



NORWOOD PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Student & Parent Handbook

2024-2025

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OFFICE HOURS:
8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.



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K-5 SCHOOL HOURS:
8:55 A.M. - 3:38 P.M.

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WELCOME LETTER

Dear Norwood Park Families,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year at Norwood Park Elementary! It is our pleasure to welcome you to a great year full of growing and learning together as a school community. This handbook has been prepared to provide you with specific Norwood Park information you may need. Additional LPS and Elementary information and policies that apply to all school sites is available online at the Parent Center (LPS.org/parents).

This handbook is designed to answer questions you have about the policy, standard practices, and expectations in Lincoln Public Schools. If you have questions please refer to this handbook or call the office at 402-436-1155. Please note that dates and times of school events are subject to change.

Our goal is to create a supportive and engaging environment where each child can thrive academically and personally. On behalf of all school staff, we are excited to embark on a journey of collaboration this year to provide Norwood Park scholars with a rich and fulfilling learning experience.

Looking forward to a fantastic year ahead!

Sincerely,

Monique Ruiz - Principal
 Kristi Mulliner - Coordinator

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NORWOOD PARK MISSION STATEMENT

At Norwood Park Elementary School we promote continuous, active learning in a friendly, caring, and safe environment by:

- Keeping the learning needs of the children first;
- Striving for excellence;
- Working in partnerships with families and the community;
- Providing children with opportunities; and
- Expecting success.

NORWOOD PARK SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GOALS

1. Our goal is to increase the literacy skills of all students.
2. Our goal is to improve the ability of all students to solve mathematical problems.
3. We will increase family engagement through school activities, family education and parent voice.
4. We will strengthen connections with our community via partnerships that enhance learning for all.

BULLYING

If you feel that your child is being bullied by peers, please contact your child's teacher or the building principal, Mrs. Pam Hale. All reported incidences of bullying/unsafe behavior will follow the protocol outlined in Lincoln Public Schools Board Policy 5482: Anti-Bullying Policy.

Bullying is unwanted, aggressive behavior among school aged children that involves a real or perceived power imbalance. The behavior is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time.

In order to be considered bullying, the behavior must include:

- **Imbalance of Power:** Kids who bully use their power—such as physical strength, access to embarrassing information, or popularity—to control or harm others. Power imbalances can change over time and in different situations, even if they involve the same people.
- **Repetition:** Bullying behaviors happen more than once or have the potential to happen more than once.
- **Hurtful** aggressive physical and/or verbal behavior.

Bullying includes actions such as making threats, spreading rumors, attacking someone physically or verbally, and excluding someone from a group on purpose.

As an added prevention piece, please discuss with your child adults in the building who they can talk to if they feel that they are being bullied or are in an unsafe situation.

These people may include, but are not limited to, their teacher, the administrator, school counselor, school psychologist, school social worker or any other adult in the building that they have built a positive relationship with. Students are taught about what bullying looks like and sounds like, along with how to advocate for themselves through the District's Second Step program.



INFORMATION ABOUT BREAKFAST & LUNCH

Students at Norwood Park have 30 minutes for their lunch break each day. During this time students will get their lunch, eat and use the restroom. Students have the option to order a hot lunch from the cafeteria or bring a cold lunch from home.

Please Note: Students are not to bring pop or candy as part of their lunch. We encourage you to send nutritious and healthy food items for lunch. As part of our school-wide health and wellness effort we encourage students to eat a lot of fruit and vegetables, healthy grains, dairy and protein to energize their bodies for learning!

Norwood Park actively participates in health and wellness challenges throughout the year.

We are a CEP school. Free breakfast and lunch to all students.

Extra servings are available for an extra charge; please put money in their web-based lunch account for these extra food items.

BREAKFAST

Second Breakfast \$2.50

LUNCH

Second Lunch \$4.00

Milk Only \$.60



GENERAL INFORMATION

Contacting Your Child's Teacher

Parents/guardians are encouraged to call their child's classroom teacher to address questions or concerns. The best time to reach a teacher by phone is before the student day begins (8:15 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.) or after school (3:40 p.m.). During instructional time, phone messages will be taken for teachers. For significant concerns such as student assessment, curriculum concerns, and school policy, a parent-teacher meeting is strongly encouraged.

Custodial/Non-Custodial Parents

It is Lincoln Public Schools policy to foster and facilitate parental information about, and involvement in, the education of their children. Divorced and separated parents maintain all parental rights with their children unless altered by a court order. If parental rights have been changed, the school office must have access to a copy of the court order stipulating those changes. School officials will follow the directives stated in the order and in other directives regarding access to the child as provided by the parent having legal custody.



Norwood Park *Specials* Schedule 2024-2025

Day		12:50-1:40 (KG & 4th)	1:50-2:40 (3rd & 5th)	2:45-3:35 (1st & 2nd)
"A" Day	Music	Santo	Clark	Christensen
	PE (Gym)	Hershey	Iburg	Pickel
	Art	McFadyen	Vasey	Daugherty
	Media/Tech	Williams	Betancourt	Jacoby
"B" Day	Music	Williams	Betancourt	Jacoby
	PE (Gym)	Santo	Clark	Christensen
	Art	Hershey	Iburg	Pickel
	Media/Tech	McFadyen	Vasey	Daugherty
"C" Day	Music	McFadyen	Vasey	Daugherty
	PE (Gym)	Williams	Betancourt	Jacoby
	Art	Santo	Clark	Christensen
	Media/Tech	Hershey	Iburg	Pickel
"D" Day	Music	Hershey	Iburg	Pickel
	PE (Gym)	McFadyen	Vasey	Daugherty
	Art	Williams	Betancourt	Jacoby
	Media/Tech	Santo	Clark	Christensen

LUNCH SCHEDULE

Early Childhood	AM: 11:00-11:30	PM: 12:15-12:45		
	Lunch A		Lunch B	Lunch C
Kindergarten	11:00-11:30	4 th Grade	11:35-12:05	2 nd Grade
1 st Grade	10:55-11:25	5 th Grade	11:30-12:00	3 rd Grade
Supervisors: 10:55-11:30		Supervisors: 11:30-12:05		Supervisors: 12:05-12:40
Intervention Para		Ruiz		Mulliner
Lyman / Tatro		Leach		Ourada
Ourada		Intervention Para		Campbell / Mohr
Sub: Leach, Morrissey (M/Th)				

ARRIVAL

AM Preschool – 8:15–11:45 a.m.

PM Preschool – 12:15–3:45 p.m.

Kindergarten-5th Grade 8:55 a.m. – 3:38 p.m.

Norwood Park Campus closed until 8:50 a.m.

BREAKFAST

Breakfast is served between 8:30 a.m. and 8:55 a.m. **Students arriving for breakfast should not arrive before 8:30 a.m., as there is no supervision at that time.**

MORNING ARRIVAL

Students should arrive no earlier than 8:50 a.m. to line up for class. Students report directly to their designated outside door. Supervision will be available at 8:50 a.m.

LATE ARRIVALS (TARDY)

Children K-5th grade, arriving after 9:00 a.m., are tardy and must report to the main office for a classroom admittance slip. A tardy counts towards the daily absence accumulated total.

DISMISSAL

- All K-5 students are dismissed from the building at 3:38 p.m.
- Preschool classes dismiss at 11:45 a.m. or 3:45 p.m.
- All students must go directly home or to a school sanctioned after school activity.
- Teachers will escort students out their designated exit door.

- Parents are asked to stay in cars as they pick up students in the loading zones or determine a “Park & Meet” location across from the school, due to school traffic.
- Students will be ready to load from their assigned grade level zones thus cars must safely drive through the pick-up lines.
- School Campus (including the playground) is closed until 6:00 p.m. except for use by school clubs, groups and CLC.
- Please notify the school office by 3 p.m. if your child’s dismissal plan changes for the day.

PICKED UP BY PARENTS/GUARDIANS

ALL SIDEWALK AREAS ADJACENT TO THE SCHOOL PROPERTY ARE LOADING ZONES. Students are assigned to grade level zones and will be waiting for parents to drive through the loading area. Teachers will assist students into cars when parents pull into their child’s designated zone. There is NO PARKING in loading zones. Please read and follow cones and signage. Traffic should move northbound on N. 72nd Street and eastbound on Stanton Street while using loading zones. K, 1, 2, 4 load in front of the school and 3, 5 load on Stanton Street.

“Park & Meet” can be done on Douglas Street. Students will walk to meet parents at the agreed upon area. No parking in front of the school due to bus activity.

STUDENTS AND PARENTS ARE EXPECTED TO USE THE CROSSWALK AT ALL TIMES. Given the amount of traffic it is not safe for anyone to cross the street

between cars. A crosswalk is available directly in front of the school. Please use the crosswalk to ensure safety for all and model appropriate street crossing behavior for our students.

RIDING THE BUS

Children who are “bus riders” line up in the main hallway prior to boarding the bus. Bus supervision staff will check off each student as they enter the bus. If your child will not be riding the bus on a particular day please notify the school office before 3:00 p.m.

COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER

Students who are scheduled to attend CLC clubs or core programming will report directly to the school gym to check in with CLC staff.

Parents should pick students up at Door #8 after 4 p.m.

STUDENT USE OF TELEPHONE

Students will be permitted to call home from the school office regarding school matters with permission from school staff. Calls by students must be kept to a minimum, as there are a very limited number of phone lines in and out of school. Students are asked to make arrangements for participating in after-school activities and going home with a friend before leaving home in the morning. If you need to speak to your child by telephone during the school day, please call the office and the office staff will take a message to your child’s teacher.

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AUGUST



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 Back to School Night 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm PTO Patio Party 6:30 pm	9	10
11	12 First Day of School A	13 B	14 C	15 First Day of Preschool D	16 A	17
18	19 B	20 C	21 D	22 A	23 B	24
25	26 C	27 D	28 A	29 B	30 School Picture Day C	31

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METHODS COMMUNICATION

School Newsletter: The Beep

The Beep contains announcements, information, school events, etc. This newsletter is sent on the first Friday of each month digitally through School Messenger; and it contains a monthly calendar for your reference.

Weekly Communication Folders:

Monday Messenger comes home weekly with news and activity information. Please return the folder the next day. General information will be sent with the oldest child in each family attending Norwood Park Elementary School.

Community News:

“Community News” is a newspaper distributed by Lincoln Public Schools, free to all elementary students the first week of every month from September through May. “Community News” replaces most informational flyers and can be used as a guide to community activities for students. The monthly school lunch menu is included in each issue of “Community News.”

School Website:

Information is regularly updated on our website:
wp.lps.org/norwoodpark/

ParentVue:

Parents are asked to use ParentVue to enter and view absences, review quarterly report cards, and communicate with classroom teachers. You are encouraged to download the ParentVue app on your phone, or access it through LPS.org. Please contact the registrar if you need an access code to set up your account or have questions about your existing account.

FaceBook:

Check out school happenings on our Facebook Page!
 (“Like” us at www.facebook.com/Norwood-Park-Elementary-School)

School Messenger and Synergy:

This district-wide communication system sends school and district emails, texts, and phone calls to families with important information. Please be sure the school has your updated phone number and email address. Teachers regularly use Synergy to email parents with important information.

NORWOOD PARK PTO

Our parent-teacher organization is active in providing engaging family events throughout the school year. We encourage parents, and other family members, to actively participate in the group to plan and help with these events. Our PTO meets monthly. To learn more about PTO you can call the school office, check out the information in The Beep, or visit the PTO site at:

norwoodpark.ptboard.com. School Code: DPA668.

MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POINT OF CONTACT



Your student’s mental health is important to their academic success. If you have concerns about your student’s mental or behavioral health, you can contact the social worker at your student’s school/program. LPS social workers are licensed mental health practitioners and can help connect you to appropriate mental health or behavioral supports.

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SEPTEMBER



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4 Parent/Teacher Conferences & Scholastic Book Fair 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm D	5 Parent/Teacher Conferences & Scholastic Book Fair 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm A	6 B	7
	SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED					
8 CLC Club Session #1 9/9 - 10/10	9 C	10 PTO Meeting 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm D	11 A	12 B	13 PTO Color Run 5:45 pm to 6:45 pm C	14
15	16 D	17 A	18 B	19 C	20 D	21
22 First day of Autumn	23 A	24 B	25 C	26 D	27 A	28
29	30 B					

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COMMUNITY
LEARNING CENTERS

CLC Club Session Dates

CLC Clubs will be offered quarterly. Registration fliers will be sent home

Quarter 1: September 9th - October 10th

Quarter 2: October 28th - December 6th

Quarter 3: January 27th - March 7th

Quarter 4: March 31st - May 2nd

COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER

The Community Learning Center at Norwood Park Elementary is a partnership between our school community and Northeast Family Center. This program is designed to provide opportunities and resources necessary for children and youth to be successful.

The primary goals of the Community Learning Center are to:

- Improve student learning and youth development.
- Strengthen and support families.
- Strengthen and engage neighborhoods.

By serving the needs of Norwood Park students, their families and the community through various programs including before and after school activities, academic enrichment, social development and family support services these goals can be met.

The before and after school program will run 7:00 a.m. to 8:55 a.m. and 3:38 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Core and After School Club opportunities are offered during these hours. Information and parent handbooks are available in the CLC office. Please contact the CLC staff for more details at 402-525-5711.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Throughout the school year, a variety of interest clubs and activities are sponsored by Norwood Park. Club and registration information will be sent home with students in the Monday Messenger. Additional activities available to students (some for only designated grade levels) include: Chorus, Band, and Orchestra. Other clubs and activities may be organized to address special interests of students and staff.



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OCTOBER



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 C	2 D	3 A	4 B	5
6 Last week of CLC Club Session #1	7 C	8 PTO Meeting 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm D	9 A	10 End of 1st Quarter B	11 SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED	12
13	14 SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED	15	16 2nd Quarter Begins C	17 D	18 Picture Retake Day PTO Annual Fall Festival 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm A	19
20 Red Ribbon Week	21 Rally in red. Wear red. B	22 Peace out to drugs. Wear tie dye. C	23 Team up against drugs. Wear your favorite team attire. D	24 Follow your dreams. Wear your jammies to school day. A	25 Norwood Park is proud to be drug free! Wear your NP gear. B	26
27 CLC Club Session #2 10/28 - 12/6	28 C	29 D	30 A	31 B		

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NORWOOD PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMPACT 2024-2025

This Title 1 School-Parent Compact has been jointly developed with parents and outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the State of Nebraska's high academic standards. At the annual parent-teacher conferences the compact shall be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement.

TEACHER/SCHOOL AGREES TO DO THE FOLLOWING:

1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment to enable children to meet the challenging state academic standards.
2. Regularly communicate with parents on their child's academic progress and provide necessary information related to their social, emotional and behavioral well-being.
3. Treat all children with courtesy and respect to foster a safe positive learning environment that recognizes and supports the students' diverse backgrounds and individual needs.
4. Be available to help children with academic, behavioral and social-emotional needs to ensure individual student success. Identify and utilize parent, school, district and community resources to support individual learning plans.
3. Provide a quiet place and regular time to complete homework with support as needed.
4. Support my child's learning by volunteering in their classroom, participate, as appropriate in the decisions related to their education, and guide them in the positive use of extracurricular time.
5. Provide and **maintain current contact information** for the teacher and school office.
6. Ensure my child **receives adequate sleep, nutrition and attends school daily** with on time arrival by 8:55 a.m. to Norwood Park.

PARENT/CARING ADULT AGREES TO DO THE FOLLOWING TO ENCOURAGE THEIR CHILD:

1. Maintain and foster high standards of academic achievement for my child.
2. Communicate and work with teachers and school staff on an ongoing basis to be involved and support my child's learning. Communicate with my child daily to talk about and listen to them about what they are learning in school.
1. Be safe, respectful, and responsible at school every day.
2. Be at school on time ready to learn, be productive and focused on doing my best work.
3. Pay attention in class, ask questions, and focus on learning and work hard to complete my daily assignments and homework.
4. Talk to my parents about what I am learning each day at school.
5. Use kind words and actions towards others to create a positive learning environment.

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NOVEMBER



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 C	2
3 Daylight Savings Time Ends (Turn clocks back 1 hour)	4 D	5 SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED	6 A	7 B	8 C	9
10	11 D	12 PTO Meeting 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm A	13 B	14 C	15 D	16
17	18 A	19 B	20 C	21 D	22 A	23
24 No Clubs this week	25 No Clubs B	26 No Clubs Turkey Trot 2:45 pm to 3:30 pm C	27 28 29 SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED			30

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DECEMBER



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Last week of CLC Club Session #2	2 D	3 Winter Concert 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm A	4 B	5 C	6 D	7
8	9 A	10 B	11 C	12 D	13 A	14
15	16 B	17 C	18 D	19 A	20 End of 2nd Quarter	21 First day of Winter
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED - WINTER BREAK						
29	30	31	SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED - WINTER BREAK			

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JANUARY



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
			SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED - WINTER BREAK			
5	6 Welcome Back! 3rd Quarter Begins C	7 PTO Meeting 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm D	8 A	9 B	10 C	11
12	13 D	14 Parent/Teacher Conferences & Scholastic Book Fair 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm A	15 B	16 Parent/Teacher Conferences & Scholastic Book Fair 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm C	17 D	18
19	20 SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED	21 A	22 B	23 C	24 D	25
26 CLC Club Session #3 1/27 - 3/7	27 A	28 B	29 C	30 D	31 A	

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FEBRUARY



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3 B	4 C	5 D	6 A	7 PTO Family Date Night / Glow Party 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm B	8
9	10 C	11 PTO Meeting 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm D	12 A	13 B	14 Friendship Day C	15
16 No Clubs this week	17	18	19 No Clubs D	20 No Clubs A	21 No Clubs B	22
	SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED					
23	24 C	25 D	26 A	27 B	28 C	

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MARCH



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2 Last week of CLC Club Session #3	3 D	4 A	5 B	6 C	7 End of 3rd Quarter D	8
9 Daylight Savings Time Begins (Turn clocks ahead 1 hour)	10	11	12	13	14	15
SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED						
16	17 4th Quarter Begins A	18 PTO Meeting 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm B	19 C	20 First day of Spring D	21 A	22
23	24 B	25	26	27	28	29
30 CLC Club Session #4	31 C	C	D	A	B	

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APRIL



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 D	2 A	3 B	4 C	5
6	7 D	8 A	9 B	10 C	11 D	12
13	14 A	15 B	16 C	17 D	18 SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED	19
20	21 SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED	22 A	23 B	24 C	25 D	26
27 Last week of CLC Club Session #4	28 A	29 PTO Meeting 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm B	30 C			

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MAY



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 D	2 A	3
4	5 Teacher Appreciation Week B	6 Spring Concert 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm C	7 D	8 A	9 PTO Block Party 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm B	10
11	12 C	13 D	14 A	15 B	16 C	17
18	19 D	20 A	21 Field Day 9:15 am to 10:45 am Family Picnic 10:55 am to 12:50 pm B	22 Last Day of School End of 4th Quarter 5th Grade Promotion 2:15 pm to 3:30 pm C	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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JUNE



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

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JULY



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Norwood Park Elementary School

2024-2025

Norwood Park Elementary intends to follow the Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy guidelines in accordance with federal law, *Section 1116(a-f) ESSA, (Every Student Succeeds Act) of 2015.*

In General

Each school served under this part shall jointly develop with, and distribute to, parents and family members of participating children a written parent and family engagement policy, agreed on by such parents, that shall describe the means for carrying out the requirements. Parents shall be notified of the policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent, practicable, provided in a language the parents can understand. The policy shall be made available to the local community and updated to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.

- Norwood Park Elementary shall provide opportunities for the participation of our parents and family members including those with migratory children, limited English proficiency, or have disabilities. Parents shall be notified of the Parent and Family Engagement Policy, information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities in an understandable and uniform format and to the extent practicable provided in a language the parents can understand.
 - Back To School Night
 - Annual Title 1 Parent Meeting
 - Parent-Teacher Conferences (Fall & Spring)
 - Spotlight on Family Learning Events (Literacy, Math, S.T.E.M., Art/Music)
 - CLC/SNAC Meetings
 - PTO Meetings & Events
 - CLC Family Club Activities
 - Music Performance Events

- Norwood Park staff and parents meet for our annual Title 1 Parent Meeting each fall, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation under this part and to explain the requirements of this part, and the right of the parents to be involved.

- Norwood Park staff involves parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of the school Parent and Family Engagement Policy.
 - LPS Perception Survey
 - Annual Title 1 Parent Meeting
 - Spring PTO Meeting
 - NP Community Council (SNAC)

- Provide opportunities for parents and family members to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children. The school shall provide other reasonable support for parental involvement activities.

- Provide parents of participating children timely information about programs under this part, a description and explanation of the curriculum in use, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress and the achievement levels of the challenging State academic standards. The school will provide assistance, opportunities, and/or materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement in a format, and when feasible, in a language the parents and family members can understand.
 - LPS Elementary Parent Handbook
 - Parent-Teacher Conferences
 - Standardized Tests results
 - Progress notes and report cards

- Educate teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, administration, and other school leaders, with the assistance of parents in the value and utility of contributions of parents, how to reach out to, communicate with and work with parents as equal partners.

- Coordinate and integrate parental involvement programs and activities with other Federal, State and local programs, including preschool programs that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children.
 - Summer School & Jumpstart (K/1)
 - Annual Title 1 Parent Meeting
 - Community Learning Center Programming

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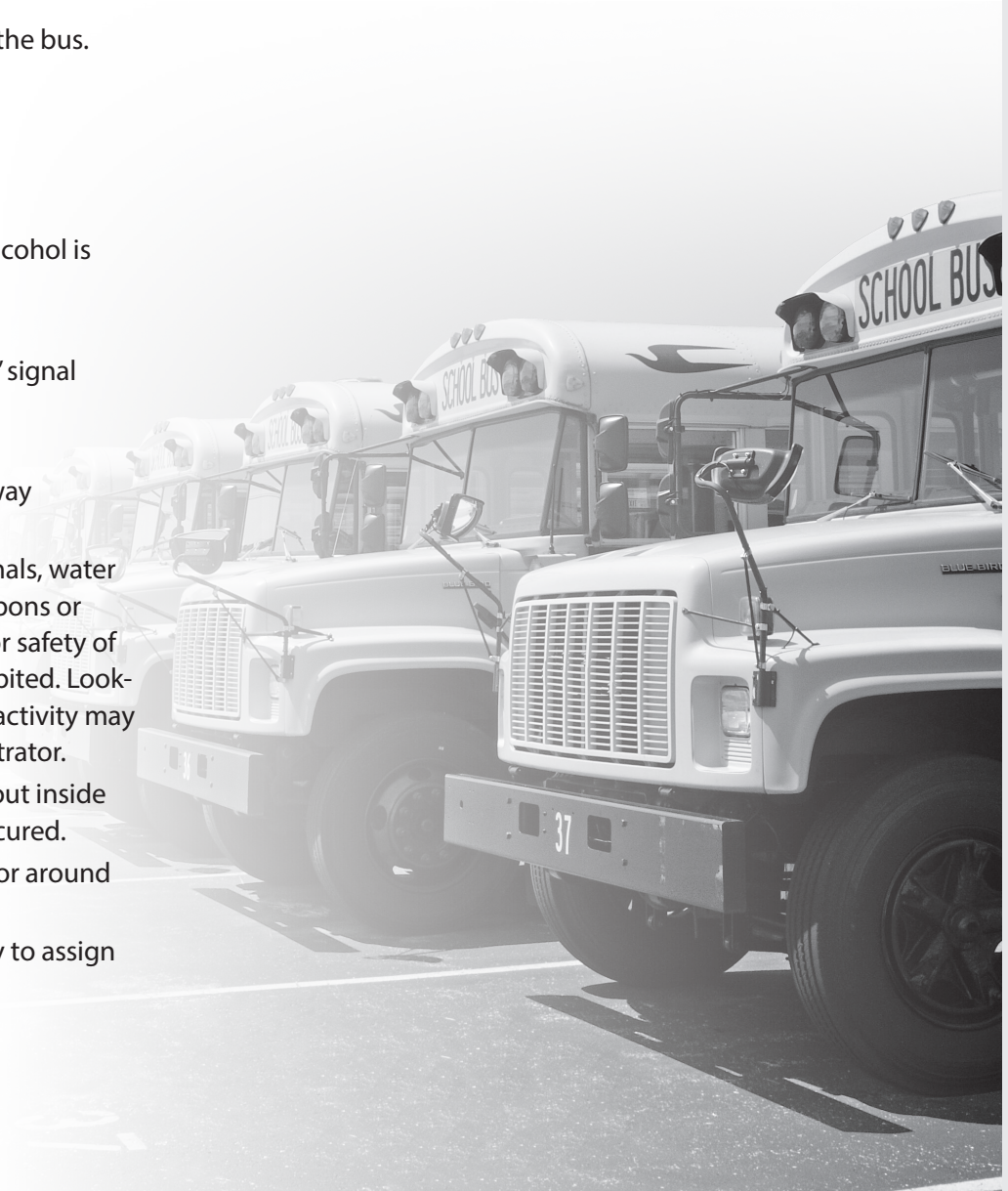
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Students are expected to follow safety rules at all times, including:

- a) Make sure the bus is stopped before leaving your seat to get off the bus.
- b) Never put any part of your body outside the bus windows.
- c) Don't talk unnecessarily to the driver while the bus is moving.
- d) Don't put anything in the bus aisles.
- e) Report any damage to the bus to the driver.
- f) Do not eat or drink on the bus. Possession or use of tobacco or alcohol is strictly prohibited.
- g) Don't push or run when getting off the bus.
- h) When crossing in front of the bus, watch for the driver's "all clear" signal before crossing the street.
- i) Get on and leave the bus only at your assigned stop.
- j) Cross the road or street in front of the bus before it has pulled away from the stop.
- k) Don't bring nuisance items on the bus, i.e., balls, spray cans, animals, water guns, skateboards, etc. Items such as weapons or look-alike weapons or equipment, which in any way would endanger the lives, health or safety of the children or other passengers and the driver are strictly prohibited. Look-alike weapons associated with a school-sponsored or approved activity may be transported only with written permission of a school administrator.
- l) Any items that would break or could produce injury if tossed about inside the bus when involved in an accident or sudden stop shall be secured.
- m) Behave in a manner that is polite and not offensive to others on or around the school bus.
- n) Follow the directions of the bus driver. Drivers have the authority to assign seats whenever such action is appropriate.



HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Parent/Guardian—Please fill in this page to keep as a handy reference when working with the school office.

Child's Name _____	School Attending _____	Grade _____
Teacher _____	Room # _____	Lunch SNAP # _____
Other _____		
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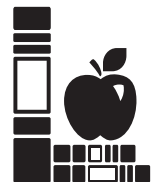
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