

STUDENT-PARENT HANDBOOK

All students and parents are responsible for the information and regulations included in this handbook and are subject to all rules set forth by the Sallisaw Board of Education, Oklahoma State Department of Education, and Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association. All personnel hired by the Sallisaw Board of Education are authorized to enforce these rules and regulations.

Sallisaw High School
Sallisaw, Oklahoma
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Dear Students:

Welcome to Sallisaw High School. We believe that you are our nation's most valuable resource. We will have high expectations for you to learn not only the educational skills you need but also the personal skills you need in this changing world we live in.

We, as a staff, will provide you with an environment in which you can learn self-discipline and responsibility. To maintain that effective environment or school climate we must ask for excellence from all the parties involved;students, parents and staff.

We are all looking forward to a great year!

Cordially yours,

Sallisaw High School Staff

**SALLISAW PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2011-2012
SCHOOL CALENDAR**

August 8.....	Teacher’s Report
August 8-9.....	Professional Days
August 10.....	Teacher’s Work Day
August 11.....	Students Report
September 5.....	Labor Day-No School
September 16.....	Professional Day-No School
October 12.....	End of First Quarter
October 13.....	Professional Day-No School
October 14.....	No School
October 20 P.M.....	Parent/Teacher Conf.
October 21 A.M.....	Parent/Teacher Conf.
November 21-25.....	Thanksgiving Break
December 16.....	End of first Semester
December 19-January 1.....	Christmas Break
January 2.....	School Resumes
January 16.....	Martin Luther King Day
February 20.....	President’s Day/Snow Day
March 16.....	End of Third Quarter
March 19-23.....	Spring Break
March 29.....	Parent/Teacher Conf. PM
March 30.....	Parent Conf. AM
April 6.....	Good Friday/Snow Day
May 18.....	Graduation
May 23.....	Professional Day

MISSION STATEMENT

OUR MISSION: To empower all students to make educated choices and meet challenges of the future as a productive citizen. Sallisaw High School is committed to excellence.

CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT

Arrive on time daily

Respect the authority of the teachers and school administrators

Cooperate in the development of good habits of behavior

Assume responsibility for your own actions

Come to school well-groomed and dressed appropriately

Help keep all school property clean and free from unnecessary destruction

Respect the rights of others

Do not bully, or harass others

Keep parents informed regarding school assemblies, supplies needed, and written information sent to the school from home.

Come to school with the necessary materials and prepared to work

TRY VERY HARD TO DO YOUR BEST DAILY!
GENERAL RULES FOR STUDENT BODY

HALL PASSES

Students must have their own handbook in order to leave the classroom, unless the teacher deems the situation an emergency. The handbook is a form of identification for Sallisaw High School students; therefore, the students should take their handbook with them when leaving the classroom. The hall pass pages in the handbook must remain attached to the handbook. Individual sheets that have been removed will not be accepted. All students will be provided with this handbook at no cost upon entry into the school. If the handbook is lost the student will be required to purchase a replacement.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Regular class attendance is essential for the student to achieve to the best of his or her ability. Only necessary and legitimate reasons for being out of school are considered excused. These reasons could be illness of the student, serious illness of a family member, funeral of close friend or relative, or some other pressing emergency.

When a student is absent from school, the principal's office must be notified before the student will be allowed to return to class. Parents must call the attendance office before 9 A.M. on the day of absence at 775-7761. **This call may explain the absence but not excuse the absence.**

More than 10 days absent in a semester will result in a failing grade unless a principal decides that there are circumstances, such as hospitalization, car accident, or some other extreme situation which would justify the waiving of this regulation. This regulation excludes school-sponsored activities which are addressed by a separate policy.

A student must be absent three (3) days before teachers may send home missed assignments with the student. The student is responsible for requesting all assignments.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCES

Unexcused absences are given when there is no satisfactory or legitimate reason for an absence. **Vacation, hunting, and fishing, are examples of unexcused absences even though the student's parents may consent.** If the parent does not consent, this type of absence is classified as truancy and will be dealt with as such. (The student will not be allowed to make up work for unexcused absences.)

TRUANCY

A student is considered truant when he or she: (1) leaves school without the permission of the principal; (2) leaves home to attend school but fails to arrive; (3) leaves class and does not return; (4) fails to go to class. The parent of any student found guilty of truancy will be contacted and asked to come to the school for a conference with the student and the administration. Students will receive zeros for work missed as a result of truancy.

1. The first occurrence of truancy will result in one day of ISS, and the parent will be notified.
2. The second occurrence of truancy will result in two days of ISS, plus a parent conference.
3. The third occurrence of truancy may result in out of school suspension.

TARDINESS

Each student is allowed two tardies per semester per hour to take care of illness, oversleeping, running out of gas, cars not starting, etc. **After the second tardy, all tardies are unexcused and the student's teacher will notify Assistant Principal for action.**

1. The third tardy will result in detention.
 2. The fourth and fifth tardies will result in detention or ISS.
 3. The sixth and all additional tardies could result in suspension.
- Chronic tardiness could result in long-term suspension from school.

*** Any missed detentions must be pre-approved or may result in the student being suspended from school.**

Any student more than (15) minutes late will have an absence recorded for that class and detention will be assigned unless previous arrangements have been made.

CLOSED CAMPUS

In 1993, the Board of Education adopted a closed campus policy for Sallisaw High School. As students arrive on campus they will be required to remain on campus until dismissed at the end of the school day. **Any student leaving campus during the school day must have parent/guardian permission and the permission of the principal.** Any student in violation of this rule will be considered truant.

TECHNOLOGY CENTER TRANSPORTATION POLICY

No student will be allowed to drive to Tech Center classes unless approved by the principal. If afternoon Tech Center students find it necessary to have their automobiles at Tech Center, their parents

must sign a permission form. Those students must drive to Tech Center in the morning and ride the bus back to the high school campus for morning classes. All morning Tech Center students are expected to ride the bus to and from the Tech Center campus. A signed Transportation Contract is required for all students attending Tech Center classes.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities, a student must be present in all classes the day an activity is scheduled or the preceding school day if the activity is scheduled on a weekend, holiday or an all day school activity. Any exception to this policy must be approved by the principal.

SEMESTER GRADES

1. A student must have a passing grade in any five subjects counted for graduation that he or she was enrolled in during the last semester he or she attended fifteen or more days.
2. If a student does not meet the minimum scholastic standard, he or she will not be eligible to participate in any school activity during the first six weeks of the next semester they attend.
3. A student who does not meet the above minimum scholastic standard may regain his or her eligibility by achieving passing grades in all subjects he or she is enrolled in at the end of a six week period.
4. Pupils enrolled for the first time must comply with the same requirements. The passing grades required for the preceding semester should be obtained from the records in the school last attended.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY DURING A SEMESTER

1. Scholastic eligibility for students will be checked after three weeks (during the fourth week) of a semester and each succeeding week thereafter. The school may choose to run eligibility checks on any day of the week. The period of probation and ineligibility will always begin the Monday following the day eligibility is checked. Career Tech student grades will be monitored in same manner as on-campus students.
2. A student must be passing all subjects during a semester. If a student is not passing all subjects on the day of the grade check, he or she will be placed on probation for the next one week period. If a student is still failing one or more classes

- during the next week on the grade check day, he or she will be ineligible to participate during the next one week period. The ineligibility periods will begin on Monday and end on Sunday.
3. A student who has lost eligibility under this provision must be passing all subjects in order to regain eligibility. A student regains eligibility with the first class of the new one week period (Monday through Sunday).
 4. "Passing grade" means work that would be entered on the records if the semester were to close at that time.

FIELD TRIPS

No student will be allowed to go on any school-sponsored trips if they are failing a class. The teacher/sponsor will make arrangements for any students that will not be going on the field trip.

MAKE-UP WORK

Students will be given one day after returning to school to make arrangements with the teacher for make-up assignments. The teachers will allow up to 3 days to make up work for each day missed. Regardless of the reason for an absence, it will be the responsibility of the student to make up any work missed. The student must see the teacher concerning missed assignments. If an assignment or test is planned while a student is present, it is the responsibility of the student to have his or her assignment prepared when he or she returns to class. Students will receive full credit for make-up work done within the guidelines of this policy. **NO LATE WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

TELEPHONE CALLS AND MESSAGES

Except in an emergency, no student will be called to the telephone or given a message while in class or assembly. Students are to request permission to use the principal's office telephone in case of an emergency or school business only. The school phones will not be used to call in an order for lunch.

DELIVERIES

Deliveries of flowers, gifts or balloons must be made in the Counselor's office.

WITHDRAWAL

After a parent notifies the counselor, a student withdrawing from school should check out in the counselor's office by picking up a withdrawal

slip and having all necessary teachers and staff sign it. This will clear the student's records so they may be sent to his new school. Failure to do this often causes a delay in sending records. All school fines and debts must be cleared before any official records may be sent. A student will go through this withdrawal process when going to alternative school, Black Diamond Academy.

SUSPENSION

It is not the goal of Sallisaw High School to suspend students unnecessarily but Sallisaw High School students must learn that there will be consequences for unacceptable behaviors. Suspension is used as a form of discipline utilized when the infraction by the student is considered serious or is a repeated infraction of school rules. Maximum time of suspension, according to Oklahoma School Law, is the current school semester and the succeeding semester.

Any student suspended out-of-school for 5 days or less will not be allowed to make up any school work or assignments during that period of time.

An Educational Plan shall be given to students suspended for more than 5 days after the fifth day of suspension.

Any student found guilty of the following acts while in attendance at school, in transit to or from school, at any social function, or when present at any facility under the contract of the school district may face possible suspension.

1. Fighting, assault and battery
2. Showing disrespect for faculty, staff, or other school employees
3. Immorality, profanity, or vulgar gestures
4. Possession, threat, or use of a dangerous weapon
5. Use, sale or possession of narcotics, alcoholic beverages, or dangerous and controlled substances
6. Continued truancy or tardiness
7. Theft or possession of stolen property
8. Conduct which jeopardizes the safety of others
9. Conduct that disrupts the normal education process
10. Cheating
11. Failure to attend assigned detention
12. Threatening statements or actions
13. Vandalism to other students' property
14. Destruction of school property
15. Truancy

APPEALS/DUE PROCESS

If for any reason a school administrator finds it necessary to suspend a pupil, the following procedures will be accorded as minimum of the due process clause for the Fourteenth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States.

1. Immediate removal of a student whose conduct: disrupts the academic atmosphere of the student; endangers fellow students, teachers, or school official; or damages property.
2. A phone call or notice to be mailed within 24 hours to the student's parent of the reason(s) for the removal from school, and proposed suspension.
3. Not later than 72 hours after the actual removal of the student from school, the student and his parents must be given an opportunity to be present at a hearing before the school administrator who will determine if a suspension should be imposed. Such a hearing, which is not a judicial proceeding, must provide at a minimum:
 - a. Statements in support of the charge against the student upon which the hearing is conducted
 - b. Statements by the student and others in defense of the charge and/or explanations of the student's conduct
 - c. The administrator is not required to permit the presence of counsel or follow any prescribed judicial rules in conducting the hearing
 - d. The administrator should within 24 hours advise the student and his or her parents by letter of his decision and the reason therefore

Additional appeal procedures are as follows:

Any student who is guilty of immorality or violation of the regulations of a public school may be suspended by the principal. Suspension shall not extend beyond the current semester and the succeeding semester, provided the student suspended shall have the right to appeal the decision of such principal to the Board of Education of the district, which shall upon a full investigation of the matter, determine the guilt or innocence of the student, and its decision shall be final.

Senate Bill 452 became law on May 6, 2003. The bill amends 70 O.S. § 24 – 101.3 and relates to student suspension. The amendment provides that a local board of education may conduct the hearing or may appoint a hearing officer to conduct the hearing for a student who has been suspended out of school for more than (10) days. The decision of the local board or the hearing officer is final.

CHECK OUT PROCEDURES

No minor student may leave the school grounds unless a parent checks the student out in the principal's office. Students 18 years of age or older must have permission from a principal to leave campus for legitimate reasons during school day, i.e., doctor, funeral. (Any student in violation of this rule will be guilty of truancy.)

WEAPONS FREE POLICY

It is the policy of this school district to comply fully with the Weapons Free School Act.

1. Any student in this district who uses or possesses a firearm at school, at any school-sponsored event, or in or upon school property including school transportation will be removed from school for not less than one full calendar year.
Such firearms or weapons will be confiscated and released to proper legal authorities.
2. Oklahoma Statutes, Title 21, Section 1280.1 prohibits any person, except a peace officer or other person authorized by the Board of Education of the district, to have in such person's possession on any public or private school property or while in any school bus or vehicle used by any school for transportation of students or teachers a weapon as defined below:
"Any pistol, revolver, dagger, bowie knife, dirk knife, switchblade knife, spring-type knife, sword cane, knife having a blade which opens automatically by hand pressure applied to a button, spring, or other device in the handle of the knife, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain, metal knuckles, or any offensive weapon."
Any student who violates Section 2 of this policy will be subject to discipline which may include suspension up to one full calendar year (for firearms) or for any term less than one calendar year (for weapons other than firearms) as determined by the superintendent or the superintendent's designee.
Students with disabilities are subject to this policy and will be disciplined in accordance with the individuals with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act if any such students are determined to be in violation of this policy.

ZERO TOLERANCE

Fighting is a socially unacceptable behavior that will not be tolerated at school in order to maintain positive student interaction, and to ensure the safety of all students at school. In most instances, the local law enforcement will be informed and all students involved shall be removed from the premises. Anyone who is involved in a physical fight, regardless of who “started” the fight, can be suspended from school for 5 days. The principal reserves the right to consider each case on its own merit.

Inciting violent behavior, such as encouraging others to fight, will not be tolerated. Two or more students confronting another student is intimidating and a form of harassment or bullying. Inciting, harassment, and bullying are suspension offenses.

THREATS

Any student making threats of any nature may be suspended. A psychological evaluation (at the parent’s expense) may also be required of the student before returning to school.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY

Any student who feels he or she is being sexually harassed is to report the incident to a faculty member, counselor, or administrator. Sexual harassment will not be tolerated.

TOBACCO

The use or possession of tobacco in any form is not permitted in the school building, on school grounds, on school buses, or at school activity. Students found to be in possession of or using any tobacco product may be suspended from school for up to 10 days on the first offense and may be required to complete a tobacco education program in a timely manner. The school counselor/nurse will provide available programs to assist in this requirement. Proof of completion must be filed with the assistant principal.

DRUG FREE POLICY SALLISAW HIGH SCHOOL

- A. In recognition of the clear danger resulting from illicit drug and alcohol abuse and in a good faith effort to promote the health, safety, and well being of students, employees, and community as a whole, the Sallisaw Board of Education has implemented a developmentally based drug and alcohol education, a prevention program for grades K-12.
- B. Students are hereby notified that the use, possession, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol is wrong and harmful.

- C. It shall be the policy of Sallisaw Public Schools that any teacher who has reasonable cause to suspect that a student may be under the influence or a said student has in his or her possession alcohol or a controlled dangerous substance while in school or while attending school-sponsored events, shall immediately notify the principal or his designee of such suspicions. The principal or his designee shall make a determination as to the validity of the suspicion. If it is determined that the student is in violation of this policy, the principal shall immediately notify the superintendent of schools and a parent of legal guardian of said student in this matter.
- D. **The student, upon the first offense may be suspended from school for the remainder of the current semester and possibly the next semester.** During that period the student must enter a counseling or treatment program. The student will not be permitted to return to school until the school receives confirmation from the administrator of the program that the student has entered. If the school official in charge cannot contact parent or legal guardian, he will take whatever action he deems necessary in the interest and welfare of the student and student body, e.g., calling the physician listed by the parents or the emergency ward of the local hospital. In all such cases the law enforcement officials will be advised (federal, state, and local). Thereupon, every attempt will be made to notify the parents or legal guardian so they might be present at the law enforcement interview or might give their permission for an interview without their presence.
- E. Standards of conduct as outlined in Paragraph C a disciplinary sanction in Paragraph D will be a part of notification to parents and students: “The Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments, PL. 101-226 requires that State, as well as Local education agencies, must certify that it has adopted and implemented a program to prevent the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students and employees.”
- F. Notifications hereby given to parents and students that compliance with the standards of conduct as related to the Drug and Alcohol Policy is mandatory.
- G. Effectiveness of this program will be evaluated by:
 1. Daily Records
 2. Attendance Records
 3. Grades
 4. Teacher Documentation

TELECOMMUNICATION AND SOUND SYSTEMS DEVICES

Oklahoma State Law prohibits the use of wireless telecommunication devices (wireless telephones, paging devices, or any other electronic entertainment device) by students while on campus during the normal school hours. **Students who are in possession of an electronic device of any kind during school hours will have that item confiscated and a parent or guardian will be required to come to the school to pick that item up. Repeated violations of this policy may result in more serious punishment, to possibly include suspension.**

PART II CELL PHONES

The use of cell phones is permitted at school during limited times of the day. Students may use their phones prior to the start of school and during their lunch. During instruction times and passing periods the phones are to be turned off and not in use in any manner. **Parents are asked not to call or text their child during school hours.**

If a student is in violation of the cell phone policy during school hours:

1st Offense; The phone will be confiscated and held in the main office until the end of the day and returned to the student after 3:00 pm.

2nd Offense; The phone will be confiscated and held in the main office. The student will be given 3 days of noon detention. The phone will be returned only to the parent.

3rd Offense; The phone will be confiscated and held in the main office. The parent will be required to attend a parent conference and the student could be assigned 5 days noon detention or In School Suspension. The phone will be returned only to the parent.

4th Offense; The student will be assigned In School Suspension or suspended out of school. The phone will be returned only to the parent.

LASER POINTERS

Laser pointers will not be allowed at school or any school activities. A violation of this policy may result in suspension, and/or arrest, and the confiscation of the item.

VENDING MACHINES

Students may use the vending machines before school until 8:00 A.M., during both lunch periods, and after school. **NO FOOD OR DRINKS WILL BE ALLOWED IN CLASSROOMS.** Students using the vending machines during undesignated times may be placed in detention or ISS at the principal's discretion.

MCKINNEY –VENTO EDUCATION ASSISTANCE ACT

Anyone who lacks a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence may be considered homeless. If a student is found eligible for services under the McKinney-Vento Act, the school district may be able to assist in removing barriers that hinder a student’s opportunity to receive a free and appropriate education. Parents/Guardians who think their student may qualify for services under McKinney –Vento Education Assistance Act should contact Martha Howell, Assistant Superintendent or Dana Stites, Homeless Liaison at 918-775-5544.

NOTICE FAMILY RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT

(Section 24-102 of Title 70)

Parents and eligible students of the Sallisaw School District I-001 have the following rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and the FERPA Policy approved by the Sallisaw Board of Education.

1. The right to inspect and review the student’s education records
2. The right to exercise a limited control over other people’s access to the student’s education records
3. The right to seek to correct the student’s education record; in a hearing if necessary
4. The right to report violations of the FERPA to the U.S. Department of Education
5. The right to be informed about FERPA rights

Parents or an eligible student may request a copy of this FERPA policy in writing or in person from the Superintendent’s Office, Sallisaw Public Schools, 701 South J.T. Stites St., Sallisaw, OK 74955. Copies of education records may be obtained from each student’s Principal’s Office. If needed, the district will arrange to provide translations or interpretations to non-English speaking parents in their native language.

All rights and protection given to parents under the FERPA and Sallisaw Public Schools policy transfer to the students when he or she reaches age 18 or enrolls in a post-secondary school. At that time, the student becomes an “eligible student.”

ASBESTOS NOTICE

In response to the Asbestos Hazard Emergency response Act, P.L. 99-519 and EPA regulations, we have completed a survey of our buildings for asbestos containing building materials.

As a result of our recent building survey concerning asbestos, we are pleased to announce that areas that contain asbestos pose no health problems.

The management plan (results of the survey) will be available for parents’ viewing during office hours in the office of the high school principal. Please call for an appointment.

**SALLISAW PUBLIC SCHOOLS
GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

It is the policy of Sallisaw Public Schools to provide equal opportunities without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, or qualified disability in its educational programs and activities. This includes, but is not limited to admissions, educational services, financial aid, and employment. We feel that all individuals deserve the same standing in the school world. Inquiries concerning application of this policy may be referred to Gary Gunter, Eastside Elementary at (918) 775- 9491.

Anyone in the Sallisaw School District as English Language Learners or is visually or hearing impaired, can contact the School District for assistance as needed in regard to school and/or employment.

CHILDREN IN NEED OF SPECIAL HELP

We are looking for children and young people, 3-21 years of age, who may be in need of special education services. Those special education services may include the following handicaps: speech or language disabilities, learning disabilities, or emotional disturbances. Please contact Brenda Zinck, Director of Special Programs, at (918) 775-7761.

PROFICIENCY BASED PROMOTION

All students in grades K-12 are eligible for Proficiency Based Promotion if they perform at the 90% level on designated assessments. Elementary or secondary students may advance one or more levels in the core curriculum areas. Parents are encouraged to confer with school officials to determine what is appropriate for their child. Test will be administered twice per school year.

READING PROFICIENCY

Oklahoma law mandates that students must satisfactorily complete the 8th grade reading test prior to receiving any driver's license in the State of Oklahoma. Students will be given the opportunity to take the reading test in 8th grade. If the student does not pass the test at that time or if a student moves in to the district from out of state, they have the opportunity to take a reading proficiency test at Indian Capital Tech Center the first Friday of every month at 9 AM.

STUDENT RECORDS

This school district will maintain and release "directory information" without parents' prior written consent unless the parent or student, if more than 18, inform the district that any or all of the following information should not be released without prior consent: The following

information is designated as “directory information”: a student’s name, address, and telephone listing, and date and place of birth; parent or lawful custodians’ name, address, and telephone listing; major field of study and grade level classification (e.g.,: elementary, 7th grade, soph.); students’ participation in officially organized activities and sports; weight and height of a member of athletic teams; dates of attendance, dates of enrollment, withdrawal and re-entry; diplomas, certificates, awards, and honors received; most recent previous educational agency institution attended by the student. Each year the school will allow ten days from date of such public notice for parents to inform the Superintendent in writing of specific directory information pertaining to such students that should not be released without prior consent of the parent, legal custodian, or the student if he or she is over the age of 18. If no objections are received within ten days of the official notification, the information will be classified as directory information until the beginning of the next school year.

VISITORS

All visitors to the school must first clear through the principal’s office and secure a visitor’s badge. No visitors or pets are allowed in the classroom.

DRESS AND APPEARANCE

The Sallisaw Board of Education believes that the majority of the students in the public schools recognize their own individuality and have no need to express themselves in extreme dress or grooming styles. Generally, dress and grooming standards as determined by the students and their parents will not be questioned. The only requirements the Board of Education insists upon are that students’ dress and grooming shall not lead school officials to reasonably believe that such dress or grooming will disrupt, interfere with, or detract from school activities or create a health or other hazard to the student’s safety or to the safety of others.

1. Dress and grooming should be clean and in keeping with health and sanitary practices.
2. Students may not wear clothing or hairstyles that can be hazardous to them in their educational activities such as shop, lab work, physical education, art, or Tech Center training.
3. Good standards of dress and grooming reflect sound judgement, poise, and increased maturity. All students regardless of sex must dress modestly, properly, and neatly.
 - a. Students are not permitted to wear mini-skirts on the school grounds. Mini-skirts will be defined as any skirt that comes **3** inches above the knee.

- b. Tank tops may not be worn. Clothing advertising or exhibiting sexual connotations, drugs, alcohol or tobacco may not be worn. No gang paraphernalia such as doo-rags, sagging pants, etc. may be worn.
 - c. Shorts must not be more than 3 inches above the knee. Spandex shorts are not to be worn as an outer garment. Any outer garment worn over Spandex must meet the 3 in. rule.
 - d. Students are not to wear hats, caps, or other “head gear” not designed to be worn inside public buildings. Girls or boys may not wear baseball type caps inside the school buildings.
 - e. Midriff and transparent clothing or strapless tops will not be allowed.
 - g. Slashed clothes will not be worn if slash is 3 inches above the knee.
4. Extracurricular activities-dress and appearance will be determined by the instructor and Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association. Athletic uniforms will be a noted exception.
 5. It is expected that Sallisaw students will be appropriately attired and groomed at all times and the Administration reserves the right to consider each case on its own merit. “**Extreme**” dress of grooming will not be tolerated.
 6. Undershirts will not be worn for outer garments.
 7. Shoes must be worn at all times.

GRADING POLICY

The letter grades A, B, C, D, F, and I will be used to indicate the level of achievement of all students enrolled in regular classes in Sallisaw High School. Along with scholarship, such factors as initiative, attitude, cooperation, attendance, and individual improvements may be taken into consideration when determining the student’s final grade. The letter grades used will indicate the following degree of achievement in regular classes.

PERCENTAGE	LETTER GRADE	DESCRIPTION
90-100	A	Excellent
80 - 89	B	Above Average
70 - 79	C	Average
60 - 69	D	Below Average
0 - 59	F	Failure
	I	Incomplete

If a student has an incomplete grade for a grading period, a grade of “I” will be entered on the report card. The incomplete work must be completed within a two week period. An “I” cannot be recorded on the permanent record. It will be the student’s responsibility to see that all “I’s” are completed. If the work is not completed or arrangements made, the “I” will become an “F”.

TESTING

1. Students who have been absent, but were present when a weekly or daily test was scheduled, will be required to make up the test on the day they return to school, providing no new test material has been introduced.
2. Semester tests will be administered in all classes.
3. Semester tests and nine weeks test will be administered on the last two days of the nine weeks or semester. Even hour classes (2, 4, 6) will test on the next to the last day of the nine weeks or semester and odd hour classes(1, 3, 5) will test on the last day with seventh hour split evenly between the two days.
4. All students must complete a semester test in order to receive a grade for that subject. Illness of a student and funeral attendance are the only acceptable reasons for giving tests after the close of school. Out-of-town trips are not considered sufficient reason to miss nine weeks and semester tests. Unless an emergency arises, permission will not be granted for students to take tests early. This creates additional work for the teacher at the close of school when time is not available. Should there be an emergency, the principal will determine if the emergency warrants a student taking the test early. Makeup for first-semester tests must be initiated by the student and will be administered at a time determined by his or her teacher. Arrangements for the second-semester make-up tests must be made with the principal before the close of the last day of school.
5. When computing the final semester grade, the semester test will be assessed at 20% of the final grade. The remainder of the semester grade will be determined by student performance over the rest of the semester. Grades attained for each nine weeks grading period will not necessarily contribute equally to the final grade.
6. Credits are earned on a semester basis. A student receives credit for each semester he receives a passing grade in a given subject. One-half credit is earned for each semester.

HONORS GRADUATES

1. Distinguished Honor Graduates: The top two percent of students in the senior class who meet the requirements as outlined by school policy.
2. Honor Graduate: A student in the senior class who has at least a 3.5 GPA on a honors scale and completes at least nine AP or Pre-AP classes- the GPA requirement is based on seven cumulative semesters.
3. In considering selection of Honors Graduates, only those students who have been enrolled in Sallisaw High School from the beginning of their senior year will be considered.
4. Colleges/universities request weighted and non-weighted grade point averages. Final rank is determined with a weighted (A1=5 points) GPA.
- 5. Students at Sallisaw High will be allowed to enroll in a maximum of three AP or Pre-AP classes during a school year.**

AP or PRE-AP CLASSES

Sallisaw High School Advanced Placement classes are open to any student who demonstrates the appropriate skills necessary to succeed in a rigorous college level curriculum. We believe that to maintain appropriate academic standards, students should enroll in the AP program ultimately to successfully take the College Board Exams. For this reason, while courses should be open to any student who exhibits the qualities required to successfully complete the courses, we believe that a clear set of prerequisites should be developed for each subject area.

The grading scale for AP and Pre-AP classes will be as follows;

- A1 94-100 5 points
- A2 88-93 4 points
- B 80-87 3 points
- C 70-79 2 points

Any student who scores below 75% at the end of a quarter or who is disruptive to the purpose of the class will be placed on academic probation in the Honors Program. If the grade or behavior does not improve in a specified time the student will be moved to a regular class and will not receive Honor Graduate Credit for their effort.

To be enrolled in an AP/Pre-AP class, students must submit an enrollment form with teacher and parent consent or exception approved by a principal.

REPORT CARDS AND PROGRESS REPORTS

Report cards are issued to students each 9 weeks to provide information to parents about progress being made.

Students of Sallisaw High School can expect that during the fifth week of each nine weeks period, the teachers will provide progress reports to parents of all students who are working below ability levels or are in danger of failing. Those reports will be in a written form. Progress reports are the responsibility of the student. Progress forms are available in the counseling office. Two (2) progress reports per quarter will be granted - one (1) each 4½ weeks time frame. Notice of Concern reports will be sent home with the student midway of each nine –week grading period. Reports will be in triplicate form, with one copy sent to parents, one copy retained by the teacher, and one copy filed in the Counseling Office. Weekly Letters of Ineligibility are sent by the Counselors and Principals to all Underclassmen failing three (3) or more classes and all Seniors failing one (1) or more class/es.

STUDENT CLASSIFICATION

Freshman—Enter from 8th grade
Sophomores—4 High School units or more
Juniors—11 High School units or more
Seniors—17 High School units or more

CLASS RINGS

Juniors will order and receive their class rings from school sanctioned company during their Junior year.

PICTURES

Each year school pictures are usually scheduled for September. All students must have pictures taken by the school approved photographer so that the yearbook will be complete. However, no one is obligated to order or purchase pictures. If pictures are ordered, they must be paid for the day pictures are taken. If a student does not have his/her picture taken that student will not appear in the yearbook.

SENIOR PICTURES

The Black Diamond Yearbook Sponsor will schedule a date for Ruth Kelly Studios to be at the school to take senior pictures for the yearbook and the senior panel. Senior students may use the photographer of his or her choice for senior pictures for themselves but the only photos allowed in the yearbook or panel are those taken by Ruth Kelley Studios. If the senior student does not attend the photo shoot scheduled by the school then that student will be required to travel to Muskogee to have the picture taken.

Each year the SHS Principal, Yearbook Sponsor, and Yearbook Staff will determine what format will be used for senior pictures in the yearbook. Seniors will be notified in advance of this decision, so they will have time to prepare for the photo shoot.

ATHLETIC PHYSICALS/CONCUSSION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

All students must have a current physical report and a signed concussion acknowledgement form on file before participation will be allowed.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE

All students who participate in interscholastic athletics must show evidence that they have accidental injury insurance. Parents are financially responsible for their own insurance policies.

GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING

Guidance and counseling services are available for every student in school. These services include assistance with educational planning, career and occupational information, study helps, interpretation of test scores, help with school, home, or social concerns, or any question the student would like to discuss with the Counselors.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If a student has made any changes in their name, address or phone number, they should give this information to the principal's secretaries.

FUNERALS

Students will, with parental permission, be allowed to attend funerals of friends. Parents should contact the school as quickly as possible to make the necessary arrangements. **A written request by parents is required for attendance documentation.**

MOTOR VEHICLES

Students are to observe rules of safety in operating their motor vehicles. Parking space is available on the parking lot north of the high school building. Students will avoid parking in driveways or loading zones. There will be no sitting in parked cars around the school. Students will not drive a car to school without a valid license, parking permit, and automobile insurance. Students will not visit their cars during class time or between classes. Any student found to be in violation of school parking lot rules, speed limit rules, or driving in a reckless manner, will have his or her driving and school parking privileges suspended for 20 school days for the first offense and for the remainder of the semester, or possibly the next semester, for the second offense. No student parking will be allowed on the west side of the high school building until 3:05 P.M.

LOCKERS

Lockers are issued each year for the convenience of the students. All lockers should be kept locked at all times. Students are not to give their combinations to others and will not share lockers. Article 20, Section 489 of School Laws of Oklahoma states school lockers, desks, and other areas of school facilities may be opened and examined by school officials at any time and no reason shall be necessary for such a search.

EMERGENCY DRILLS

Sallisaw High School has established procedures for dealing with a wide range of crises and emergency events. Routine drills and practice sessions are conducted periodically to ensure our preparedness. Drills and practice sessions are intended to teach students proper behavior and appropriate responses in emergency situations. All teachers and students should be familiar with the evacuation pattern for any room they occupy. Students are expected to listen closely to adults and follow their directions quickly during all drills or actual emergencies.

PUPILS - SEARCHES

The Superintendent, Principal, teacher, or security personnel of any public school in the State of Oklahoma, upon reasonable suspicion, shall have the authority to detain and search or authorize the search of any pupil or property in the possession of the pupil when said pupil is on any school premises or while in transit under the authority of the school, or while attending any function sponsored or authorized by the school, for dangerous weapons or controlled, dangerous substances, as defined in the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act, intoxicating beverages, low-point beer, as defined by Section 163.2 of Title 37 of the Oklahoma Statutes, wireless telecommunication devices, or for missing or stolen property, if said property be reasonably suspected to have been taken from a pupil, a school employee or the school during school activities. The search shall be conducted by a person of the same sex as the person being searched and shall be witnessed by a least one other authorized person, said person to be of the same sex if practicable.

Pupils shall not have any reasonable expectation of privacy towards school administrators or teachers in the contents of a school locker, desk, or other school property. School personnel shall have access to school lockers, desks, and other school property in order to properly supervise the welfare of pupils. School lockers, desks, and other areas of school facilities may be opened and examined by school officials at any time and no reason shall be necessary for such search. Schools shall inform pupils in the student discipline code that they have no reasonable expectation of privacy rights towards school officials in school lockers, desks, or other school property. (70-24-102)

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

It is the policy of the Board of Education that a minimum of twenty-five (25) units of credit be earned in the subject areas listed under "Types of Diplomas" to be eligible for graduation. At least nineteen (19) of the twenty-five must be earned in the top three (3) grades (10, 11, and 12). In order to graduate from the district, students shall complete the following core curriculum units at the secondary level. **No Senior will be allowed to participate in a baccalaureate or the commencement exercise if they are not enrolled in all classes needed to meet graduation requirements. Seniors who are only one credit short in meeting graduation requirements may go through baccalaureate/graduation activities.**

TYPES OF DIPLOMAS

The Sallisaw School District offers three types of diplomas: Standard Diploma, College Preparatory/Oklahoma Promise, and Diploma of Honor. During their students eighth grade year or upon enrolling in high school, parents will sign which diploma their student will be pursuing. The student will receive guidance from the Counselors to determine the proper course of study for the goals of each student. ***Students who move from another state for or during their Senior year may be allowed to graduate with requirements of the state and school formerly attended.**

*** STANDARD DIPLOMA**

5 units of Language Arts (4 English and 1 Speech/Drama & Debate)
3 units of Math (at least Algebra I)
3 units of Laboratory Science (at least Physical Science and Biology I and one course equal to or above in rigor)
4 units of Social Studies
 ½ unit Oklahoma History/ ½ unit of Geography
 1 unit US Government
 1 unit World History
 1 unit US History
2 units of Arts (Music, Art, Humanities)
8 units of electives

25 Total Units

2 Units of the same Foreign Language is highly recommended.

*Beginning with the Class of 2014, Social Studies Requirement will be: ½ World History, ½ Personal Financial Literacy.

***COLLEGE PREPARATORY DIPLOMA**

5 Units of Language Arts (same as Standard Diploma)
3 Units of Math (same as Standard Diploma)
3 Units of Laboratory Sciences (same as Standard Diploma)
4 Units of Social Studies (same as the Standard Diploma)
2 Units of the same Foreign Language or Non-English language or 2 Units of Computer Technology
2 Units of Arts (same as Standard Diploma)
6 Units of electives earned at the high school and/or Tech Center courses approved for college admission.

25 Total Units

*Beginning with the Class of 2014, Social Studies Requirement will be: ½ World History, ½ Personal Financial Literacy.

***DIPLOMA OF HONOR**

5 units of Language Arts (same as Standard Diploma)
4 units of Math (Minimum of Algebra I, and II, Geometry, and Trigonometry)
4 units of Lab Science (Minimum of Physical Science, Biology I, Chemistry I, and another upper level science)

4 units of Social Studies (same as Standard Diploma)
2 units of Arts (same as Standard Diploma)
1/2 unit Computer Technology (at least Fundamentals of Technology)
2 units of Foreign Language
5 units of electives

27 Total Units

*Beginning with the Class of 2014, Social Studies Requirement will be: ½ World History, ½ Personal Financial Literacy.

*Must have 9 AP/Pre-AP courses in the four core areas and at least a 3.5 cumulative GPA

*Beginning with the Freshman 2013 all eighth grade classes applied to high school credit will be calculated for high school GPA.

Those students pursuing a Diploma of Honor must have all Correspondence Courses completed and final grades transcribed at the same time the first semester grades are posted for the Fall Semester of Senior year in order to qualify for Distinguished Honor Graduate.

ENROLLMENT

All Sallisaw High School students must be enrolled in seven classes unless enrolled in concurrent enrollment. Returning seniors who did not graduate previously must be enrolled in at least four classes.

**CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT
ON-LINE COURSES**

Sallisaw High School Seniors and Juniors may substitute a unit of elective credit for each 3-hour concurrent enrollment class, distance learning or on-line class. The student must successfully complete the course with a grade of “C” or above. Approved concurrent classes will be determined by the college. No high school grade will be awarded or calculated in the grade point average; it will only substitute a unit of high school elective credit. A total of three units (9 college hours) may be earned. More concurrent classes may be taken, but only three units will be awarded.

A Principal will determine approval of the institution granting the college credit, on-line class or distance learning class prior to student enrollment.

STUDENT COUNCIL & CLASS OFFICERS

1. A student may not hold more than three elective offices at any time.
2. A student has the option of resigning a position in order to accept another.

3. Meetings for the election of officers must be approved by the principal.
4. Student Council Officers must have and maintain a 3.0 GPA. Class Officers and Student Council Reps must have and maintain a 2.5 GPA.
5. A student may **not** hold both the Student Council presidency and the Senior Class presidency at the same time.

STATE HONOR SOCIETY

Qualifications for the State Honor Society are:

1. The student must be in the top 10 percent of his class.
2. Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors will be selected on the basis of grade point average for 2nd semester of the previous year and the 1st semester of the current year.
3. Freshmen will be selected on the basis of GPA for the first semester of the current year.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

The first time a student may apply is after Sophomore First Semester Grades are received. Qualifications to be considered for the NHS are:

1. The student must have 3.5 cumulative GPA and submit a complete application to the NHS Sponsor.
2. This average must be on a schedule containing a minimum of four core subjects each semester.
3. Leadership, character, community service, academics, and teacher evaluations are criteria considered by a faculty council.

PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

To qualify for the President's Award for Educational Excellence a student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, and achieve in the 85 percentile or higher in math and reading on a standardized achievement test.

LIBRARY BOOKS AND TEXT BOOKS

Textbooks are purchased and furnished by the State of Oklahoma and, therefore, are the property of the state. These books are expensive, large sums of money are spent each year so that students in Oklahoma may have free textbooks.

Pride should be taken in the care and maintenance of books. Students should not write or mark in them in any way. Any student who abuses books will **pay** for the book at **replacement cost**.

Students will be required to pay replacement cost for any lost text or library book that is checked out to them. The replacement of a defaced or removed bar code will cost the student \$3.00 per bar code.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

HB 1826 directs that school districts annually notify parents and guardians about clubs and organizations sponsored by or under the direction and control of the school. Sallisaw High School currently has the following clubs or organizations;

Student Council **Spanish Club** **Art Club**
National Honor Society **Math and Science Club**
Drama Club **FFA**
Native American **FCCLA** **Business and Professional (BPA)**

Any parent not wanting their child to be involved in one of the above listed organizations must notify Sallisaw High School in writing.

REGULATIONS REGARDING STUDENT INITIATIONS

It is the policy of the Sallisaw Board of Education that all administrators and teachers of Sallisaw Public Schools enforce the following regulations regarding the initiation of students by other students or teachers as defined in the following statements.

No student or employee of Sallisaw Public Schools is to take part in, encourage, or approve of any student participation in the illicit act of “initiating” any student of Sallisaw Public Schools. Initiation is to be defined as any rite, ceremony, or ordeal as pertains to “hazing” or physical or mental harm. The term hazing is to be defined as harassment by banter, ridicule, criticism, threat, or act of physical harm. Furthermore, initiation as defined here is to be distinguished from the act of installation which shall be an approved function for students of Sallisaw Schools as defined here. Installation is defined as the socially endorsed induction of students, by teachers, sponsors, or other students, into an office, rank, dignity, or membership of any school sanctioned organization.

Additionally, installation will carry the connotation of being an activity of benevolence to those involved.

ACTIVITY TRIPS

Students representing the school at out-of-town events will be required to ride the bus to the event site. The return trip may be altered only with parental permission; arrangements will be made with the sponsor of the activity in advance of the trip. Activity trips are a privilege for students. Any student that has not been in compliance with school rules and policies may be denied this privilege as well as attendance at other school sponsored events.

ACTIVITY/ATTENDANCE REGULATIONS

The maximum number of absences for activities, whether sponsored by the school or an outside organization, which removes the student from the classroom shall be five (5) days for any one period of each school semester. Activities to be included in the ten days are: All sports, music, speech, 4H, drama, debate, student government, and class (grade) meetings. Technology Centers are included.

Excluded are: (1) participation by athletes for meets, tournaments, and contests sponsored by the Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Association (OSSAA) as a part of the State's playoff systems for OSSAA recognized sports and activities, i.e. district, regional and state levels; (2) assemblies; (3) field trips; (4) scholastic contests; (5) school sponsored picture taking; (6) senior class graduation business (measuring for caps and gowns or purchase of announcements; (7) orientations by college recruiters; (8) one visit by a senior to a college he is considering attending; (9) purchase and fitting of school rings; (10) serving as a page in the Legislature; and (11) state and national level contests of the State Vocational Board of Education for which the right to compete must be earned. If a student is enrolled in an activity class and is away from school for that class during the time it is scheduled, it is not considered an absence for an activity. Students must be scholastically eligible in order to miss class for an activity.

DETENTION

Before school or AM detention is to be from 7:30 am to 7:55 am. Noon for 1st lunch is from 10:45 to 11:15 am and for second lunch is 11:45 to 12:15 pm. A sack lunch will be available to students that are assigned lunch detention. After school detention is from 3:00 to 4:00 pm.

RULES FOR DETENTIONS

1. Be on time. Tardies will be considered as an absence.
2. **No talking.**
3. Bring your studies and work.
4. No sleeping.
5. No food or drinks will be allowed in D-Hall before and after school.
6. Students will eat lunch while in detention.
7. Students will be dismissed by the D-Hall Instructor when time has been successfully completed. Students must make sure they have received the D-Hall Instructor's dismissal.
8. Violation of any of the above will result in additional detention days.
9. Students who fail to go to the assigned D-Hall may be assigned ISS or suspended at the principal's discretion

SCHOOL BUS CONDUCT

Riding a school bus is a privilege, and the privilege may be removed for not abiding by the bus rules.

Students should conduct themselves while under the supervision of the bus driver as though the driver was a teacher. Students who cannot conduct themselves properly on the buses will be expected to find other means of travel. Students are to remain seated and should refrain from rowdiness and from making distracting noises.

CAFETERIA

While each student is in the cafeteria or going through the lunch lines, he/she is expected to act respectfully towards others. Cutting in line will not be allowed. Students are to leave the table clean when finished.

The throwing of any items is not allowed during lunch. During lunch periods, students are not allowed to be in the halls or the gym area. Students are to remain in the cafeteria, the commons, or the picnic area just outside the north doors.

CHEATING OR PLAGIARISM

Cheating is not acceptable behavior regardless of the form it takes. Students guilty of cheating on a test or homework assignment will be given a zero for that test or assignment. Plagiarism on a report or term paper will result in a zero for that assignment also. Plagiarism is defined as, "to steal and use the ideas and writings of another as one's own."

HIERARCHY OF BEHAVIORS

The students will accept the punishment, as designated by the administrator and/or teacher, or be suspended from school until a parent or guardian returns with him or her for a conference with the administrator and teacher involved.

LEVEL I MISBEHAVIOR

INFRACTION

- Unexcused tardiness
- Disruption of class or assembly
- Lunchroom misconduct
- Inappropriate display of affection
- Failure to bring materials to class
- Failure to do assigned class work
- Use of mischief making devices
- Display Of Affection
- No signed hall pass

PENALTIES

- A student/teacher conference
- In class-disciplinary action
- Assigned school duties other than class work
- A student/counselor conference
- A parent/teacher conference
- A student/teacher/principal conference
- Exclusion from extracurricular activities
- A student/parent/teacher/principal conference
- Detention
- After school Detention
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LEVEL II DISRUPTIVE AND DISORDERLY BEHAVIOR

INFRACTIONS

- Cutting class
- Leaving school without permission
- Truancy
- Bus misconduct
- Profanity
- Altering or disrupting school records
- Defacing school property
- Harassment of students or personnel
- Immoral conduct
- Disrespect for school personnel
- Cheating
- Display of Affection (second or more offenses)

PENALTIES

- A student/parent/principal conference
- Exclusion from extracurricular activities
- Detention
- Withdrawal of privileges
- Financial restitution
- After school Detention
- Suspension

LEVEL III ILLEGAL BEHAVIOR

INFRACTIONS

- Theft/destruction of school property
- Assault (verbal or physical)
- Fighting
- Vandalism
- Use or possession of drugs or alcohol
- Possession, threat, or use of a weapon
- Reckless driving
- Possession or use of Fireworks
- Possession or use of tobacco
- Flagrant Disrespect for School Personnel

PENALTIES

- Detention
- Exclusion from activities
- Suspension
- Expulsion
- Refer to Court Related Services
- Involve law enforcement
- Financial restitution
- After school Detention
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In School Suspension Rules

Students must bring all books and materials to class. A library book should also be brought.

A building administrator will assign the length of time a student will be assigned to ISS and will consist of whole days. Half days and partial days will not count toward days assigned.

ISS will begin at 8:00 am and end at 3:00 pm.

Students may bring a lunch, or they will be allowed to eat in the cafeteria at a time assigned by the high school administrators.

Tardies will not be permitted and the high school administrators will have the option of adding additional days for tardies.

If a student is ill and cannot serve his or her time in ISS, we must have a parent phone call, notes will not be accepted. Unexcused absences will result in the student receiving additional days in ISS. The missed day moves to the day you return, you will serve your time.

Students will not be allowed to bring anything to ISS except books and assignments needed to complete. There will be no talking, gum, candy, soft drinks, or electronic devices allowed in ISS.

There will be no breaks allowed between classes. The ISS instructor will allow periodic restroom breaks.

Students assigned to ISS will not be allowed to participate or attend any school activity on the days assigned.

Discipline problems will not be tolerated in ISS. Students who do not cooperate may be suspended off-campus. The conditions for returning to school after such a suspension will be to serve the remaining time in ISS.

ISS is not free time. Students will be required to complete all assignments assigned by the instructor.

Cell phones must be turned in to the ISS instructor upon arrival and will be returned at the end of the day.

COMPUTER LAB POLICY

It is the goal of the computer laboratory to encourage students and teachers to use computer resources in support of all educational needs.

RULES

Absolutely no misuse or vandalism of the computer equipment will be tolerated. Any user who damages the computer equipment will be held responsible.

A student's access to computer resources must be for education and academic purposes only.

Research assignments will be selected by the teacher prior to class time.

There will be no food or drink in the computer labs.

Student diskettes will be provided by the school and must remain in the classroom. Personal diskettes, application of music CD's, or any program from home may not be used on the school's computer system.

No chat room visits, no Hot Mail or E Mail and no internet games are allowed.

At no time will students be allowed in the computer lab unsupervised.

Each student must have a permission form signed and on file in the computer lab before he/she will be allowed Internet access.

Each student should have an assigned workstation and will work only at that station unless re-assigned by the teacher.

Any material that may be considered harassing, profane, pornographic, threatening, or sexually , racially , or religiously offensive is inappropriate and therefore not allowed.

It is a violation of the law to create unauthorized duplication of copyrighted software. Illegal copying or installation of copyrighted material is prohibited.

Computer lab time will be canceled if a substitute is in the classroom.

No school software will be permitted to leave the school building.

Headphones will only be used for school programs requiring sound.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

The use of the computer resources is a privilege, not a right. Violation of the Computer Lab Policy may result in one or all of the following consequences.

Termination of computer and or Internet access

Removal from computer class

Disciplinary action by the Principal

Reporting to authorities if Federal or State laws are violated

SENIOR PRIDE PERIOD

- Objective: Acknowledge senior students who have exemplified themselves in academics and attendance.
- Acknowledgment: A senior who qualifies will be allowed to enroll in a one hour independent class - Study Hall I.
- Qualifications:
- (1) Grade point average 2.5 above with no failing grade in a high school course.
 - (2) Attendance must be 90% or above.
 - (3) Enrolled in five credit classes.
 - (4) Agree to obey 10 minute rule.
 - (5) Parent Approval
 - (6) Students cannot have received any suspensions during his or her High School tenure.

DRUG TESTING FOR STUDENTS INVOLVED IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The Board of Education of the Sallisaw School District, in order to protect the health and safety of students participating in extracurricular activities and to educate and direct students participating in extracurricular activities away from drug and alcohol use and abuse, has adopted a drug testing policy.

Statement of purpose and intent;

1. It is the desire of the Board of Education, administration, and staff that every student in the Sallisaw School District refrains from using or possessing, alcohol and illegal or performance enhancing drugs. The sanctions of this policy relate solely to limiting the opportunity of any student determined to be in violation of this Policy to participate in extracurricular activities. This Policy is intended to supplement and complement all other policies, rules and regulations of the School District regarding possession or use of alcohol and illegal or performance enhancing drugs.

2. Participation in school-sponsored extracurricular activities in the Sallisaw School District is a privilege, not a right. Students who participate in these activities are respected by the student body and are expected to conduct themselves as good examples of behavior, sportsmanship, and training. Therefore, these students carry a responsibility to set the highest possible example of conduct, which includes avoiding the use or possession of alcohol and illegal or performance enhancing drugs.

3. Sallisaw High School strives to create an educational environment free of alcohol and illegal and performance enhancing drug use. This policy is not intended to be disciplinary or punitive in nature. It is intended to educate, intervene, and prevent students from potential harm from inappropriate drug use.

Students and parents may obtain a complete copy of the Sallisaw Public Schools Drug Testing policy from the Principal or the Athletic Director of Sallisaw High School.

END OF INSTRUCTION TESTING

Beginning with students entering the ninth grade in the 2008-09 school year, every student shall demonstrate mastery of the state academic content standards in the following subject areas:

Algebra I
English II
Two of the following five:
Algebra II
Biology I
English III
Geometry
United States History

To demonstrate mastery the student shall attain at least a satisfactory or proficient score on the end-of-instruction criterion-referenced tests. If a student is enrolled in one of the courses listed above he or she will be required to take the EOI test during the spring testing window of that school year enrolled.

Beginning with students who enter the ninth grade in the 2008-09 school year, students who do not attain at least a satisfactory score on any of the end-of-instruction tests shall be provided remediation and the opportunity to retake the test until at least a satisfactory score is attained on the tests of Algebra I and English II, and two of the tests required or an approved alternate test. Students shall be afforded that re-test opportunity up to three times each calendar year.

School districts will also be required to report the student's performance level of Satisfactory or above on the student's high school transcript. Students who do not meet the requirements of testing may graduate from a public high school with a standard diploma by demonstrating mastery of state academic standards through alternate tests and/or End of Course projects as approved by the State Department of Education. For details on alternate tests or projects see your Counselor or the Principal.

Students who move in from out of state will be handled on a case by case situation with a thorough evaluation of the state testing standards of the sending state.

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