

The 2023-2024 school year at Caloosa Middle School promises to be the most exciting and successful one to date. Our primary focus is academic achievement!

**ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF,
WE WELCOME YOU TO COUGAR COUNTRY!**

SCHOOL VISION AND MISSION

The mission of Caloosa Middle School is to inspire a passion for learning and leadership.

The vision of Caloosa Middle School is to become a world class middle school.

STUDENT DRESS CODE

The purpose of the dress code is to encourage students to focus on the learning process without the distractions of unsuitable dress and grooming. Students shall maintain a clean and orderly appearance at all times.

The responsibility for the personal appearance of the student rests with the parent/guardian and the student. Personal appearance shall not detract from the educational process. The following establishes the minimum acceptable standards for student dress to be interpreted and enforced by the principal or designee. The principal has the authority with his or her staff and community, as permitted by School Board policy to establish additional standards at individual schools.

1. Apparel shall be adequate in both length and coverage to be considered appropriate for school. Midriffs must be covered and shorts/skirts must be fingertip length.
2. Pants shall be worn fastened and at the waist with no undergarments showing.
3. Holes in pants/bottoms must be fingertip length or lower.
4. Shirts or blouses shall be appropriately fastened in accord with the design of that shirt or blouse.
5. Clothing that exposes undergarments/underwear is prohibited.
6. Transparent/see-through tops, bare midriff, strapless, low-cut clothing, or tops and outfits that provide minimum coverage or are of a suggestive nature are prohibited; halters, backless dresses/tops, tube tops, spaghetti strap tank tops, muscle shirts, or any clothing which may be distracting is prohibited.
7. Any articles of clothing or jewelry that could likely cause injury—such as chains, bracelets, rings, chokers with or without spikes, or studs—are prohibited. Wallet chains of any length are prohibited.
8. Shoes shall be worn at all times. No slides or flip flops. Sandals must have a back strap. No wheelies (shoes with wheels).
9. Apparel, emblems, insignias, badges, or symbols that promote the use of alcohol, drugs, tobacco, or any other illegal activity are prohibited.
10. Apparel or symbols which may be gang-related may not be displayed on a student's person or in the student's possession, which include bandanas.
11. Gang-related tattoos, or other tattoos that may cause a substantial disruption to the educational environment as determined by the principal, are prohibited.
12. The wearing of hats, caps, headgear (including hoodies) or sunglasses except in conjunction with designated school-approved uniforms or at authorized athletic practices or activities is prohibited. There may be certain exceptions for medical conditions and physical education classes held outside. The principal will determine these exceptions.
13. Clothing with slogans or advertising which by its controversial or obscene nature disrupts the educational setting is prohibited.
14. Hair coloring or style that may cause a substantial disruption to the educational environment, as determined by the principal, is prohibited.
15. Oversized jerseys, trench coats, and pajama "onesies" are prohibited.

For students who do not meet the above rules, there will be clean clothes available in limited sizes in which the student will change, or he/she will wait in the Proactive room until the parent brings a change of clothing. The student will remain in the PROACTIVE room if appropriate clothing is not available. Repeated dress code violations will result in disciplinary action.

CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT CALOOSA MIDDLE SCHOOL DISCIPLINE PLAN

Student Rights and Responsibilities

Student rights and responsibilities are outlined in The School District of Lee County Code of Conduct printed by the School Board of Lee County. Please make sure you go over this booklet carefully with your parent/guardian and return the signature page to school. The document is located in the front of the Code of Conduct plan.

The consequences for breaking school rules are progressive in nature. Repeated rule violations will yield stricter penalties. Any staff member has the right to discipline a student who is not exhibiting proper behavior in school. Students who have a record of not following rules or who exhibit behavior that does not reflect the school and/or community will not be allowed to participate in school sponsored activities such as award assemblies, dances, field days, field trips, or other school sponsored activities.

Disciplinary Consequences

Improper student behavior will be considered to be that which interferes with the learning environment, safety of others, and the orderly function of school. The correction of improper behavior will be carried out in a firm, fair, and consistent manner in accordance with Lee County Student Code of Conduct.

After School Detention

After School Detention is held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday afternoon from 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM, as needed. An activity bus is available to take students to the closest stop to their house. Please see the Activity Bus routes, these stops are often different from a student's regular bus stop.

In-School Suspension (ISS)

Students assigned ISS will not attend any class or school activity including participation in any sports. This includes all after school activities. Students will spend the day in the Proactive Room. The student is required to do all work assigned for the day. Students will either perform current work provided by the teacher, or remedial work provided by the teacher or the Proactive Room attendant. The Proactive Room has very strict rules and any infraction of these rules will result in further consequences. Students will have the opportunity to turn in work that was missed while in ISS, as if it were a validated absence.

Out-of-School Suspension (OSS)

A student assigned OSS is not permitted to be on school board property. No classes or any school activities, including after school, may be attended during the period of suspension. A suspended student may not represent the school in any way under any circumstances. Any student on campus while on OSS may be subject to legal action (Florida Statute 232.26). Parents will be notified of out-of-school suspension by a phone call and a copy of the referral will be given to the student. A letter will also be mailed directly to the home.

A major priority here at Caloosa Middle School is that it is a safe and orderly environment for everyone. When a safe and orderly environment is accomplished, teaching and learning can occur at an optimum. In order to make Caloosa Middle School as safe and orderly as possible, there are common sense expectations for students and logical consequences associated with unacceptable behavior.

Administration will monitor multiple infractions or serious infractions which could result in more rapid movement through the steps of consequences. Administration reserves the right to modify disciplinary consequences.

SCHOOL BUS CODE OF CONDUCT

Riding the school bus is a **privilege**. The following guidelines are necessary to provide the safest and most comfortable conditions possible for all students.

- The driver is in full charge of the bus, and students must obey the driver at all times.
- Students shall sit in assigned seats at all times with arms and head inside the bus.
- Eating, drinking, or chewing gum will not be allowed on the bus.
- Anything that interferes with student safety will not be allowed on the bus.
- Students must ride their assigned bus and may only get on or off the bus at their assigned bus stop.
- Use of personal electronics devices is allowed when it is audible to individual listeners only. Students are not permitted to record activities on a school bus.

Failure to follow the bus rules result in suspension from the bus and/or school. Repeated infractions may result in termination of your bus privilege.

Riding an Unassigned Bus

Permission for a student to ride a bus other than the one assigned or to get off at a stop other than the one assigned, will be approved **ONLY IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY**. Riding other buses for non-school meetings and clubs, private lessons, and other conveniences

are not considered emergencies. In emergency cases such as family illness, no supervision at home, parent(s) out of town, family emergency only with written permission will be accepted from parents with the approval of the principal or her designee. **This must be submitted to the front office by 10:15 AM** of the day the request is being made.

Bus Information

Students are assigned to their bus by the School District according to their home address. Individual bus questions or concerns should be directed to the school.

Bicycle Safety Rules

It is a **privilege** for students to bicycle themselves to and from school. Students who ride bicycles are expected to comply with the procedures of Caloosa Middle School. These procedures consist of common sense bicycling expectations that assure everyone a safe and orderly school arrival and departure. Consequences for bicycle infractions may include a student losing his/her privilege of bicycling to and from school. A bicycle rider or passenger under 16 years of age must wear a helmet as required by Florida State Law 316.2065 (3)(d). The school is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged bikes, locks, etc.

Skateboards, Hoverboards, Scooters, and Bikes

Students must lock their scooters and bikes in the bike rack area **ONLY**. Skateboards & Hover boards must be secured in the student's locker. Students are not allowed to ride or skate anytime on the school campus.

Chromebooks

Every student will be issued a Chromebook. Students will be solely responsible for damage or loss of a Chromebook. Students are to bring their Chromebook to school fully charged every day.

Communication Devices

Any communication, electronic, or recording device (such as, but not limited to, cellular telephones, text messaging devices, digital cameras, iPads, iPods, MP3 Players, Watches, etc.) must be turned off at all times while on school grounds unless instructed otherwise. Failure to comply may result in loss of device and disciplinary consequences. Electronic telecommunication devices will not be used during the hours of 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

THE SCHOOL IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LOST OR STOLEN ELECTRONICS.

Electronic Devices

ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY GOVERNING STUDENT USE OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC MOBILE DEVICES

It is the intent of the School Board to permit the use of personal electronic devices during specified times. Students will be allowed to bring their own device to school. It is voluntary for students to bring their own personal electronic mobile devices to school. Students may utilize personal electronic mobile devices in designated areas for educational purposes when deemed appropriate by appropriate school personnel, but not during the hours of 9:00-4:00pm.

Use of an electronic mobile device during the school day is a privilege. Therefore, all students must:

- Use only the District-specific Wi-Fi network for all network and internet access and refrain from destroying or damaging District data, networks or other resources.
- Use all District internet filters and posted network security practices.
- Report network security risks or violations of network security to a school administrator.
- Refrain from creating ad-hoc, peer-to-peer, or other wireless network with District or student owned devices including the use of wireless hotspots or other similar devices.
- Use the District network for instructional and school related purposes only.
- Follow copyright laws which prohibit the reproduction of content, eBooks, music, games or movies.
- Refrain from intentionally accessing, transmitting, copying or creating mobile apps, websites or other material that contains inappropriate information, content, advertisements or any material that is illegal, not age appropriate or inappropriate for a school environment.
- Comply with School Board Policy 2.20, Acceptable Use Policy Governing Internet and Technology Access.

Failure to follow the directives outlined above will result in appropriate disciplinary consequences as outlined in the Code of Conduct for Students.

Students that bring personal mobile electronic devices to school do so at their own risk. The District accepts no responsibility if a device is lost, stolen, misplaced, damaged or confiscated. The District accepts no responsibility for viruses, malware or other computer related issues associated with connecting to the District's network. The District accepts no responsibility for the costs associated with or that may result from the use of data or texting services by a student when using a personal mobile electronic device.

Students are responsible for charging and maintaining their personal mobile electronic device(s) and the District assumes no responsibility for the same. This includes the use of anti-malware software, if applicable, on the personal mobile electronic device.

Closed Campus

Caloosa Middle School is a closed campus. Students are expected to remain on campus from the time they arrive until the end of their scheduled school day. Students leaving campus without permission will be subject to disciplinary action. Students may not leave campus, return to campus, and ride the school bus home.

Arriving Early and Staying Late

Our official school hours of instruction are **9:45 AM to 4:00 PM**. Lee County Schools are not responsible for providing supervision of students on campus more than 30 minutes before and after the school day. Families should not rely on school supervision beyond these times.

Students are not permitted on the school campus before 9:15 AM or after 4:15 PM without prior approval from the principal.

Even with prior approval, students must be supervised by a classroom teacher during their stay. Students who are on campus prior to 9:15 AM or after school later than 4:15 PM (with the exception of clubs, sports, or tutoring) will be directed to our Before/After School Program and parents will be responsible for the fee.

Before and After School Programs

Caloosa Middle School offers a Fee-Based Before and After School Program for students who need to arrive earlier than 9:15 AM and/or stay later than 4:10 PM. Registration forms for these programs are available in the front office.

Arriving Late

Students who arrive at school after the 9:45 AM tardy bell must report to the office and sign in.

Request to Leave School Early

Students who must leave school during the day must sign out **before 3:30 PM**. The parent must sign the student out in the office before leaving campus. **Proper Photo ID is required.**

Attendance

Regular attendance is necessary for a student to take full advantage of available educational opportunities. All students shall be counted in attendance when they are present in assigned classes, participating in a school sponsored function, or an educational field trip, and in ISS. Absences may be excused for the following reasons: sickness, injury, religious instruction, a religious holiday, participation in an academic function, or prearrangement by the administration. Absences not included in the above shall be considered unexcused. Absent students may not participate in any after school sports or activities.

Visitors

All visitors to the school must report to the main office to register and receive a Visitor's Pass. Violators are guilty of trespassing. Parents are welcome, but are encouraged to make appointments to see administrators, counselors, or teachers. Students are not allowed to bring visitors to school.

Volunteer Program

Volunteers are very important people to Caloosa Middle School. We could not be as successful as we are without them! Volunteers are adults interested in spending time with our students or assisting in other areas of school that do not require working directly with students. If interested, please call the school office to speak with our front office.

Change of Address and/or Phone Number

It is the responsibility of each student and parent to inform the Information Specialist of a change of address or phone number. Having accurate information facilitates communication between school and home and is a necessity for emergency purposes. Please come to the front office if this information changes.

Announcements

Each school day begins with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. Morning announcements are made for everyone's information. While announcements are being made, everyone is expected to be seated, remain silent, and listen carefully.

Clinic

The school nurse or clinic assistant is in the clinic daily to provide temporary care for injured or ill students. Students who are ill are requested to stay home as the clinic is not equipped to keep sick or injured students on a long term basis. Any injury sustained by a student on school property or in connection with a school sponsored activity must be reported to the clinic assistant and administration.

Emergencies/Health Information Card

All students are required to have an up-to-date health information card on file in the school. It is essential for the school to have telephone numbers for both parents or guardians and alternate contact people in the event of an emergency. Information can be updated through your FOCUS portal as well.

Health Screenings

Health screenings will be completed for all 6th grade students. Health screenings consist of the following types of evaluations: vision, height, weight, scoliosis, and hearing. If students or parents have any questions or concerns regarding the screenings, they should contact the school nurse.

Immunizations

All students, including those students presently enrolled, who attend 7th grade in a Florida School will be required to have the following immunizations: Tdap, 2nd MMR, and Hepatitis B series.

Insurance

A pupil protection plan is made available to all students by a reputable insurance company. This provides, at a nominal cost, medical care for injuries sustained in all school activities. Parents should be advised that the School Board or the school does not provide insurance for students. Please contact the front office for more information.

Medication

For students who must take medication, arrangements should be made with the attending physician so that the medication may be given at home before and after school hours. If this is not possible, the doctor must fill out a form in order for medication to be given at school.

The Parent Permission for Medication Form MIS/398, available from the school, must be filled out by the student's parents. If any medication is needed for more than a two-week period, the Doctor's Permission for Medication Form MIS/401 must also be completed. All medication must be fully labeled and in the original container with the student's name and directions for dosage. Self-administration of inhalers need special doctor's authorization and must be cleared by the clinic. There will be consequences for students who have any medication on campus without permission.

Breakfast

In order to get the most from their school day, all students should begin the day with a good breakfast. A free breakfast is available in the cafeteria. In order to take advantage of this opportunity, bike riders, walkers and students who are dropped off by parents need to be in the cafeteria by 9:30 AM. All bus riders are given the opportunity to go to breakfast when they arrive.

Lunch

Students are encouraged to continue their day with a nutritious lunch in our cafeteria. The cost of a student lunch is free. **Students are required to use their Student ID Number to receive lunch.** Each student is responsible for cleaning up after themselves. No glass bottles will be permitted. Parents can make arrangements to have lunch with their children/or bring outside food in to eat in the conference room or the outdoor classroom. **No outside food will be allowed in the cafeteria. The school is asking that parents refrain from bringing outside food into the school without prior approval due to food allergies.**

Lockers

Lockers and locks will be issued to the students who are scheduled in Physical Education. There is a \$5.00 rental fee to use the lockers. Students cannot bring in their own locks. Students are not permitted to share lockers.

Lost and Found

Personal belongings should be clearly marked with the student's name. The school is not responsible for any loss of personal property. Large sums of money and articles of real or sentimental value should not be brought to school. The lost and found is located in the Proactive Room.

Clubs and Organizations

Caloosa Middle School has service clubs, special interest groups, and intramural sports that will meet during the week. The aim of Caloosa Middle School is to provide an opportunity for all students to become involved in school sponsored activities.

Dances

Throughout the year there will be school dances. Tickets for dances are sold in advance only and they are never sold on the day of the dance at the door. Dances are for Caloosa Middle School students only. Students should prearrange for parents to pick them up immediately after the dance ends.

Emergency/Fire Drills

Emergency/Fire Drills will be held monthly during the school year. An evacuation plan is posted in each teachers' room and it gives detailed instruction on the proper evacuation procedures. All students shall follow the emergency plan during the drill and remain silent with their teacher at all times. It is strongly advised that each family have their own emergency plan established with their children in case of an unscheduled dismissal. These conditions would be announced on local radio and television stations.

Search and Seizure

If, at any time, there is reason to believe a student is concealing something that isn't allowed on campus, administration has the right to search the student, the student locker, and any belongings.

Messages

The school cannot guarantee that phone messages will reach students. Every effort will be made to deliver emergency messages.

Counseling Services

We have a School Counselor that is available to help students with a variety of situations including course selection, test score interpretation, problems in a particular class and problems dealing with home situations. Students may request a pass from a teacher to

go to the counselor's office or submit a Counselor request.

Report Cards

Report cards are mailed out to the address currently listed on file, to the parent/guardian at the end of each quarter.

Interim Reports

To further facilitate communication between the school and the parents, interim reports can be accessed through the Parent Focus portal.

Homework

Homework is considered to be an important part of learning. Students are encouraged to set aside time on a daily basis for study at home. This will add to the academic learning experience and will certainly improve grades. **Reading is a priority at Caloosa Middle School.** All students are encouraged and expected to read a minimum of a half hour each day.

Textbooks

Students are responsible for all textbooks issued to them and for all library books that they check out. Satisfactory payment will be required for all lost or damaged books. Failure of the student to pay for lost or damaged books shall deprive the student of further use of free textbooks and/or use of the library as well as prevention of participation in extra-curricular activities including end of year celebrations.

Paw Pats

Paw Pats are given to students who earn special recognition for achievements. Paw Pats can be redeemed in a variety of ways throughout the school year. A Paw Pat Festival is held at the end of the school year where students can spend Paw Pats they have earned and saved for the event.

8th Grade End of Year Activities

Students who are not passing classes and owe money to the School District of Lee County may not participate in any of the 8th grade end of year activities such as the 8th grade field trips and the 8th grade dance. Once students are passing all classes and do not owe any money, they can participate. If there is a discipline issue before an end of the year activity, the Principal reserves the right to prevent a student from attending these activities.

Physical Education (P.E.) Policies and Procedures

- Students will be required to purchase a P.E. locker in the locker room for \$5.00. Students may not bring their own locks from home.
- Each day students must change into approved P.E. clothing. Students may purchase a P.E. uniform consisting of a pair of shorts and a t-shirt at the school. Students may provide PE attire that is dress code compliant. If students do not change into approved clothing described above, then points will be deducted from their daily grade.
- No clothing worn to school will be allowed to be worn under P.E. uniform. Points will be deducted from the daily grade if this policy is not followed.
- Students must have laced tennis or athletic shoes. Students will not be allowed to participate if they are not wearing appropriate shoes, points will be deducted from their daily grade.
- When the weather gets cold, students may wear any color of warm-up clothing to P.E. provided the clothing was not worn to school. There must be a change of clothing or points will be deducted.

We emphasize the need for names on your belongings, as we will not be responsible for missing items. Our main problem with lost articles is when students do not lock their lockers or forget to put items away. We encourage students not to bring valuable items into the locker rooms. Students are responsible for all valuable items and the school will not be held liable if they are lost or stolen. Cell phones should remain off and locked in the locker while in the dressing rooms.

Since P.E. is an action-based course, the only way for your child to benefit is to participate. In order to participate, your child must have changed into the approved P.E. clothing described above. A student is graded daily on the following: dressing out, fitness, participation, and sportsmanship.

If there is a medical reason for not participating, you may write a note excusing the student. We will excuse the student for the day, but the student needs a doctor's note for two or more days. Please let us know of any disability your child may have. All students will be expected to dress out even if they are excused from participation unless they are physically unable to change clothes.

Bullying/Harassment

The School District of Lee County will not tolerate any form of bullying and harassment. All students and employees have a right to feel respected, secure, and safe while participating in school and school related activities. It is important to report incidents of bullying or harassment. A report can be made verbally or in writing. All reported allegations of bullying or harassment will be investigated by the appropriate personnel. All actions that are determined to be incidents of bullying or harassment and within the scope of the school's authority will have consequences applied in accordance with the Discipline Matrix, located in The School District of Lee County's Parent Guide & Code of Conduct for Students.

Disciplinary consequences and interventions will be provided to a student who has committed an act (acts) of bullying. The goal of the intervention is to change the student's behavior. Interventions may include, but are not limited to, instruction in pro-social skills, positive behavior supports, behavior contracts, counseling, and parent conferences.

Bullying:

Bullying means systematically and chronically inflicting physical hurt or psychological distress on one or more students or employees. It is further defined as unwanted and repeated written, verbal, or physical behavior, including any threatening, insulting, or dehumanizing gesture, by a student or adult, that is severe or pervasive enough to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment; cause discomfort or humiliation; and may involve, but is not limited to:

Teasing, social exclusion, threat, intimidation, stalking, physical violence, theft, public humiliation, destruction of property, and cyber-bullying.

In order to be considered bullying, the behavior must meet three criteria:

- **Repeated** – bullying behaviors or actions happen more than once.
- **Intentional** – bullying behaviors or actions that occur without provocation.
- **Power Imbalance** – students who display bullying behaviors use their power – such as physical strength, access to embarrassing information, or popularity – to control or harm others.

Sexual Harassment:

Sexual harassment consists of unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, sexually motivated physical conduct, or other verbal or physical conduct or communication of a sexual nature when submission to that conduct is used as a factor in decisions concerning educational opportunities awards, grades, and other opportunities provided by the School District.

Examples of conduct which may constitute sexual harassment include:

- Touching oneself sexually or talking about one's sexual activities in front of others.
- Coercing, forcing or attempting to coerce or force the touching of anyone's intimate parts.
- Sexually dirty jokes or gestures.
- Graffiti of a sexual nature or notes and cartoons of a sexual nature.
- Forcing or attempting to coerce or force sexual intercourse or a sexual act on another person.
- Unwelcome touching, patting, pinching, or physical contact other than necessary restraining of pupil(s) by school personnel to avoid physical harm to persons or property.
- Offensive or graphic posters or book covers.
- Violent acts, unwelcome sexual behavior or words, including demands for sexual favors, accompanied by implied or overt promises of preferential treatment with regard to an individual's employment or educational status.

Harassment Because of Race or Color:

Racial harassment of a student consists of verbal or physical conduct relating to an individual's race or color, when:

- The harassing conduct is sufficiently severe, persistent or pervasive that it affects a student's ability to participate in or benefit from an educational program or activity, or abusive educational environment;
- The harassing conduct has the purpose or effect of substantially or unreasonably interfering with an individual's academic performance; or
- The harassing conduct otherwise adversely affects an individual's learning opportunities.

Examples of conduct which may constitute harassment because of race or color include:

- Graffiti containing racially offensive language which is derogatory to others because of their physical or mental disability.
- Threatening or intimidating conduct directed at another because of their physical or mental disability.
- Jokes, rumors, or name calling based upon an individual's physical or mental disability.
- Slurs, negative stereotypes, and hostile acts which are based upon another's physical or mental disability.
- Graphic material containing comments or stereotypes which is posted or circulated and which is aimed at degrading individuals or members of protected classes.
- A physical act of aggression or assault upon another because of, or in a manner reasonably related to an individual's physical or mental disability.
- Other kinds of aggressive conduct such as theft or damage to property which is motivated by an individual's physical or mental disability.

If any words or action make you feel uncomfortable or fearful, you need to tell or make a written report to a teacher, counselor,

administrator, or the equity coordinator. Your right to privacy will be respected as much as possible. The School District will also take action if anyone tries to intimidate you or take action to harm you because you make such a report.

BULLYING, DISCRIMINATION, SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND HARASSMENT OR DISCRIMINATION BASED ON RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN AND DISABILITY ARE AGAINST THE LAW

COMPUTER/NETWORK USAGE

NETWORK WARNING

The School District of Lee County, Florida, views information retrieval over the network and on local computer workstations in the same capacity as information retrieval from reference materials identified by schools. Specifically, the School District supports those materials which will enhance research and inquiry abilities of the learner with directed guidance from faculty and staff identified by schools. Specifically, the School District supports those materials which will enhance research identified by schools. Specifically, the School District supports those materials which will enhance research identified by schools. Specifically, the School District supports those materials which will enhance research and inquiry abilities of the learner with directed guidance from faculty and staff. **Acceptable uses of network and other computing resources are activities which support learning and teaching in The School District of Lee County.**

With such wide access to computers and people all over the world, there is also the availability of material that may not be considered to be of educational value in the context of the school setting. There may be some material, individual contacts or communications which are not suitable for school-age children.

The School District of Lee County has taken precautions to manage access to inappropriate materials. These precautions include a firewall system, the use of proxy servers, and the use of filtering software, which limits access to inappropriate materials. It is general policy that the District's Intranet environment, FIRN network, and Internet access resources are to be used in a responsible, efficient, ethical, and legal manner.

Failure to adhere to the general policy and guidelines will result in suspension or revocation of the user's privileges of access. Unacceptable uses of the network included, but are not limited to:

- Violating the condition of the Education Code dealing with students' rights to privacy.
- Using profanity, obscenity, or other language, which is offensive to another user.
- Reposting another individual's communications without the author's prior consent.
- Copying commercial software in violation of copyright law or other copyright protected materials.
- Using the network for financial gain or for any commercial or illegal activity.
- Using the network for product advertisement, political lobbying, or to unlawfully promote religion.
- The malicious attempt to harm or destroy data of another user or any other network is considered vandalism and is prohibited.

MISSION: TO INSPIRE PASSION FOR LEARNING AND LEADERSHIP

VISION: TO BECOME A WORLD CLASS MIDDLE SCHOOL