CANKTON ELEMENTRAY
STUDENT HANDBOOK

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Dear Parent:

Each student and their family can access the Student Handbook through the Cankton Elementary website at https://www.slpsb.org/o/ces. In addition, hard copies will be made available upon request. Please read this handbook carefully with your child, making sure that you and your child understand all school policies as set forth by the St. Landry Parish School Board and Cankton Elementary School. Please sign, date, and return this letter to your child's homeroom teacher this week. Your child's teacher will keep this letter on file. Should you have any questions, please contact the school.

Sincerely,

_____
Crystal Compos, Principal

I have reviewed this student handbook with my child and we fully understand all parts of the handbook.

_____ _____
Parent's Signature Date Signed

_____ _____ _____
Child's Signature Grade Homeroom Teacher

*Note: A hard copy of this form is sent home in the beginning of the school year forms packet.

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Cankton Elementary School

Vision Statement

United in Learning — preparing all students to meet life's challenges.

Mission Statement

Cankton Elementary will work together with all school, community and district stakeholders to provide our students with a high quality education and the necessary supports that allows all students to grow and succeed academically and personally.

Core Values



Children First
Educate the Whole Child
Compassion
Collaboration
Honesty
Integrity
Equity
Character
Leadership
Empowerment
Community and Family Involvement
Safety
Accountability
Excellence

Visitors/Closed Campus

For the safety of our students, faculty, and staff, Cankton Elementary has a closed campus policy. **All** visitors must check in with the main office immediately upon arrival on campus. Visitors are not allowed to enter any classroom without an escort from the main office.

All external doors, as well as all classroom doors, will remain LOCKED throughout the school day. Visitors must report to the front entrance of the school; ring the doorbell; and someone will assist you. Parents and visitors ***are not permitted*** to visit classrooms or walk about the campus unless they have checked in at the office *and* they are accompanied by a member of the office staff.

Operating Procedures

School Hours/Arrival

- School begins at **7:40 a.m.** and dismisses at **3:00 p.m.**
- Car riders may not report to school prior to 7:05 a.m. Car riders *must* utilize the church parking lot for morning drop off. Due to safety reasons, please do not park and have students walk across the parking lot. In addition, car riders are not permitted to be dropped off in the bus loading zone nor the teacher parking lot.
- The drop-off line at the church will close at 7:35 a.m. Students being dropped-off after this time will need to be dropped-off on campus.
- Upon arrival, students are expected to report directly to the cafeteria for breakfast and then report to their designated area.
- Students **arriving after 7:40 a.m.** are considered **tardy** and **must** be signed in by a parent or guardian in the office. Students will receive an "admit slip" to report to class.

Departure Procedures

- Dismissal begins at 3:00 p.m.
- Due to safety and dismissal procedures, ***we will not be able to process check-out requests after 2:15 p.m. If you need to check your child out for an appointment, please do so prior to 2:15 p.m.*** Thank you in advance for your assistance with this request.
- ****IMPORTANT* - Due to policy changes with the church office, parents will NOT be able to enter the church parking lot for car rider pick-up prior to 2:20 p.m. Failure to comply with this policy will result in us losing our ability to utilize the church parking lot and will force us to delay car rider dismissal until all buses have left (around 3:20 p.m.). Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!***

- Car riders and walkers will be dismissed first. Car riders will report to the fence line closest to the church. All vehicles must follow the car route line through the church parking lot. Again, due to safety reasons, ***students will not be permitted to walk to parked cars. Car riders will not be permitted to be picked up in the bus loading zone nor the teacher parking lot.***
- Bus riders will be dismissed starting around 3:05 p.m.
- No student will be allowed to leave the school grounds an alternate way than their normal means of transportation without permission from the principal or the principal's designee.
- **IMPORTANT:** ***Written permission is required anytime a student's usual departure routine is changed. No changes in dismissal transportation will be allowed after 2:00 p.m.***

Tardiness and Early Check Outs

- Students are considered tardy if they arrive after 7:40 a.m. and **must** be signed in by a parent or guardian in the office. Students will receive an "admit slip" to report to class.
- Tardies are only excused with a doctor's note.
- Parents wishing to check students out of school early must come and sign them out in the office. Please DO NOT call in advance of your arrival and request that your child be in the office waiting. Students will not be pulled from class until the parent arrives.
- A photo id is required to check out a student. The individual checking out a student must be **at least 18 years of age.**
- ***Due to safety reasons and bus arrivals, no student will be allowed to check out after 2:15 p.m.***
- Parents must make us aware of any restrictions regarding who may pick up your child by completing the transportation form or by coming to the school office.
- Be mindful that any time a student is tardy or checks out early, they are missing out on instruction that they are still responsible for.

Legal Situations Regarding Student Custody and Student Contact

Any parent or legal guardian requesting that their child is not to have contact with their mother/father **must present legal court documents stating this**. A parent's word such as "his dad is not allowed to see him" is not acceptable under the law. The school is not responsible for determining who has legal custody. Proper documents are required in order for us to know and adhere to custody rulings. No adult is to have contact with a child that is not legally theirs unless given permission by the parent(s). If an issue arises, Law Enforcement will be contacted.

School Attendance and Excuse Policy

Consistent attendance is vital to a student's ability to be successful in their academic endeavors. The following outlines St. Landry Parish School Board's policy regarding school attendance for elementary students (**please refer to pages 32 – 37 of the SLPSB Student Handbook for the full policy regarding attendance**).

- Louisiana Law mandates compulsory school attendance and every parent or legal guardian of a student shall enforce and be held accountable for the attendance of their child for every day scheduled by the School Board until their 18th birthday, unless the student graduated before their 18th birthday, LA R.S.221(A)

- Pre-K through eighth grade students are not allowed to exceed ten (10) unexcused absences within a school year

- If a student is absent for three (3) or more consecutive days, they must present a note from a physician, nurse practitioner, or dentist to be excused. These guidelines will not allow students to be excused for vacations or other family trips.

- After the student returns to school, he/she has **five (5) school days** to present a note from a physician, nurse practitioner, or dentist to be excused.

- No more than five (5) school days per school year may be marked as excused by a parent's written excuse note (received within five (5) school days of their return)

- Parents may contact the office to arrange for classwork/homework to be picked-up for students missing three or more consecutive days.

- Please refer to page 24 of the SLPSB Student Handbook for a list of extenuating circumstances that are considered excusable for student absences.

- Parents will be contacted via telephone, letter and/or home visit on the 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, etc. absence and/or tardy.

- ***We are mandated to report every fifth (5th) absence and/or tardy to the St. Landry Parish School Board Office of Child Welfare and Attendance. If attendance does not improve, the parent shall be referred to the St. Landry Parish City Prosecutor and Opelousas City Court.***

Student Performance and Evaluation

- **Progress Reports** will be issued to grades K – 4 midway through each nine-week reporting period. However, parents are encouraged to login to JCampus on a consistent basis to review their child's progress and performance.

- **Report Cards** will be issued to grades K – 4 at the end of each nine-week grading period.

- Parents are to sign and return progress reports and report cards to their child's homeroom teacher. Once returned, parents will be issued a copy to retain for their records.

- **Students will be graded in each subject area according to the Pupil Progression Policy Handbook of the St. Landry Parish School Board.**

Percent	Letter Grade
100 - 90	A
89 – 80	B
79 – 70	C
69 – 60	D
59 or below	F

In courses where a letter grade is not required, an O, S, G, N, or U will be earned:

Percent	Letter Grade
100 - 90	O (Outstanding)
89 – 80	S (Satisfactory)
79 – 70	G (Good)
69 – 60	N (Needs Improvement)
59 or below	U (Unsatisfactory)

- **Kindergarten** letter grades of A, B, C, D or F will be earned in ELA and Math. All other subjects (Science, S.S., P.E and Arts) will be assigned a grade of O, S, G, N or U.

  Students must have a minimum of 60% cumulative average in ELA and Math to meet promotional requirements.

  Students must take state standardized literacy assessments – Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS 8).

- **1st and 2nd Grade** letter grades of A, B, C, D or F will be earned in ELA, Math, Science and S.S. Physical Education and the Arts will be assigned a grade of O, S, G, N or U.

  Students must have a minimum of 60% cumulative average in ELA and Math to meet promotional requirements.

  Students must take state standardized literacy assessments – Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS 8).

- **3rd Grade** letter grades of A, B, C, D or F will be earned in ELA, Math, Science and S.S. Physical Education and the Arts will be assigned a grade of O, S, G, N or U.

  Students must have a minimum of 60% cumulative average in ELA, Math, Science and S.S. to meet promotional requirements

  Students must take state standardized literacy assessments – Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS 8) ***and earn a score above "Well Below" to be considered for promotion. ACT 422 of the Louisiana Legislature requires the retention of third grade students who score well below on the End-of-Year DIBELS 8 Literacy screener and fail to meet "good cause exemptions".***

  In addition, 3rd grade students must take the LEAP 2025 standardized assessments.

- **4th Grade** letter grades of A, B, C, D or F will be earned in ELA, Math, Science and S.S. Physical Education and the Arts will be assigned a grade of O, S, G, N or U.

  Students must have a minimum of 60% cumulative average in ELA, Math, Science and S.S. to meet promotional requirements.

  In addition, 4th grade students must take the LEAP 2025 standardized assessments.

St. Landry Parish Public School Promotional Policy

All students enrolled in our school are governed by the promotional policy adopted by the St. Landry Parish School Board. Copies of the promotional policy are available on the SLP and Cankton Elementary School website. A hardcopy acknowledging receipt of the Promotional Policy is sent home in the beginning of the year parent packet.

JCampus

The St. Landry Parish School System currently utilizes an online system that compiles student data in all aspects of the student's educational profile. You will receive a form letter at the beginning of the school year that will include your child's unique login information as well as unique codes needed to set up parent account(s) to track your child's grades, attendance, and discipline. Please utilize this system to stay informed of your child's educational growth and experience.

Student Success in School

Class work:
1. Students are expected to complete all class work as assigned by the teacher.
2. Recess time may be utilized for additional support and to make-up/complete assignments and class work.

Materials:
1. Students are expected to have all necessary school related materials for each subject in class daily.
2. Materials are to be used in accordance with the teacher's instructions.

Student Work:
1. Parents are able to monitor student graded progress through the JCampus system.
2. Parents are able to schedule an appointment during the teacher's planning period to review student work.

Homework:
1. Homework promotes the development of mastery of skills, good study habits, comprehension of subject content and a sense of responsibility.
2. Homework may be assigned on a regular basis and will vary according to grade level, subject area, and instructional needs of the student.

Regular Instructional Program Courses/Special Services

Classroom teachers provide instruction in the following areas: Reading, Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies. In addition to the regular academic program, St. Landry Parish School Board provides special services designated to meet the total needs of the students. These services include pupil appraisal services, speech therapy, Title 1 services, vision and hearing screenings.

Textbooks, Workbooks and Chromebooks

Textbooks and technology (Chromebook) are furnished by the St. Landry Parish School Board for the student's use at the beginning of the school year. Students are responsible for the safekeeping of these items.

- ❖ Teachers will issue each student the required textbooks/workbooks for each subject area
- ❖ The student must return the issued materials in a "good/usable" condition or the parent will be responsible for paying the replacement cost of the book(s).
- ❖ All students will be assigned a Chromebook to use throughout the school day. Chromebooks are ***not permitted to go home***.
- ❖ Students are responsible for the safekeeping and proper use of the Chromebook. Theft or damage caused by abuse or neglect will result in the parent/guardian being responsible for repair and/or replacement costs.

Field Trip / Fall Fest / Field Day Policy

Cankton Elementary School (CES) recognizes that school-sponsored field trips are an important component of a students' educational plan. In addition to supplementing and enriching a student's individualized learning experience, such trips encourage new interests among students, helps them relate their school experiences to the outside world, and provides a social element to our school community.

- ❖ Each student shall have a permission slip with parent/guardian signatures on file prior to the trip. **No exceptions.**

- ❖ Students must ride the assigned bus when attending the field trip. If a parent wishes to remove his/her child prior to the end of the trip, the parent MUST sign the child out on the school provided form.

- ❖ Siblings not enrolled in CES will **not be able to attend school sponsored field trips**. A limited number of chaperones may attend based on need and space availability. Chaperones must be *21 years of age or older*.

- ❖ **No refund policy**: Once the field trip form and payment have been received, payments will not be refunded. This policy is necessary due to deposit and pre-payment requirements of transportation and venues.

- ❖ Students who are currently serving an in or out-of-school suspension at the time of the field trip/field day/or Fun Fest will not be able to attend the event. They must however still report to school. Refunds will not be provided.

- ❖ All attendees at these events are expected to dress and behave in a manner that is respectful, within policy, and that will represent CES in a positive light.

Birthday Parties and Invitations

Student birthdays that occur during the school year will be announced during morning announcements. Summer birthdays will be recognized at the end of the school year. Other than recognition during morning announcements, any other type of birthday celebration will be limited at school. Regarding birthdays and invitations, parents are asked to adhere to the following guidelines:

- Please contact the school on an individual basis regarding the possibility of bringing birthday treats to school **prior to the child's birthday**.
- Permission to bring birthday treats during the school day is left up to the discretion of administration and the child's teacher.
- Students will not be permitted to hand out party invitations in school unless every student in the class is being invited.

Home / School Communication

Open communication between the home and school is vital to a student's academic growth and success. We will utilize several methods of communication throughout the school year:

- Grades will be posted in **JCampus** weekly. This will be the main form of communicating the results of assessments to parents. Please notify the school should you have difficulty accessing your student's account.
- **Progress reports** will be sent home with the student midway through the nine weeks grading period.
- **Report cards** will be sent home at the end of each nine-week period.
- Text messages will be sent out via the **JCall** system. **Please ensure that your contact information remains current.**
- Important documents, links to classes, school information, announcements, etc. can be accessed through the **Cankton Elementary website** at https://www.slpsb.org/o/ces
- Download the **SLP APP** on Google Play or the Apple store to receive school and district reminders.
- The school also uses **Rooms** to communicate with stakeholders. Information will be sent home the beginning of the year on how to sign up for this service.
- Cankton Elementary has a **Facebook** page. Please visit our page to stay informed about things happening around school.
- Please be sure the school has the name and phone number of someone who can come to school and pick up your child in case of an accident or illness. It is critical that we have an emergency telephone number should such a situation occur.
- Children are permitted to use the school telephone only when there is an emergency. Books, notebooks, or other school supplies forgotten at home will not be considered an emergency.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences are encouraged, **however prior arrangements are needed in order to meet with a teacher. Conference times must be limited to during a teacher's scheduled planning period only.** The principal should be consulted and be able to attend any parent-teacher conference. Teachers are not able to interrupt teaching time to hold parent conferences of any kind.

Student Illness

Students who are feeling ill prior to leaving home in the morning ***should remain home and not report to school.*** Parents will be contacted for any child that becomes ill throughout the school day. Students who are sick will not be allowed to remain at school. Parents will need to make arrangements for the child to be picked up in a timely manner. ***Students must be fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication before returning to school.*** These guidelines are necessary in order to keep illnesses from spreading.

Student Accidents

All accidents must be reported immediately to the office. For all injuries that require medical attention, parents will be notified. Only primary first aid procedures can be administered to children here at school. In case of an emergency, school authorities will call for an ambulance to take the student to a hospital.

Immunization Procedure

All students must have all the immunization records required by the local health unit on file at school. At the beginning of each school session or upon the entry of a new student, the immunization record of each student will be checked. If a student is found deficient, he/she will be allowed 10 days to get his/her immunizations up-to-date or he/she will be sent home until his/her immunization record is brought up-to-date. This is a health precaution for the protection of all of our students. It is also state law.

Exception: Kindergarten students will not be allowed to register without proper immunization records.

Lice Infestation Policy

1. All students suspected of having body lice will be subject to an examination by school or other trained personnel.
2. Students with lice will be sent home to receive treatment that has been proven effective against lice infestation.
3. When a student is sent home for treatment of lice infestation, a letter will accompany the student. This letter will explain the suspected condition and will suggest accepted treatment for ridding the student of the suspected problem.
4. Students must be free of lice before returning to school. This will be determined by the school nurse/other trained personnel by examination of the student upon re-entry.
5. Following proper treatment, a student should not be out of school for more than three days. Any student absent longer than three days will be referred to the Supervisor of Child Welfare and Attendance on form LA-15 because of unexcused absences.

Medicines

Students are not permitted to bring to school over-the-counter or prescription medication of any kind.

Parents of students who are required to receive medication during the school day to include daily prescription and/or emergency medications such as an inhaler or epi-pen, **must complete a medication packet and have medication checked-in by trained personnel.** To assure school attendance for students who must use medication for the treatment of chronic disabilities or illness, the following guidelines have been established:

1. Written order from a physician detailing the name of the drug, dosage, and time interval medications are to be taken.
2. Written request and permission from the parent or guardian of the student requesting that the school district comply with the physician's order.
3. Medication must be brought to school in a container appropriately labeled by the pharmacy or physician.
4. Each medication given must be recorded on a medication log. This includes the date, time, dosage, and signature of the person giving the medication.

No employee of the school district may be held responsible if the child does not receive his/her scheduled dose of medicine, or if the child takes an overdose of medicine. If the daily dose of medication is lost, stolen, or spilled, or if the child refuses to take the medicine or spits it out, a reasonable attempt will be made to reach the parents. If the parents cannot be reached, the school personnel shall not be held responsible.

Adopted: July 18, 1991 Ref: LA. Rev. Stat. 17:81 St. Landry Parish

Conjunctivitis (Pink Eyes)

"Pink eyes" is an infection of the conjunctiva (the outermost layer of the eye). The three most common types of conjunctivitis are viral, allergic, and bacterial. Each requires different treatment. With the exception of the allergic type, conjunctivitis is typically contagious. For information concerning the symptoms, detection, diagnosis, and treatment, parents or guardians should log onto: http://www.stlukeeyes.com/conditions/conjunctivitis. Parents will be contacted if "pink eyes" is suspected in the child so that proper treatment can be started and spread of the disease can be prevented.

Ringworm

A ringworm is a fungus infection that affects children and adults. It can appear as a round scaly area on the head with hair loss or on any area of the body. It will spread through contact of scales from the sores or any clothes that have been in contact with the fungus.

1. Any student suspected of having ringworm of the body, in any form, would be subject to an examination by the school nurse or other trained personnel.
2. If the ringworm is not properly treated, it remains contagious. Your child will be sent home with the infected area covered with a bandage.
3. When a student is sent home for treatment, a letter will accompany the student. This letter will explain condition/suggest accepted treatment methods.
4. Students must be under proper treatment before returning to school. The school nurse or other trained personnel will examine the student upon the student's re-entry to determine if the treatment has been successful.
5. Ringworm of the scalp is treated differently from ringworm on other parts of the body. Students must be seen by a doctor. The child is excluded from school for a period of 2 – 5 days after treatment has begun and the child must bring a statement from the doctor indicating the diagnosis, treatment, and when he/she is to return to school.

Proof of Residence

Before a student can be registered at Cankton Elementary he/she must provide proof of residence as required by the St. Landry Parish School Board policy. The name of the parent or legal guardian must appear on a copy of **at least two (2)** of the following:

1. Electric bill; Cable TV /Satellite bill; Telephone (landline bill) or Tax Assessor's bill
2. Original, current Medical/ Medicare or Social Security Insurance Card
3. Original Homestead Exemption
4. Original Mortgage or original lease agreement/rental contract on company letterhead (if utilities are included in rental fee, you must provide a bill showing the name and address)

Lost and Found

All articles found on the school grounds should be promptly turned into the office. A student may inquire at the office about a lost item during their break. All articles which have not been claimed by the end of the school year will be discarded. The school is not responsible for lost articles. ***Please label jackets, hats, and other such items with your child's name.***

Emergency Procedures for Early Dismissal

School buses will run their regular routes if conditions permit. Students will be allowed to contact parents if an unexpected situation arises. We recommend that parents listen to the local radio station KSLO (Opelousas) for information or tune into a local television station concerning early dismissal.

Safety Drills

Bus evacuation drills are conducted at the beginning of the school year in order to ensure all students are familiar with the multiple ways to safely exit a bus in the event of an emergency. **Fire drills** will be held once per month and are unscheduled. Students are to exit the building in a quiet and orderly manner and move quickly to their designated area. **Tornado drills** are provided to share safety instructions and evacuation procedures in the case of severe weather conditions. **Lock down and school evacuation drills** are also held in order for students to become familiar with our procedures in case an emergency arises.

School Fees

School Fees: School Registration Fee for the 2026 - 2027 session is $20.00. Fees collected go towards the purchase of student academic materials; student IDs and lanyards; classroom materials; school-wide incentives and activities; nine weeks and end of the year awards and recognitions; books and workbooks; stamps and envelopes for school-wide mailings; copier fees and supplies; etc.

Technology Fee: There is an additional $5.00 technology fee that is required for all students. This fee will go towards technological upgrades; new purchases; and maintenance costs.

Fundraisers & Concessions: A variety of fundraisers will be held throughout the school year. In addition, students will have an opportunity to purchase concession items from the Gator Snack Shack on a daily basis. Funds collected through concessions and various fundraisers will be utilized for a variety of academic materials; school needs and improvements; equipment; school-wide events for students, faculty and staff. A portion (up to

25%) of funds collected through fundraising events and concessions (not registration or technology fees) may be utilized for various staff appreciation activities throughout the year.

Jean Day Pass: The "Jean Day Pass" costs $20.00 and is an additional optional pass that will allow students to wear a school-appropriate top and bottom of their choosing each Friday of the school year. Students choosing not to purchase the year-long pass can participate at a cost of $2.00 per Friday – the pass offers a savings of $52.00 (36 Fridays). School staff will monitor student participation in this event. Students who come to school out of uniform and have not paid to participate either with a pass or for that particular Friday, will need to call home to have a school uniform brought to them. Habitual violations will result in disciplinary actions.

Cafeteria & Meal Policies

The school cafeteria is maintained as a vital part of the health program of the school environment. To encourage good nutrition, a well-balanced breakfast and lunch is offered each day to all students. The cafeteria staff and your fellow students will appreciate your cooperation in:

- Depositing all breakfast & lunch litter in trash cans.
- Returning all trays and utensils to the dishwashing area.
- Leaving the table and floor around your place in a clean condition for others.
- Leaving the cafeteria immediately upon completing your meal.

Note: A statement from the doctor is necessary for verification of a special diet. By law, students are not allowed to receive food delivered from outside vendors or businesses (i.e. McDonald's, Burger King, Pizza Hut, Taco Bell, etc.). Students are not allowed to bring food or drinks into classrooms.

Students with Food Allergies must provide the Diet Prescription for Meals at School Form completed and signed by a physician as well as meet with the school nurse, cafeteria manager and other stakeholders for special arrangements.

All schools are PEANUT and SEAFOOD free.

Child Nutrition Services Parent Information

Seamless Summer Option

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has extended free meals to all students during the **2026 - 2027** school year. The St. Landry Parish Child Nutrition Department will provide breakfast and lunch to all enrolled students through the National School Lunch Program Seamless Summer Option (SSO).

This means that all enrolled students in the St. Landry Parish public school system will receive a healthy and nutritious breakfast and lunch **free of charge** during this school year. No action is necessary for students to participate and meal applications are not required. As students return to school, they can receive meals without additional costs to parents.

Meals from Home

Food may be brought from home; however, it is at the discretion of each principal. If the principal allows students to bring meals from home, the following rules apply. All meals from home must incorporate whole grains and other nutrient-dense foods by following the current meal pattern (meat/meat alternate, grains, fruit, vegetables, and milk) for breakfast and lunch in accordance with U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulations and policies. To ensure proper holding temperatures, please make sure the food products are kept cold using ice packs until meal service. **The cafeteria cannot store student meals brought from home.**

Fast food, candy, chips, and soft drinks or sugar-based juice drinks are not allowed in the cafeteria. Milk and 100% juice drinks are allowed and can be purchased in the cafeteria.

Allergies

All school campuses are **Peanut** and **Seafood** Free. Any food brought from home may not contain any type of nuts or any kind of seafood. There are several students with allergies that are enrolled in our schools.

Microwave

Students at the elementary level (K-8) are not allowed to use the microwave at school. Therefore, parents are encouraged to pack student meals with ice packs to ensure proper temperature control for the safety of the student.

Student Recognition

We love celebrating our students! Students will be honored for excellence in the classroom, conduct and work habits, service, personal growth, citizenship, attendance, extra-curricular participation and achievement!

Honor Roll: At the end of each nine weeks grading period, students will be recognized for achieving A's and B's in academic subjects.

PBIS: Students will be rewarded for making positive academic and life choices. Each week, teachers choose a "Gator of the Week" who met and exceeded our PBIS expectations! These students are recognized in a variety of celebrations. In addition, Gator-rific shout outs, Gator Bucks and a variety of incentives are given to recognize our students throughout the week.

Awards Day: Held at the conclusion of the school year - awards include but are not limited to - "A" and "A/B" Honor Roll in content areas and overall GPA, Excellent Effort, Perfect Attendance and Accelerated Reader Award. With limited seating, only students receiving awards will be invited to attend the awards program.

Accelerated Reader: Students have the opportunity to read Accelerated Reader books, take a quiz on the book, and earn points upon completion of the quiz. Top Readers are recognized on a regular basis and special recognition is given at the School Board Level as well as at the end of the year for students earning "million-word reader" status!

Student Dress Code and Uniform Policy

The St. Landry Parish School Board believes that a mandatory school uniform policy will provide a more secure environment, promote an atmosphere for greater discipline, and increase learning opportunities for all students. The student dress code policy shall apply to all students in grades Pre-K – 12th. This policy shall apply to all students attending public schools in St. Landry Parish. The principal of each school shall make the final decision about proper or improper dress according to the guidelines provided. School Spirit Day and any other school activities requiring a deviation from the uniform policy will be left to the discretion of the principal. Any substantial complaint concerning the dress code shall be dealt with by the school administration.

Uniform Policy

The uniform policy has been in effect for several years. It is the responsibility of each parent/guardian to see that their child is dressed appropriately before he/she leaves home every morning. If you are in doubt about an article of clothing adhering to the policy…do not allow your child to wear it! This policy covers all grades.

1. **THE UNIFORM SHIRT** - **The shirt shall consist of a white or navy polo knit shirt with no logo and with either short or long sleeves**. Each school will have the option of another colored shirt. **Cankton Elementary will allow students to wear Spirit Shirts as another option to the uniform shirt.** The optional top may have the school logo imprinted on the left chest over the heart. All shirts must be tucked in at the student's waist. All shirts must be long enough to remain tucked when seated. An undershirt may be worn under the uniform top. The undershirt must be white and the sleeve cannot be longer than the sleeve length of the uniform top. Turtlenecks or mock turtlenecks are not allowed under/over the uniform shirt.

2. **UNIFORM BOTTOMS** - **Bottoms shall consist of classic, traditional, straight leg dark khaki/navy cotton twill uniform pants or walking shorts with a finished hem** (side slits on hems are not allowed). Uniform bottoms must fit at the waist and crotch and be within one (1) size of student's actual waist/inseam measurement. No cargo pockets or flaps on back pockets are allowed on uniform bottoms. Bell-bottoms, joggers, carpenter/cargo style pants, hip huggers or jeans of any color and/or type are not allowed. Brand name emblems on uniform bottoms may not exceed 1" to 2" in size. All uniform bottoms must have a waistband with belt loops. Walking shorts shall not be more than four inches (4") above the back crease of the knee. Sagging of the uniform bottoms will not be allowed.

3. **UNIFORM BOTTOMS FOR GIRLS** - In addition to the above uniform bottoms, traditional style uniform jumpers and skirts will be allowed and must have a finished hem and shall not be more than four (4) inches above the back crease of the knee. All items of clothing must be worn as intended by design. Allowable colors are dark khaki and navy. Overalls are not permitted. Stone, white or dark brown uniform bottoms are not allowed. Dark khaki/navy skorts are allowed for Pre-K-2nd grade.
NOTE: Tight or revealing clothing worn by any student is not permitted.

4. **BELTS** - A black, brown, khaki, white, navy or optional school color belt must be worn or a plain belt with a buckle no larger than 2" x 3". No studs will be allowed. The entire length of the belt must be worn inside the loops. Hanging of any part of the belt outside the belt loops is not allowed. However, Pre-K through 2nd grade students may wear uniform bottoms with an elastic waistband without having to wear a belt. Belt loops should not be removed; if present, a belt must be worn for Pre-K-2nd grade.

5. **SOCKS** - Socks must be worn at all times. They must be solid navy, white, black, brown or the school optional color with no inappropriate emblem or logo.

6. **SHOES** - Students must wear a closed shoe (front and back). Sandals, clogs, flip-flops, slippers, crocs or other similar types of shoes are not allowed. Shoes must be laced and tied; Velcro straps must be secured.

7. **OUTERWEAR** – (NO HOOD) In cold weather, students will be allowed to wear the following over their school uniform:

SWEATSHIRT – (NO HOOD) A sweatshirt must be waist length with a tight, ribbed elastic bottom; must be plain, solid colored in black, white, heather gray, or navy with no emblem, logo, or marking. Students can wear a sweatshirt in the optional school color with school logo.
SWEATER – (NO HOOD) Crew neck, v-neck, or cardigan style (those that button or zip from the bottom) sweaters must have sleeves, must be waist length, must be plain, solid-colored in black, white, heather gray or navy with no emblem, logo, or marking. Optional school color with school logo and school-issued sweaters are permitted.
LIGHTWEIGHT JACKET/WINDBREAKER/COAT – (NO HOOD) All outerwear, except for sweatshirts, must zip, button, or snap from top to bottom and must not be longer than upper midthigh. Outerwear must be plain, solid-colored in black, white, khaki, heather gray or navy with no emblem, logo, or marking, however, jackets in the optional school color with school logo and school-issued jackets are permitted.

1. **MAKE-UP –** Students at Cankton Elementary are not permitted to wear any form of make-up to include lip gloss/lipstick

8. **BOOKSACKS** – All students are required to have a ***clear/transparent or mesh booksack***

The principal, not uniform vendors should address any questions about the dress code. Although it is impossible to anticipate all problems, distracting "fads" which disrupt the spirit, education, philosophy, or dignity of the St. Landry Parish School District will be unacceptable.

DRESS CODE GROOMING COMPONENT

Earrings are the only body piercings allowed. Well-groomed mustaches or facial hair is allowed in grades 7-12 and shall not be distracting in length or style. Hairstyles for both males and females shall be neatly maintained and/or restrained for health, safety, and identification of students.

Student dress and grooming are not to adversely affect the students' participation in classes, school programs, other school related activities or detract from the learning environment of the school. Extremes in style and fit in student dress and extremes in style of grooming will not be permitted. **Administrators are authorized to use their discretion in determining extremes in styles of dress and grooming and what is appropriate and suitable for school wear.** No student shall wear, possess, use, distribute, display, or sell any clothing, jewelry, emblem, blade, symbols, sign, or other things (including hair style and hair color) which presents evidence of

affiliation with drugs, alcohol, violence or gang related activities or exhibits profane or obscene language/gestures.

Positive Behavior Interventions and Support

Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) is a school-wide strategy for helping all students achieve important social, emotional and academic goals. We know that when good behavior and good teaching come together, our students will excel in their learning! PBIS expectations will be posted throughout the school. In addition, during the first few days of school, your child will be taught the PBIS expectations for each individual school setting. These expectations are also reviewed on a daily basis. Please take an opportunity to talk with your child about the expectations at school and the importance of continuing to demonstrate positive behavior in all settings of the school environment. With your continued support and involvement, Cankton Elementary will remain a school where students can excel.

General Rules and Behavior

All students at Cankton Elementary are expected to model good and appropriate behavior at all times. Students are required to adhere to the rules and expectations set forth in the classrooms, cafeteria, hallways, restrooms, playground, assemblies, on the bus and at all activities and events sponsored by the school.

General Rules:

1. Toys are not to be brought to school unless the individual teacher grants permission for a special occasion/event.
2. All students are responsible for their own possessions. Students may not exchange their personal things for those of other students.
3. Gum is not permitted on campus.
4. No eating candy/snacks before lunch or in the classroom unless permission is granted by the teacher.
5. No littering on the campus. Please use the trash cans.
6. No writing on or defacing of school property or the property of others (vandalism).
7. No taking of someone else's property (stealing).
8. No cursing or use of vulgar of abusive language.
9. Treat others with respect at all times in your words and your actions – no bullying.
10. Cell phones, iPad, headphones, air pods, video game devices, and other electronics are not permitted to be brought on campus.
11. Show respect to all adults, your peers, and yourself at all times.
12. All students must remain in their designated areas at all times.
13. Fighting of any kind will not be tolerated – this includes "play fighting"

14. Students are not permitted to bring over-the-counter or prescription medications on campus. Parents of students that are required to take medication during the school day must complete the appropriate paperwork with the school nurse ***prior*** to the medication being brought to school (the School Nurse or trained personnel will dispense this medication to students).
15. All school campuses are tobacco, alcohol, and drug free zones. Violators of these policies will be disciplined in accordance with St. Landry Parish School Board Policies and local and state laws.
16. All school campuses are weapons free zones. This includes knives, guns, mace, and any other device or instrument that can cause physical harm to another person. Violators of this policy will be disciplined in accordance with St. Landry Parish School Board Policies and local and state laws.

1. Students are expected to attend school in uniform (see Student Dress Code Parish Policy I). The **principal shall be the final interpreter of the school dress code.**

2. Any negative behavior, even if not specifically covered in these rules, is subject to disciplinary action at the discretion of the administration.

Cafeteria Rules and Procedures

A nutritious, well-balanced breakfast and lunch are served daily in the school cafeteria.

Students who wish to eat breakfast **must be in the cafeteria by 7:40 A.M**.

All teachers will escort their classes to the cafeteria at the respective lunch period. The following rules are to be adhered to:

1. Wash hands before eating.
2. Avoid talking with food in your mouth.
3. Always practice your good table manners.
4. Be respectful and model good behavior.
5. After eating, and when directed by the teacher, students will return their chair to its proper place, dispose of his/her plate and leave the cafeteria in an orderly fashion.

Recess and Playground Rules

1. Keep all hands, feet, and objects to yourself. No item/object should be thrown at another person.
2. All students must remain in their designated play area.
3. For the safety of all students, no running on the sidewalks or on the slab.
4. Be courteous and kind to others at all times.
5. Avoid littering – please use provided trash cans to dispose of trash.

6. Students must avoid play that could cause injury to themselves or someone else. To include but not limited to: knocking each other down; tripping; "tagging" hard; jumping on someone's back; rough play; tackle football; etc.
7. Avoid kicking balls such as basketballs, volleyballs, etc.
8. Students should not be in the hallways during recess.
9. Utilize restrooms for their intended purpose - do not play around in the restrooms and do not loiter in them.

All students are urged to practice safety at all times in and around the school campus. If something occurs on the playground, immediately notify the adults assigned to duty.

Bus Privileges, Rules, and Procedures

- Students who ride the school bus to and from school should recognize that it is a *privilege*.
- All students have the right to expect that the school bus will be a safe means of transportation.

Transportation for Grades Pre-K through 2nd:

- All students in grades two and under must be accompanied to the bus. On the return trip, a responsible party must also be waiting at the designated stop to accept the student when the bus arrives.
- Drivers and monitors are strictly prohibited from leaving other students on the bus to get a student to their door
- In the event a responsible party is not at the bus stop/home to accept these students, an attempt will be made to contact the parent by phone number on record and a suitable designated stop for the child will be agreed upon. In the event that we are unable to contact a parent, the child will be brought to the school. After normal business hours, the child will be brought to the local police authority or to the St. Landry Parish Sheriff Department and reported to child protection services.
- Drivers are not to drive around the neighborhood or repeatedly double back to the stop looking for someone to accept the student.
- Drivers will notify dispatch and reasonable efforts will be made to contact parents

Bus Discipline

Discipline problems on the bus will be dealt with by the principal or a designee of the school responsible for the student in accordance with state laws and parish regulations. The principal or a designee will take action necessary to ensure operational safety of the buses.

Bus Regulations

1. Students shall:

A. Student shall follow directions of the operator the first time given.

B. Student shall arrive at the bus stop before the bus arrives.

C. Student shall wait in a safe place, clear of traffic and away from where the bus stops.

D. Student shall wait in an orderly line and shall avoid horseplay.

E. Student shall cross the road or street in front of the bus only after the bus has come to a complete stop and upon direction of the operator.

F. Student shall go directly to an available or assigned seat when entering the bus.

G. Student shall remain seated and keep aisles and exits clear.

H. Student shall exhibit classroom conduct at all times.

I. Student shall refrain from throwing or passing objects in, from or into buses.

J. Student is permitted to carry only objects that can be held on his/her lap.

K. Student shall not use profane language, obscene gestures, tobacco, alcohol, drugs or any other controlled substance in the bus.

L. Student shall refrain from eating and drinking in the bus.

M. Student shall not carry hazardous materials or non-service animals into the bus.

N. Student shall respect the rights and safety of others.

O. Student shall refrain from leaving or boarding the bus at locations other than the assigned stop.

P. Student shall refrain from extending head, arms or objects out of the bus windows.

Q. Student shall refrain from hitching rides via the rear bumper or other parts of the bus.

Bus Discipline Progression

Students may be subject to the following consequences for minor offenses:

- **1st Offense**: Student conference will be held. Parent/guardian will be notified and warning citation issued.
- **2nd Offense**: A conference with the student and the parent/guardian will be held. Bus referral with discipline consequence at discretion of principal
- **3rd Offense**: Student will be denied bus transportation for 3-5 days; additional consequences at discretion of principal

- **4th Offense**: Student will be denied bus transportation for 15 days; additional consequences at discretion of principal
- **5th Offense**: Student will be denied bus transportation for remainder of the semester; additional consequences at discretion of principal
- **6th Offense**: Student will be denied bus transportation for remainder of the school year; additional consequences at discretion of principal

NOTE:** ***Major offenses (as deemed by administration) will result in more severe punishment such as suspension/expulsion from school. Any misbehavior on the bus, walking to or from the bus stop, or going to or returning from school may result in temporary or permanent loss of bus riding privileges. In this case, transportation to and from school becomes the responsibility of the parent/guardian.

Electronic Devices (phones, IPODS, games, etc.)

No electronic telecommunications device may be brought to school by an elementary or middle school student in grades Pre-K – 8th. The following consequences will be implemented in incidents where electronic devices are found.

Unauthorized possession of cell phone/electronic device shall result in:

- Confiscation of cell phone
- Parent Notification
- Parent must retrieve device
- Option to use after school detention; in-school detention; or Saturday detention for repeat offenders

The student may face additional disciplinary consequences for unauthorized use of cell phone/electronic device or if the device is used in combination with another major infraction.

Discipline

An environment conducive to teaching and learning is essential to our teachers being able to teach and our students being able to learn and grow.

ALTHOUGH THE ULTIMATE RESPONSIBILITY FOR STUDENT CONDUCT RESTS WITH THE STUDENT AND THE PARENTS/LEGAL GUARDIAN, IT IS THE DAILY RESPONSIBILITY OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL TO SEE THAT NO SINGLE PERSON INTERFERES WITH THE TOTAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT OF OTHER STUDENTS. THE SCHOOL DEMONSTRATES CONCERN FOR THE GROUP AND ITS WELFARE BY PRESERVING THE PROPER ATMOSPHERE FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING.

The St. Landry Parish School Board shall endeavor to address student behavior with a focus on evidence-based interventions and supports, and to prioritize classroom and school-based interventions in lieu of out-of-school disciplinary removals to address student misconduct in order to minimize the loss of academic instruction time. As prescribed by law, every teacher and other school employee shall endeavor to hold each student accountable for his/her behavior in school, or on the playgrounds of the school, on any school bus, on the street or while going to or returning from school, during intermission or recess, or at any school sponsored activity or function. (La. R.S. 17:416) It is the final responsibility of the school principal to maintain discipline at each school or at any school function.

The St. Landry Parish School Board takes a position of "ZERO TOLERANCE" with regard to weapons, explosives, physical attacks or batteries, group fighting, gang fighting, and illegal narcotics, drugs, and controlled substances. Such conduct will not be tolerated by the School Board. These offenses require immediate recommendation for expulsion.

Deviations of behavior may result in attendance at detentions, Saturday School, Time-out rooms, Character Action Training classes, suspensions, and/or expulsions. It is the express policy of the School Board to utilize alternatives to suspensions and expulsions and to reserve the use of suspensions and expulsions as the last step in progressive discipline based on the nature of the offense.

Keeping the school safe is of such importance that it is necessary to prohibit the use of *any object* as a weapon on the school grounds or bus.

In order to guarantee all students at Cankton Elementary an exemplary learning climate, students are expected to follow all school and class rules. Specific classroom rules and consequences (both positive and negative) will be determined by the classroom teacher.

The principal or a designee has the final authority to maintain discipline during the school day and at any school function.

For more specific rules regarding minor and major offenses and the discipline progression, please refer to the St. Landry Parish Schools Rights and Responsibilities Handbook.

Discipline Policy

(For Complete SLPSB Discipline Policies Refer to Pages 44 - 64 of the St. Landry Parish Students Rights and Responsibilities Handbook)

School discipline has two broad objectives. It ensures a conducive environment for teaching and learning and it fosters the development of self-discipline that is required for all learning. The ultimate responsibility for student conduct rests with the student and the parent. It is a daily responsibility of school personnel to see that no single person interferes with the total learning environment of other students.

In cases where corrective action becomes necessary, the disciplinary measures taken should be positive, constructive, and directed toward serving educational ends. It should be clearly understood by the student and their parents that the purpose of all disciplinary action is to positively mold future behavior and to teach the student that education is a right qualified by compliance with reasonable rules and regulations.

While the school is concerned with the individual and his/her welfare, it must also be concerned with the overall group welfare by preserving the proper atmosphere for teaching and learning.

Minor Offense Regulations:

Definition: Minor offenses shall include but not be limited to the following:

1. Cutting class
2. Unexcused tardies
3. Disobedience
4. Profane/abusive language
5. Possession of inappropriate articles at school, such as trading cards, games, etc.
6. Failing to use respectful terms required by LA. R.S. 20 17:416.12 for students in kindergarten through twelfth grade.
7. Throwing objects
8. Refusing to sit in assigned seat
9. Dress code violations

Discipline Progression – Classroom/Virtual:

Disposition of Minor offenses

1. The teacher shall do one or more of the following:
    a. Counsel/warn the student
    b. Administer constructive punish work
    c. Contact parent by phone or request a conference to be held at school.
    d. Written notification to parents of disruptive or unacceptable behavior, a copy of which shall be provided to the principal.

e. Other disciplinary measures approved by the principal and faculty of the school and in compliance with School Board policy.
f. Refer student to administration when necessary, using the proper referral procedure

2. The administrator shall do one or more of the following:
   a. Counsel/warn the student.
   b. Refer the student to the school counselor.
   c. Refer to Saturday School.
   d. Refer to Time-Out Room (TOR) or Character Action Training (CAT) class where available.
   e. Seek and encourage parent/guardian involvement.

* NOTE: An accumulation of offenses may result in the taking of more severe disciplinary action such as short-term suspension or long-term suspension, except for any offense involving item 6 under Minor Offenses and Discipline.

MAJOR OFFENSE REGULATIONS/MAJOR OFFENSES AND DISCIPLINE – Classroom/Virtual

1. Dispositions given for each offense are maximums.
2. Except in offenses which the School Board has taken the position of "ZERO TOLERANCE," administrators may assign or recommend lesser punishments according to their determination of the nature and circumstances of the offense.

ZERO TOLERANCE FOR FIGHTING POLICY

A. School principals may call the appropriate law enforcement authorities for every fight involving students who are 14 years of age or older.
B. Appropriate law enforcement authorities include assigned School Security Officers and Youth Resource Officers.
C. If there are no assigned School Security Officers or Youth Resource Officers available, the local law enforcement authorities may be called.
D. Law enforcement authorities will investigate the fight and recommend one of the following actions:
   1. Issuing the student a misdemeanor summons;
   2. Releasing the student to a parent or guardian with the agreement that both will appear in Juvenile Court.
   3. Arresting the student.
E. Students involved in a fight at school will also be subject to suspension or expulsion as stated in this handbook.
F. Pushing and shoving are not considered fighting, but once a punch is thrown, a "fight" has occurred.
G. Since pushing and shoving lead to fighting and are violations of school policy, the student will be subject to suspension or expulsion as stated in this handbook.

H. Non-aggressive self-defense allows the student to defend himself against an attack, but only to the point where the attacker backs off.

I. Students who are suspended for fighting will be required to undergo counseling before being readmitted to school.

J. Counseling will include anger management and conflict resolution. It will be provided and supervised by the St. Landry Parish School Board. Parents or guardians will be advised and encouraged to participate.

K. This Zero Tolerance for Fighting Policy is in effect from the time the student leaves home for school until the time the student returns home from school. It is also in effect during all school-related activities. The student's responsibility to alert a principal, teacher, coach, etc. to any hostile attempt directed toward them. Administrators are then required to take immediate action to prevent further hostile attempts.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG OFFENSES

1. Possession of prescription/non-prescription medication without evidence of a prescription or a physician's order on file at school.
    a. short-term suspension
    b. long term suspension
    c. Recommended expulsion.

2. Distribution of medication, including non-prescription medication, or possession of same with intent to distribute
    a. Recommended expulsion.

3. Use, distribution, or possession with intent to distribute alcohol, nitrate-based inhalants and/or any other inhalants injurious to the health and well-being of students
    a. may be as severe as recommended expulsion

4. Use of, possession of, or distribution of any imitation/ counterfeit or falsely represented controlled dangerous substance, e.g. synthetic marijuana
    a. Recommended expulsion

NOTE: Medication Policy (See St. Landry Parish School Board Policy)

MAJOR DRUG, FIREARM AND KNIFE LAWS

Administrators may not assign lesser punishment for the following offenses:

(The local law enforcement agency shall be notified when a student is in possession of drugs, intending to distribute drugs, or distributing drugs in a Drug-Free Zone, or is in possession of a knife, firearms or explosives).

1. Any student, age sixteen (16) or older, or under sixteen (16) and in grades six (6) through twelve (12), who is found guilty of being in possession of a firearm on school property, a school bus, or in actual possession at a school-sponsored event, following a hearing, shall be expelled from school for a minimum period of four (4) complete school semesters and shall be referred to the district attorney for appropriate action.

2. Any student in kindergarten through grade five (5) who is found guilty of being in possession of a firearm on school property, on a school bus, or in actual possession at a school-sponsored event, following a hearing shall be expelled from school for a minimum period of two (2) complete school semesters and shall be referred to the district attorney for appropriate action. The superintendent, however, may modify the length of the minimum expulsion required in the above para- graphs on a case-by-case basis, provided such modification is in writing. La. R.S. 17:416 (C)(2)(a)(i) and (b)(i). Under the above circumstances, students with disabilities will be disciplined under Louisiana's Regulations for Implementation of the Children with Exceptionalities Act (R.S. 17:1941, et seq); Title 17 28 Part XLIII Bulletin 1706 Subpart A - Regulations for Students with Disabilities, Section 519 B.

3. Any student, sixteen (16) years of age or older, found guilty of possession of, or knowledge of and intentional distribution of or possession with intent to distribute any illegal narcotic, drug, or other controlled substance on school property, on a school bus, or at a school-sponsored event, following a hearing, shall be expelled from school for a minimum period of four (4) complete school semesters. La. R.S.17:416 (C)(2)(a)(ii). C. Any student who is under sixteen years of age and in grades six (6) through twelve (12) and who is found guilty of possession of, or knowledge of and intentional distribution of or possession with intent to distribute any illegal narcotic, drug, or other controlled substance on school property, on a school bus, or at a school-sponsored event following a hearing, shall be expelled from school for a minimum period of two (2) complete school semesters. La. R.S. 17:416(C)(2)(b)(ii).

4. Any case involving a student in kindergarten through grade five (5) found guilty of possession of, or knowledge of, and intentional distribution of or possession with intent to distribute any illegal narcotic, drug, or other controlled substance on school property, or a school bus, or at a school-sponsored event, following a hearing, shall be referred to the board through a recommendation for action from the superintendent.

5. The principal or designee shall immediately suspend a student who is found carrying or possessing a firearm or knife, the blade of which equals or exceeds two inches in length, or other dangerous instruments. He/ she shall immediately recommend the student's expulsion except, in the case of a student in kindergarten through grade five who is found carrying or possessing a knife as described in this section. The principal or designee may, but shall not be required to recommend the student's expulsion. La. R.S. 17:416 (B)(1)(b).

6. In addition, school officials, in accordance with statutory provisions, shall have total discretion and shall exercise such discretion in imposing on a pupil any disciplinary actions authorized by state law for possession by a pupil of a firearm or knife on school property when such firearm or knife is stored in a motor vehicle and there is no evidence of the pupil's intent to use the firearm or knife in a criminal manner.

Metal Detector Searches

The St. Landry Parish School Board has authorized the use of metal detectors in all schools to help ensure a safe environment for the students and staff under its jurisdiction. Metal detectors may be used by law enforcement agencies, school personnel, or a combination of both parties to help minimize the presence of weapons or contraband on school campuses.

All policies in the School Board's Policy Manual, concerning student searches will apply when metal detector searches are conducted on a student or non-student.

Bullying

Please refer to the St. Landry Parish Students Rights and Responsibilities Handbook pages 49 – 55 for the complete bullying policy to include the definition by law; reporting; parent and student notification; investigation procedures; documentation; appeal; disciplinary action; retaliation; etc.

CANKTON ELEMENTARY'S
Positive Behavior Incentives and Support
(PBIS)

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MOTTO:

Cankton Elementary Community, "United in Learning", preparing all students to meet life's challenges.

Cankton Elementary's 3 "B's":

Be RESPECTFUL
Be RESPONSIBLE
Be SAFE

GATOR CHOMP:

<u>G</u>ive Respect
<u>A</u>ct Responsibly
<u>T</u>hink Positively
<u>O</u>rder in Line
<u>R</u>emember Safety

Bus Behavior Expectations

Be Respectful	**Obey the bus driver promptly and cheerfully** **Use an "inside" voice** **No teasing, bullying or using profane language**
Be Responsible	**Be on time at designated stop** **Keep the bus clean**
Be Safe	**No moving around while the bus is in motion** **Arms & Head must be kept inside bus window** **Do not throw anything out of the windows**

Cafeteria Behavior Expectations

Be Respectful	**Use "Please" and "Thank You"** **Don't play with your food** **Eat and use ZERO voice**
Be Responsible	**Use utensils properly** **Keep cafeteria clean** **Put waste in its place**
Be Safe	**Walk quietly in cafeteria** **Keep hands and feet to yourself** **Sit properly**

Classroom Behavior Expectations

Be Respectful	**Respect yourself, others, and property** **Raise your hand to speak or get out of your desk**
Be Responsible	**Be prepared for class (supplies and attitude)**
Be Safe	**Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself** **Work and play in a safe manner**

Hallway & Sidewalk Behavior Expectations

Be Respectful	**Say "excuse me" and "sorry"** **Greet people and smile** **Use ZERO voice**
Be Responsible	**Respect work displayed** **Dispose of litter properly** **Walk to your destination**
Be Safe	**Walk in line order** **Keep hands and feet to yourself** **Stay to the RIGHT**

Line-up Behavior Expectations

Be Respectful	**Walk to dot quietly and sit quietly** **Wait quietly to be dismissed by your teacher**
Be Responsible	**Freeze when you hear the first whistle** **Quietly walk to your dot when class called**
Be Safe	**WALK to your dot when whistle blown** **Keep hands and feet to yourself**

Playground Behavior Expectations

Be Respectful	**Respect authority and property of others** **Be friendly, kind, nice, and helpful**
Be Responsible	**Dispose of litter properly** **Stay in designated area** **Help others**
Be Safe	**Walk on sidewalks and slab** **Keep hands and feet to yourself** **Use equipment appropriately**

Restroom Behavior Expectations

Be Respectful	**Respect the privacy and property of others** **Keep the restroom clean** **Flush toilet**
Be Responsible	**Keep restroom clean and report any problems** **Be quick, wash hands, turn off water** **Adjust clothing to follow dress code**
Be Safe	**Use restroom supplies appropriately** **Walk in the restroom** **Be cautious of wet floor**