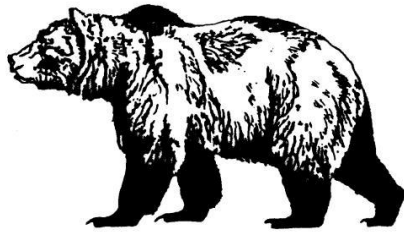


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Dear Students, Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to Fruitland Intermediate School and the 2008-2009 school year! We are excited to begin a new school year with renewed energy and are committed to provide our students with a positive and challenging learning environment. The talent and dedication of our staff is exceptional. We will strive to provide an environment where children master the basics, accept responsibility, feel successful, and push themselves to excel.

This handbook has been developed to give you and your child/children a better understanding of school policies, procedures and expectations for students' behavior. We believe that all behaviors are the result of making choices, and we expect children to understand and be responsible for their actions and how they affect others. Please join us in reading and discussing this handbook with your child/children. Participation in your child's education is vital to student success. We invite you to share your ideas and concerns and to volunteer and visit school frequently. We want to partner with parents in making this the best school experience possible for your child.

We look forward to working with your child/children and meeting you during the year!

Sincerely,
Kimi Fitch
Principal

FRUITLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT #373
2008-2009 SCHOOL CALENDAR

August 11, 12 & 13	Registration
August 13 & 14	New Certified Personnel Orientation
August 18, 19, & 20	District Staff Orientation
August 21	First Day of School for 6 th Grade - 12 th Grade
August 20, 21, 22	Back to School Conferences for Grades K-5
	NO SCHOOL FOR KINDERGARTEN – 5 th GRADE STUDENTS
August 25	First Day of School for Grades K-5
August 29 (No School)	K-12 th Grade Planning Day
September 1 (No School)	Labor Day
September 24 & 25	6 th - 8 th Grade Midterm Evening Parent –Teacher Conf
October 2 & 3 (No School)	State Teacher In-service
October 24 (No School)	Staff Work Day / Staff In-service for end of 1 st Nine Weeks
October 29 & 30	Parent Teacher Conferences (No School for Kindergarten on the 30 th) (Early Release all Other Grades -- 12:45 & 1:15 p.m. on the 30 th)
October 31 (No School)	NO School K-12
November 3 (No School)	Planning Day
November 26-28	Thanksgiving Vacation **No School for Kindergarten on the 26 th , 27 th , and 28 th ** (Early Release all Other Grades – 12:45 p.m. & 1:15 p.m. on 26 th No School on 27 th & 28 th)
December 19	End of 1st Semester **No School for Kindergarten through 8 th grade** Staff Work Day (Early Release for High School @ 1:15 p.m.)
December 20 th - January 4 th	Christmas Vacation
January 5 (No School)	K-12 th Grade Planning Day
January 6	School Resumes for students
January 19 (No School)	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
February 16 (No School)	Presidents' Day
March 13 (No School)	End of 3rd Nine Weeks Staff Work Day / Staff In-service
March 18 - 19	Parent-Teacher Conferences (Early Release 12:45 & 1:15 on 19 th) (No School for Kindergarten on 19 th)
March 20 – 29 (No School)	Spring Break
March 30 (No School)	K-11 th Grade Planning Day *Seniors in school to work on Senior Projects*
March 31	School resumes for students
April 13 (No School)	Staff In-service
May 21	Last Day of School K – 8 th Grade
May 22 (Early Release)	Last Day of School for High School **Early Release @ 1:15 HS** **K-8 th Grade Staff Work Day**

Attendance

Attendance at school is essential to maximize your child's learning! Classroom attendance is taken each morning at 8:20. Students are tardy if they are not in the classroom by that time. Three tardies convert to one absence. After the tardy bell, students must get an admit slip from the office before going to class. Punctuality is important in establishing good life skills and setting the tone for the day.

If your child is ill or will be absent, please contact the school office before 9:00 a.m. For the safety of your child, we will be calling you if you have not phoned in by 9:00 a.m. We have implemented this policy because our staff has become concerned in recent years regarding the safety of our students. When you send your child to school in the morning, you assume that they arrive safely. When a child does not come to school we assume that you have kept him/her at home. We find that between these two assumptions lies a huge gap where anything could happen. If a child is missing, we don't want to just assume that he or she is at home for the day.

Our second concern is the relationship between a student's regular attendance and school success. Research tells us that children who are chronically absent from school do not achieve at the rate of those who have regular attendance. As we take very seriously our responsibility to teach your child, we hope you take seriously the responsibility of getting them to school so we can teach them. Parents should be aware that:

1. The school day begins at 8:15am. Students will be marked tardy if not in class by 8:20am.
2. Absences late in the day are still absences. We appreciate parents scheduling appointments and family outings so they do not conflict with a child's time in the classroom. The last half hour of the day can be a very valuable time in the classroom, so please try to avoid pulling your child out the last half hour for your convenience.
3. If you make arrangements when you call, the teacher can prepare homework for a student who is absent. Parents may arrange to pick up homework or it will be ready for the child when they return. This makes it easier for the child when they return to school after an absence.
4. Our school district does have a 90% attendance policy. Students who miss more than 9 days per semester may not be eligible for promotion, based on attendance alone. A reminder: three tardies equal one absence.
5. In accordance with NCLB (No Child Left Behind) and the 90% attendance policy, students who miss ten or more consecutive school days for nonmedical reasons will be withdrawn. They will be re-enrolled upon return. This procedure is necessary in order to document that direct instruction was not provided during this period.

It is the desire of our staff to have every child in the classroom every school day. We are asking you, the parents, to monitor the attendance of your child/children, by trying to have them here for the entire day to maximize their opportunities to learn.

Books

Students are responsible for the care of textbooks and library books that are checked out in their name. Loss or damage of a text or library book will result in a fee sufficient for its repair or replacement. All books are to be returned when a student transfers or at the end of the year.

Breakfast and Lunch

A well balanced breakfast and a hot lunch are served daily at Fruitland schools. A **free** breakfast is served in the cafeteria at 7:30 am to 8:10 am. Lunches cost \$1.25 per student.

Students may also qualify for free or reduced lunches. If interested, please fill out the lunch form available in the school office. If you have questions, please call the lunchroom at 452-3067 between 7:00 am and 2:00 pm.

Bus Scheduling and Routing

The purpose of school transportation is to provide safe, comfortable and economical transportation for those students living beyond walking distance from Fruitland schools as defined by Idaho Code 33-1501. To ensure this the following items will be enforced:

- One (1) designated address for pick-up, and one (1) designated address for drop-off is permitted. **The designated locations MUST remain the same for each day of the week.**
- In case of EMERGENCY, the school authorities may arrange for the driver to pick-up or drop-off the student at another designated location. THREE (3) EMERGENCIES per school year will be allowed.
- In cases where parents wish to take students home from school, arrangements should be made before the bus leaves the school. In NO case should parents stop the bus along the highway for the purpose of removing their children.

Directory Information

There are times that Fruitland Intermediate School may decide to furnish information about a student to the newspaper for activities, awards, etc. **If you do not wish to have your student's photo, name or other directory information released, please notify the school in writing by September 7, 2008.**

Discipline

We will encourage Fruitland Intermediate School students to be good citizens and exhibit responsible behavior. We believe that to be good citizens students should demonstrate the following character traits:

1. **Friendship/Cooperation**: Making and keeping friends, being friendly to others, and working together for a common purpose.
2. **Honesty**: Expressing truth and sincerity in actions and words.
3. **Loyalty/Citizenship**: Demonstrating your rights and responsibilities as a citizen of the United States as well as the school and community.
4. **Kindness/Compassion**: Responding to the feeling and needs of others.
5. **Tolerance**: Recognizing and respecting the beliefs and differences of others.
6. **Respect**: Honoring people, self, property, animals and environment.
7. **Responsibility**: Carrying out a task carefully and thoroughly, proving you can be counted on, depended on, or trusted.
8. **Courage**: Realizing your potential and doing your very best in every task takes true courage.
9. **Self-Discipline**: Controlling your impulses, and training yourself to improve and to achieve excellence.

Discipline is not punishment. The aim of discipline is to institute and maintain study conditions free from disruptive behavior. Based on respect and welfare for individuals and the group, discipline should develop the ideals, attitudes, and habits required for success in school.

Students are expected to follow the rules of the classroom teacher and the school handbook. The classroom teacher, special subject teacher, or educational assistant will normally handle classroom and/or playground infractions. Students who disrupt the class may need to be removed with the goal of returning them to the classroom ready to work as soon as possible.

If a child is referred to the office for a violation of school rules, consequences will be determined only after listening to all sides and considering individual circumstances. Listed below you will find a description of rule violations and possible consequences.

Description and accumulation of discipline points:

CLASS I (5 points) – Includes any inappropriate behavior or rule violation. These may include, but are not limited to: disruptive behaviors, disrespect of others, minor damage to property, stealing, or disobedience.

CLASS II (10 points) – Includes severe or continued harassment of others, disrespect of teachers or other adults, any referral from reaching the last step of a classroom management plan, truancy, academic dishonesty (cheating), or any flagrant violation of classroom, school or district rules.

CLASS III (20 points) – Major theft (large item/s or repeated violations), fighting, vandalism, physically or verbally abusing any school adult, biting or causing someone to bleed, causing other serious physical harm to another person, display or use of a weapon on school grounds, or any use or possession of tobacco, alcohol or illegal drugs, or simulations of drugs or weapons.

*The following is a **general guideline** of consequences. Modifications may be made according to the needs of the individual child and his/her family in consultation with school administration and other personnel as appropriate.*

- 5-10 points =** Meeting with administrator/counselor, parent contacted, think sheet, and/or recess detention/s.
- 20 points=** Meeting with administrator/counselor, parent contacted, multiple recess detentions and/or suspension (in or out of school).
- 30 points=** Meeting with administrator/counselor, parent contacted, multiple recess detentions and/or suspension/s (in or out of school). Conference with administrator, counselor, classroom teacher(s), parents, and student.
- 40 points=** Meeting with administrator/counselor, parent contacted. Suspension/s (in or out of school). Conference with administrator, counselor, teacher(s), parent and student to initiate behavior contract or plan.
- 50 points=** Meeting with administrator/counselor, parent contacted. Multiple-day suspension in or out of school. Students may be suspended up to 5 days pending administrator's recommendation. Possible referral to outside agencies.
- 60 points=** Meeting with administrator/counselor, parent contacted. Student and parents will appear before administrative board to discuss further discipline procedures, and possible referral to school board for further disciplinary action.

NOTE: Discipline points accumulate throughout the school year. They do not follow a student from year to year. Five (5) points are deducted from a student's discipline total for each month without an office referral, with the accumulated total not less than 0.

Student Rules

Be Safe! Be Respectful! Be Responsible!

1. Students will respect adults and follow their instructions at all times.
2. Students will treat other people and their property with respect. This includes not placing decals on any school property.
3. Students will use appropriate and respectful language at all times.
4. Students **may not** wear "heelies" to school. This is for safety.
5. Students will follow all other rules in the school.
6. Students are not allowed to break the law. This includes such things as vandalism, assault, harassment, and threats of violence.
7. Students are not allowed to bring controlled items to school. These include alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or weapons.

"Educating All Students to Their Full Potential"

Building Rules

Be Safe! Be Respectful! Be Responsible!

1. Students should walk at all times and keep their voices at a moderate level.
2. Gum is not allowed in school at any time.
3. Students are to wait in lunch lines quietly.
4. Students are to use the restroom during their recess breaks.
5. Students must have a pass from the duty supervisor before being in the hall, bathroom or office during the noon and recess breaks.
6. Students should not bring money or valuable items to school. Any money or valuables that are brought to school are the sole responsibility of the student.
7. Good manners are expected at all times. Students are to treat fellow students and adults with respect and kindness.
8. Students must sit on chairs properly, not on desks or tables.
9. Battery or electronically operated toys are not allowed at school.
10. Keep pets at home; your child must have permission from his/her teacher before bringing them to school.
11. If you ride a bus, you are to get on the bus at the Intermediate School, not at the Middle or Elementary school. Students that do not ride a bus must leave school grounds immediately after school.
12. If your child lives in town, do not send them to school before 8:00am unless they are planning on eating breakfast at school.
13. Students should be picked up and dropped off in front of the school.

Playground Rules

Be Safe! Be Respectful! Be Responsible!

General

- 1) Keep your hands and feet to yourself. Use appropriate language only. No rough play of any kind will be allowed. This includes: tackling, doggie pile, wrestling, karate, pulling on coats and clothing, swinging backpacks, shoving, pushing, kicking, etc.
- 2) Leave the rocks, sticks, sand, dirt clods, and snowballs on the ground!
- 3) Include others in your game, even if you don't usually play with them. You may make a new friend.
- 4) Tell a duty teacher where you are going if you need to leave the playground.
- 5) Leave personal toys, games, electronic equipment at home. You may, however, bring balls and jump ropes.
- 6) When playing tag, football, etc., one-hand touch is allowed.
- 7) You may throw basketballs, but not kick them. Soccer, rubber balls, and footballs may be thrown or kicked.
- 8) Bikes, scooters, skateboards, "heelies" (shoes with wheels), and other wheeled vehicles may NOT be ridden on school grounds between the hours of 7:30 am – 4:00 pm. Walk your wheeled vehicles before entering the school grounds and parking lots. Ride them only on public roads during this time.
- 9) Food and drinks are not allowed on the playground.
- 10) Stay away from the fences. If your ball goes over the fence, an adult will retrieve it at a later time.
- 11) Students must stay within the area outlined by the yellow and/or red lines.

Wall Games

- 1) If you want to play any game that involves kicking a ball against a wall, please use the outside wall of the P.E./lunchroom only.
- 2) Dodge ball is not allowed.

Grass Area

- 1) **Playground equipment:** Go **down** the slides only. Don't climb up the slides. You may slide on your bottom or stomach only. Please don't sit on top of the cover above the slide or throw objects at people. Swing only with your arms on the monkey bars: you may not swing up-side-down, sit on top of, or flip off the bars.
- 2) **Group Games:** Football, soccer, tag, etc. may be played. Please respect others who have established a game before you get there. Start a second game and play well away from the other game.
- 3) **Football:**
 - No tackle football
 - One-hand touch only! No pushing or shoving
 - No fighting and/or arguing
 - Rotate the quarterback and referee positions for each game
- 4) **Picnic Tables:** Do not sit or walk on the tables. You may throw balls over the roof that covers the tables.

Swings

- 1) Swings are for swinging on bottoms, not your belly.
- 2) No twisting, underdogs, or throwing anything at a person who is swinging. No side-to-side swinging, jumping out and off the swing, or hanging on the bars.
- 3) Please stay away from the swing set if you are not on a swing. Don't run in-between two swings that are occupied.

Basketball

- 1) Play with a maximum of ten players (five per team). If more students want to play, start a second game.
- 2) **"Bump"** Rules:
 - Play with a maximum of ten players.
 - Use two balls. The first shooter shoots. If he makes a basket, he goes to the end of the line. If he misses, he shoots again while the second shooter throws from the free throw position. If the second shooter makes a basket, the first person is out, or "bumped" from the game.

Consequences for Not Following Rules

- 1) A student who does not follow the rules will be given a verbal warning.
- 2) If there is any arguing, all students involved in the argument will be asked to leave the game.
- 3) Next, if the student cannot co-operate, he/she will be removed from the activity and placed on the wall.
- 4) An office referral will be written for serious infractions.

Find ways to co-operate! Ask the duty teachers for help if you can't. You always have the choice to find something else to do. Remember, we're out there to have fun!!!!

Bus Rules
Be Safe! Be Respectful! Be Responsible!

1. The bus driver is in full charge of students riding the bus.
2. Be on time – the bus will not wait for those who are late.
3. Form a single line when waiting for the bus. Do not take or give cuts. If you wish to stand with a friend, go back in the line to where they are.
4. Enter the bus quietly, be seated and remain seated facing forward. Keep out of the aisles.
5. There will be absolutely no standing or moving around while the bus is moving.
6. Do not put hands, arms or head out of the bus window.
7. Do not eat or drink on the bus.
8. Do not take or damage other people's belongings.
9. Do not throw anything in the bus, or out of the bus window.
10. No live insects, reptiles or any other animals are to be brought on the bus.
11. There is no scuffling or fighting allowed on the bus.
12. There will be no pushing, crowding, or tripping people who are getting on or off the bus.
13. Do not have matches or knives on the bus.
14. The students must pay for any damage done to school buses.
15. Help keep the bus clean. Deposit trash in the proper receptacle.
16. Any student who is not a regular rider must present the bus driver with a note signed by their parent, requesting permission to ride that bus. If you are getting off at a different stop, that also requires a signed note. Any questions regarding this ruling, call the bus supervisor at 452-3118.
17. Cooperate with the driver. The bus driver is authorized to assign seats.
18. Anyone who is guilty of using foul language, of swearing at or making insulting remarks about the driver or other students, gives up the right to ride the bus.
19. Students who cannot obey the rules and continue to cause trouble will not be allowed to ride the bus for the remainder of the year.

We appreciate your cooperation and support in making this discipline program work. Our goal is to strive to meet the individual needs of each student while fostering a positive self-image academically, physically, socially and emotionally.

Dress Code

UPPER BODY

Collared shirt – mock, turtlenecks OK. No crew/t-shirts/henleys

Shirts made to be tucked in will be tucked in. Shirts made not to be tucked in can stay untucked if appropriate size for student.

Long or short sleeves – no sleeveless

No brand logos, graphics, or numbers/letters larger than one (1) inch in diameter, other than those related to FHS, FMS, FIS, FES

Colors permitted: solid colors black, orange, white, and gray unless school sanctioned

Collared dresses/jumpers permitted in solid colors black, orange, white, gray and khaki.

Under-shirts and t-shirts, if worn, must be solid colors black, orange, white, and gray and can only be worn underneath the standard uniform top. No brand logos, graphics, or numbers/letters larger than one (1) inch in diameter other than those related to FHS, FMS, FIS, FES.

LOWER BODY

No denim, no jeans, and no sweatpants/athletic wear regardless of color

Colors permitted: solid colors black, khaki (tan) or gray

No brand logos; no graphics, or numbers/letters larger than one (1) inch in diameter

May include pants, capris, skirts, shorts, skorts, culottes

NO item shorter than 4 inches above the knee

All items must fit properly (no sagging, baggy pants)

If belt is worn it must be black or brown

Shoe laces must be white, black, brown, or orange.

Leggings/Tights must be solid colors white, black or gray

OUTER WEAR

Coats in solid colors black, orange, white, and gray or a combination of those colors may be worn in the buildings. No brand logos, graphics or number letters larger than one (1) inch in diameter, other than those related to FHS, FMS, FIS, FES. Trench coats are prohibited.

Coats other than solid colors black, orange, white, and gray or a combination of those colors may be worn but must be stored in the locker/coat area while in the school building.

Sweatshirts permitted in solid colors black, orange, white, and gray. No brand logos, graphics or numbers/letters larger than one (1) inch in diameter other than those related to FHS, FMS, FIS, FES.

No hoods may be worn in school buildings.

Collared shirts must fit properly.

Fruitland game jerseys over collared shirts on game days only.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

No alterations to any clothing items.

No jewelry containing letters or numbers, unless school sanctioned.

Principal discretion on all questions, concerns, etc.

Enrollment Requirements

According to Idaho Law (IC 18-4511) we must have a copy of your child's birth certificate on file. Either at the time of enrollment or within thirty (30) days you must provide either a certified copy of your child's birth certificate or other reliable proof of identity and birth date. Proof shall be accompanied by an affidavit (notarized statement) explaining why you cannot provide a copy of the birth certificate. Other reliable proof of your child's identity and birth date may include a passport, visa, or other governmental documentation of your child's identity.

If after thirty (30) days you have not provided proper documentation, the Fruitland School District will be required to notify the Police Department of your failure to comply.

Field Trips

Parents are asked to sign a field trip permission form at the beginning of each year; however, the teacher, prior to each trip, sends notification home. Students must ride the bus to and from the field trip. Parent helpers are always needed to closely monitor our students; **therefore no younger siblings are able to attend. District**

policy allows only currently enrolled students to ride the bus. All chaperones must also ride the bus to and from the field trip.

Grading Periods & Report Cards

Report cards are issued to students four times a year. These reports show academic and effort grades, absences and tardies as well as coded information on pupil attitudes and work habits.

KEY TO INTERMEDIATE GRADES MARKING SYSTEM		
A = 90-100	Outstanding	S = Satisfactory
B = 80-89	Above Average	N = Needs Improvement
C = 70-79	Average	U = Unsatisfactory
D = 60-69	Below Average	* = Attends special
F = Below 60	Failing	program at this time

Head Lice Policy

Fruitland School District students are not to be in school if they are infested with head lice, or have nits. If a student is found to have head lice or nits, while at school, the parent will be contacted and requested to transport the student from the school. The “no nit” rule will require that the student be excluded from attending school until all live lice and all nits have been removed.

Personal Electronic Devices

The Fruitland School District has determined that personal electronic devices disrupt the educational process. Therefore, it is the policy of the Fruitland School District that personal electronic device use is prohibited from the time a student enters onto any Fruitland School District property/building and while under the instruction/supervision of a Fruitland School District staff member off school property during the entirety of the school day and/or school activity.

Personal electronic devices are defined to include but are not limited to: cell phones and other versions of electronic communication devices, portable music devices and any other personal electronic devices deemed a disruption to the educational process by the school.

Students are advised to leave all personal electronic devices at home or locked in their personal vehicle. Fruitland School District will not be responsible for any theft of or damage to a student’s personal electronic device if the student chooses to bring the device in the school building.

All personal electronic devices determined to violate this policy will be confiscated and given to the appropriate building administrator. The building administrator will follow the following steps to enforce this policy.

First Offense: Warning. Students may obtain their personal electronic device from the Building administrator at the end of the school day.

Second Offense: One week of detention. The personal electronic device is held by the building administrator until the student’s parents/guardians pick it up from the school.

- Third Offense: The student will be suspended for not less than one (1) school day. The personal electronic device is kept by the building administrator until a conference with the student's parents/guardians occurs.
- Fourth Offense: The student is suspended for a minimum of three (3) school days and the personal electronic device is confiscated until the end of the semester.
- Fifth Offense: The student is suspended for a minimum of five (5) school days and must appear for a hearing before the school district administrative review board to determine if he/she should be referred to the school district Board of Trustees for and expulsion hearing.

Physical Activities

If your child has a physical condition that requires temporary accommodations, please contact the office and P.E. teacher so that the school may properly work with your child. Requests for a child to be excused from P.E. must be in writing from the parents. Extended periods (beyond three days) of adapted activity due to illness or injury must be requested by a doctor's note.

School Hours

School hours are from 8:15 a.m. until 3:05 p.m. each day. Children should NOT arrive at school before 7:30 a.m. or remain at the school later than 3:15 p.m. unless they are participating in a supervised activity.

School doors will not open until 8:00 a.m. when students may come in. All students will be admitted to the building during extreme cold or wet weather. Supervision will not be provided for students who arrive before 7:30 a.m. or remain later than 3:30 p.m. The above procedures are designed for the safety and well being of your children.

All students who walk are to go home immediately after they are released from school. They are not to return to play on the playground until after 4:00pm.

The Library will be open for reading daily from 7:30am to 8:15 am and 3:05 pm to 3:30 pm.

Testing

It is very important for your child to be in attendance for testing. Accurate assessment of student progress is essential in ensuring academic growth for all students. Fruitland School District utilizes State and District assessment tools to ensure that a full range of assessment data is available for parents and school personnel. This data is used in determining placement, participation in extension and remediation programs, and communication of progress as measured against state proficiency standards. The major assessment tools are as follows:

Idaho Standards Achievement Tests (ISAT) are administered in grades 2 through 10. The results from these tests are used to measure student progress from fall to spring and from grade to grade. These assessments are based on Idaho's Achievement Standards and assess skills in reading, language and math. These are given a minimum of twice and may be given up to four times a year.

Direct Writing Assessment (DWA) is required of all fifth grade students. The purpose of the DWA is to measure the student's ability to clearly present information that is interesting, organized and informative. The test is currently administered in December.

Direct Math Assessment (DMA) is required of all fourth grade students. The purpose of the DMA is to measure the students' mathematical problem-solving skills, including their ability to apply basic math skills to problem-solving situations. This test is currently administered in December.

Testing Schedule for 2008-2009
Fall ISAT: September 15 - October 24
DWA (5 th Grade): December 2
DMA (4 th Grade): December 3
Spring ISAT: April 13 – May 14

Visitors

Parents are welcome and encouraged to visit school. For the safety of your child, all doors are locked from the outside and all visitors and volunteers are to enter through the main entrance, log in, and get a visitor's pass before proceeding into the building. Although parents are present, students will still be expected to follow all school rules.

Visits by students outside our own student body are not allowed. A visiting student cannot be included in class activities effectively and their presence can be very distracting to the progress of the entire class.

Volunteers

Parents are welcome, appreciated and needed at school. Please complete the volunteer form or send a note to your child's teacher or the office with your name and days and times you wish to volunteer. Sign in and out in the Visitors' Log in the entry so that, in an emergency, we are aware that you are in the building. Get a nametag and be a Volunteer! Please make child-care arrangements outside of school for your preschoolers when you come to volunteer.

APPENDIX

Section 504 Notice

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

Internet Use Policy

Search and Seizure Policy

Sexual Harassment Policy

School Policy

Section 504 Notice

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) prohibits discrimination against students and staff members with disabilities. The Fruitland School District has developed policies and procedures that ensure compliance with Section 504 and ADA.

Included in the regulations is the requirement that students with disabilities be provided a free, appropriate public education. These regulations encompass identification, evaluation, the provision of appropriate services, and procedural safeguards.

Parents are entitled to have the opportunity to review relevant educational records under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act General Education Provision Act of 1974

Section 438

The parent or eligible student has a right to:

1. Inspect and review the student's educational records.
2. Request the amendment of the student's educational records to ensure that they are not inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy or other rights.
3. Consent to disclosure of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that the Act and the regulation authorize disclosure without consent.
4. File with the U.S. Department of Education a complaint concerning alleged failures by the agency or institution to comply with the requirements of the Act.
5. Obtain a copy of the policy adopted by that agency or institution regarding how the requirements of the Act are met. (Obtained from the District Office)
6. Right to a due process hearing regarding contents of records.
7. Cost of copies of records.

FRUITLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT Summary of Internet/Network Use Policy

The Internet can be a unique and valuable tool that supports the education of students in the Fruitland School District. The Internet provides access to information in millions of files worldwide. Its proper use can open new opportunities for research and communication. With those opportunities come the disadvantages or dangers of access to information that may not be appropriate in the schools. The Fruitland School District will make every possible effort to limit the improper use and to shield users from access to inappropriate materials.

Individual users of the Internet have the ultimate responsibility to use Internet resources appropriately. All Internet users are expected to use the network for purposes appropriate to the educational environment at all times. Users must refrain from any use that is not consistent with the policies, purposes, or objectives of the Fruitland School District.

ON-LINE CONDUCT/USE OF INTERNET AND NETWORK PROCEDURES

All users are expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network and Internet etiquette. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Be polite. Do not send abusive messages to other users. Do not use vulgarities, swear words, or any other inappropriate language. Disruption of other's work is prohibited

2. The use of a school's network for any illegal activity is strictly forbidden.
3. The following computer activities will result in serious disciplinary action:
 - a. Use of the network for anything but what is assigned for the class.
 - b. Attempting to access the server or other users' files or passwords.
 - c. Destroying, modifying, or abusing hardware or software.
4. Do not reveal personal information about yourself and/or others on the Internet (age, gender, phone number, address, etc.).
5. Subscribing to mailing lists, bulletins boards, chat groups, and commercial on-line services and other information services must be pre-approved by the administrator or instructor of record.
6. Do not submit, publish, display or knowingly access any material that is defamatory, inaccurate, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, threatening, racially offensive, illegal, or that encourages the use of controlled or illegal substances. Exceptions to this may apply in selected classes, but permission from the instructor must be obtained before any access will be allowed.

School Policy

- All visitors (parents, grandparents, community volunteers, etc) must register at the office before entering school grounds.
- Please do not bring younger brothers, sisters, or other visitors to school without permission from your child's teacher.
- Parents are asked not to request students to stay in during recess unless it is by doctor's orders. We expect you to have your children suitably dressed for the weather.
- The students may wear shorts to school during August, September, April and May only, or at the principal's discretion. However, the shorts must be mid-thigh in length. No spaghetti strapped shirts – straps must be at least 1 inch in width.
- Students may not wear footwear with the roller blades inside. However, if this is their only shoe, they may not use the roller blades on the playground.
- If students bring toys or their personal property to school, they do so at the risk of losing them. The school will not be held liable for damaged or lost items.
- School personnel are not allowed to prescribe or administer medication to children. When a child is attending school and medication is needed during the school day, the parent or guardian must notify either the school nurse or principal in writing. The type of medication, daily dosage, and duration taken should be indicated.
- The school has a movie policy – parents will be notified when a “PG” rated movie will be shown at the school at least 24 hours in advance. If parents object to their child seeing this movie, the student may go to another room for silent reading. “G” rated movies will not require a note home.
- Parents may be required to accompany an unruly child or a student who has been a discipline problem on field trips. If the parent cannot be with the child on the field trip, the child must stay home.
- Parents may not bring pre-schoolers with them when they accompany a class on a field trip. Our insurance will not cover pre-schoolers. It is also the feeling of the school that parents chaperoning field

trips are needed to help with the students in class, not watch pre-schoolers, so it is not acceptable for you to bring your pre-schoolers in your own private car.

- Due to guidelines set by the State Health Department, the school will not allow home baked goods to be brought to the school for birthdays, school parties, etc. Instead, we suggest individually wrapped treats, food and punch from stores, as they are prepared under food inspection guidelines.

Search and Seizure Policy

Students will be free from unreasonable search or seizure, and the administration shall provide for appropriate due process protection for all students. Searches can be conducted on school property. Desks and lockers are school property, and school authorities may make reasonable regulations regarding their use. Lockers and/or other school property are subject to inspection and search by school officials and/or law enforcement officials if reasonable suspicion is determined.

Sexual Harassment Policy

Fruitland School District, upon the recommendation of the State Department of Education, has adopted a Sexual Harassment Policy. This policy was adopted to protect all students and employees of the district from all forms of sexual harassment on school property, which violate Section 703 of Title VII of the civil Rights Act of 1964.

Sexual Harassment consists of unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, sexually motivated physical conduct or other verbal or physical conduct or communication of a sexual nature. Examples of sexual harassment at school may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Verbal harassment or abuse.
2. Inappropriate patting, pinching or touching.
3. Leering, whistling, or obscene comments or gestures.
4. Continued or repeated sexual jokes, advances, or propositions.
5. Displaying sexually suggestive pictures, posters, cartoons or clothing.
6. Flipping up girls' dresses or pulling down any student's shorts or pants.
7. Passing sexually suggestive, foul, or obscene notes or putting such messages on computer screens or in computer files.
8. Inappropriate public displays of affection.

Students or employees who feel that they are the target of sexual harassment on school property or at school sponsored events are to report the alleged acts to an appropriate school official. The school district will investigate these claims and deal with them in a responsible and professional manner.

Fruitland School District attempts to provide a learning environment conducive to education and one that is pleasant and non-threatening to all students and employees.

We hope all patrons, parents, and students realize how serious any act of sexual harassment can be. Each case will be evaluated on the facts and penalties will be administered in those cases where violations have occurred. The penalties can be quite severe and may include warnings, suspension, or immediate discharge.

We hope you will support our stand on this issue and discuss it with your child or children should you feel it is appropriate.