging proper transportation home. Missing an assigned detention period is considered a serious offense. Excuses from a detention period are made only by the principal or assistant principal when circumstances warrant. This must be done prior to the day of detention. If detentions are not served, further discipline measures will be taken. Detentions will be served from 3:05 - 3:35 PM as assigned by teachers or the assistant principal. Detention will start promptly at 3:05 PM and no one will be admitted after that time. Detentions of any kind take precedence over all other activities. If you are absent on the day of an assigned detention, you will serve your detention on the day you return.

SATURDAY SCHOOL

As an alternative to an out-of-school suspension, or an in-school intervention, a student may be assigned a Saturday School. Students will spend three hours at the high school. Saturday school begins promptly at 8:00 AM and ends at 11:00 AM every Saturday morning at Avon Lake High School.

IN-SCHOOL INTERVENTION

As an alternative to out-of-school suspension, a student may be assigned in-school intervention. During this time, the student will spend the school day in the reflection room, and they will be required to complete all schoolwork assigned by teachers before being allowed to return the following day(s). The student will eat lunch in the reflection room.

STUDENT SUSPENSION

The superintendent, principal, assistant principal or other designated administrators may suspend a student from school for disciplinary reasons outlined in the student code of conduct. No period of suspension will be for more than 10 school days. Suspension may extend beyond the current school year if, at the time a suspension is imposed, fewer than 10 days remain in the school year. The superintendent may apply any or all of the period of suspension to the following year. The superintendent may require a student to perform community service in conjunction with or in place of a suspension. The board may adopt guidelines to permit the superintendent to impose a community service requirement beyond the end of the school year in lieu of applying the suspension into the following school year. The guidelines listed below will be followed for all suspensions, including those of in-school intervention.

- The student will be informed in writing of the potential suspension and the reasons for the proposed action.
- The student will be provided an opportunity for an informal hearing to challenge the reason for the intended suspension and explain his/her actions.

- An attempt will be made to notify parent(s)/guardian(s) by telephone if a suspension is issued.
- 4. Within 24 hours, a letter will be sent to the parent(s)/guardian(s) stating the specific reasons for the suspension and including notice of their right to appeal such action.
- Notice of suspension will be sent to the:
 a. Superintendent
 - b. Treasurer
 - c. Student's school record (but not for inclusion in the permanent record).
- 6. For which a school district may seek permanent exclusion, then the notice will contain that information.

SCHOOL DANCES

All Learwood students have the opportunity to attend school dances unless disciplinary issues restrict attendance. Students are not permitted to bring non-Learwood students, nor are they permitted to leave early. Dress for dances must be school appropriate. Students must be in attendance at school in order to attend the dance. **Rides are expected to be here promptly at the conclusion of the dance. Dances start at 7:00 PM and end at 9:00 PM.**

CLASS TRIP ELIGIBILITY

Each year the seventh and eighth graders participate in class trips. These trips are a privilege extended to those students who have proven to be academically and behaviorally responsible, and maintain a good record of attendance. To be eligible to participate in this special activity, students will be expected to adhere to the behavioral and attendance requirements outlined in the Avon Lake Board of Education Student Code of Conduct. Students may be denied participation from the trip for any disregard of the expectations and requirements set forth in the Student Code of Conduct. It is our goal to have as many students participate in the trip as possible. However, we will need the assurance from students demonstrated by their

conduct, behavior, and consistent attendance that they are trustworthy, responsible, and able to handle the vigorous pace and independence required for any trip.

HALL PASS

When you are late to class, you will be expected to provide a hall pass. You may also request a hall pass if you need to work on a special report in the library. Ask the teacher who gave you the assignment to issue you a hall pass. You must carry the designated hall pass for the room you are leaving if you are visiting your locker or the restroom. Only one student may use the hall pass at one time.

CLINIC PROCEDURE

A student (if able) will go to his/her class and check in with their teacher before asking to come to the office.

Only two students are able to be in the clinic at once due to space. If there are more than two students ill, an alternate location in the office will be utilized.

MEDICATION

It is the policy of the ALCS Board of Education to discourage the administering of any oral medication (prescription or non-prescription) to students by school personnel. We do understand that the health needs of some students require that medication be taken during the school day. For students who must take oral medication (prescription or non-prescription) at school, the following requirements must be met:

- The parent must obtain a written order from a licensed health care provider requesting that oral medication be given at school. This order must include the name of the medication, the dosage, the time to be given, the reason for the medication and the possible side effects. Forms are available in the school office.
- 2. The medication is to be provided in the

original container dispensed by the prescribing licensed health care provider or licensed pharmacist with the student's name, name of medication, when it is to be given, name of pharmacy and prescription number on the container.

- 3. If either the medication or the licensed health care provider is changed, the above process must be repeated. The school principal must be notified of ANY change immediately.
- 4. New forms must be used each school year and are posted on Learwood's webpage.

MEDICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE. STAFF <u>CANNOT</u> ADMINISTER ANY MEDICATION WITHOUT THE PROPER FORMS.

GRADING SCALE

Grade	Grade Point
A+	4.0
А	4.0
A-	3.67
B+	3.33
В	3.00
В-	2.67
C+	2.33
С	2.00
C-	1.67
D+	1.33
D	1.00
D-	.67
F	.00

SCHOOL FEES 2023-2024

Grade 7		Grade 8	
Activity Fee	\$ 20.00	Activity Fee	\$ 20.00
Art	\$ 10.00	Art	\$ 10.00
ELA Resources	\$ 26.00	ELA Resources	\$ 28.00
Instructional License	\$ 5.00	Instructional License	\$ 5.00
Planner	\$ 5.00	Planner	\$ 5.00
Science Lab	\$ 2.00	Science Lab	\$ 2.00
Tech Consumables	\$ 8.00	Tech Consumables	\$ 8.00
Total	\$ 76.00	Total	\$ 78.00

DAILY SCHEDULE

<u>Period</u>	<u>Times</u>
1	8:00-8:50
2	8:53-9:43
3	9:45-10:36
4	10:39-11:29
5	11:32-12:22
6	12:25-1:15
7	1:18-2:08
8	2:11-3:00