# **Student Behavior and Responsibilities**

Education cannot proceed without good classroom management. An assertive discipline plan has been adopted by the Guttenberg School District. Under this plan, each classroom has posted "Class Rules", which explain consequences for infractions, and rewards for following the rules. Guidelines are strictly enforced and monitored to ensure a fair, firm, and consistent program of discipline.

#### Attitude

We expect every staff member to be treated with respect and dignity, just as the student should receive the respect of the staff. It is imperative that the teacher be in charge of the class. Anything less would lead to a poor educational opportunity for all. A show of disrespect toward a staff member or insubordination on the part of the student will not, under any circumstances, be tolerated. All students in grades K-8 are subject to out of school suspension as deemed necessary by the school administration for any offenses listed below. The range in days for the offenses could be anywhere from 1 to 10 days depending on the severity of the infraction.

#### Detention

Failure to attend after school detention on the assigned date will result in an additional day of detention. Failure to attend the consecutive assigned detention (2 days) will require a parental conference for the student to be reinstated in school. A letter carried by the student and attempted phone call will serve as parental notification of this conference.

### Suspension

An Anna L. Klein School student may be given an out of school suspension for any of the following reasons:

- 1. Fighting in school or on school grounds
- 2. Destroying school property/Graffiti
- 3. Harassment or bullying of students/school personnel
- 4. Smoking in or around school grounds or possession of cigarettes
- 5. Possession and/or use or distribution of a controlled substance
- 6. Deliberate defiance, profanity, or obscenity towards students/school personnel
- 7. Leaving school property without permission/cutting class
- 8. Possession or use of fireworks or any other explosive device\*
- 9. Possession of a weapon\*\* Possession of a weapon is also grounds for removal from school and placement into a county alternative school for a minimum of one year (state law)
- 10. Verbal threats and physical assault on students/school personnel
- 11. Taking personal property or money from another student/school personnel
- 12. Truancy
- 13. Sexual misconduct
- 14. Disrespectful/Disruptive behavior towards students/school personnel
- 15. Biting
- 16. Forgery/Gambling/Extortion
- 17. Pulling False Fire Alarm
- 18. Setting off Stink Bombs/Inappropriate devices
- 19. Throwing Food/Objects
- 20. Unwarrented 911 call from school phone

#### **Social Probation**

Any student receiving an out of school suspension will automatically be put on social probation.

What is social probation? The offending student will not be allowed to participate in or attend any extra-curricular school sponsored activity; whether it is academic or athletic, day or night, or before/after school. The social probation is for a specified period of time. Each day of suspension equals one week of social probation. The offending student and their parents must sign the social probation form.

At the end of the probation period, the student will be reviewed according to the criteria listed on the social probation form. If all the criteria are met, probation will end. If the criteria has not been met, the probation period will be extended and continually reviewed until all the criteria are met.

#### Vandalism

Willful defacement, damage or destruction of any school property will result in suspension and parent/pupil restitution of damages.

#### Cell Phones

Students are requested not to bring cell phones to school. Anna L. Klein School is not responsible for any cell phones that are lost or stolen. Any student bringing a cell phone to school must leave it in a backpack locked in their locker or kept in their pants pocket not visible to anyone. A cell phone that is confiscated will be returned to a parent.

# **Proper Attire**

Students are expected to abide by the uniform dress code. Khaki shorts will be allowed during the months of September, May, and June ONLY. Please refer to the letter that was sent home regarding the student uniform requirements.

# **Homework Policy**

Homework has always been recognized by the school community as an important medium to foster the academic achievement of students and to extend school activities into the home and the community. Homework assignments should contribute significantly to the improvement of the achievement level and promote a greater interest in the learning of all students. Homework is never to be given in the form of busy work or used as a punitive measure.

It cannot be stressed enough that parental support is vital to the successful performance of each student.

# Grade Level Frequency Minimum Daily Total for All Students

1-2	dailv	20 minutes
3-4	dailv	30 minutes
5-6	dailv	60 minutes
7-8	daily	See Below*

\* Since Grades seven and eight are departmentalized, assignments should be made on the basis of twenty to thirty minutes for each major subject. A system of assigning homework will be planned among the six subject teachers to avoid having the student burdened one night and free from homework another.