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WALPOLE SCHOOLS
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PREFACE

The purpose of this handbook is to familiarize you and your parents with the school, acquaint you with the services available, and outline our behavior expectations.

When you and your parents have both finished reading the handbook, please complete the form indicating this and return it to your homeroom teacher.

Remember, this document cannot cover all situations and the decisions necessary to organize and administer an appropriate environment; therefore, we do reserve the right to make the occasional hard decision. If you have concerns or suggestions regarding the school, please contact the building principal directly.

MISSION STATEMENT - WALPOLE SCHOOLS

THE MISSION OF THE WALPOLE SCHOOL IS TO SUPPORT THE EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF OUR STUDENTS IN A SAFE AND RESPECTFUL ENVIRONMENT SO THEY MAY BECOME RESPONSIBLE CONTRIBUTING CITIZENS.

To support and sustain our mission, the Walpole School will, within the resources of the district, strive to

1. Design programs and instruction to meet the individual needs of all students.
2. Continually promote the practice of the Walpole School Habits.
3. Provide an education, which surpasses the basic minimum standards mandated by the state of NH.
4. Regularly assess student performance based on grade level expectations.
5. Foster self direction and responsible citizenship throughout the school community and community at large.
6. Promote the practice of a healthy lifestyle.
7. Provide opportunities for parent involvement and education.
8. Provide and attend staff development opportunities.
9. Promote partnerships within the school community and the community at large.

WALPOLE SCHOOL HABITS

1. Be cooperative and respectful.
2. Be prepared.
3. Be on time.
4. Be responsible in work and actions.
5. Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

ATTENDANCE

Students are required by law to attend school during the hours that school is in session. It is important that students be in school each day in order to maintain a high level of achievement. Work missed when a student is absent is to be completed as quickly as possible after your return to school. Students have up to a maximum of two days for every one-day that they are absent to make up work. The following reasons are considered excused absences--all other absences will be unexcused: sickness, doctor or dentist appointment, funeral/bereavement, family crisis, and all school-sponsored activities.

ABSENCE

The State Board of Education and the Fall Mountain Regional School Board have adopted attendance policies to help us ensure that children are accounted for each morning.

1. Parents should call the school office (Elementary – 756-4728) (Primary – 756-4241) before 8:30 to notify us of a child's absence, or send a note with a brother, sister or neighbor.

2. Teachers will take homeroom attendance at 8:30 and send an absence list to the office by 8:45.
3. The school secretary checks the teachers' absence lists against the parent call list.
4. Parents of children not accounted for are called either at home or at work.
5. Any student who is absent for more than 30 days in a school year may be considered for retention.

SCHOOL HOURS

Students coming to school by means other than school bus should not arrive before 8:20 a.m. Students arriving before 8:20 must have prior approval of the principal. Students arriving after 8:30 will be considered tardy. Dismissal for walking students is at 3:00. Bus students are dismissed as buses arrive.

School rules and expectations are in effect when students are in the school building, on school grounds, when participating at school activities or at any school sponsored event.

MORNING EXERCISES

"Each school in the Fall Mountain Regional School District shall make available a time and place, properly supervised, for the exercise of freedom of assembly and free exercise of religion as provided under RSA 189:1B."

TARDINESS

Students arriving after 8:30 will report directly to the school office with a note, sign in, and then report to class. If a student misses a bus, it is the parent's responsibility to get the student to school on time. Arrival on a bus that is late does not count as a tardy. Those students with three or more unacceptable tardies per grading period will receive an office warning. Further tardies will result in detentions.

STUDENT DISMISSAL

A student will be dismissed from school for **legitimate cause** and **only with written parental permission**. The only exception will be if a parent comes directly to school to request dismissal. At no time will any child be dismissed into the custody of anyone other than a parent without the written permission of the parent.

If a student is to be dismissed early, the dismissal note should be brought to the office at the beginning of the day. The student will receive an early dismissal slip, which they must present to the teacher when it is time to leave. The student will then come to the office to be checked out and await a parent's arrival.

EXTENDED ABSENCES

It must be understood that all absences from the classroom environment affect learning. The school calendar provides opportunities for family vacations during the school year. Please utilize this time.

If extended absences are necessary, an Extended Leave Form must be completed prior to the intended absence. These forms are available in the office. Advanced assignments are at the discretion of the teacher.

REGISTRATION CARDS

It is very important that we have up-to-date information on student registration cards in the office. Be sure that the school has two numbers where we can reach a responsible adult in an emergency. Please notify the school office when pertinent information changes during the school year.

NO SCHOOL DAYS

In the event that school will not be in session or will be delayed in opening, announcements will be made through local radio stations and on Channel 9 television at approximately 6:30 to 7:00 a.m.

LUNCH PROGRAM/CAFETERIA

Lunches/Tickets - Lunch is served in the cafeteria every day. Students participating in the school lunch program must purchase tickets in the cafeteria for the entire week on Monday or the first day of the school week.

CAFETERIA RULES

1. Eat in the cafeteria as you would with your family.
2. Playing with your food or the food of others is unacceptable.
3. Stay in one seat and do not table hop.
4. Excessive noise, especially yelling from table to table, is unacceptable.
5. Be polite and courteous to others.
6. Use appropriate language and attitude.
7. No more than eight students should sit per table.
8. We discourage students from bringing soda from home.
9. Sign-ups for table seating assignments will be conducted at the start of each month.

PLAYGROUND RULES

1. Be courteous to others.
2. Walk quietly, in single file, to and from the playground.
3. Walk slowly on the hardtop--no running.
4. Softballs only in play area--no hardballs.
5. Request permission to go over the bank or to leave the playground for any reason.
6. Keep hands to yourself.
7. Line up quickly and quietly.
8. Keep sticks and stones on the ground.

STUDY HALL RULES

1. Study hall is silent work time.
2. Bring a free reading book.
3. Be prepared--no going to lockers.
4. If students need to see a teacher during study, they need to have a pass signed by that teacher before study hall.
5. A pass for the library should indicate the type of work the student will be doing in the library.

LIBRARY

Students are encouraged to use the school library as often as possible. However, they are responsible for library materials in their care. Students will be required to pay for any damaged or lost books or materials. Students need to be considerate of others and their need to use the same materials in the future. The library aide has complete authority in the library. Any student, who abuses the privilege of using the library, will be disciplined by the same process in effect in the classroom, to include loss of library privileges.

AFTER SCHOOL PROCEDURES

Teachers are here to help you both before and after school. It is sometimes necessary for you to take the initiative in requesting a time for help. Mutual arrangements must be made in advance.

If a student plans to stay after school to watch a sporting event, participate in an activity, walk or ride to a friend's house, or otherwise change their routine, they must have the **written permission** of a parent. This note must be shared with the student's homeroom teacher. This must be taken care of first thing in the morning. Students staying to watch games must remain in their homeroom until the last bus is called or they are called over the public address system.

Walkers are expected to leave when dismissed unless other arrangements have been made. Those student's participating in late starting activities are expected to leave school grounds following proper procedures and return for the activity at the planned time.

Without written permission from a parent, students will not be allowed to ride other than their assigned bus. A bus pass must be obtained from the office if a student is riding a bus other than the one normally assigned.

CARE OF BOOKS

Students are responsible for all books that have been assigned to them. Students will have to pay for lost or damaged books. In all classes, book covers are required. Report cards will be withheld at year's end until all books have been recovered, replaced or repaired.

GRADING, REPORTING, HONOR ROLL

Classroom teachers evaluate student work on a regular basis and report cards are sent home to summarize progress. Grades 3-5 will receive report cards quarterly, with progress reports as needed. Grades 6-8 will receive report cards three times per year, with progress reports at the mid point of each trimester. Incomplete work at the end of the grading period shall be recorded as an "I". The work shall be made up and a grade assigned within a two-week period.

Students in grades six through eight who have achieved excellence in their studies are recognized on the Honor Roll at the end of each marking period. High Honors will include those students receiving all "A"s. Honors will include those students receiving all "A"s and "B"s.

GRADUATION

Eighth grade graduation is an integral part of the school program and is a privilege earned by each student. The Walpole School staff is concerned that sound academic standards for promotion to Fall Mountain Regional High School be maintained. Any student in grade eight who receives a final grade of "F" in more than one subject will be denied a diploma, denied the privilege of participating in the graduation ceremony and all graduation activities and required to complete with a passing grade failed course work in subject areas offered at summer school. Promotion to ninth grade or retention in eighth grade will be determined by the middle school team.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Middle School students failing two or more classes will be required to attend summer school and pass those classes before promotion to the next grade.

HOMEWORK

Students can expect to be given homework on a regular basis. These assignments will be based on the grade level and ability and are relevant to your studies. It is the student's responsibility to complete each assignment and get it in on time. Class work may be sent home if it is not completed during the day or for purposes of make-up due to absences. It is the student's responsibility to get all assignments when absent from class for any reason. Each teacher will explain their classroom rules concerning late assignments.

ASSIGNMENT BOOKS

All students will be issued an assignment book at the start of the school year. These books are to be used all year to record assignments and other important class information, and to act as hall passes for students leaving class for any reason. Therefore, all students must have their assignment book with them throughout each school day. Last, it is the student's responsibility to replace lost assignment books.

Expectation for Assignments

We believe that every assignment is important and meeting deadlines is critical. Therefore, any assignment not turned in is a zero. If it is made up by the end of the next school day (regardless if you have that class or not) it is worth 50%. After two zeros, students will receive a detention.

All homeroom teachers will check and sign each student's agenda book for the first month of school. We ask that parents please check and sign their child's agenda book each evening.

TRANSPORTATION

Bicycles - Students may ride bikes to school but not around on school property. Bikes must be left in designated areas and kept away from play areas or bus wait areas. It is recommended that bikes be locked. The school is not liable for any damage or loss. Bikes may not be ridden to school during snowy weather.

Buses - District Transportation office phone: 835-2527. The Fall Mountain Regional School District provides transportation for all eligible students. These students are granted the right to ride the bus providing they obey the rules of proper conduct. These rules exist to ensure a safe trip for everyone.

It is expected that each student will ride his or her assigned bus. Any exceptions to this rule will require a written note from home. Upon receipt of such a note, the school secretary will issue a bus boarding pass. A bus pass will also be required if you need to get off from your bus at a different stop.

Bus Policies and Procedures

1. Students shall arrive at their assigned bus stop at least five minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive. Drivers will not wait.
2. Students shall wait in a safe place, clear of traffic and at least ten feet away from where the bus stops. Students must be standing in a line when the bus arrives.
3. Students shall follow direction of the bus driver at all times.
4. Students shall exhibit classroom conduct at all times.
5. Students shall go directly to an available or assigned seat when boarding the bus.
6. Students will remain seated, facing forward, with their feet on the floor. Students are not to block the aisles or exits.
7. Students are permitted to carry only objects that can be held on their laps.
8. Students shall refrain from eating, drinking, gum chewing and smoking on the bus.
9. Students are prohibited from extending their head, arms, other body parts or objects out of the bus window.
10. Students shall not spit inside the bus or out the windows.
11. Students shall refrain from the use of profane language and obscene gestures on the bus.
12. Students shall cross the road in front of the bus only when the bus has come to a stop and upon the direction of the driver (ten feet minimum crossing distance).
13. Students are prohibited from using tobacco products, alcohol, drugs or any controlled substance on the bus.
14. Students shall not carry hazardous materials, nuisance items or animals onto the bus.
15. Students shall not be in possession and/or use weapons or articles used as weapons (including rubber bands, peashooters, etc.) while on the bus.
16. The noise level will remain low enough for the driver to be heard at all times without having to raise his/her voice.
17. Students shall be polite and courteous to all other passengers, passersby and to the bus driver.
18. Students shall respect the rights and safety of others.
19. Students shall not damage any part of the bus.
20. Students shall not wear earphones while on the bus.

The bus driver will have complete control of the bus and the students he or she is transporting for the duration of the bus ride. Any problem arising with a student, for which the driver issues a written referral, will be promptly reported to the transportation manager. Parents should know that while the district will make every attempt to resolve student conflict issues at bus stops, they are ultimately a parental or police matter.

Those students guilty of flagrant, repeated, gross disobedience or misconduct on school buses are subject to discipline within the guidelines of the district's policies and regulations. Continued violation of the bus rules will be considered sufficient cause for refusing to transport the student(s) involved, and may lead to suspension from school, depending upon the seriousness of the matter. Physical damage to

district property by students will require restitution. If a student's behavior is uncontrollable, the bus will return to the school and parents will be called to come and get their child.

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Discipline for violations of the above safety rules will be administered as follows:

- STEP 1 – A written warning sent home to parents.
- STEP 2 – One to three day loss of bus privileges.
- STEP 3 – Five day loss of bus privileges.
- STEP 4 – Ten day loss of bus privileges.
- STEP 5 – Twenty day loss of bus privileges.
- STEP 6 – Twenty plus days as recommended jointly by the Transportation Manager and the Principal to the School Board.

The above progressive discipline schedule is for common infractions. Violations of a more serious nature, such as but not limited to smoking, fighting, profanity, possession/use of contraband, destruction of property or behavior which jeopardizes the safety and/or well-being of other students will result in advanced progression on the above scale which may include up to a step six action, even for a first offense. Specific questions may be addressed to the transportation manager at 835-2527.

It shall be the policy of the Fall Mountain Regional School District to employ the use of video cameras (with audio) on all school buses used for transporting students. The use of video material shall be to assist the administrators and other designated employees of the district in identifying students who may be in violation of the rules of behavior while on the bus. All such recorded images will be held in confidence and used only for the purpose of identification as described above.

Walkers

If you walk to school be especially careful to follow these common sense rules:

- Walk on the sidewalks, not in the road.
- If there are no sidewalks, walk on the left so you are facing traffic.
- Plan your morning so you do not arrive at school earlier than 8:20 A.M., and no later than 8:30 A.M.
- Walkers will leave school grounds at 3:00 unless other arrangements have been made.

HEALTH SERVICES/MEDICATIONS

If a student does not feel well during the day, he/she should ask the teacher's permission to go to the nurse's office. If the student cannot remain in school, parents will be notified to come and take the student home from school.

All medications, prescription and non-prescription, that must be taken in school, must be delivered directly to the school nurse, principal, or teacher by the parent or guardian of a child. It should be in the ORIGINAL container, PROPERLY LABELED with the student's name, the physician's name, and the date of original prescription, name and strength of medication, and directions for taking by the student. Parents must also sign a request for giving medicine at school. If cough drops are to be used at school, parental permission is required.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

In grades 6-8 you have the opportunity to take part in a number of co-curricular programs with competent coaches and advisors: Soccer, chorus, band, cheerleading, basketball, school play, baseball, softball, student council, yearbook, math team. Representatives to Student Council are elected for each homeroom in grades 5-8 at the beginning of the school year.

SCHOOL DANCES

Dances will begin at 7:00 and end promptly at 9:30 p.m. High school students are not allowed to attend. If guests are allowed, the name of that person must be registered with the school secretary before the close of school on the day before the dance.

- Only students in grades six through eight will be allowed to attend.
- Students must be appropriately and neatly dressed. No hats will be worn.
- Anyone leaving the building while attending the dance will not be allowed to return.

- Anyone causing a disturbance will be asked to leave and every effort will be made to contact a parent.

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- Anyone absent from school the day of the dance may not attend.
- No guests will be allowed unless they have been previously approved.
- All school rules will be followed and enforced.

Students receiving a detention or suspension during the half trimester, which includes a dance are not allowed to attend the dance.

STUDENT DRESS CODE

Students are expected to adhere to standards of cleanliness and dress that are compatible with the requirement of a good school environment. Those standards generally acceptable to the community as appropriate in a formal school setting ordinarily will be the reference criteria.

A student's appearance or mode of dress or cleanliness will not be permitted to disrupt the educational process or constitute a threat to health or safety. When, in the judgment of a principal, a student's appearance or mode of dress disrupts the educational process, or constitutes a threat to health or safety, the student may be required to make modifications.

Parental judgment will also be relied on to support this policy. Parents will be notified as to the nature of code violations and remedies will be identified.

In partial attainment of the foregoing, the following exceptions or guidelines will be the standards of criteria:

1. The principal and/or designee has the absolute authority to determine what clothing is acceptable. Student and teacher concerns should be directed to the principal.
2. Cleanliness--clothing and grooming must be such that they do not constitute a health or safety hazard.
3. Clothing--clothing must be adequate in ensuring a decent appearance.
4. Educational distraction--grooming and dress must not be so unusual or bizarre as to constitute a distraction or to interfere with the educational opportunity of the other students.

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Certain items are not appropriate or allowed in school. These items may be confiscated by staff members and returned to the parents. Included in this category are: Radios/CD Players Cassette Recorders Drugs/Alcohol Tobacco Weapons Electronic Games Cameras Walkmans Cell phones should remain in student bags and off while at school.

TELEPHONE

Telephones in the building are for school business and emergencies only. Students may use the hallway phone after school or during the school day and with permission of a teacher and the office.

VISITORS AND VOLUNTEERS

School is always open to parents and volunteers. Visitors must check in at the office before going to other parts of the building.

Student visitors must be approved at least 48 hours before attending classes by classroom teachers and the principal. No student visitors will be permitted during the first two weeks and the last two weeks of the school year.

CHILD ABUSE

It is a felony for school officials to fail to report suspected child abuse to the proper authorities. Schools will report suspected child neglect as well.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION

Walpole School offers peer mediation to resolve conflicts. See your teacher for further information.

INVITATIONS

If your child is going to bring invitations to school for a party at home, make sure that all children in the class are invited. Otherwise, make other arrangements to distribute invitations.

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BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

These are the things you are expected to do to help yourself succeed:

- Use equipment and facilities carefully.
- Report to class on time with all the necessary materials, pencils, books, assignments.
- Pay attention. Get involved in classroom lessons.
- Do all the work that is assigned. Ask for help when you need it.
- Get assignments and help when you have been absent.

If you do not do these things, your teacher may:

- Work with you to develop better learning habits.
- Notify the principal and your parents of the problem.

If you do not do these things, you can expect to be involved in the disciplinary process, which consists of:

Step I Classroom Discipline - Detention

Examples of infractions handled at Step I:

1. Chewing gum and foreign objects.
2. Classroom disturbances, uncooperative attitude.
3. Lying, cheating - once.
4. Inattentiveness - not doing your work or not bringing materials to class.
5. Running, and other inappropriate physical behavior.
6. Out of assigned seat.
7. Being disrespectful to students and their work.
8. Arguing with other students.

Step II Office Discipline – In-school Suspension

These are examples of infractions handled at Step II:

1. Repeated discipline problems in classroom, hallway, bus wait, lunch, etc.
2. Repeated cheating, stealing, swearing and fighting (shouting match) incidents.
3. Constant disruption and refusing to cooperate in the classroom.
4. Mental and verbal abuse of another person.
5. Throwing rocks, snowballs or other missiles.
6. Temper tantrums.
7. Not showing up for assigned detentions.
8. Abusive language/threats to others.
9. Blatant disrespect to teachers or other school personnel.
10. Repeated harassment/bullying of a student.
11. Forgery, Fighting.

Step III Suspension from School

These are examples of infractions handled at Step III:

1. Smoking or use of chewing tobacco.
2. Defacing school property.
3. Possession of weapons, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, drug paraphernalia or pornography.
4. Leaving the school grounds without prior approval.
5. Blatant disrespect to teachers or other school personnel - threats and or blackmail.
6. Fighting and intentionally causing injury to another student.
7. Continued disregard of school rules and interruption of the learning process.
8. Literature promoting drug and tobacco use.
9. Repeated harassment/bullying of students.

Detention Hall Rules

1. Be in assigned seat by 3:05.
2. Complete behavior improvement plan.
3. No talking.
4. No food or drink other than water.
5. Detention hall is a work time. Bring homework or a free reading book.
6. Use the restroom on the way to detention hall.
7. Bring all supplies to do work.
8. Students do not leave detention hall.
9. If rules are not followed, additional discipline will be issued.

Students going a half trimester without a discipline referral will participate in a reward activity.

Procedures for Compilation of Detentions

Referrals	1-3	earn detentions
Referral	4	earn an in-school suspension
Referrals	5 + 6	earn detentions
Referral	7	earn 2 days of ISS
Referrals	8 + 9	earn detentions
Referral	10	earns an out of school suspension

The principal will deal with referrals above 10 on an individual basis and may also assign students to a different referral level if needed. Students start at level 0 at the start of each half trimester.

ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION - Fall Mt. Schools Policy ACBElimination of Discrimination on the Basis of Handicap

The Fall Mountain Regional School District will comply with Section 504 of the United States Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the regulations implementing Section 504 promulgated through the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The School Board is of the general view that discrimination against a qualified handicapped person solely on the basis of handicap is unfair. The School Board will, to the extent reasonably possible, see that qualified handicapped persons are included in the mainstream of life in the school community.

The administration will comply with the provisions of this policy and implement Section 504 of the United States Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the regulations promulgated there under by the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare, as Part 84, Title 45, U.S. Code, as such regulations are applicable to the Fall Mountain Regional School District.

Elimination of Discrimination on the Basis of Sex, Race, Age, Creed, Color, Marital Status or National Origin

The Fall Mountain Regional School District School Board is committed to nondiscrimination in relation to sex, race, age, creed, color, marital status, national origin, handicap and any other human differences. In keeping with the requirements of Federal and State Laws, every effort will be made to remove any vestige of discrimination in employment, assignment, promotion, educational opportunities, services offered, discipline, location and use of facilities and educational offerings and materials.

Elimination of Sexual Harassment

The Fall Mountain Regional School District guarantees an environment free of sexual harassment in any form.

DEFINITION OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Sexual harassment is defined as unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and sexually motivated physical conduct or verbal communication, which has the purpose or effect of substantially

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interfering with a student's education environment or which creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive educational environment. Sexual harassment includes, but is not limited to the following:

- verbal or physical sexual advances including pressure for sexual activity;
- unwelcome sexually motivated touching, pinching, patting or intentional brushing against;
- repeated verbal harassment or abuse;
- repeated remarks or gestures of a sexual nature;
- demanding sexual involvement accompanied by threats.

Sexual harassment is an abuse of POWER. Sexual harassment is viewed from the eye of the receiver of the behavior, not the giver.

The Fall Mountain Regional School District shall not tolerate any behavior, verbal or physical conduct, by any administrator, faculty, staff member, or student, which constitutes sexual harassment of any employee, or student.

DEFINITION OF BULLYING

Bullying among children is commonly defined as intentional, repeated hurtful acts, words or other behavior, such as name-calling, threatening and/or shunning committed by one or more children against another. The victims do not intentionally provoke these negative acts, and for such acts to be defined as bullying, an imbalance in real or perceived power must exist between the bully and the victim.

Bullying may be physical, verbal, emotional or sexual in nature. For example:

- Physical bullying includes punching, poking, strangling, hair pulling, beating, biting and excessive tickling.
- Verbal bullying includes such acts as hurtful name-calling, teasing and gossip.
- Emotional bullying includes rejecting, terrorizing, extorting, defaming, humiliating, blackmailing, rating/ranking of personal characteristics such as race, disability, ethnicity, or perceived sexual orientation, manipulating friendships, isolating, ostracizing and peer pressure.
- Sexual bullying includes many of the actions listed above, as well as exhibitionism, voyeurism, sexual propositioning, sexual harassment and abuse involving actual physical contact and sexual assault.

Procedure for Filing Alleged Charge of Sexual Harassment/Bullying

1. The complaint is reported to the building complaint managers and an informal interview is held to determine the seriousness of the charge. If the charge is in violation of HUM 402.02 an investigation is held.
2. A Harassment Complaint Form and a Witness Disclosure Form is filed with the principal, complaint managers, and District Title IX Coordinator.
3. Upon completion of the investigation, the complaint managers will attempt to resolve the complaint and will take action, as it deems necessary to correct the effects of the sexual harassment charge.
4. If the complainant is not satisfied with the action, they may appeal in writing within five working days to the complaint managers.
5. An investigation will be scheduled with the Title IX Coordinator and Superintendent in an attempt to determine remedial action to satisfy the complainant.
6. If the complainant is not satisfied with the resolution, he/she may submit written objection to the Fall Mountain Regional School Board.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS - ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

The student will be put on PROBATION if he/she receives:

Two (2) D 4's and/or two (2) D 5's

or

Any combination of the two on his/her report card.

The student will be declared INELIGIBLE if he/she receives:

Three (3) or more D 4's and/or three (3) or more D 5's and/or one (1) or more F's
or

Any combination of the three on his/her report card.

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PARENTS RIGHT TO KNOW

The district's hiring procedures include hiring only individuals who are "highly qualified" as defined by the No child Left Behind Act of 2001. A definition of "highly qualified" along with the credentials of all teachers and paraprofessionals are on file at the SAU 60 Central Office and are available upon request.

HOMELESS EDUCATION ACT

If a family lives in any of the following situations:

- a shelter, motel, vehicle, or campground
- on the street
- in an abandoned building, trailer, or other inadequate accommodations
- doubled up with friends or relatives because you cannot find or afford housing

Then, preschool and school-aged children have certain rights or protections under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act. Please call the school for more information.

SAFE SCHOOL ZONE

Any violation of RSA 193-D (the safe school zone law) will result in a report filed with the Walpole Police Department.

WALPOLE SCHOOL SPIRIT SONG

*You've got to f-i-g-h-t for Walpole School.
You've got to fight with all your might.
You've got to shoot 'em, pass 'em
send the score sky high.
You've got to win this game tonight.
We're all behind you fellas (or girls)
We won't let you down.
Let them know that we're the blue and white.
We've got a team that's on the beam,
Our coach provides the steam.
The Walpole chicks are going to chirp tonight!*

To the Parents/Guardians of the Walpole Attendance Area Students:

These are the rules and procedures that enable us to provide a safe and successful environment for all of our students. It is our hope that this handbook provides the information you need in order to continue as a participating partner in the education of your child.

After you and your child (children) have reviewed the material, please sign this page and return it to the school no later than September 7.

Thank you,

Sam Jacobs, Principal

My child _____ and I have reviewed
the handbook and agree to abide by the rules as outlined.

Student's Signature

Parent's Signature

Date

