

# USD443 MIDDLE LEVEL HANDBOOK

Proposed Changes 2016-2017

## **COVER PAGE**

Year change 16-17 and DCMS phone # 471-2100

Also changed the Non-Discrimination Policy:

USD 443 does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, military status, and/or disability. This non-discrimination policy applies to admission, employment, programs, activities, and providing equal access to Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

## **INTRODUCTION PAGES**

Struck through Writing Rubric Analytical Guide Summary- They are old no longer in use.

Struck through Mathematical Practices- Currently not using. Question on parents need to know.

## **ACTIVITIES PG. 3/4**

Struck NJHS and moved it to DCMS Addendum

## **BULLY PG. 7/8**

Added for Clarification the Definition of Bullying using JDDC-R Board Policy

For the purposes of this policy, bullying in generally includes any intentional written, electronic, verbal, or physical act, when such act:

1. Physically harms a student, school employee, or patron, or damages the student's, school employee's, or patron's property; or
2. Has the effect of substantially interfering with a student's education; or
3. Is severe, persistent, or pervasive, creating an intimidating or threatening environment; or
4. Has the effect of substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the classroom or school.

Harassment, intimidation or bullying can take many forms including, but not limited to: slurs, rumors, jokes, innuendo's, demeaning comments, drawing cartoons, pranks, gestures, physical attacks, threats, or other written, electronic, oral or physical actions. (JDDC-R Bullying)

## **PROMOTION POLICY PG.14/15**

Struck: unless he successfully completes summer school or the student's parents sign a written request for promotion.

Struck request **added action**

## **Added board definition jfp**

The final decision to promote or retain shall rest with the principal after receiving information from parents/guardians, teachers and other appropriate school personnel. (Board Policy JFP)

## **Student Handbook/Agenda Recommendations pg. 17**

Struck through- Not all students are required to carry agenda.

## **Student Search pg. 18**

Struck "grounds" to and replaced it with **reasonable**

Added Board Definition JCAB & JCAB

The student shall be told why a search is being conducted. The student shall be requested to empty items such as, but to limited to, pockets, purses, shoulder bags, book bags and briefcases. The principal shall attempt to call the student's parent/s and may call law enforcement. Items which the principal believes may be connected with illegal activity shall remain in the custody of the principal unless the items are turned over to law enforcement

officials. If the student refuses to cooperate, the principal may take disciplinary action and/or seek assistance from law enforcement. (JCAB & JCAC)

Transfer Request pg. 23/24

Students desiring transfer to a different middle school must file transfer request with the Superintendent of Schools. Transfers will only be approved for extreme and extenuating circumstances.

KSHAA eligibility (residence) requirements will apply to transfer students.

Board Policy References: IIBGB, JBCA & JQKA