

Introduction

Dear parents and guardians:

Welcome to a new school year! The information contained in this booklet is important for the success of your student in school. Some of the information will be important for you to know right now. Other policies and laws in this publication could have more meaning for you at a later date.

This booklet is provided to you and your student. Please read it together and impress upon your student the importance of being familiar with school rules and responsibilities. It would be a good idea to begin by glancing through the *Table of Contents*. Make notes of sections that you'd like to explore in more depth at a later time. Skim read the Handbook in its entirety. Read for detail any sections that you feel might have some immediate impact on your child. Discuss these sections with your son or daughter.

A safe, secure learning environment for all of our students and staff is a priority for us. School rules and behavior standards are important for maintaining a school environment that is safe and conducive to learning. Your support and expectations for your student to have regular attendance and to be aware of and follow school rules can go a long way to ensuring his/her academic success. I strongly encourage you to pay particular attention to pages **xx-xx** regarding attendance policies, and pages **xx-xx** regarding student discipline / suspension and expulsion.

The following form (on Page **xxx) must be signed and returned to your student's school as part of the registration process:**

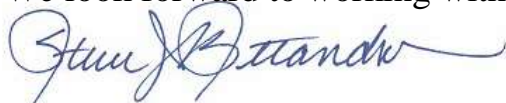
1) Receipt of *Rights and Responsibilities Handbook* (required)

Optional forms for your signature can be found on Pages **xxx-xxx**:

- 2) Withhold Authorization to Film/Photograph Minors for Publication
- 3) No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) Parents' Right to Know
Professional Qualifications of Classroom Teachers/Paraprofessionals
- 4) Animals in the Classroom (BP 6153.2)
- 5) Parent/Guardian Notice Release of Directory Information

This publication is a valuable tool and resource for you and your student(s). Please save it for future reference.

We look forward to working with you during this school year.



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