McNear School Discipline Policy

The goal of our student discipline policy is for all students to maintain a high degree of dignity and respect for themselves, others, and their environment. We have established simple and effective rules in order to achieve this goal and to insure a healthy and positive environment at McNear School.

SCHOOL RULES

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL:

- 1. All school rules apply to and from school. Proper behavior is expected.
- 2. Students should arrive at school no earlier than 8:10 a.m. (Except for breakfast starting at 8:00 a.m.) Playground supervision is provided from 8:10 8:25 a.m. Students may not wait in hallways during this time.
- 3. After school, students are required to leave at dismissal unless supervised by a parent or a teacher. If waiting for a ride, students must wait on the front lawn or near the G Street parking lot. The playground is not available for waiting students. Unattended students may return after 4:00 p.m. with parent or childcare permission.

CLOTHING:

- 1. Students are to wear clothing that is clean and appropriate for school children.
 - a. Inappropriate dress includes any provocative and/or distracting clothing such as very short shorts, beltless baggy pants, tank or tube tops, half-shirts, mesh or net shirts, see through tops, shoe length dresses or skirts, thin or spaghetti straps and midriff tops. Underclothing may not show.
 - b. Girls wearing skirts or dresses are to wear shorts or tights for recess.
 - c. Any painted pictures or slogans on clothing must be in good taste.
- 2. To ensure safety for themselves and others, appropriate shoes for daily P.E. and playground activities are required, i.e., closed toe, closed heel, low/flat heel.
 - a. Inappropriate shoes include cowboy boots, hiking boots, thongs, high heels, clogs and open-toe sandals.
- 3. To minimize distractions and to emphasize a focus on study: No make-up, no unnatural hair colors, no false nails, no tattoos and no body piercing.
- 4. Decisions regarding appropriate dress or appearance rest with the Principal or Principal's designee.
- 5. Parents will be contacted when attire is found to be inappropriate.

GENERAL:

- 1. Students will take care of school property and supplies.
- 2. Rough or dangerous play is not permitted anywhere on the school grounds (e.g., tackle football, climbing fences and trees).
- 3. Electronic toys, music players, cell phones, and any other valuables should not be brought to school.
- 4. Hats or caps are to be worn outdoors only (boys and girls).
- 5. Gum is not permitted.
- 6. No throwing of rocks, dirt, food and other non-playground objects.
- 7. Fighting of any kind is not permitted.
- 8. Spitting is not permitted.
- 9. Inappropriate language or defiant behavior is not permitted.
- 10. Students may enter classrooms only with adult supervision.
- 11. Use bathrooms appropriately and leave the bathrooms clean.
- 12. During assemblies and other school events, students will act courteously and listen attentively.
- 13. Students may not leave the school grounds without parent and office permission.
- 14. Inappropriate magazines, books, etc. which promote violence, sex, etc. are not allowed on campus.

LUNCH:

- 1. Each student is responsible for cleaning up his or her own trash at school, especially after lunch and snack time.
- 2. When dismissed from lunch by noon supervisor, students should recycle their trays and walk quietly from the lunch area to recess.
- 3. Lunches should not include glass containers.
- 4. Sodas or carbonated drinks are not allowed.

PLAYGROUND:

- 1. Play should take place on designated playground areas and not in front of school, bathrooms, hallways, or around buildings.
- 2. Running is permitted on playground only. No running or tag in bark area.
- 3. Students need a signed pass from the yard duty supervisor when leaving the playground during recess.
- 4. Cutting in line and saving places are not allowed.
- 5. Dangerous tricks are not permitted on the bars.

PLAYGROUND (cont.):

- Students may not be excluded from participating in a game. Games may not be "locked" even if the ball was brought from home. Students may not take a ball away from a game after it has started.
- 7. Food is not to be eaten on the playground.
- Gymnastics are allowed only during supervised PE class with your teacher.
- 9. Bicycles, roller blades or skates, skateboards and scooters may not be ridden on the school grounds between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

SAFETY:

- Bicycles are permitted in grades 3-6 for transportation to and from school. Decisions regarding safe use of bicycles rest with the Principal or Principal's designee. Racks are provided at the school and all bicycles must be locked. Students are expected to wear helmets if they ride their bikes to McNear School. Helmets are required by law. Parents with financial hardship can contact the school office confidentially. Please remind your children of the following bicycle rules of the road:
 - Bicycle riders are bicycle drivers.
 - Always be alert when driving a bicycle.
 - Drive with automobile traffic and as close to the right side of the road as possible and obey all traffic rules. c.
 - Always STOP at a STOP sign. d.
 - Ride bikes in single file.
 - On school grounds, riders must get off and walk bikes to the bike rack areas.
- Roller blades or skates, skateboards and scooters may be responsibly used by 3rd-6th graders for transportation to and from school. School policy requires that **helmets be worn**. Decisions regarding safe use of the above rest with the Principal or Principal's designee.
- Walking: Children should walk on the sidewalks or against oncoming traffic where there are no sidewalks and cross streets 3. at crosswalks and corners.
- Automobiles: Drivers are urged to obey the curb markings. Do not park or wait near the crosswalks.
 - Never leave your car unattended unless it is in a parking place with the motor off. A drive through drop off area in front of the school is marked by cones each morning. G Street access is for staff and volunteer parking and Kindergarten pick-up at 11:45 a.m. only. Do not drive into parking area before or after school. Walk in or meet your child on Sunnyslope Avenue or G Street. All arriving students must walk in on the walkway.
- Picking up students during school hours: In the interest of offering as much protection as possible to our children, the McNear staff has been instructed to do the following:
 - Insist that all adults report to the office to arrange for release of a child from school; do not go directly to the classroom...
 - Not release children to adults unless accompanied by either the Principal or Secretary unless the adult is well known to the teacher.
 - Not to release the child if the child appears reluctant or uncertain as to whom the person is.
 - Verify the authenticity of the message by immediately returning the call if a call is received from an adult asking that a child be released to go home.
 - Not to release children who ride a bus to ride home with a friend or neighbor, unless the parent has specifically given permission to the school for the child to ride home.

Both boys and girls have equal access to all classes and activities (playground and special events) at McNear School. Harassment and sexual harassment are not tolerated. Complaints are acted upon and documented. Teachers and/or the

Principal will inform parents <u>immediately</u> of	f any bullying or harassing behavior	
Communication and record keeping regarding by when parents need to know about an incident of		
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Please sig	n, cut on line, and return to your child'	s teacher
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We have reviewed and understand the McNear expectations cannot be all-inclusive and that de Principal or Principal's designee.		
Signed		
Child	Parent	Date