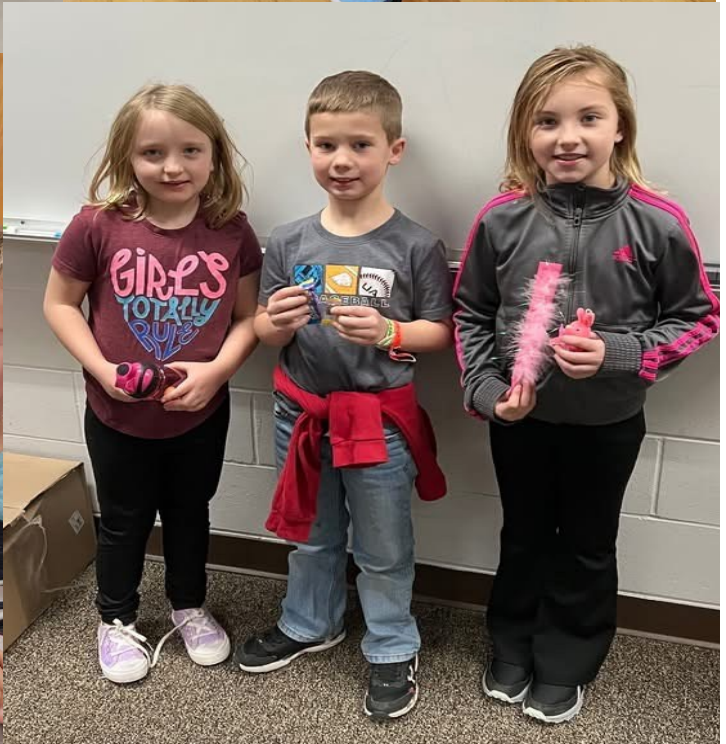


# GRANTON Elementary School

## PARENT AND STUDENT HANDBOOK

### 2025-2026



Welcome to....

## Granton Elementary School

**Dear Granton Community,**

**It is with great excitement that we welcome you to the start our 2025-2026 Granton Elementary School Year! The teachers and staff at Granton Elementary are a skilled team who enjoy working with students and are dedicated to supporting the vision and mission of the Granton Area School District.**

**We offer amazing opportunities for all students to be successful in every aspect of their lives and we hope our students take advantage of every program, course, activity and sport that can maximize their educational involvement.**

**We know a strong partnership with you will make a difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for your child's success and want you to know we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities. As parents, we hope you continually encourage and support your child to be involved as they embark on their once in a lifetime school journey. Please use this parent/student handbook (also available on our website), communication with our teachers and staff, and an open invitation to visit us to learn more about the wonderful opportunities available with Granton Schools.**

**An amazing school year awaits your child! On behalf of our Elementary School faculty and staff; *Thank you for your partnership in your child's learning and welcome to the 2025-2026 School Year!***





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**Nondiscrimination Statement:** The Granton Area School District complies with all state and federal laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination, and with all requirements and regulations of the Department of Public Instruction of the State of Wisconsin and U.S. Department of Education. It is the policy of the Granton Area School District that no person, on the basis of sex, race, religion, color, national origin (including a student whose primary language is not English), ancestry, creed, pregnancy, parental status, marital status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability shall be discriminated against, excluded from participation in, or denied the benefit of any curricular, extra-curricular, pupil services, recreational or other program or activity, or employment, for which it is responsible.



# Educational Philosophy and Goals

## As per Granton Area School District Board Policy code Chapter 1: Section B

Interests, attitudes, skills and habits developed during the school years of a person's life greatly influence the individual's behavior as an adult. The educational opportunities provided at Granton Area Schools are designed to enable students to gain knowledge, work skills, learn acceptable social concepts, and develop appreciations and values, which shall help them become responsible members of their community.

The opportunity to participate in the programs of the school shall be extended to all residents of the community provided statutory and school board regulations and requirements have been fulfilled. For the individual to realize maximum benefits from these programs, the student must be willing to accept the responsibilities, which go along with the educational privileges.

All aspects of the school's program of studies and activities shall be concerned with the total development of the individual student. It is recognized that students have differing interests, needs, and abilities. Therefore, course offerings, school activities, and teaching methods shall be planned which will

enable each student to develop according to his or her capability. Every effort shall be made to help the students experience success in their search for personal improvement.

The goals of education may best be achieved through cooperation and understanding among students, parents, faculty and members of the community. The working relationships shall be purposeful and business-like with mutual respect for individuals and their ideas, accomplishments and objectives. Each person involved in the educational process shall work towards the overall goal of maximum educational advancement for each child.

Therefore, we believe the district goals to be to:

1. Provide a safe learning environment.
2. Provide a well-rounded curriculum for teaching students the fundamentals that will prepare them for a four-year college, technical college, or the work world.
3. Provide a learning environment that will maximize the potential of all students.
4. Provide opportunities to develop each student's imagination, creativity and constructive and critical thinking.
5. Provide the skill each student needs to become a functioning, self-supporting, productive adult.
6. Provide opportunities that showcase the importance of a lifelong love for learning.
7. Provide opportunities to share their own cultures and to be aware of other cultural expressions and heritage.

8. Provide opportunities to develop an awareness of our political system starting at the school level and moving through all levels of government.
9. Provide opportunities to develop knowledge and responsibility concerning global resources.
10. Provide opportunities for career education and occupational awareness.
11. Provide the opportunity to develop each individual's abilities, goals, and self-concept.

# Non-Discrimination Policy

## **As per Granton Area School District Board Policy Chapter 1: Section C & D**

The Granton Area School District complies with all state and federal laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination, and with all requirements and regulations of the Department of Public Instruction of the State of Wisconsin and the U.S. Department of Education. It is the policy of the Granton Area School District that no person, on the basis of sex, race, religion, color, national origin (including a student whose primary language is not English), ancestry, creed, pregnancy, parental status, marital status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability shall be discriminated against, excluded from participation in, or denied the benefit of any curricular, extra-curricular, pupil services, recreational or other program or activity, or employment, for which it is responsible.

### **DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT PROCEDURE**

If any person believes that the Granton Area School District, or any part of the school organization has inadequately applied the principles and/or regulations of Titles VI, IX, s118.13, Wis. Stats., or Section 504 or is in some way discriminatory on the basis of sex, race, religion, color, national origin (including Limited English Proficiency), ancestry, creed, pregnancy, parental status, marital status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability, he/she may bring forward a complaint to the office of the District Administrator in the Granton Area School District office at 217 North Main St., Granton, Wisconsin 54436.

#### **INFORMAL PROCEDURE**

The person who believes he/she has a valid basis for complaint shall discuss the concern with the District Administrator, who shall in turn investigate the complaint and reply to the complainant in writing within five (5) business days. If this reply is not acceptable to the complainant, he/she may initiate formal procedures according to the steps listed below.

#### **FORMAL NON-DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT PROCEDURE**

**STEP 1:** A written statement of the grievance shall be prepared by the complainant and signed. This grievance shall be presented to the District Administrator within five (5) business days of receipt of the written reply to the informal complaint. The District Administrator shall further investigate the matters of the grievance and reply in writing to the complainant within five (5) business days by certified mail.

FORMAL NON-DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT PROCEDURE; CONTINUED

- STEP 2: If the complainant remains unsatisfied, he/she may appeal through a signed, written statement to the Board of Education within five (5) business days of her/his receipt of the District Administrator’s response in step 1. In an attempt to resolve the grievance, the Board of Education shall meet with the concerned parties and their representatives within fifteen (15) business days of the receipt of such an appeal. A copy of the Board’s disposition of the appeal shall be sent by the Board Secretary to each concerned party within ten (10) business days of this meeting by certified mail.
- STEP 3: If a complainant wishes to appeal a negative determination by the Board regarding S.118.23, he/she has the right to appeal the decision to the State Superintendent within thirty (30) days of the Board’s decision. In addition, the complainant may appeal directly to the State Superintendent if the Board has not provided written acknowledgement within forty-five (45) days of receipt of the complaint or made a determination within ninety (90) days of receipt of the written complaint. Appeals should be addressed to: State Superintendent, Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, P.O. Box 7841, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7841.
- STEP 4: If, at this point, the grievance has not been satisfactorily settled, further appeal may be made to the Office of Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, Citigroup Center, 500 W Madison St - Suite 1475, Chicago, IL 60661-4544.

Nothing in this procedure shall preclude individual from filing a complaint directly with the Office of Civil Rights at the address above as authorized by federal law.

Daily  
Elementary  
Schedule

**7:30 a.m.** - We ask that students not be dropped off prior to this as teachers are often in meetings and unable to supervise children. This can create an unsafe situation for students and school personnel. Students are encouraged to report to the cafeteria for breakfast and/or the playground for supervision.

**7:30 a.m..** - Buses begin to release students into the building

**8:00 a.m.** - Class begins.

**Elementary Lunch Times (30 minutes):**

Range from 10:55-12:05

**Elementary Recess Times:**

	AM Recess	PM Recess
4K-1	9:50-10:05	12:30-12:50
2-4	10:10-10:25	1:30-1:50

**3:15 p.m.** - School dismisses for elementary students.

**3:20 p.m.**- School dismisses for MS/HS students.





# GRANTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT | 2025-2026 CALENDAR

**18** New Teacher In-Service  
**25-27** Teacher PD/Workday  
**28** All Staff PD 12-8  
**28** Open House 6-8 PM

AUGUST '25						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					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						

FEBRUARY '26						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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

**5** 4K-6th No School  
**26** Noon Release  
 Conferences 1-8pm  
**27** No School 4K-12

19.5 Student Days

**01** Labor Day  
**02** First Day of School  
**26** 4K-6th No School

SEPTEMBER '25						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	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				

21 Student Days

MARCH '26						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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				

**5** Teacher PD/Workday  
**5-6** Spring Break  
 No School 4K-12

20 Student Days

**6** Teacher PD/Workday  
**23** Noon Release  
 Conferences 1-8pm  
**24** No School 4K-12

OCTOBER '25						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			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	

21.5 Student Days

APRIL '26						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			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		

**3-6** Easter Holiday Break  
 No School 4K-12  
**27** Teacher PD/Workday

19 Student Days

**26-28** Thanksgiving Break  
 No School

NOVEMBER '25						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						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						

17 Student Days

MAY '26						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					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						

**23** Graduation  
**25** Memorial Day  
 No School  
**29** Last Day of School

20 Student Days

**24-31** Holiday Break

DECEMBER '25						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	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			

17 Student Days

JUNE '26						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	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				

**1** Teacher PD/Workday  
**8-26** Summer School

**1-2** Holiday Break Cont.  
**26** Teacher PD/Workday

JANUARY '26						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				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

19 Student Days

Quarter 1  
 Quarter 2  
 Quarter 3  
 Quarter 4  
 Total

## Color Key

- Teacher PD/Workday
- 1<sup>st</sup> Day of School/End of Term
- No School
- Early Release/PT Conferences
- Graduation
- Summer School
- Elementary Data Day

174 Student Days

# Academic Information

- Cheating/Plagiarism
- Contacting teachers
- Grading periods
- Progress reports
- Student records
- Homework
- Internet/ On-line services
- Student promotion/retention
- Student absences
- Work missed during absence
- Tardiness
- Truancy
- Perfect attendance

## CHEATING AND PLAGIARISM

Cheating of any kind (plagiarism, forgery, copying another person's work, allowing another person to copy one's own work, doing another person's work, creating additional copies of one's work for distribution, intentionally accessing another's material for personal use, downloading information from other sources and presenting it as one's own, unauthorized use of hard copy or software to develop one's own software) will not be tolerated. Possible disciplinary actions may include: redoing test or assignment, receiving a reduced grade (as low as zero), written referral to office, or any other action that a teacher and administration deem necessary and appropriate. It is expected that all schoolwork submitted for the purpose of meeting course requirements represent the original efforts of the individual student.

## CONTACTING TEACHER INFORMATION

All teachers have email through the school and telephones in every classroom. Parents are encouraged to contact them often. This information is distributed at open house and is also available via the school website and Principal's office.

## GRADING PERIODS, PROGRESS REPORTS, STUDENT RECORDS

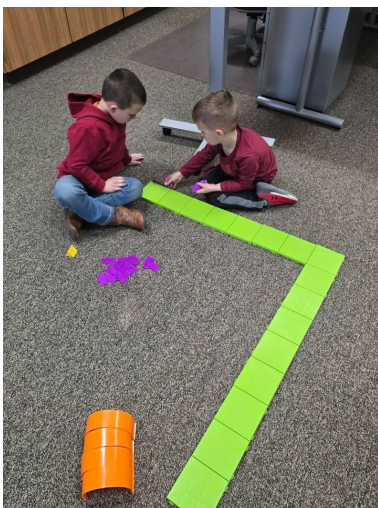
Students will receive grades and credits four times per year at the end of every nine-week grading period. The grades on the report cards issued at the nine-week period will be the recorded grade for student achievement (credit) and will become part of the student's permanent record. The progress report can, and should, be used at any time during the nine-week quarter when staff have information or concerns they wish to share with a parent(s). The progress report will indicate the reason for concern or commendation. Any student with a grade of "M" or below at the mid-quarter will be sent home a progress report (a.k.a. Minimal Performance report). Teachers are encouraged to communicate with parents on a regular basis. No parent or student should ever be surprised by the grade received at the end of any grading period as proper communication should take place prior to the end of a grading period.

## HOMEWORK

Our programs are planned so that if each student makes wise use of their time during regular school hours the amount of work outside of school should be minimal. A reasonable amount of homework is a part of the educational process and should be expected. Every student is different and should not be compared to others regarding this issue.

## INTERNET/ON-LINE SERVICES

The Granton Area School District has developed specific policies regarding student use of the Internet or other on-line computer services. Students in district classes are encouraged to explore the Internet or other on-line services for educational purposes under the careful direction and supervision of district staff. All student use of the Internet must be based on specific planned educational purpose and/or topic and must take place in a supervised setting such as a classroom, lab, or media center. School Board Policy clearly defines user rules. Students violating those rules may be subject to school discipline, up to and including expulsion.





## STUDENT PROMOTION/RETENTION

### As per Granton Area School District Board Policy Code Chapter 10

The Granton Area School District is dedicated to the total and continuous development of each pupil enrolled. The professional staff is expected to place pupils at the grade level best suited to them academically, socially and emotionally.

Children seem to do their best work in school when they are placed at a grade level with other children of their chronological age. Because of the following factors, it will occasionally be desirable for a child to be placed in a grade above or below his/her actual chronological age:

- ◆ Physical maturity
- ◆ Social/emotional maturity
- ◆ Attitudes/work habits
- ◆ Level of academic achievement, particularly in basic skill areas, and in reference to grade level outcomes
- ◆ Ability in relation to achievement
- ◆ Attendance patterns
- ◆ Potential benefit/success for the student
- ◆ Previous retention
- ◆ EEN status
- ◆ Extenuating circumstances, if any

Parents wishing to explore the advisability of retention or acceleration for their child may do so by first contacting the teacher of their son/daughter. The teacher will then initiate a review of the child's records beginning at Step 1 of the guidelines outlined in the rules associated with the appropriate policy.

Pupils will normally progress annually from grade to grade. Exceptions may be made only when, in the judgement of the professional staff, such exceptions are in the best educational interest of the pupils involved. Exceptions will always be made after prior notification and explanation to each pupil's parents, but the final decision will rest with the school authorities.

### All retention and promotion decisions will follow the guidelines of the following Board Policies:

Chapter 10, Section PA, "Fourth, Eighth, and Tenth Grade Advancement Guidelines"

Chapter 10, Section Q, "Student Retention - Elementary"

Chapter 10, Section R, "Student Acceleration - Elementary"

Chapter 10, Section S, "Junior High Promotion and Retention"

Chapter 10, Section T, "Student Retention and Promotion - High School (9-12)"



# Attendance Information

The Board of Education encourages a strong partnership between the home, school, and community. It recognizes a positive relationship between good school attendance and success in school and employment. If student learning and growth are to take place, parents/guardians, students and school personnel must recognize their responsibilities to assure regular attendance.

The Board, in recognition of the statutory requirements for school attendance and the overwhelming public need for an educated society, believes school attendance should take precedence over non-school activities. State law requires every child between 6 and 18 years of age to be in school attendance unless he/she:

1. Is excused temporarily for physical or mental reasons, or other reasons defined by the Board;
2. Has graduated
3. Has been authorized to attend an alternative educational program; or
4. Has been excused by his/her parent/guardian prior to an absence in accordance with state law.

It is the responsibility of any person having under his/her control such a child to ensure regular attendance during the full period and hours that school is in session until the end of grading period in which the child becomes 18 years of age. Parent/guardian(s) are responsible for notifying the school of student absences in accordance with established district procedures. When students are absent, parents/guardians assume full responsibility for their child's activities. It is the responsibility of the principal or designee to determine whether the absence is acceptable (excused) or not acceptable (truant).

## **As per Granton Area School District Board Policy Code Chapter 10: Section J**

School attendance is crucial in order for students to have success in school. The Granton Board of Education has established, and the administration endorses, the following policy:

1. Parents must accept the responsibility for requiring their children to attend school so as to comply with school policy and Wisconsin law. When it is necessary for a student to be absent for "good cause" during the school day, parents are encouraged to contact school officials and inform them. The office will be open at 7:15 A.M. to receive these calls. When a student is absent and a call has not been received, school personnel will telephone the home. In case of no phone call, a note from the parent is necessary before an absence will be excused.
2. Wisconsin State Statutes 118.15 (Compulsory School Attendance) and 118.16 (School Attendance Enforcement) deal with student attendance. All children are subject to compulsory school attendance and law requires a record of attendance through the end of the school term in which they become 18 years of age.

## **STUDENT ABSENCES**

The responsibility for regular school attendance of a child rests upon the child's parents or guardian. SA (Student Activity) shall be recorded when a child is physically away from school because he/she is participating in school sponsored activities, teacher chaperoned field trips, athletic events, workshops, contests, etc. Each teacher shall submit daily attendance reports to the attendance officer on all students under his/her charge. The Principal shall adopt specific procedures for handling absences subject to the district attendance policies and the approval of the School Board. A written copy of these procedures shall be provided for each student and/or his/her parent(s) or guardian.

**Advanced Makeup Form:**

Granton Area Schools recognize the occasional need for extended absence or emergency situations that may arise. Students who are planning to be absent and know in advance that they will be missing work should pick up an advance makeup sheet from the office. A parent request is necessary to receive an advanced makeup. The student will be required to obtain signatures and assignments from their teachers. All work should be made up prior to dates that the student will be missing unless specific arrangements have been made with the classroom teacher. The completed advanced makeup form should be returned to the principal's office.

**Excused Student Absences:**

- **Personal Illness**

A student who is absent due to illness is to have a parent/guardian call the school the morning of the absence. If this is not possible, a note signed by the parent/guardian explaining the absence should be brought to the office on the day the student returns. A student will be allowed five sickness or injury related absences per semester that do not require a doctor's verification. These absences will be recorded as E. If a student requires more than five separate days per semester due to sickness or injury, a doctor's excuse will be necessary. These absences will be recorded as DR. When the illness or injury causes the student to miss three or more consecutive days of school, documentation from a doctor's office will be necessary to excuse the absences. These absences will be recorded as M.

- **Medical Appointments**

A student who has a medical, dental, chiropractic, optometric, or other valid professional appointment will need to provide documentation of the appointment from the medical facility to have the absence be marked "excused". These absences will be recorded as DR. If possible, please schedule appointments outside the school day. The office will accept a fax from the facility on company letterhead that provides verification of the appointment date and time. The Principal's office fax number is 715-238-7827.

- **Family Emergencies**

Any student who has a severely ill or injured family member or who has experienced the death of a family member should have a parent/guardian contact the office as soon as possible after the initial first absence with a description of the circumstances. These absences will be recorded as E. A student requiring more than ten days' absence from school must have a parent/guardian contact the office to give an estimated date for the return of the student to school.

- **Family Religious Services**

Any student requesting time off for the observance of a religious holiday must bring a note from a parent/guardian or have the parent/guardian call the office prior to the holiday. (These days do not count toward the five parent-excused days in a semester.) These absences will be recorded as E.

- **Other Excused Type Absences**

- \* A court appearance or other legal procedure, which requires the attendance of the student. These absences will be recorded as E
- \* Student sent home per CDC guidelines. We ask parents to keep children who are ill home for a full 24 hours after they are free of fever, vomiting, or diarrhea without the aid of fever reducing medications such as Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Advil, etc., because people are very contagious for 24 hours after they are completely symptom free. These absences will be recorded as CDC.
- \* Attendance at special events of educational value approved in advance by the principal or attendance officer. These absences will be recorded as SA
- \* Approved school activities during class time. These absences will be recorded as SA.
- \* Special circumstances that show good cause and are approved in advance by the principal.



## STUDENT ABSENCES, CONTINUED

- **Pre-arranged Absences**

Pre-arranged absences do not fall under the category of “parent request” unless an advanced makeup form has been filled out and approved. Individual parent requests that his/her child should be excused from an absence will not be honored unless it falls under the guidelines previously stated for excused absences and parent responsibilities. Faculty reserves the right to excuse a student from an absence when the absence has been deemed either justified or unavoidable.

- **Parent/Student Responsibilities**

All other absences must be cleared with the office and will be excused only if the absence falls within the guidelines stated above. It is the responsibility of the parent and student to provide the office with the proper documentation stated in the four reasons for excused absences. The parent/guardian or student will have five school days to clear the absence with the office. Documentation and/or phone calls received after five days will not be accepted, and the absence will be considered unexcused. Upon the student’s return to school, the student has the responsibility to confer with his/her teachers for those classes missed to determine work to be completed. The student may have the number of days absent plus one to make up missed assignments/class work to be completed. A longer period may be granted by teacher or administrator for extenuating circumstances.

### **Unexcused Student Absences:**

- Children who are absent from school with the consent of their parents and/or guardian, but whose absence does not fall under the reasons listed above for excused absences, or children who skip, or are absent for no particular reason, shall be considered unexcused.
- Students marked with unexcused absences may face disciplinary action.



## Attendance Information

Policies may be revised during the course of the year.

## WORK MISSED DURING STUDENT ABSENCE

### **Unexcused Absence:**

- Work missed during an unexcused absence may be made up upon request from the teacher. Students may or may not be permitted to make up daily class work missed and may be denied credit for unexcused absences. Tests are an exception and may be made up at a time mutually agreed upon by the teacher and student.
- A student may receive a zero for class participation for all classes missed if participation grades were given the day the student was marked as unexcused by the school attendance officer.
- Students have the obligation to obtain, understand, and retain for future reference and use, all materials presented during their unexcused absence.

## WORK MISSED DURING STUDENT ABSENCE, CONTINUED

### Excused Absence:

- It is the student's responsibility to contact his/her teachers to make arrangements for making up any work missed resulting from the absence.
- Students who miss class for reasons that are excusable will be given the opportunity, whenever possible, to make up work missed when they return to school.
- Teachers will grant the number of days absent plus one for make-up time. This provision applies to all work assigned during the student's absence unless an exception is granted by the principal due to extenuating circumstances.
- Exams missed during an excused absence will be taken at a time agreed upon by the student and teacher.

Any time a student is absent, parents are encouraged to call school and have the student's homework collected for pickup by the parent or another sibling.

## TARDINESS

Tardiness is a two-way problem. First, tardiness is disturbing to other students and the teacher of the class being interrupted. Secondly, tardiness results in a loss of education for the tardy student. Students are expected to be in their proper classroom and in their designated seat when the bell rings at the beginning of each hour. Students are responsible for their movement throughout the building and planning ahead as to avoid tardiness. If at any time a student must be in the hallway, they are to have a hall pass from a staff member or the office. Student tardiness is kept on file by the school office and the attendance officer. Failure to comply with this policy may result in disciplinary action.

## TRUANCY

"Truancy" means any absence of part or all of one or more days from school during which the High School Principal has not been notified of the legal cause of such absence by the parent or guardian of the absent student, and also means intermittent attendance carried on for the purpose of defeating the intent of the state attendance statutes (118.15).

### Truancy Guidelines:

1. Part or all of 3 unexcused days absent in a school semester, or 6 excused absences in a school year:  
Communication with parent/guardian discussing attendance.
2. Part or all of 4 unexcused days absent in a school semester or 8 excused absences in a school year:  
Letter to parent/ guardian giving notification of check list for habitual truant.  
Referral to school counselor for: Review of school records to consider possible PBIS Team meeting.
3. Part or all of 5 unexcused days absent in a school semester or 10 excused absences in a school year:  
Meeting with parents, principal, counselor, and student to consider/discuss placement in PBIS Tier 2 intervention.  
District Staff member home check-in visit
4. Any absence unexcused or excused over 10 in a school year:  
Certified letter to parent/guardian giving notification of checklist for habitual truant  
Possible referral to Clark County Social Services and Sheriff's Department.

A "habitual truant" means a student who is absent from school without an acceptable excuse, based on the district attendance policies for either of the following:

- Part or all of 5 or more unexcused days in which school is held during a semester whether consecutive or not.
- Part or all of 5 or more days in which school was held which exceed 10 days excused absence in a school year.

## TRUANCY, CONTINUED

If a student becomes a habitual truant the Principal shall follow the previously stated truancy steps with final steps being a written notice. The notice shall include the following checklist:

- A statement of the parent's responsibility under the law to cause the child to attend school regularly.
- A statement that the parent/guardian or child may request program or curriculum modifications for the child and that the child may be eligible for any at-risk program.
- A request that the parent/guardian meet with appropriate school personnel to discuss the child's truancy.
- A statement of the penalties under the law that may be imposed on the parent/guardian if he/she fails to cause the child to attend school regularly.

## CLARK COUNTY/GRANTON TRUANCY POLICY

Granton has partnered with Clark County as of June 2019 to respond to Granton Area School District Truancy cases. Under this ordinance, any student that is considered truant from school can be subject to any or all of the following actions:

- An order for the person to attend school
- Cumulative fines to be assessed against the person, the parents or guardian, or both
- Suspension of driver's license for not less than 30 day nor more than one year
- An order to participate in counseling or other supervised work program; the costs may be assessed against the person and/or family
- An order to attend an educational program
- An order from the Wisconsin Dept. of Work Force Development to revoke a work permit for up to one year
- An order for the person to be placed in a teen court program
- An order placing the person under formal or informal supervision for up to one year
- An order for the person's parent, guardian or legal custodian to participate in counseling at their expense
- Any other reasonable conditions with this Section including a curfew and other restrictions

*The Granton Area School District is willing to work with students/families to resolve attendance issues if at all possible. The above is the end result of unresolved attendance issues and will be determined by Clark County Court Services.*

## PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Perfect Attendance Awards will be presented to students with perfect attendance at the end of the 2nd semester.





# Behavior Information

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## BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENTS

Behavioral Infraction System levels, procedures and incentives will follow the outlined school district board policies.

### MANNERS

All behaviors exhibited by the individual while at school and school related activities are a reflection of that individual and the school. In our desire to create an environment of mutual respect supported by families and community, students are expected to employ common courtesy and good manners. Words such as please, thank you, along with the proper address of staff as "Mr." and "Mrs." are expected.

### LOITERING

Any unauthorized person found in the building shall be referred to local law enforcement and prosecuted under the proper county ordinances, if they do not leave immediately upon request. You must leave the building when the school day is over, unless you are required to stay after - which will require you to be under faculty supervision. Any student refusing to comply faces disciplinary procedures including detention, restriction from being on campus after 3:30 P.M. and before 8:00 A.M., suspension, citation for trespassing, and expulsion.

### PAWS (Positive Attitude + Work = Success) & "PAWS"-itive Behavior Awards

PAWS is a service learning and community service program that includes all students and staff! Periodically, we have scheduled times for school or community based projects that encourage students and staff of varying levels to work together in performing some type of project. Each quarter a school-wide celebration is held in which students are nominated by their teachers and recognized for good citizenship, attendance, and academic success. Students can also be nominated by a staff member for a "PAWS"-itive Behavior Award and they will receive some kind of prize from the Student Services Department. For more information on PAWS, please contact Ms. Woller.

### PROHIBITED ITEMS

Problems arise each year because students bring articles which are hazards to the safety of others or interfere in some way with school procedure. Such items include, but are not limited to: toy guns, water pistols, water balloons, bean shooters, sling shots, knives, hardballs, laser pointers. The items if brought to school as playthings are undesirable and will be confiscated. Parents are requested to help children understand the necessity for such regulations. Boom boxes, radios, personal/portable compact disc player, and TV's are not permitted. Cell phones, pagers, iPods, MP3s or other electronic devices are not to be used.

## PROCEDURES FOR POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL, OTHER DRUGS OR ALTERING SUBSTANCES, INHALANTS, E-CIGARETTES, TOBACCO, STREET DRUGS, DRUG PARAPHERNALIA, CONTROLLED OR PERFORMANCE ENHANCING SUBSTANCES

Granton School District strictly forbids use, sale, or possession on any items listed above or look-a-like substances. The possession and/or use or sale of chemicals in our schools, our parking lots, on school buses, at athletic events and/or other school sponsored functions is strictly prohibited. School board policy and procedures have been established to respond to individuals possessing, distributing, and/or selling alcohol and other controlled chemicals/substances or their look-a-like counter parts. Disciplinary action will result if a student is involved in use, possession, and/or sale of any altering substances. Students refusing to comply with a breath test given by school officials or law enforcement will be treated as an admission of guilt.

### SEARCHES

Desks, lockers, books, and equipment loaned to students remain school property while in possession of the students. Such property is provided for the convenience of the students and shall be used only for authorized school purposes. Lockers are not safe deposit boxes. Granton Schools cannot guarantee full security to items stored in lockers. Students that suspect their lock is malfunctioning or that another student knows their combination should report it to the office so that a new lock/combination can be provided to the student. Only locks issued by the school may be used on lockers. Personal locks will be cut and removed by school personnel. The school district is not responsible for any items taken from a student locker even if it is locked. Students are expected to clean their lockers and remove all tape, photos, etc. at the end of the school year.

#### Other pertinent information relating to searches:

- Student lockers are provided for the use and convenience of students but remain under the jurisdiction and control of the school authorities. If inspection of lockers, either individually or on a group basis, is deemed necessary, such inspections can and will take place by school administrators or their designee. If a locker is used to store personal items, (coats, purses, school bags, tec.) those items may also be inspected.
- When a locker is occupied anywhere in the building, it is understood that the occupant assumes all responsibility for contents therein. The Board of Education and its employees cannot be liable for losses that may occur. To protect their locker contents, the Board highly recommends that students use combination locks, which are available upon request. Personal locks of any type are not permitted. If the lock is ruined, lost, or not turned into the office at the end of the school year, the student will be responsible for the cost of the lock. The school authorities reserve the right to use drug dog inspections of students lockers.
- Student parking is provided on school grounds for the use and convenience of students but remain under the jurisdiction and control of school authorities. If inspection of vehicles, either individually or on a group basis, is deemed necessary, such inspections can and will take place by school administrators or their designee. The school authorities reserve the right to use drug dog inspections of the parking lot.

### STUDENT/STAFF INTERACTIONS

Students and staff have a right to work, study, and teach in an atmosphere of mutual respect. Students also have the right to free and reasonable inquiry and expression while having the responsibility to respect the authority, feelings, physical well-being and property of school staff members. The following and considered infractions of student-to-staff relationships:

- **Insubordination:** The willful failure to respond or carry out a reasonable request by authorized school personnel. Disciplinary action will range from detention, suspension, possible police referral, and possible expulsion.
- **Disrespect:** To insult, call derogatory names, use obscenity toward, dishonor, or in another manner abuse verbally or in writing any member of the school staff. Disciplinary actions will range from detentions to suspension, possible police referral and possible expulsion. Profanity directed at a staff member will result in suspension and/or possible further disciplinary actions.
- **Threatening or Intimidating Acts:** Verbally or by gesture threatening the well-being, health, or safety or any member of the school staff. Disciplinary action will result in suspension, possible police referral and possible recommendation for expulsion.

## **Granton Area School District School-wide Behavioral Expectations**

**Be Respectful** - For self, others, community school, parent, etc.

**Be Responsible** - To family, to self and to school.

**Be Safe** - To be free from danger or injury; physically and emotionally.

The Granton Area School District has high expectations for all students and recognizes the potential of all students. To help reach that potential for each student, it is necessary to have a school and classroom free of disruption. The following plan provides behavioral expectations and procedures that are designed to ensure a safe and caring environment for all students and staff. Granton Area School District will maintain a firm, fair, and consistent system for handling behavioral infractions.

### **Behavioral Interventions**

To ensure a safe, positive classroom environment, classroom teachers will use a variety of behavioral interventions including:

- Clearly posting and defining classroom and school-wide behavioral expectations.
- Teaching, role-playing, and regularly practicing all classroom procedures and routines.
- Quietly redirecting students and holding private conversations away from others.
- Refraining from engaging in an argument or power struggle with students.
- Acknowledging students who are demonstrating appropriate behaviors.
- Analyzing the reasons why a student is not complying with behavioral expectations, including: determining the motivation, evaluation of environmental factors, and documenting behavior patterns.
- Collaborating with administration, colleagues and parents to develop behavioral intervention plans. These plans will be regularly monitored and evaluated for effectiveness.
- Utilizing a variety of consequences including: timeouts in classroom or other classroom, and loss of privileges.



## **Arrival Expectations**

### **Students will:**

- Be allowed to enter the building starting at 7:30am. Any student arriving before 7:30 must sit quietly in the vestibule until the doors open.
- Walk on the sidewalks and not on the landscaping
- Not climb on any trees on the school grounds
- Follow school-wide behavior rules when entering the building
- Walk their bikes to the downstairs bike rack

## **Building Food/Drink Expectations**

### **Students will:**

- Eat any breakfast/lunch food in the cafeteria or second breakfast designated location.
- Not bring soda, caffeinated or high sugar drinks to school
- Bring clear water bottles if possible. If water bottles are not clear or if there is a question of any water bottle content, behavioral staff are able to respond, open and/or confiscate if necessary

## **Cafeteria Expectations**

### **Students will:**

- Enter the cafeteria quietly
- Listen and be respectful to all cafeteria staff members
- Wait in line quietly and wait their turn when getting lunch
- Keep hands, feet and objects to themselves
- Always walk in the cafeteria
- Clean up after themselves
- Respect others personal space
- Talk using an inside voice (no screaming)

## **Playground Expectations**

### **Students will:**

- Use equipment properly
- Get on and off equipment carefully
- Only go up the ladder and down the slide
- Not run when lining up with their class
- Not bring food onto the playground
- Return all equipment to the cart at the end of recess
- Share space on the field and playset area with other students
- Always follow the rules of the game and wait for their turn to play

## **Public Displays of Affection Expectations**

### **Students will:**

- Only be allowed to hand hold. No other physical displays of affection are allowed in the building.

## **Cell Phones and/or Electronic Expectations**

### **Students will:**

- Not be allowed to use cell phones or other electronic devices in the elementary school.
- Cell phones and any other electronics that are misused throughout the day will be confiscated.

## **Hallway Expectations**

### **Students will:**

- Walk on the right side of the hallway
- Be quiet while walking in the hallway
- Make sure they always stay with their class

## **Restroom Expectations**

### **Students will:**

- Use restroom facility appropriately and keep restroom clean
- Always flush the toilet after use
- Wash hands with one squirt of soap, dry hands with no more than two paper towels, and throw the paper towels in the garbage can after using the restroom
- Not horseplay in the restroom
- Return immediately to their class after using the restroom

## **Dismissal Expectations**

### **Students will:**

- Be dismissed from the lower Elementary doors. Staff members will escort students by family to the vehicle pick-up lines in the Elementary Parking Lot.
- Be dismissed from the MS/HS entrance doors at the conclusion of the Secondary's day or for Elementary students loading the buses.
- Leave school immediately, unless they are participating in an after-school activity.
- Walk on the sidewalk and stay off the landscaping
- Not climb on any trees on school grounds
- Drive safe and follow student parking lot rules

## **Dress Code Expectations**

### **Students are not allowed to wear:**

- Clothing endorsing inappropriate words, pictures or logos.
- Coats, hats, hoods and/or backpacks or any other headgear. Hats can be worn with administrative approval for specific dress days.
- Any type of gloves in the building
- Sagging pants
- Clothing with exposed stomach, chest, back, buttocks or undergarments. Top straps must be two inches.
- Off the shoulder, spaghetti straps, crop tops, strapless, low cut, sheer or lace tops, or any style top that provides minimum coverage.
- Skirts/shorts that are not mid-thigh length. If the skirt or shorts can not be seen under your top layer, then they are too short.
- Jean with large rips or holes that could not be cut into approved shorts length
- In addition, any clothing that does not fit appropriately and/or causes a distraction to the educational environment.

## **Consequences for dress code violations:**

Students will not be allowed to sit in class with dress code violations. Students with dress code violations that are not fixable will be sent with a district staff member to the office to correct their clothing. Parents will be notified to bring appropriate clothing if the child does not have extra school appropriate clothing.

- If a child is seen wearing a previously addressed dress code violation again to school, they will be receiving a behavior infraction referral as well as following the dress code consequences.

## **Anti-Bullying Policy**

It is the responsibility of all staff, students and community members of Granton Area School District to ensure our school is a safe, caring place where everyone is respected and no one is bullied.

Bullying occurs when someone repeatedly, with words or actions, hurts, frightens, threatens, or leaves someone out on purpose. Some examples of bullying include the following incidences that are repeated over time:

- Pushing, hitting, kicking, or throwing things at someone
- Constant name calling or teasing
- Threatening to hurt someone
- Always leaving someone out on purpose
- Spreading rumors about someone, including cyber-bullying on social media

Students who believe that they have been bullied, or have seen another student being bullied, should immediately report the problem to a teacher or another staff member. Any parent who becomes aware of a bullying incident, should report it to a teacher or school administration.

The Granton Area School District Bullying/Harassment Form can be found on our district website at the following link:

- <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfnnvGBHZ5Tyq8cSpntYdEo5h6dueDplrT8nD3Rf7dhcO7v7NA/viewform>

## **Consequences for Violating the Anti-Bullying Policy**

After an investigation, Granton administration can take any of the following steps when a student is found to have violated the Anti-Bullying Policy

- Meeting with student
- Notification and meeting with parent/guardian
- Write up and Level the behavioral infraction in accordance with our discipline referral procedure
- Removal from school resulting in ISS or OSS, if bullying continues
- Restitution for behavior and Behavioral Intervention Plan



# Granton School District Schoolwide Discipline Referral Flowchart

All classroom teachers implement a classroom discipline plan. Classroom procedures and routines are consistently modeled and practiced.



## Level 1 Infractions

- Inappropriate/Derogatory Language (cursing, racial slurs)
- Physical contact (minor pushing, shoving or horseplay) Non-compliance
- Dress code violation
- Minor class disruption (excessive talking)
- Lying/Cheating
- Inappropriate use of school property or materials

### Teacher Will:

- Utilize classroom management tools
- Conference with the student
- Document through the district behavioral reporting system
- Contact parent and/or guardian with behavior infraction details

### Teacher Directed Possible Consequences and Interventions:

- Lunch and/or recess detention
- Reflection and discussion of infraction
- Meeting with the parent/guardian
- Classroom behavioral intervention plan

Student accumulates three Level 1 infractions within three months

**Teacher discretion to send discipline referral onto a Level 2 infraction**

## Level 2 Infractions

- Abusive/Inappropriate/Derogatory language directed toward a staff member and/or student
- Fighting
- Major pushing and shoving
- Major disrespect/insubordination
- Major classroom disruptions
- Major verbal altercation between students
- Theft
- Habitual discipline
- Repeated Level 1 behavioral infraction

### Send immediate referral

### Teacher Will:

- Immediately send student to the office
- Document the behavior
- Contact parent and/or guardian with behavior infraction details

### Behavioral Team Directed Possible Consequences and Interventions:

- Loss of Privileges
- Required Parent Conference (RPC)
- Restitution
- In-class behavioral supports
- After-School Detentions
- In School Suspension (ISS)
- Out of School Suspension (OSS)

## Level 3 Infractions

- Bullying/threats
- Alcohol/drugs/tobacco
- Immoral conduct
- Vandalism
- Weapons
- Arson

### Send immediate referral

### Teacher Will:

- Immediately send student to the office
- Document the behavior through the district behavioral reporting system
- Contact parent and/or guardian with behavior infraction details

### Administration Team Will:

- Notify parents
- Suspend for a specific amount of time either in school or out of school including the possibility of expulsion.

### Other Possible Consequences and Interventions:

- Loss of Classroom Learning Privileges
- Restitution
- Behavior Intervention Plan

**\*Note: Consequences/interventions for students with multiple referrals will be handled by administration, teachers, and behavioral staff on a case by case basis\***

## STUDENT/STAFF INTERACTIONS, CONTINUED

- **Physical Attack:** The act of physically assaulting any member of the school staff on school property or at any activity under school sponsorship. Disciplinary action will result in automatic suspension, recommendation for expulsion to the school board, and police referral as a felony offense.

## VANDALISM, THEFT & THE DESTRUCTION OF SCHOOL/STUDENT PROPERTY

The citizens of the Granton Area School District, including you parents, have provided you with an excellent facility containing excellent buildings and modern equipment. It is your duty to help maintain that appearance of the school. Anyone found willfully damaging school property would be required to pay for the damages and/or replacement of any item. That student may be suspended from school or possibly expelled. Any student caught stealing or destroying either school property, or a fellow student's property, will be required to pay for the loss and also faces suspension from school and possibly expulsion. Appropriate authorities will also be notified and the strongest legal action will be taken. Parents of the parties involved will also be notified.

### General Information

#### ACCIDENTS

Every accident in the school building, on the school grounds, or at any athletic event sponsored by the school must be reported immediately to the person in charge and to the school office. The teacher supervising the activity must fill out an accident report form that can be acquired in the office.

##### Accident Benefit Plan/Insurance:

The school participates in the First Agency, Inc., accident benefit plan. All injuries to students are to be reported to the school office immediately. Authorization for treatment forms, including arrangements for medical treatment, will be completed by parents(s)/guardian and kept on file in the school office. It should be remembered that this coverage only supplements your family's health and insurance coverage. It will not extend payment for bills paid by your own insurance. All athletes need to be aware that

#### ANIMALS AT SCHOOL

Everyone enjoys a pet and pets can be educational. However, pets in school can also be distracting. Students are not to bring pets to school unless requested by the teacher as part of a unit or unless the student has made specific arrangements with his/her teacher and has approval from the principal. Usually, parents will be requested to bring the pet to school and take it home again when it has fulfilled its purpose in the classroom.

#### BULLETIN BOARD INFORMATION

A wide array of information is posted on the bulletin boards outside of the elementary and high school offices. All information posted is to be approved by the building principal and verified with his/her initials. Materials not approved will be removed.

#### PUPIL AND PARENT BUS RESPONSIBILITIES

- What if my son/daughter wants to get off at somebody else's bus stop?
  - ⇒ Bring a note signed by ***BOTH*** families stating who wants to go where. All notes must have a current date, the child(ren's) name(s), and a parental signature from both families. This will require advanced planning, but it will help us to keep all children safe.
- Prior to loading - on the road and at school
  - ⇒ Be on time at the designated school bus stop. Help keep the bus on schedule.
  - ⇒ Stay off the road until the bus has come to a complete stop before attempting to board the school bus. Line up in an orderly, single file manner. For the safety of all, do not rush to get on the bus.
  - ⇒ If there is no sidewalk or path, you should walk to the side of the road facing traffic to get to the bus stop.

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## BUS RESPONSIBILITIES CONTINUED

- **While on the bus**

- ⇒ Keep the bus safe and sanitary at all times (no open or closed soda, or eating is permitted on the bus).
- ⇒ Loud talking, laughing, or unnecessary confusion is disturbing to the driver and is not permitted. (Boom boxes and radios are not permitted on the bus).
- ⇒ Keep head, hands, and feet in the bus at all times.
- ⇒ Treat bus equipment as valuable furniture found in your home. Offenders must pay for any damages.
- ⇒ Never tamper with the bus or any of its equipment.
- ⇒ Keep books, packages, coats, and all other objects out of the aisles.
- ⇒ Remain in the bus in case of road emergency, unless directed otherwise by the bus driver.
- ⇒ Do not throw anything out of the bus window.
- ⇒ Always remain in your seats while the bus is in motion.

## BUS DISCIPLINARY ACTION

The school bus is an extension of the classroom. The first responsibility of our school bus drivers is to make sure that every student gets to school and back home safely. To do this, the students must be on their best behavior every time they set foot on a school bus no matter if it is for a daily route or an extra activity. Every driver has the ability to handle behavior issues as they happen. If students are misbehaving, the driver may assign all students to a specific seat, ask the child to move to a different seat, or use a seatbelt to stop the unwanted behavior. If the behavior continues, and the driver has given the child 3 warnings, the driver can refer the student to the principal for disciplinary action.

### 1st Reported Offense:

- Discipline slip given to Principal's Office, parent contacted, dealt with according to level of behavior.

### 2nd Reported Offense:

- Discipline slip given to Principal's Office, parent meeting, 1 day off the bus.

### 3rd Reported Offense:

- Discipline slip given to Principal's Office, parent meeting, any additional reported offenses—minimum 3 days off bus. If the offenses are being disrespectful to the driver or a physical fight, the consequences go up one level.

*\*\*If the offenses at any reported level are being disrespectful to the driver or a physical fight, the consequences go up one level\*\**

When the driver needs to discipline a student(s), he/she will select a safe place to pull the bus off the road so that this can happen. If the behavior escalates to a level that makes the driver feel he/she cannot complete their route safely for themselves or the students, he/she may also call 911 and request a police officer come to that location and remove a student.

## BUS EXPECTATIONS, Cont'd

- **After leaving the bus**

- ⇒ Cross the road at least 10 feet in front of the bus, but only after checking to be sure no traffic is approaching and/or after receiving a signal from the driver that it is safe to cross.
- ⇒ Help look after the safety and comfort of small children.
- ⇒ Be alert to the danger signal from the driver. Note: Pre-arranged signal.
- ⇒ Riders are not permitted to leave the bus other than regular stops unless school officials have given proper authorization in advance.

- **Extra curricular activity trips**

- ⇒ The above rules and regulations will apply to any trip under school sponsorship.
- ⇒ Pupils shall respect the wishes of chaperones appointed by the school officials to accompany the bus

- **Spectator buses**

- ⇒ Our school encourages your enthusiastic support and spirit at events scheduled out of town. A spectator bus will be provided if there is sufficient student demand. Students are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity.
- ⇒ Students who ride the spectator bus to the event must return on the bus unless the principal has approved other arrangements in advance.
- ⇒ All school rules will be strictly adhered to while in attendance at events held at other schools as well as the transportation process.
- ⇒ Students are to remain at the game site from the time of arrival until the departure of the bus.
- ⇒ The cost of the bus is only \$5.00 and must be paid in advance and is not refundable.

## CAFETERIA

The school cafeteria serves breakfast and lunch under guidelines set forth by the federal government's programs. Meals are planned to meet nutritional requirements set forth by the U.S. Government for balanced class "A" lunch programs. All Granton Area School students are eligible for meals in the cafeteria. Eating in the lunchroom is a privilege and all school rules and policies apply. Failure to comply with these reasonable requests may result in the loss of this privilege. One family can make one lunch payment. All payments will be entered into the family account. Any unused money will be refunded or credited to the following year's account. Students are not allowed to share their account with other students. Applications for free and reduced lunch prices would be available in the district office.

### **General Lunchroom rules and procedures**

- Do not rush or push to get in line. This is for your safety and all other persons as well.
- Books and other personal belongings belong in your locker or room during this time.
- Eat all of your food in the lunchroom and return all trays, dirty dishes, and milk cartons to the dishwasher window in the cafeteria.
- Pick up any trash in your area - even if it's not yours!
- Each student is issued a lunch ID number. Students are responsible for the security of this number. If the number is lost, stolen, or forgotten, notify the kitchen staff immediately for a new number.
- When the student goes through the lunch line, he/she will type their ID number into a keypad monitored by lunchroom personnel. When the computer reads the number, it will automatically deduct the correct amount from the student's account balance. When the account reaches a certain point (\$5.00) they will be notified that their account is nearing a zero balance.

# General Information

## CAFETERIA, CONTINUED

### Lunch period guidelines/smart snacks

All users of the lunchroom facility are expected to follow the rules of that facility. Students that take part in the school sponsored lunch program are to consume all food taken in the lunch room. At no time is food to leave the lunchroom. Students who bring their own lunch from home are to consume them in the lunchroom. No food or drink is to be consumed in the gymnasiums at any time during the school day. GASD follows the USDA “Smart Snack” Guidelines, therefore students are NOT allowed to have open bags of chips, energy drinks, and or soda in their lockers.

## CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT

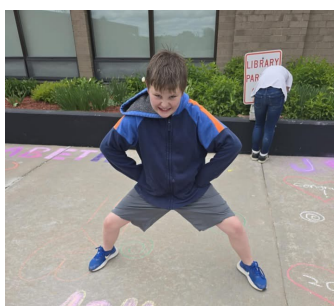
Any teacher, administrator, counselor, psychologist, social worker, or other certified school staff member who suspects that a child has been, may be, or is being abused or neglected is required by law to immediately report such suspicions. These suspicions, true or not, will be reported to social services that will do the investigating. The school’s legal obligation is to report the matter.

## CLOTHING/DRESS CODE

Discretion of what is excessive or in bad taste will be left up to faculty and administration, as defined by the Wisconsin Statute 120.13 (1). It is the responsibility of the school to prohibit students from attending school when their personal appearance or attire is of a nature that interferes with the instructional purpose of the school or attracts undue attention that is detrimental to the normal operation of the Granton School District. By school board direction students shall dress appropriately for all occasions. **The board, with the administration as their representatives, will determine what appropriate dress is.** Students will be sent home unless corrective action is taken. Any exceptions to this dress code can only be made with prior office approval.

The following are guidelines for this policy:

- Clothing endorsing alcohol, drugs, foul language, sex or anything that is causing a distraction to learning.
- The wearing of coats, hats, caps, bandannas, hoods, or any type of head covering is prohibited upon entrance into the school and exiting of the building at the end of the regular school day. If you chill easily dress warmer.
- Students are not permitted to display any article of clothing or item that may be interpreted as identification with a gang. These may include, but are not limited to: caps, coats, tattoos, hand signals, graffiti, jewelry, haircuts, belt buckles bandannas, handkerchiefs, gloves, raised pant legs, and straps. A school official will determine if something is a gang identifier. The first instance will result in a warning and the student will immediately remove or cover the identifier. The second violation will result in school discipline.
- Students must wear footwear, and footwear that causes excessive floor marking is prohibited.
- The wearing of arm bands, buttons, or badges bearing slogans or sayings shall be permitted unless they are found to be obscene, libelous, or in direct violation of current legal standards.
- Dark glasses may only be worn with approved medical documentation that is on file with the office.
- Backpacks or briefcases are not to be carried during the school day. There is enough time between classes for students to get the necessary material for their next class. Students will be allowed to bring backpacks to school, however they must leave them in their lockers.
- Clothing is expected to cover your stomach, chest, back, buttocks, and all undergarments. Skirts must extend a minimum or mid-thigh length. Shorts must reasonably cover the buttocks and undergarments as determined by staff. Tank top straps should be at least two fingers wide and should cover undergarments as well.





## CLOTHING/DRESS CODE, CONTINUED

### *What clothing is not permissible?*

- Spaghetti straps, bare mid-ribs, open back shirts, strapless shirt, mini-skirts, pants worn below the waist line.
- Any clothing that exposes undergarments (tank tops, loose fitting shirts and pants, sheer clothing)
- Other questionable dress should be referred to the principal or superintendent for a determination.
- Clothing or accessories that are deemed a danger to self or others must be removed. This included but is not limited to long chains, spikes, loose fitting clothing (worn around machines) etc.

## CONCERNS/CHAIN OF COMMAND

Our society has a “chain of command.” If you experience a problem of some kind at school with another student, teacher, parent, coach, etc. please go to the root of the problem and work your way up from there. Calling the principal to address an issue with a teacher, when the teacher has never been contacted, is not the proper way to handle the problem. Contacting the teacher first is the appropriate step.

## ELECTRONIC DEVICES; INCLUDING CELL PHONES

Possession and/or use of personal telecommunication devices, including mobile phones, pagers, iPods, iTouch, MP3 or other electronic devices may be used before or after school. If a device is being used during the school day, school personnel may confiscate it. If your child must have a personal telecommunication device, it must remain in their backpack, and TURNED OFF throughout the school day. Texting and/or videotaping are not permitted at any time during the school day.

The use of mobile telephones or any device capable of capturing images is strictly prohibited in locker rooms, or restroom areas while at school and at school-related/sponsored events. The district is not responsible for any damaged, lost or stolen electronic device.

We ask that families and students use the Principal’s office when communicating messages from home or school. Failure to follow these guidelines will result in the confiscation of that device, along with disciplinary action.

## FEES AND FINES

- **Fee** - Some courses require the student to purchase materials for project that they will keep. Students are subject to fines for library books, textbook abuse, lost materials, and breakage. All student fees and fines must be paid before the student will be cleared for the school year.
- **Textbook Fee/Fine** -Student may be charged replacement costs if the materials are lost or damaged. Simply, once given the book, or item in question, the student is responsible for its return in a very similar condition as when it was issued. Students may be fined for damages to textbooks that are above and beyond routine wear. Students are encouraged to write their name in the space provided inside the cover and also place a book cover on all of their textbooks to serve as added protection. The classroom teacher will record all pertinent information including the number and condition of the book at the time of issuance. Should a student be fined for a textbook upon signing out with their instructor, the student will **a)** be told of the fine, **b)** the teacher will attempt to contact the parent by phone within 24 hours to inform them of the fine as it may be substantial, and **c)** the fine information will be written on the student's sign-out sheet. The School Board believes that textbooks have a quality use for seven years. Any book that is not fined for replacement will be levied a fine that will be prorated.

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## FIELD TRIPS/CHAPERONES

No more than two school-approved chaperones will attend a classroom field trip; additional chaperones may be added at the discretion of the administration for longer trips that involve a significant number of students. All chaperones are subject to background checks as well. If other parents wish to attend the trips they must do so at their own expense. All school policies are in place while students and staff are off school grounds for a school related activity.

## LIBRARY/IMC

The school library/IMC is a learning resource center available to all students K-12. The library is intended to be a quiet area where students can go, when time permits, to use the available resources. Students are expected to obey all established library rules as set forth by the IMC coordinator.

## MEDICATION

**As per Granton Area School District Board Policy Code Chapter 5: Section C**

Efforts are to be made to avoid medication administration at school. Medication, prescription or over the counter, must be maintained in the Principal's office. Medication administered by the office must have a Parent/Guardian Medical authorization form sent with medication. If the medication is prescribed, a Doctor's form is also required.

**At no time are school staff to distribute medications of any kind, including aspirin, to a student without a signed parent authorization form that is on file with the office.** The school will assume responsibility for:

- Being aware of students who are on medication. **(It is the parent/guardian's responsibility to inform the school if their child is in possession of prescription drugs while at school.)**
- Checking the type, dosage, and purpose of these medications.
- Appointing an appropriate person to assist in administering medication.
- Keeping accurate and confidential records of pupils receiving medication.
- Providing a safe place to keep medication.

**If your child is to receive medication at school, the following must be on file:**

- A completed school medication form available in the school office signed by the parent.
- For prescription medication, doctor's orders are required. They can be faxed or emailed to the Principal's Office.

All prescription medications must be in the original labeled bottle.

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION – MEDICAL EXEMPTION

Students who temporarily cannot participate actively in the program must present their physical education teacher with a written excuse from a licensed physician or doctor. It is the student's responsibility to return to active participation at the prescribed time on the medical excuse. Students who are unable to participate may remain with the physical education class or may be temporarily scheduled into a study hall until the student is able to return and participate in physical education. To receive a medical exemption for physical education a student must face scheduling conflicts that do not allow the credit requirements to be met because of medical conditions that were/are beyond the individual's control. However, should the student's schedule allow for the scheduling of physical education the course must be taken.

## PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT/TITLE1

### As per Granton Area School District Board Policy code Chapter 9: Section M

The Granton School Board recognizes the importance of parent/guardian input into the education of their children. The Board further recognizes parent participation in the design and implementation of the district's educational curriculum to allow for comprehensive programs for their children. As evidence of the school board's commitment to parent involvement in Title I, we are adopting the following activities as a response to regulation 200.53 of the May 19, 1986, Federal Register.

The Granton School District designates the Title 1 teachers to coordinate parent activities in order to ensure that parents of the children being served have an adequate opportunity to participate in the design and implementation of the Title I Project.

#### The following activities will be adopted:

- Training parents to promote the education of their children at home
- Facilitating volunteer or paid participation by parents in school activities
- Designating LEA parent coordinators
- Holding an annual meeting of parents of all eligible Title I students
- Implement and review the school-parent compact
- Provide parent representation during school wide committee meetings

## RECESS

Weather permitting, and if their behavior allows, all students will be required to go out for recess. The only acceptable reason for a student remaining indoors is a written excuse from a physician indicating the medical reason for exclusion. This excuse should indicate the time period involved and any other restrictions placed on the student. Generally, the rule of thumb is that if the student is well enough to be in school, he/she is well enough to participate in recess. Coats are required of all students if the outside temperature is below 50 degrees. During the winter months, appropriate outside clothing is required. As a general policy sleds are not to be brought from home; however, the roll up sleds may be allowed. Please check with the classroom teacher as winter begins.

## SAFETY DRILLS

All classrooms are to have emergency directions posted by the classroom door. These directions will point you in the proper direction in the event of an emergency. In the event of a fire drill you will leave the building by walking (not running) in a single file line. You are to leave all personal belongings in the building and leave immediately. Exit the building at a minimum distance of 100 feet. Always keep quiet listening for instructions from school and safety personnel. Additional safety drills will occur during the year. Please always listen to your teacher's instructions and remain calm.

## SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

Unless announced otherwise, school board meetings are held the second Monday of every month in the Library/IMC at 6:45pm. If you have something you wish to discuss at a board meeting please contact the district administrator to discuss the items as it may be placed on the agenda. Your attendance is encouraged as only informed citizens can make an informed decision.

## SCHOOL CLOSING & EMERGENCY INFORMATION

The district administrator and bus supervisor will weigh all pertinent factors and may consult with all appropriate resources in making the decision to close or delay the start of school. Students, parents, and staff will be informed of school closing as early as practical by announcements on: 1 Notice will be made through an *automated telephone system*. 2 Radio Stations including WCCN, WAXX, WDLB, etc. 3. *Television stations 7,9, and 13*. Please do not call the school to ask if the school will be, or is, closed. This ties up the phone lines and prevents its use in the case of an emergency; tune into the local media outlets for that information. Information will also be posted on the school web page as quickly as possible. You, as parents, may decide that the weather is too severe to send your child to school (especially a younger child). The school respects your decision in this matter. If you do keep your child home, please contact the school of the absence and send a note to school with the child when they return. If the school closes, all athletic, after-school, and evening events related to the school are canceled.

## **SICKROOM/SICK STUDENTS**

The school does not employ a full time nurse or have somebody on call to deal with ill children. If a student does not feel well prior to leaving for school, you are encouraged to keep them home. If a student believes they are too ill to attend class they should go home. Arrangements will be made by the parents to get the student home.

## **STUDENT SERVICES INFORMATION**

The professionals in our Student Service office are here to serve all students and their families. Our goal is to help all students achieve their personal and academic best. Our philosophy is that all students can and will excel with support from within the school and their home.

Services that are offered through the student services staff are: special education consultation and evaluation, 504 coordination, classroom development guidance lessons for all students, small group work, individual career, academic, personal and social counseling, parent support and resources, college planning, scholarship information and class scheduling. Please see guidance counselor for more information.

## **STUDENT SURVEYS**

The School Board respects the privacy rights of parent and their children. No student shall be required to participate in any survey associated with a school program or the District's curriculum, or which is administered by a third party in the schools if the survey includes one or more of the following items:

- political affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent;
- mental and psychological problems of the student or the student's family;
- sex behavior or attitudes;
- illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating or demeaning behavior;
- critical appraisals of other individuals with whom students have close family relationships; legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships such as those of lawyers, physicians and ministers;
- religious practices, affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent;
- Income, other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such a program.

Parents/guardians shall be given the opportunity to request that their child not participate in a survey containing the above information. If a survey containing any of the above information is funded in whole or in part by a program administered by the U.S. Department of Education, written consent shall be obtained from the student or in the case of a minor student, the student's parent/guardian before the student participates in the survey. Please refer to board policy for further details.

## **TECHNOLOGY**

The Granton Area School District supports the use of technology by its students, staff and community. It recognizes that computer, computer networks, and databases are resources for educational and training opportunities for all citizens. (At present, community classes are limited to scheduled courses with the potential for more individualized sessions in the future.) Its primary mission being the education of youth, students (and staff involved in local educational purposes) will be given priority use of all computer equipment in the buildings and software program access.

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### DISTRICT WEB PAGE

There shall be one authorized web page for the *Granton Area School District*. The purposes for developing a World Wide Web page for Granton are: (1) to provide an opportunity for staff to highlight their programs, courses, objectives, and curriculum openly with those interested in learning more about what is offered at Granton Schools; (2) to provide an opportunity for students; and (3) to provide information about Granton schools for public viewing.

Student photos or student's work may be featured unless the school district has on file written notice stating that they do not wish to have this type of information made available to the public. For more information regarding directory information families should contact the District Office. A directory information release form is sent out annually in the August newsletter.

### INTERNET SAFETY & COMPUTER USE

Use of District computers and computer networks shall be in support of education and research and consistent with the educational objectives of the *Granton Area School District*. District staff users may use the District's e-mail and Internet system for informal or personal purposes within reasonable limits, consistent with the guides set forth in the policy. Students may access the Internet via District computers as part of classroom activities or for class projects. Student internet use in the classroom shall be under the direct supervision of the classroom teacher, and internet use by students at other locations within the school shall be under the direct supervision of the designated supervisor of that area. **Use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right.** No student or adult user may use District computers or computer networks to access the Internet unless they have signed a computer/internet acceptable use agreement. Student acceptable use agreements shall also be signed by the student's parent/guardian.

Internet filtering software will be used on District computers in an effort to limit access to inappropriate or harmful material on the Internet. The District acknowledges that even with a filtering system, complete control and/or access to objectionable material cannot be assured. The *Granton Area School District* is not liable for information contained or accessed on the Internet.

All who access the Internet through the *Granton Area School District's* system are responsible for lawful and appropriate behavior on computer networks. The following are guides for acceptable use of District computer networks, including the Internet; they are not meant to be all-inclusive:

1. Users may not access, copy or modify the files or data of another user. Users will access their own files and accounts only.
2. Network access may not be used for commercial purposes, nor for any illegal activities exemplified by (but not limited to) the following:
  - copying or circulating copyrighted materials.
  - Writing and transmitting messages that threaten, harass, frighten, intimidate or annoy others.
  - Accessing unauthorized services, or attempting to circumvent security measures.
  - Circulating files, which may corrupt the integrity of the network (e.g., viruses).
3. Users will not access internet sites, chat rooms, or use e-mail that contain pornography or materials that are obscene, harmful to minors or otherwise inappropriate. If such sites are accessed accidentally, the user is to exit immediately.
4. Users are expected to help maintain the integrity of the system. Modifications, additions to, or abuses of hardware or software are not allowed. Use of personal removable disks is allowed by district staff. Student use of removable disks is allowed with **prior approval**. The interface of personal devices (palm pilots, hand-held computers, etc.) with district equipment is prohibited. Individuals will be personally liable for any virus or destructive acts that cause damage to any portion of a computer or the network system. If there are problems, they should be reported to the Computer Specialist.
5. Because of the potential for viruses, hostile programs, unauthorized software, and limitations on hard disk space, files from the internet are not to be downloaded into the system. Downloading to removable disk is prohibited except **with prior approval** from the Computer Specialist.
6. Users are expected to limit their printing to that which is absolutely necessary. Printed pages for non-class-related activities may be made at the current per page charge.



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7. As a personal safety issue, users are cautioned not to reveal personal information (address, phone number, location, passwords, etc.) over the Internet. **Chat room use must be authorized** by the building principal. Student e-mail use will be allowed within the district network of school sanctioned distance learning. Adult users must adhere to the conditions of the computer/internet use policy.
8. Users are expected to follow all rules that are posted in the lab and classroom areas in which computer access is available.
9. Users are reminded that all electronic communication systems (e-mail) and all information transmitted by, received from, or stored in, the systems are the property of the *Granton Area School District*. **Users have no expectation of privacy in connection with the use of this equipment or with the transmission, receipt, or storage of information in this equipment.** The District reserves the right to access all files in the course of normal maintenance or when there is cause to suspect misuse of the system.
10. Users are reminded that Internet access is a shared resource, and it may be necessary to limit access time or put priorities in place for equipment use.
11. Uploading of any materials is permissible only under staff supervision and with prior approval from the Computer Specialist.

## USE OF THE INTERNET

The Granton Area School District recognizes the need to provide technology to further the educational goals and mission of the District. The internet and other computer networks provide unique educational and communication opportunities and challenges to a learning community. Teachers and library media specialists have a professional responsibility to blend thoughtful use of such information with the curriculum and to provide guidance and instruction to students in the appropriate use of such resources. Staff will be responsible for enforcing the guidelines for instructional resources and the goals for the selection of instructional materials contained in Board policy. Use of the Internet and similar communications networks by staff and students is a privilege. Access will be given as consistent with District policies and educational objectives.

### Conditions of Use:

1. All users will comply with legal requirements regarding the use, reproduction and distribution of copyrighted works.
2. All users will be expected to comply with privacy and security standards.
3. All users will be expected to demonstrate ethical behavior in using network facilities and to avoid any illegal activities, including tampering with hardware or software, vandalism, destruction of computer files or transmission of any material in violation of any state or federal law or regulation. The latter includes, but is not limited to, copyrighted material, threatening, inflammatory or obscene material, or material protected by trade secret.
4. Students will be granted access upon written permission by their parent or guardian.
5. Access to network services will be provided to all users who act in a considerate and responsible manner and conduct themselves in accordance with rules outlined in their handbooks. Failure to obey rules or directions will result in disciplinary action.
6. It is the responsibility of the entire educational community and the Library/Media Technology Coordinator to oversee the use of the District's computers. Violations of the policies, rules or procedures will be reported to the building principal.
7. Students and staff violating the above rules may be subject to school discipline, up to and including expulsion. They also may be denied future Internet/on-line service access and will be reported to the police or proper authority if in violation of law.

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### Access to Global Information resources Procedure

Students and staff are reminded that the use of Internet is a privilege, not a right. The purpose of Internet is to facilitate communications in support of research and education by providing access to unique resources and an opportunity for collaborative work. Some material on the Internet may contain items that are inaccurate or potentially offensive to some people. Parents/guardians who wish to exempt their child from having access to or using the Internet should submit a written statement to that effect to the building principal.

#### General Use Rules:

1. Students and staff must adhere to the same standards of conduct expected and required in the classroom.
2. Transmission or reproduction of any material in violation of any United States or state regulation is prohibited. This includes but is not limited to copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material, or material protected by trade secret.
3. Students must always get permission from the instructors or library staff before using the network or accessing any specific file or application. Written and oral classroom instructions must be followed.
4. Students who have a need to use a given computer for academic reasons will have priority over any non-academic use of that computer.
5. E-mail at school is for school related use only. It is NOT for personal use.
6. Designated school personnel may conduct random checks of users who are on line with the Internet or other computer network.

#### Rules of Network Etiquette

All students and staff are expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These rules include the following:

1. Appropriate language must be used at all times. Network users will not swear, use vulgarities or any other inappropriate language, or engage in activities which are prohibited under state or federal law.
2. Harassment and vandalism will not be tolerated. Harassment is defined as the persistent annoyance of another user or the interference of another user's work. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm, modify or destroy data of another user or network equipment. Vandalism and harassment will result in disciplinary action.
3. It is the user's responsibility to avoid inappropriate materials.
4. Users must remember that electronic mail (e-mail) is not private.
5. Students and staff will not reveal any personal address or phone number or those of any other person.
6. Users will not use the network in such a way that would disrupt the use of the network by others users.

#### Penalties for Improper Use

Violation of these rules, applicable state and federal laws or classroom and/or district rules will result in loss of network privileges and/or other disciplinary action. Violations could also lead to referral to legal authorities.

### 1:1 Technology Policy

In this policy, "Chromebook/iPad" will be referred to as "device". The devices and bags/cases are issued to all students and are the property of the GASD. The device is on loan and must be used in accordance with the following policies and procedures.

1. The device and bag/case should be kept clean and free of marks at all times. Placing stickers, writing or drawing on, engraving or otherwise defacing the device and bag/case are not allowed.
2. When transporting a device to and from school, students should always be sure it is placed in the device bag/case. Device labels must remain on the device at all times.
3. Devices should be placed on the top shelf when stored in lockers.
4. Devices are assigned to individual students. Students should never "swap" or "share" their device with another student.
5. Students are responsible for bringing their device, fully charged, to school each day.
6. Devices will be randomly checked to determine if students have the appropriate device and are using the device appropriately.

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### INTERNET SAFETY POLICY

Introduction - It is the Policy of the Granton Area School District to:

- Prevent user access over its computer network to, or transmission of, inappropriate material via Internet, electronic mail, or other forms of direct electronic communications;
- Prevent unauthorized access and other unlawful online activity;
- Prevent unauthorized online disclosure, use, or dissemination of personal identification information of minors, and;
- Comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act [Pub. L. No. 106-554 and 47 USC 254 (h)].

Definitions - Key terms are as defined in the Children's Internet Protection Act.

Access to Inappropriate Material - To the extent practical, technology protection measures (or "Internet filters") shall be used to block or filter Internet, or other forms of electronic communications, access to inappropriate information. Specifically, as required by the Children's Internet Protection Act, blocking shall be applied to visual depiction of material deemed obscene or child pornography, or in any material harmful to minors. Subject to staff supervision, technology protection measures may be disabled or, in the case of minors, minimized only for bona fide research or other lawful purposes.

Inappropriate Network Usage - To the extent practical, steps shall be taken to promote the safety and security of users of the Granton Area School District online computer network when using electronic mail, chat rooms, instant messaging, and other forms of direct electronic communications. Specifically, as required by the Children's Internet Protection Act, prevention of inappropriate network usage includes:

1. Unauthorized access, including so-called 'hacking,' and other unlawful activities; and
2. Unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal identification information regarding minors.

Supervision and Monitoring - It shall be the responsibility of all members of the Granton Area School District staff to supervise and monitor usage of the online computer network and access to the Internet in accordance with this policy and the Children's Internet Protection Act. Procedures for the disabling or otherwise modifying any technology protection measures shall be the responsibility of the district.

### DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES FOR INTERNET AND COMPUTER USE POLICY VIOLATIONS

#### **As per Granton Area School District Board Policy Code Chapter 9: Section IC**

The building principal or designee shall have discretion to deal with violations of this policy. Misuse of District computer networks, including the Internet, may result in school disciplinary action, including loss of computer network use privileges. If the misuse constitutes a criminal offense, appropriate legal action may also be taken.

Student Violations: Students who violate the District's computer/internet use policy shall be subject to the following disciplinary actions:

- **First Offense** - Loss of all computer/internet access for no less than ten (10) school days. Parent(s)/guardian(s) will be notified of loss of computer network use privileges.
- **Second Offense** - Loss of all computer/internet access for no less than forty-five (45) school days. Parents(s)/guardians(s) will be notified of loss of computer network use privileges. Computer network use privileges will be restored on a conditional basis following the revocation period and parent/guardian meeting.
- **Third Offense;** Loss of all computer/internet access for the remainder of the year. Parents(s)/guardian(s) will be notified of loss of computer network use privileges. A meeting with the parent/guardian must be held before consideration of restoring computer network use privileges, which may be restored on a conditional basis following the revocation period and the parent/guardian meeting.

Employee Violations: Abuse of the District's computer/Internet use policy by District employees may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination from employment.

Citizen Violations: Citizens who violate the District's computer/internet use policy may lose their computer network use privileges.

### Accidental Damage

1. On an annual basis, the student will incur a \$10.00 fee the first time a device has to be repaired.
2. If a device has to be repaired a second time, a \$25.00 fee will be charged. The student will not be allowed to take device home until the fee is paid.
3. For the third incident and any incident thereafter, the student will be charged the cost of associated with fixing and/or replacement of the technology. An administrative decision will be made regarding the student's take-home privileges for the remainder of the year.

If a student loses or destroys beyond repair any of the following components , they will be charged full replacement costs for those items.

1. Power module/cord
2. Bag/Case
3. Any device (Full Replacement Cost)

The use of any district technology is a privilege and not a right. Students are expected to use their device in accordance with these policies and procedures, and District Acceptable Use Policy and any applicable laws. Failure to use the device in an appropriate manner will result in the following consequences, as determined by the staff and administration of the Granton Area School District.

1. Cancellation of student use or privileges, including the privilege of taking the device home.
2. Suspension from school
3. Expulsion from school
4. Civil or criminal liability under applicable laws.

*\*\*Any student to purposely damages their district device will be charged the full replacement cost for that device and may have technology privileges taken away at any time. \*\**

### TELEPHONE

A telephone for student use is available in the Principal's office. This telephone is available for emergency calls only. Permission must be obtained by office staff before any calls are made. All other telephones in the building are off limits to student use.

### TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS

It is required by federal law that you are given access to information regarding the qualifications of teachers within the Granton Area School District. You might have questions, such as:

- Is my child's teacher licensed to teach the grades or subjects he/she teaches?
- Has the state waived any requirements for my child's teacher?
- What was the college major of my child's teacher?
- What degree(s) does my child's teacher hold?
- Are there instructional aides working with my child? If so, what their qualifications?

In Wisconsin, all teachers are required to have at least a bachelor's degree. If you are interested in seeing the state qualifications for your child's teacher, you may contact the school or check the Wisconsin Department of public Instruction's website at [www.dpi.state.wi.us/dpi/dlsis/tel/liserach.html](http://www.dpi.state.wi.us/dpi/dlsis/tel/liserach.html)

### VISITORS

Due to safety concerns, students are not allowed to bring visitors to school. However, the principal or superintendent may make exceptions to this rule. **Parents are encouraged to attend and are welcome at all times.** However, parents must check in at the office as is policy for any visitor to the school.

**Will my child eat breakfast and lunch?**

We sure hope so! Both are available to all Granton students.

**What should I do if my child is absent?**

Please fill out the Google Form in our Granton App and on our Website.

Be sure to check out attendance/truancy guidelines in this handbook for additional details on absences.

**What if I need to pick up my child early?**

All bus changes need to be communicated with the office before 2pm so that we have time to communicate your child's transportation plan.

Your child will need to check out in the Principal's Office.

If you come into school, you will need to sign in as well.

**What if I need to get a hold of my child Immediately?**

Please call the Principal's office (715-238-7175 ext 1). Students are not allowed to use their phones during the school day.

**What if I have concerns about what my child is learning?**

Please encourage your child to talk to his/her teacher. If after your child tries to resolve the issue, please reach out to your child's teacher. Our staff is a great group of dedicated professionals who enjoy working with secondary students and want the same thing for your child that you do; success! The best way to get a hold of our teachers are via email (emails are located in infinite campus) or telephone (715-238-7175).

**How can I help my child be more successful in school?**

Have conversations with your child about their day, their homework, up-coming tests and events and of course, always encourage your child to read, read, read!

**Who is my child's teacher?**

Our high quality staff are a mix of experienced and new educators who are proud to be Granton Bulldogs! We have an eight period day with homeroom, so your child will have a variety of our dedicated professionals. Your child should provide more information to you as school starts and teachers will be handing out syllabi the first week as well. As always, please partner with your child's teachers to bring out the best in your child.

*Please contact us with any questions.*

*Thank you for you partnership in  
your child's learning!*

*Go Bulldogs!*