**INTRODUCTION**

**MISSION STATEMENT OF USD # 477**

Ingalls USD #477 provides all students with a quality education in a safe, nurturing environment, encourages respect, and promotes a responsible work ethic.

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**WELCOME TO INGALLS**

 The Faculty and Administration of Ingalls Schools extend a **“WELCOME”** to all new students and students who are returning to Ingalls School. Our summer efforts have been to make the school better for each of you.

 Our school was established and has been operated as an institution of learning. The dictionary defines learning as acquiring knowledge and skill by instruction and study. We hope you will acquire both knowledge and skill in your school years. The instruction will be provided in the classroom by qualified teachers.  **You must provide the study.** **You must be willing to work and study hard and to accept the responsibilities of a good school and community citizenship.**

 Hopefully, your main goal here at Ingalls School will be to obtain the best high school education possible. You must always work daily toward that goal. Your parents, teachers, counselor, and school administration are here to help you attain that goal. Please feel free to discuss any concerns with the school staff.

 The purpose of this handbook is to furnish to the faculty and students the needed information about the school in a concise and convenient form. The handbook will be especially helpful to any new members to the school community.

 The office is open at all times during school hours. Please do not hesitate to bring in your questions, concerns, complaints, or suggestions. **We do like to hear from you.**

**PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES (8-7-97)**

 Unified School District #477 Schools seek to challenge students to achieve and to provide a standard of quality. Its purpose is to prepare students to live in a changing world. The varied instruction and co-curricular programs are designed to provide both academic and life skills training. Emphasis is also given to basic practical and social skills, responsibility, values, and citizenship.

 To accomplish this purpose, the following objectives have been defined:

1. To prepare for either further education or immediate employment by providing students with an exposure to a variety of course offerings that will allow informed choices for a future occupation. To provide the depth in both academic and life skill areas that will allow for success in either. To give the direction necessary through counseling services and interest in each student.
2. To provide the student with the basic skills necessary to perform within society. To stress in addition to traditional skills, the practical skill necessary for living in a complex and changing world.
3. To provide the students with information and a variety of experiences that emphasis the social skills that are based on group participation, interaction, and cooperation.
4. To develop the comprehensive ability to solve problems and the open-mindedness that will enlarge the student’s ability to examine opinions objectively to adapt to a changing world, to understand and tolerate differences and uncertainty, and to act responsibly.
5. To create an atmosphere that increases a concern for others and self, an acceptance of a value structure, and positive attitude as well as a sound work ethic.

 6. To develop the responsiveness to democratic values that will encourage responsible participation in political processes, foster an understanding of the United States and its relationship to other countries, and to increase acceptance of law and orderly changes.

1. To provide activities and instruction that will encourage an appreciation for cultural arts and physical education so that students can incorporate these into daily living and find meaningful use for leisure time.

IF YOU WANT GO

1. To pay your fees. 1. To see H.S. secretary.

2. To file an excuse for absence 2. To see H.S. secretary.

 after an illness.

3. To receive permission to be 3. To see the principal. All

 absent for a special reason. assignments must be made up in

 advance and parent permission

 is required.

4. To leave the building. 4. To the office to check out.

5. To pay lunch fees. 5. To see the H.S. secretary.

6. To change a course after school 6. To the teacher(s) first, then counselor, then

 has started. to the principal for approval.

7. To try for a college scholarship. 7. To see the counselor.

8. To get information on colleges 8. To see the counselor.

 or vocational schools.

9. To plan a picnic, party or any 9. To the sponsor and then together

 other activity involving school clear a date with the Principal

 groups. and place the date on the calendar.

10.To get application for a bus 10. To see Superintendent.

11.To look for lost and found 11. To the office. Report all losses

 articles. immediately to your instructor or office.

12.To obtain school supplies. 12. To the library.

13.To convey ideas to the Student 13. To any Student Council member or

 Council for discussion. their sponsor(s).

14.To report an injury. 14. To your instructor. Then report to

 the office for help.

15.To check on your grades or 15. To the teachers, then the counselor.

 credits.

16.To make calls prior to 7:30 16. Call 335-5136.

 to school personnel.

**INGALLS HIGH SCHOOL**

**ATHLETIC COACHES AND ACTIVITY SPONSORS**

FOOTBALL SCHOLAR’S BOWL CHEERLEADERS

Roger Thurlow- Head Coach Tammy Meador

Theodore Brown- Asst. Coach

VOLLEYBALL Newsletter and Calendar YEARBOOK

Kim Batman- Head Coach Judy Harris Tracy Bleumer

Susan Bailey- Asst. Coach

BOYS BASKETBALL GIRLS BASKETBALL BAND/VOCAL

Butch Nally - Head Coach Roger Thurlow - Head Coach Tammy and

Steve Thompson- Asst. Coach Terra Simon- Asst. Coach Joseph Meador

STUDENT COUNCIL SPONSOR TRACK I-CLUB

Tammy Meador Steve Thompson- Head Coach Mitch Harris & Coaches

Susan Bailey Tara Simon- Asst. Coach

NHS

Lori Furgason

SR. CLASS SPONSOR JR. CLASS SPONSOR

Gayla Rodenbur - Manager Susan Bailey - Manager

Lori Furgason Roger Thurlow

SO. CLASS SPONSOR FR. CLASS SPONSOR Freshmen: Set up for Football

Tracy Bleumer Judy Harris Homecoming

Steve Thompson Mitch Harris Sophomores: Set up for

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Basketball Homecoming

 Mark Fisher Juniors: Prom, fall concessions,

 Magazine & cheese sales

KAY CLUB SPONSOR Seniors: Determine class

Tammy Meador song, motto, flower, etc.

Steve Thompson

**INGALLS Middle School**

**COACHES & SPONSORS**

CheerleadersFootball Volleyball

Pam Millershaski Leonard Rodenbur, Head Judy Harris, Head

 Roger Thurlow, Ass’t Mitch Harris, Ass’t

Girls Basketball Boys Basketball MS Quiz Bowl

Mitch Harris, Head Leonard Rodenbur, Head Terri Nicholson

Judy Harris, Ass’t Steve Thompson, Ass’t

MS Track 6th, 7th, 8th Sponsors MS Student Council

Mitch Harris, Head Tammy Meador Tammy Meador

Steve Thompson, Head Joe Meador Joe Meador

Judy Harris, Ass’t Steve Johnson

**SCHOOL SPIRIT**

SCHOOL COLORS: PURPLE AND GOLD

SCHOOL EMBLEM: THE BULLDOG

SCHOOL SONG: *We’re gonna go, go, go, fight, win for dear old Ingalls High;*

 *We’re gonna fight, fight, fight for freedom and fight for victory!*

 *Rah! Rah! Rah! Ingalls Bulldogs are the best!*

 *They are really on the go!*

 *Come on, Bulldogs, carry on that Ingalls High fame!*

 *So now let’s go, go, go, fight, win for dear old Ingalls High - Hey!*

ALMA MATER: *Far out on the Western prairie, standing plain in view*

 *Is our dear old Ingalls High School towering toward the blue.*

 *Hail, all hail our alma mater; hail dear Ingalls High*

 *We bear thee a love so fervent, it shall never die.*

**ATTENDANCE**

**PHILOSOPHY OF ATTENDANCE (5-19-08)**

 USD 477 staff members believe that a direct correlation exists between regular school attendance and academic achievement. Students should develop habits of punctuality and responsibility which will later be vital in the business community or the world of work. Also, each day teachers design learning experiences which serve as building blocks for the students total education. Absences will result in inconsistent learning, reduced achievement, inferior work, failure, dropouts or suspension. Therefore, the following items are adopted as policy:

 The principal of each attendance center is designated by the Board of Education as the person responsible to report cases of truancy to the juvenile court.

 Students shall receive zeros for class work assigned or not turned in once they have accumulated 7 absences, excused or otherwise, per class during a semester. Exceptions are made for extenuating circumstances. At the 5th absence within one class per semester, the teacher will notify the student on the next day in attendance that they are two absences away from getting zeros. The teacher will also notify the principal on the day of the 5th absence. The principal will call the parent(s) and follow up with a letter as a reminder of the school policy. If there is an extenuating circumstance, it will be addressed by a committee made up of the principal, assistant principal, counselor, S.A.T. chair and the teacher(s) involved. On the 9th full day absence for the semester and for each absence after, a Saturday school will be assigned. If Saturday School is missed, it results in 1 day of I.S.S. the next school day and the student being ineligible that week.

 A child is truant if he is subject to the compulsory laws but is not enrolled in a public or nonpublic school or is subject to the compulsory attendance laws and is enrolled in school but is inexcusably absent for three consecutive days or more than four days in a semester.

**ATTENDANCE POLICY (5-19-08)**

 A student is considered absent when he/she is not in regular school classes or in a school - sponsored activity. If a student is absent from school, the parents must notify the office by phone or a signed, written note.

 If a student is absent, an attempt will be made by the school to verify the absence by a phone call to the parents. This call will not be necessary if a parent or guardian calls early on the morning of a student’s absence and reports it to the secretary.

 Any part of the school day missed is defined as either absence or tardy. Tardy is being late to a class, up to 10 minutes - absence is missing one or more classes or showing up to class after 10 minutes. For attendance purposes the office will keep track of absence on an hourly basis. Students excused to miss any part of a school day must have a “Permit to Leave the Building” slip. (Includes doctors, dentists, and legal matters) Students are expected to return directly to school after business is completed.

 If a student becomes ill during the school day, he/she shall report to the school office, who will contact a parent or guardian before the releasing the student. If no one can be reached, the student will be kept at school.

 If a student has been absent from school, any part of the day, because of illness, they are ineligible to participate in extra-curricular activities that day. This includes activity practices.

 **EXCUSED ABSENCES (6-22-01)**

1. Personal illness
2. Medical appointments.
3. Serious illness or death of a member of the family.
4. Emergencies calling for the student’s services at home.
5. Obligatory religious observations.
6. Participation in a district-approved of school-sponsored activity.
7. Parent obtaining office approval in advance by phone or in person.

**EXCUSED ABSENCE PROCEDURE (8-7-97)**

1. A note or phone call from the parent or guardian is needed by the office to approve absences on or before the first day the student returns.
2. Students will get make-up work from teachers on the first day they get back to school.
3. Students will be granted one day to get work turned in from days missed, unless other arrangements can be worked out with the teacher or teachers.
4. Primary responsibility for making up work rest with the students, however, every reasonable effort will be made to assist students in the efforts to make-up missed work due to an excused absence.

**UNEXCUSED ABSENCES (8-7-97)**

Students shall receive zero credit for all class work assigned or not turned in.

1. 1st unexcused absence: Principal will have a conference with student.
2. 2nd unexcused absence: Principal will have a conference with parents and student.
3. 3rd unexcused absence: Student will receive in-school suspension.

4. 4th unexcused absence: Parents will be required to meet with the Principal and Superintendent.

These Guidelines are pertaining throughout the school year.

**PREARRANGED ABSENCE (8-7-97)**

In the case of a prearranged absence, a written request well in advance of the first day of absence will be required to be presented by the student on behalf of the parent or guardian, or in person by the parent or guardian, to the BUILDING PRINCIPAL. If permission is granted by the principal, the student will be expected to make up all work, if feasible, prior to the first day of absence. These could include scheduled monthly Dr. appointments, family vacations, other absences which were arranged/ known in advance, etc. Students are encouraged to meet with all teachers well in advance of the absence to arrange for homework.

**MAKE-UP WORK (5-19-08)**

 It is the student’s responsibility to obtain all materials and information that were covered in class(es) missed due to an absence. Students should plan in advance of their absence when they are aware that they will be missing school work. They should confer with each teacher relative to their absence and make up as much work as possible in advance of this, realizing, of course, that it is impossible to make up all the work in certain areas.

 If the absence was excused, a teacher will allow one day for makeup work and test(s) to be completed. If a student is absent for more consecutive days, he/she should meet with the class instructor and work out an extension.

 If the absence is unexcused, class work missed may be requested by the student, completed, and turned in to be evaluated for NO credit.

**COLLEGE VISITS (12-6-04)**

Juniors and Seniors are allowed post secondary visits (maximum of two) each year. These need to be scheduled thru the counselor’s office before the visit is made. No college visits will be permitted for students on the ineligible list.

**DROP FROM ENROLLMENT POLICY (12-6-04)**

After 10 days, a student that plans to be gone for an extended period will be dropped from the register. When the student returns, the student will re-enroll. Reason: Some of the students are taken out of school by the parents for an extended time. The QPA report asks for absences and when we keep the students on the roll, it looks like the student was absent for an extended time.

**TARDY POLICY (6-22-01)**

A student is tardy any time he/she enters a classroom after the tardy bell has rung without a written excuse from a teacher, principal or secretary. Tardies are a disruption to normal classroom procedures and activities. Tardies are usually caused by carelessness rather than necessity. Students will receive detention time when they have an unexcused tardy. A minimum of 15 minutes detention time will be administered. The student will serve 15 minutes plus one minute for each minute tardy. Detention will be served the same day the tardy occurred. (24 hours notice is required for students that ride the bus.) If detention is missed, double time will be assigned, the next step will be Saturday school. If a student is detained by a teacher, it is the student’s responsibility to get a pass from the teacher. Students who are late because of buses do not need an excuse from the office.

**ACADEMICS**

**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (6-1-06)**

1. Language Arts - 4 credits

 Required:

 English I 1 credit

 English II 1 credit

 Any two of the following courses

 College Comp I and II 1 credit (dual credit)

 American Literature 1 credit

 British Literature 1 credit

 Creative Writing 1 credit

 Newsletter (teacher approval) 1 credit

 2. Mathematics - 3 credits

 Algebra I 1 credit

 Algebra II 1 credit

 Geometry 1 credit

 Probability & Statistics 1 credit

 Senior Math 1 credit

 College Algebra 1 credit

 3. Science - 3 credits General Science 1 credit

 Biology I 1 credit

 Biology II 1 credit

 Physics 1 credit

 Chemistry 1 credit

 4. Social Studies - 3 credits United States History - required 1 credit

 American Government – ½ credit required 1 credit World History 1 credit

 World Geography ½ credit

 Economics ½ credit

 5. Physical Education - ½ credit required ½ credit

 Health – ½ credit required ½ credit

 6. Computer Technology Computer Applications I 1 credit

 7. Fine Arts- 1credit

 Vocal 1 credit

 Band 1 credit

 Music Appreciation 1 credit

The balance of 10 credits selected from electives. Electives should include courses from the following areas: Computer Technology, Industrial Arts, Foreign Language, Family & Consumer Science, Music.

**\*\*26 TOTAL UNITS ARE REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION.**

**QUALIFIED ADMISSIONS CURRICULUM**

**KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS REQUIREMENTS (8-8-11)**

 ENGLISH: 4 APPROVED UNITS. At least one unit of English or language arts must be taken each year.

 MATHEMATICS: 3 APPROVED UNITS At or above Algebra 1. Students are strongly encouraged to take a math course every year of high school.

 NATURAL SCIENCE: 3 APPROVED UNITS. At least one unit must be in chemistry or physics.

 SOCIAL SCIENCES: 3 APPROVED UNITS. Must include 1 unit of US History, and ½ unit of Government.

 FOREIGN LANGUAGE: Recommended but not required.

**Note: Approved Unit information is available in the Counselor’s Office. One Unit equals 1 year or 2 semesters.**

**EARLY GRADUATION (4-4-05)**

Any student may be on an accelerated graduation plan.

Requirements:

1. The student must earn the required 26 credits.
2. The student must be in good standing with Ingalls High School.
3. The student must consult with the counselor and/or the high school principal at the beginning of the targeted graduation year. **THE PRINCIPAL AND/OR COUNSELOR HAS THE RIGHT TO DENY A STUDENT’S ATTEMPT FOR EARLY GRADUATION. THE PARENTS OF THE STUDENT WILL BE CONTACTED BEFORE ANY DECISION ABOUT EARLY GRADUATION IS MADE.**
4. The student may walk through the graduation ceremony the year the diploma is received, **BUT WILL WALK AFTER THE 8TH GRADE AND BEFORE THE HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS. THE STUDENT WILL BE NOTED ON THE GRADUATION PROGRAM AS AN EARLY GRADUATE.**
5. The student may not walk with his/her original class.
6. The student may not be promoted to status of senior until enough credits are earned to qualify as a senior.
7. If the student has an IEP, the IEP team determines the graduation timeline and curriculum.
8. An early graduation could not be considered for salutatorian or valedictorian of the senior class; however, the early graduate will be recognized for the GPA that is equal to or higher than the salutatorian or valedictorian.
9. Early graduates may wear a cap and gown.

**GRADUATION DIPLOMAS (6-4-07)**

 The school board president will be responsible for handing out diplomas at the graduation ceremony. If, for some reason, the graduate would like to have another board member hand out the diploma, he or she would need to attend the April board meeting to address the board as to why they would like the other board member hand out the diploma. Graduates that have an immediate relative (aunt, uncle, parent, grandparent, etc.) on the board would not have to follow this procedure.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMICS POLICY (8-7-97)**

 If a student fails in more than one of the required subjects (Math, English, Social Studies, Science) then that student may be retained. Students failing 3 required subjects will be retained if summer school is not taken.

**VOCATIONAL EDUCATION (8-7-97)**

 All high school students attending vocational education classes are responsible for their own transportation, since the district already pays tuition costs. Additionally a statement must be signed by a student's parent releasing the school district from responsibility in case of an accident during travel to and from vo-tech school.

 Parents of any student involved in the Vo-Ed training program must reimburse USD #477 full tuition costs in the event that their son/daughter does not complete the full program of study. Only seniors may attend Vo-Tech school.

**INDEPENDENT STUDY COURSE (1-2-04)**

The school will provide planned programs of independent learning in which students need not attend classes a specific amount of time during a semester. In such instances, credit may be granted for satisfactory performance on proficiency

examinations or for successful completion of curricular units, steps, or phases established by the school as comprising the equivalency of a unit of work. Each student wanting to participate must be approved by teachers, principal, and counselor.

**REPORT CARDS (8-7-97)**

 Report cards will be issued at the completion of each grading period. The individual grade cards will be mailed during the week following the end of the nine week period.

**PROGRESS REPORTS (8-7-97)**

 Progress reports and up slips will be issued at the middle of each grading period. The slips will be given to failing or near failing students. Down slips are to serve as a reminder that the student has approximately four weeks to improve his/her academic standing. Up slips will be given to students doing outstanding work. They are a pat on the back for a job well done.

**GO.EDUSTAR (5-19-08)**

To facilitate communication between parents and the school, Go.edustar Home Communication will serve as a messenger service. The web-based program will allow parents to access grades, attendance, and discipline referrals from any computer with internet capability. Information on setting up passwords and accessing this site may be obtained in the HS/MS office. We encourage parents to use this service on a regular basis to monitor their student’s progress.

**SCHOLARSHIP (8-7-97)**

 One of the most important records you will have during your school years and in later life will be your scholarship record. It is permanent and will be the basis for college or for business positions. Make your record the best that you can.

 **ASK YOUR TEACHERS FOR HELP IF YOU NEED IT.**

 Remember, your record starts from the first day you step through the school doors and continues to accumulate until you leave the school for good.

 The following is an explanation of the grading system:

* A...Superior
	+ Scholarship exceeding requirements of the instructor. Initiative-

 Contributions exceeding assignments, and shows resourcefulness.

* B...Good-Above Average.
	+ Scholarship strong and complete, meeting all requirements. Initiative

 good when stimulated by some desirable achievement. Improvement

 showing progress.

* C...Average
	+ Scholarship barely meeting assignments and showing evidence of need

 of encouragement. Initiative uncertain. Improvement very neutral but

 not objectionable.

* D...Below average, yet passing.
	+ Scholarship not meeting all assignments and requirements of instructor.

 Initiative lacking. Attitude indifferent. Improvement not noticeable.

* F...Failing.
	+ A failing grade is the result of noticeable deficiencies in areas of

 scholarship, initiative, attitude, cooperation, and individual improvement.

 **Semester Tests 10% of grade.**

**GRADING SCALE (6-1-06)**

 **GRADE POINTS GRADING SYSTEM**

 A = 4 A = 90-100

 B = 3 B = 80-89

 C = 2 C = 70-79

 D = 1 D = 65-69

 F = 0 F = 64 & Below

**VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN (8-8-11)**

 The valedictorian and salutatorian for the high school shall be the students having the highest and the next highest grade point average using overall GPA with students completing Board of Regents Qualified Admissions Recommended Curriculum. This determination will be calculated (to three decimal places) at the end of the first semester of a student’s senior year (7 semesters). In case of ties, each tying student will receive the same designation.

**HONOR ROLL (5-19-08)**

 Anyone with an average below "B" would not qualify as an honor student. A student who receives a "D" or "F" in one or more courses will not be on the “A” or “A-B” honor roll. The basis for determining eligibility shall be:

 "A" Honor roll................4.00

 "A-B" Honor roll............3.50-3.99

 "B" Honor roll................3.00-3.49

**HONORS BANQUET (5-19-08)**

 An Honors Banquet will be held in the Spring. In order to participate a student must be on the “A” or “A-B” Honor Roll for each of the first three nine weeks of the current school year. Those who score in the exemplary category in the State Assessment Tests are also invited.

**STUDENT ASSISTANTS (9-9-02)**

 In order to provide faculty members with assistance in the classroom which will ultimately be of benefit to students, student assistants will be used when the procedure below is followed. (State Law prohibits students from having access to a grade book or grade papers)

1. The need for student assistants will be determined by the teacher,

counselor, and building principal.

1. The proposal, stating the need and expected goals will be filed with

the High School Principal.

1. Student assistants will be screened by the counselor and must meet

 the following criteria:

1. They must be full time 12th grade students with average or above average grades and sign a confidentiality agreement.
2. Student assistants will receive information and guidelines as

 prescribed by the counselor before going into the classroom.

1. Final selection will be made by the High School Principal.
2. In the event the demand exceeds the supply of student assistants,

they will be assigned on a priority basis.

1. In the event the student assistants own achievement begins to decline

or if the teacher-student assistant relationship is not satisfactory, adjustments or reassignment will be made.

1. The length of time a student assistant will work in the classroom will be

determined by the teacher, but in no event will exceed 1 class period.

1. Student Assistants will be graded on a regular grading scale.
2. A student may not have more than one aide period per day.

**CLASSIFICATION OF STUDENTS (7-6-99)**

 Classification as a sophomore requires that the student has completed requirements for five (5) credits; classification as a junior requires that the student has completed twelve (12) credits at the end of the sophomore year; classification as a senior requires that the student has completed eighteen (18) credits at the end of the junior year.

 Students must have senior classification at the beginning of the school term to be eligible to order graduation announcements, cap and gown, or to participate in any commencement activities. A student not having the required eighteen (18) credits, who shows evidence of completing work by correspondence or summer school, may request special consideration by the administration.

**ELIGIBILITY (8-11-10)**

 Starting after the 3rd week of each semester, any student receiving one or more F’s or 3 D’s will be placed on probation status for one week. If the grades are not brought up the following week then they will be ineligible to participate or attend in home or away school activities during or after school for the following week. This would be from Monday through Sunday. Once the student raises his/her grades, then he/she would be able to participate or attend in the following weeks activities. Students on the ineligible list or on probation would be in mandatory At Risk Study Hall two days that week. Students will remain ineligible if they fail to comply with this policy. (Exceptions could be made for sickness, appointments will be evaluated on individual basis.) Should a student become ineligible and the teacher has not taken a grade for that week, the student will regain eligibility.

 **Activities that are included are football games, volleyball games, basketball games, track meets, scholars bowl meets, vocal concerts/clinics, band concerts/clinics, career days, college representatives visits, field trips, speech contest, math contest, prom decorating, prom, dances, and other school related activities. This is under the premise that the activity is not counting toward the student’s grade.**

 The principal, assistant principal or counselor will be responsible for contacting the student’s parents and advising them of the At Risk Program requirements. An eligibility list will be distributed by 5th hour or earlier. Teachers are responsible for telling students he/she is failing in their class.

**AT RISK STUDY HALL (7-13-09)**

 It is our goal to provide all students with the best education possible. “AT RISK STUDY HALL” will be assigned to all academically ineligible students as well as those on probation. This additional help is provided for the student to possibly prevent the student from reaching ineligible status or to help them return to eligible status.

 Staff members will be required to turn in a failing list to the office on the first school day of the week. Students receiving one or more F’s or 3 D’s will be required to attend AT RISK STUDY HALL two days that week. Study Hall will be available after school Monday to Thursday from 3:55 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. or from 7:00 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

**AT RISK STUDY HALL RULES**

1. Student will be on time. If late, time will be made up.

 2. Student will come prepared and have all the materials assigned by his/her teacher(s).

 3. No communication with other students. If you have a question, raise your hand

 and the supervisor will help you.

1. Students are to remain in their chair unless they have permission from the

supervisor.

 5. No gum, candy, pop, etc...

 6. Students will not sleep nor lay their head on the desk.

 7. Student will not damage school property in any way. If damage is done, the

 student is responsible for the replacement costs.

1. Poor behavior during the student’s time will result in removal from study hall,

and notification will be sent to the assigned teacher.

Consequences for missing “AT RISK STUDY HALL”: 1 day of I.S.S for each one missed that week to be served the next school day(s) and the student being ineligible that next week.

**TRANSFER AND WITHDRAWAL OF STUDENTS (8-7-97)**

 Anyone wishing to withdraw from school for any reason, should first report to the office where a reason for withdrawing should be given. The student will then be asked to go to the teacher and have a withdraw form signed. This withdraw form must be signed by the principal.

 When a student transfers, his/her records will indicate grades earned. If the transfer is before the end of a regular period, grades will be based on work done from the beginning of the semester. The records will note the number of days upon which grades are based.

 All library books, equipment, and textbooks should be turned in before leaving the building. No records will be sent to any other school, employer, or the military service until all personal obligations have been cleared with this building.

**SCHEDULE CHANGES (7-31-98)**

USD #477 high school offers classes that are one semester and one year in length. Schedule changes will be permitted during the first week of new semester ( first 3 days for quarter classes) for the following reasons only:

 1. Lack of prerequisites for the course.

 2. Changing a vocational or educational objective.

 3. Having already successfully completed the class.

 4. Needing a change to meet graduation requirements.

Students having academic difficulty in any class should visit with a counselor or investigate alternatives.

\* A student must confer with parents, teachers, counselor, and must obtain written parental permission and principal approval to change classes.

**REPEATING COURSES (5-19-08)**

 Required courses must be repeated if a failing grade is earned. Also, a student may repeat any elective course, but will receive credit for the course only once. The exception to this policy will be Band and/or Vocal Music, Yearbook, Newsletter, and PE courses.

**CHEATING (6-22-01)**

Cheating on an assignment or a test will result in an automatic zero for that assignment or test! Parents will be notified and students will be placed on discipline steps.

**JUCO ELIGIBILITY (8-7-97)**

 If a student is to attend a portion of each school day at Junior College, they must have a grade point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale.

**WORK RELEASE (8-11-10)**

 All seniors attend classes full days the first semester. Seniors may go 1/2 day to Vo-Tech, if arranged. Any exceptions to this rule will be decided by the superintendent representing the Board of Education. Seniors may be released to work 1/2 days (second semester), if required courses and credits for graduation are in order.

 This action requires board approval and is handled by the following procedure:

1. Four letters are required by the board.
	1. From the school as to the students standing and the school recommendation.
	2. From the student as to his/her plans, and the job he/she will attend.
	3. From the student’s parents giving their approval.
	4. From the employer verifying employment.
2. Letters are brought to the high school prior to the December board meeting

before that particular nine weeks starts. The letters are then sent to the superintendent for board action. This time procedure makes for a smoother transaction for all concerned.

 This procedure allows some seniors to go ahead with plans if their high school education is pretty much completed. Students who leave early are still required to have all the required courses and 24 total credits. The procedure also requires those seniors who pursue it to make some definite plans and commitments. Those who are ready are able to get an early jump on a job or additional schooling.

 Students must remain in good standing with their employers. Employers will be asked to submit student evaluation forms to the Principal every two weeks to insure that acceptable attendance, punctuality and work standards are being met. Students removed from work release will be placed back in classes where possible or other placement at the discretion of the principal and counselor. This could mean placement in I.S.S. part or all the 2nd half of each day.

**STUDENT AFFAIRS**

**PERSONAL APPEARANCE (5-19-08)**

 The personal appearance of students attending Ingalls Schools is the responsibility of their parents. Students are expected to present themselves cleanly and neatly. The personal appearance of students shall become a responsibility of the school administration only when their mode of dress or personal grooming habits are disruptive to the function of the school and/or other members of the student body.

 The dress code will be strictly enforced during school **and at all school activities.** The first offense will constitute a phone call home or written notification. A second violation will result in a parent bringing appropriate clothing to the school while the child remains in school suspension, or if the child can rectify the situation with clothing at the school, the inappropriate clothing will remain in the office until a parent retrieves the article.

* Hats will not be allowed in the building – even at school activities.

Pierced earrings worn in the ears are the only acceptable form of body

 piercing that will be allowed. All safety concerns in this area will be addressed.

* No wallet chains or spiked jewelry will be allowed.
* No black lipstick will be allowed.
* No trench coats will be allowed in the school.
* No clothing with obscene or suggestive pictures or words on them, or clothing that advertises gangs, drugs, alcohol, bars, or tobacco will be allowed. If worn,

the student will be required to turn his/her shirt inside out or change it.

* No saggy pants allowed. Pants must be worn at or above the hips.
* No mesh shirts, tank tops, spaghetti straps, ripped or midriff shirts (no showing of skin around the midriff while arms are raised) .
* No low cut tops showing cleavage will be allowed.
* Shorts, skirts, and dresses will be allowed if they meet the adopted guidelines.

The length will be no shorter than mid-thigh. All cut off shorts will be trimmed.

* Sunglasses are not allowed unless they are prescription lenses or approved

and/or required by a doctor.

 Any exceptions to the dress policy must be approved by administration. (Prom, etc.)

**ELECTRONIC DEVICES (8-8-11)**

Cell phones and other electronic devices, which includes, but is not limited to MP3 players, I-pods are not to be used, carried, or in the possession of students during school hours or while in the building except to carry them to the student’s locker. Laptops may be used only in a classroom or library with a faculty member present. Possession of any of these devices will result in a zero for that day in the class where present.

 1st Offense: The device is turned over to the teacher who will turn it in to the office and will need to be claimed by a parent.

 2nd Offense: The device is turned into the office and will need to be claimed by a parent after 2 days.

 3rd Offense: The device will be turned into the office and claimed by a parent after 3 days and student will be assigned 1 day of I.S.S.

Further offenses will result in device being held for 3 days and increased days of I.S.S.

**WEATHER POLICIES (8-8-11)**

 Parents will be notified of school closing using the School Reach Calling System. It is the parents and students responsibility to let us know if phone numbers change or other contact numbers are necessary. Local radio and television stations will also be given the information. Many times decisions on whether or not to hold school have to be made quickly.

**FIRE AND SEVERE WEATHER DRILLS (8-7-97)**

 A fire drill is conducted at least once a month during the school year in accordance with Kansas School Code. Tornado drills are held periodically during the year in order that students know the proper procedure in case of disaster that might occur in connection with weather conditions. The tornado drills are also aligned with current information regarding civil defense.

**THE GUIDANCE PROGRAM (8-7-97)**

Through the efforts of the school's guidance counselor, a complete guidance program is maintained at the high school. A complete testing program designed to assist and evaluate students' abilities and aptitudes will be maintained throughout the school. A complete cumulative record of each child's test and experiences will be kept by the guidance counselor and the general office.

 Counseling time will be assigned to each high school student, whereby he or she may counsel with the guidance director as to educational and vocational decisions.

 Guidance at the high school is a process that helps each student to become the person he or she is capable of becoming in the school, family, and community.

**OBJECTIVES OF THE GUIDANCE PROGRAM (8-7-97)**

 The objectives of the guidance program are part of and support the objectives of the total school program. Classroom teachers and counselors are working in the same educational program; and all are responsible for such school objectives as are cooperatively established by the faculty, administration and the community.

**GUIDANCE FUNCTIONS (8-7-97)**

1. INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING: Available to help all students improve self- understanding, develop and implement vocational and educational plans and meet

 the day to day personal and social demands in the home, community, and school.

2. ORIENTATION: Functions which introduce new students to the school and assist them in becoming acquainted with students, teachers, classes, rules, school service, and activities.

3. APPRAISAL: Procedures involving the gathering and interpreting of test data and other information about the student to assist him in his own self understanding and also to aid teachers in providing for individual needs. Such information is kept in a cumulative file.

4. EDUCATION-VOCATIONAL-SOCIAL INFORMATION: Which may be used as reference material for individuals, teachers, and classes in learning about jobs, post high school training and education, scholarships, and personal-social development.

5. VOCATIONAL-EDUCATIONAL PLACEMENT: To assist the students in making the transition from school to work to college.

6. RESEARCH: To evaluate school guidance and secure information on students and community educational needs.

**MEDICATION (8-8-11)**

Prescription medicine must be brought to the office for security and safety reasons. No medication is to be kept in lockers at anytime. Prescriptions must be in the original container and be prescribed by a doctor. Information concerning the amount and frequency of the dosage must accompany the medicine. Because schools do not administer medications, the school personnel will only observe and record that the medication was taken. (Ask your pharmacist for a second, labeled bottle to be brought to school.)

**ACTIVITY TRIPS (8-7-97)**

 Students riding the bus to any activity must comply with the transportation rules as set down by the USD #477 Board of Education, which states that students riding the bus are to return on the bus. The only exception will be if the parent requests, in person, by phone or a written note that the child goes with them or another designated person. The parent with whom the student is riding, must sign the DISTRICT FORM before the student can be released.

**TELEPHONE (8-7-97)**

 A pay telephone is provided for student use. The school telephone is a business phone only. Students will not be called from regular classes for telephone calls, unless it is an emergency. Students are not to use the phone during school hours except in emergency. If the need should arise, the student must check through the office and log in the call before using the phone.

**LOCKERS (7-6-99)**

Each student will be provided a locker to keep articles needed for school under lock. All valuable articles for non school use should be left at home. The school is not responsible for articles lost or stolen from lockers. Food and drink in lockers will draw ants and will be removed. Do not share lockers or give out locker combination. Students are responsible for keeping school lockers in good condition inside and out. School officials reserve the right to search lockers when the situation warrants it.

 Nothing can or may be removed from a locker without the student being present at the time of the removal of the questionable article or articles, except books owned by the school.

**STUDENT LOUNGE RULES AND REGULATIONS (6-22-01)**

1. Students will only use the student lounge at the following times: before school,

 at lunch break, and after school has been dismissed for the day.

1. Vandalism, use of intoxicants, smoking, gambling, or other conduct unbecoming to a student are forbidden.
2. Keep the facility neat and clean. DON’T LITTER. Care and maintenance of the lounge will be the responsibility of each individual student.
3. Students failing to comply with these rules may be denied the privilege of the use of the lounge permanently.
4. Pop and candy cannot be taken out of the lounge.

**VENDING MACHINES (7-31-98)**

 Vending machines are provided for the convenience of the students and staff. They are to be used only when the lounge is open. Food or drinks should not be in the classrooms, hallways, lockers, or carpeted areas without permission from the principal. Violations will result in detention and possible loss of this privilege.

**EATING AT SCHOOL (8-7-97)**

 You are to eat in the cafeteria. You may bring your own lunches to school, but please eat in the cafeteria. We do not want anyone eating lunch in places other than the cafeteria.

 **CONDUCT IN THE CAFETERIA (6-1-06)**

 Receptacles are provided at the entrance of the cafeteria for disposal of gum. Use them. If you should spill or break something in the cafeteria, clean it up without being told. Noise and boisterous talk should be kept to an absolute minimum while in the cafeteria. Students will not be allowed to leave the lunchroom until the last 10 minutes of lunch. They will be released to the old gym.

**VISITORS TO THE SCHOOLS (8-7-97)**

All visitors to the school buildings of the district shall first make their presence known to the building principal or his designated representative before proceeding to contact any other person in the building. Violation of this rule may lead to removal from the building and denial of further access to the building. Students may visit the school and classroom after securing permission from the teachers and principal.

 Any student that desires to bring a guest to school must get approval from teachers and principal one day in advance.

**STUDENTS AND VEHICLES (7-31-98)**

 Students who drive to school shall park them in the area designated. Students are NOT to drive their cars or be in the parking lot area during school hours.

 The Sheriff’s department has been given the authority by the Board of Education to patrol and enforce the law on school grounds.

 Students leaving the school or retrieving something from their cars during the school day must get permission from the office or a teacher. Upon returning, a student must report to the office and receive a pass to class.

 Loitering in or out of vehicles is prohibited. Upon arrival at school, students should exit vehicles as soon as possible, and enter the school building.

 Students are asked to park in the appropriate manner. All vehicles should be

“headed in” between the lines, and only taking up one space**.**

 Observe safe driving practices (no hot rodding, spinning of tires, brake slamming, horn blowing, or roaring of engines. No wheelies on motorcycles).

 Violation of these of other school rules may result in detention, suspension and/or loss of parking lot privileges.

**HALL PASSING (5-19-08)**

 You have a designated amount of time to pass from class to class, and for the sake of traffic movement it is suggested that you walk on your right next to the wall. No scuffling, loud talk, or running will be tolerated. Shut locker doors gently; they were not made to be slammed and banged around. Students need to have their school planner if in the hall during class, signed by the classroom teacher.

**SIGN IN--SIGN OUT (5-19-08)**

 When a student arrives late to school, he/she is expected to notify the secretary so that the attendance records can show the arrival time. If a student finds it necessary to leave the building for any reason, he/she must come to the office to sign out. It is the school’s responsibility to know the whereabouts of all students during school hours. Any one requesting a student must inquire through the office

**DISCIPLINE**

**PHILOSOPHY OF DISCIPLINE (8-7-97)**

 USD #477 Junior and Senior High School philosophy of discipline is designed to provide an environment in which students can be motivated and taught to demonstrate personal, social, and academic behaviors appropriate to their age and maturity level.

 Reasonable rules and regulations are necessary for ensuring the best interests and welfare of the individual student and the total school population.

 Each individual has the right to an education. However, that does not mean the individual is entitled to special rights or privileges that interfere with the educational pursuits of others.

 Students must learn to follow basic school rules, regulations, and policies so that they may understand and accept the process of living in a society governed by rules, regulations, and laws.

 The work of the teacher, counselor, or principal is not one of repression and authoritarianism, but one of education. The ultimate goal is self-discipline.

**SPECIFIC EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS (8-15-05)**

 All students shall comply with the regulations of the school, pursue the required course of study, and respect the authority of the teacher, staff, and administration. In general, there are ten basic rules that, when broken, will receive immediate attention. Students are advised of these ten rules at the beginning of the school year. These rules apply to the student during the regular school day as well as during school sponsored activities. These ten rules are:

1. No fighting.
2. No possession, use, consumption, sale, distribution, or evidence of use of alcohol or restricted drugs.
3. No smoking, chewing tobacco, or snuff.
4. The student will not be disrespectful to any authority figure-teacher, staff or administration (harassment, physical or verbal abuse, insubordination, etc.)
5. No obscenities or profane language.
6. No false fire alarms.
7. No theft or willful vandalism.
8. No major disruptions.
9. No possession of lethal weapons and/or explosives.
10. No public display of affection.

**\*\* FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE RULES WILL RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION. ACTION MAY RANGE FROM DETENTION TO EXPULSION.**

Specific expectations of students include:

1. To be regular and punctual in attendance to all classes.
2. To be obedient to the direction and authority of teachers and other school personnel.
3. To be diligent in pursuit of academic work.
4. To be respectful towards people and public authority.
5. To leave school grounds when not under supervision of a sponsor, teacher, coach, or principal after school hours.
6. To consume snacks and soft drinks only in designated areas.
7. To place trash in the containers provided.
8. No running or fast walking in corridors.
9. No hats should be worn in the school building even at school activities.
10. No radios, cassettes, or tape recorders are permitted in the building without permission.

# INGALLS PUBLIC SCHOOLS – USD 477

**DISCIPLINE PLAN (6-4-07)**

**Class Discipline Procedures**

Before step one is used, the teacher should have a conference with the student and discuss any necessary improvement to avoid going to step one. Also, the teacher should contact the parents about the situation.

 **Step I –** Visit with the Principal

 **Step II** – Assignment of after school detention

 **Step III** – Assignment of one session of Saturday School

 **Step IV** – In School Suspension for 1-3 days

 **Step V** – Out of School Suspension for 1-3 days

 **Step VI** – Out of School Suspension for 3-5 days

 **Step VII** – Long term suspension of 6 days or more

The office will attempt to contact parents with a telephone conference or letter in steps I and II. Contact will be made with parents on step III and letters for steps IV thru VII will be sent. All steps will be at the discretion of the principal.

**Ingalls Public Schools will be fair and consistent in administering this discipline plan.**

**Level I: Personal Behavior Problem**

These are behaviors that occur in the classroom and only affect the student who is misbehaving.

 **Corrective step**: This behavior will normally be handled in the classroom by the teacher.

**Level II: Classroom Problem**

These are behaviors that occur in the classroom and interfere with others learning opportunities.

Examples: These examples may not include all classroom behavior problems.

* Horseplay
* Talking Out
* Not doing what teacher asks
* Disturbing others
* Not in seat, out of seat without permission
* Misuse of computer or other equipment

 **Corrective step:** Steps I, II, or III

**Level III: Disruptive Behavior, Not Harmful**

 These are behaviors that harm is not intended.

Examples: These examples may not include all the different types of disruptive school behavior.

* Dress Code violation
* Computer misuse
* PDA
* Possession or use of tobacco
* Gambling
* Solicitation
* In halls without pass
* Disruptive behavior on school grounds, in school environment, or at a school activity

 **Corrective Step**: Steps I - VI

**Level IV: Disruptive Behavior, Harmful**

These are behaviors that are intended to cause harm to other individuals or school property.

Examples: These examples may not include all the different types of disruptive, harmful behavior.

* **Gang Activity –** any student who indicates gang affiliation by gang related attire, gang signs, or gang symbols will be disciplined. The district will work with the Gray County Sheriff’s office.
* **Arson –** Arson is the willful setting of a fire. Aggravated arson is when the potential for loss of life is involved in the incident.
* **Possession or threat of explosive devices**
* **Sexual Harassment –** is harassment or unwelcome attention of a sexual nature. It includes a range of behavior from mild transgressions and annoyances to serious abuses, which can even involve forced sexual activity.
* **Defiance –** The act or an example of defying; bold resistance to an opposing force or authority.
* **Alcohol/Drugs-** Having possession of, having sold or given, having used, or being under the influence of marijuana, any narcotic, hallucinatory, hypnotic, seductive drug, alcohol, or stimulant not prescribed for the user by a licensed physician.
* **Extortion -**  An excessive or exorbitant charge.
* **Theft -**  The act or an instance of stealing; larceny.
* **Fighting –** To attempt to harm or gain power over an adversary by blows or with weapons.
* **Disrespect to an adult –** Lack of respect, esteem, or courteous regard.
* **Intimidation or threats**
* **Weapons**
* **Defacement of property (vandalism, fire alarms) –** This occurs when a student willfully destroys another student’s property or that of a staff member or any school property. For any vandalism, the repair or replacement will be the student’s expense.

 **Corrective Step**: Steps IV- VII

**EXTREME DISCIPLINE PROBLEMS (7-6-99)**

 By pass steps I thru IV.

**BULLYING (5-19-08)**

 Bullying of any type shall not be tolerated in the school setting. Ingalls High/Middle School will endeavor to maintain a learning and working environment free of bullying. Bullying is defined as the act of one or more individuals intimidating one or more individuals through either verbal, physical, mental, or written interactions. Bullying can cause undo anxiety relative to attending school, playing on the playground, participating in or attending activities, or riding on the bus. This can adversely affect student or employee performance.

 Examples of bullying include but are not exclusive to:

1. Intimidation – either physical or mental
2. Threats of any kind.
3. Assault – verbal, physical, mental, or toward property.
4. Cyber-bullying

 The school board expects administrators and supervisors to make it clear to students and staff that bullying in the school building, on school grounds, on the bus, or at school-sponsored functions will not be tolerated and will be grounds for disciplinary action up to and including suspension or expulsion of students, and termination for employees.

**FOUL LANGUAGE (8-7-97)**

 Watch your speech. Your language should always be that becoming to a lady or a gentleman. This should be true on the athletic field, on the school grounds, and in the school building.

**WEAPONS AND DANGEROUS INSTRUMENTS (8-7-97)**

A student shall not knowingly possess, handle or transmit any object that can reasonably be considered a weapon on the school grounds or off the school grounds at a school activity, function, or event.

 This policy shall include any weapon, any item being used as a weapon or destructive device, or any facsimile of a weapon.

 Possession of a firearm shall result in expulsion from school for a period of one year (186 school days), except that the superintendent may recommend that this expulsion requirement be modified on a case-by-case basis under the provisions of JDC (Probation).

 As used in this policy, the term “firearm” means any weapon (including a starter gun) which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive, the frame or receiver of any weapon, or any firearm muffler or silencer; or any destructive device.

 As used in this policy, the term “destructive device” means any explosive, incendiary or poison gas: bomb, grenade, rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces, missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than one-quarter ounce, mine, or other device similar to any of these devices.

**LOSS OF DRIVER’S LICENSE (7-6-99)**

 The school is required to notify the Kansas Motor Vehicle Department when a student is suspended or expelled for possession of a weapon; use, sale, possession, or distribution of drugs; or intent to do bodily harm. The motor vehicle department will revoke the student’s license for one year.

**KANSAS SCHOOL SAFETY HOTLINE (7-6-99)**

 Call 1-877-626-8203 (toll free) to report any information that might threaten the safety of school or students. The hotline is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to report impending school violence to the Kansas Highway Patrol.

**USE OF TOBACCO, DRUGS OR ALCOHOL IN SCHOOL (8-7-97)**

 A student shall not use or have in possession tobacco, illegal drugs, or alcohol of any form in school buildings, busses, or on school grounds. Any student violating this policy shall be suspended until a parental conference can be scheduled to determine

further consequences. Any in-school suspension time will include alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drug education activities. A second violation shall result in long term suspension or expulsion. (All procedures will be at the discretion of the principal).

**USE OF TOBACCO, DRUGS OR ALCOHOL BY STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (5-19-08)**

The following disciplinary steps will be followed:

 Step I: One week suspension from competing in or attending games or activities. (Students will be allowed to practice.)

 Step II: Two week suspension from competing in or attending games or activities. (Students will be allowed to practice.)

 Step III: Dismissal from all sports and activities for the remainder of the year.

These steps will be followed for any student being caught in possession of or using tobacco, drugs or alcohol during the sport or activity season (the first day of practice through the last day of the sport). “Being caught” refers to the participant admitting guilt or being observed by a faculty member, administrator or any law enforcement official.) Responsibility to notify parents rests with the building principal.

**SEXUAL HARASSMENT (7-2-01)**

 Sexual harassment is against the law. Any student who believes he or she has been subjected to sexual harassment should discuss the problem with his/her principal, or other certified staff member. Initiation of a sexual harassment complaint will not cause any adverse reflection on the student. Strict confidentiality shall be maintained throughout the complaint procedure. Students who engage in this behavior will be suspended. The student, parents, and principal will meet to discuss the offense before the student is allowed to return to school. Reports of harassment may be forwarded to law enforcement agencies, depending upon the nature and extent of the harassment.

 Definitions:

 Sexual harassment may include, but not be limited to:

 Sexually oriented communication, including sexually oriented verbal “kidding”

 or harassment or abuse;

 Subtle pressure or requests for sexual activity;

 Persistent unwelcome attempts to change a professional relationship into a

 personal, social-sexual relationship;

 Creating a hostile school environment, including the use of innuendoes or overt

 or implied threats;

 Unnecessary touching of an individual, e.g., patting, pinching, hugging, repeated

 brushing against another person’s body;

 Requesting or demanding sexual favors accompanied by an implied or overt

 promise of preferential treatment with regard to a student’s grades or

 status in any activity

 Sexual assault or battery as defined by current law.

**DETENTION (5-19-08)**

 Detention can be assigned to a student as a disciplinary action for improper student behavior. Detention will be served from 3:55 p.m. to 4:35 p.m., on that day. Bus riders may arrange to serve the next day.

**DETENTION RULES**

1. Student will be on time. If late, time will be added.
2. Student will come prepared and have all materials assigned by their his/her

teacher(s). Priority will be given to homework that caused the detention. If no materials are brought, the students will be assigned a task by the supervisor.

1. No communication with anyone. (Ex: sign language, gestures, talking, notes, etc.)
2. Students are to remain in their chair unless they have permission from the

supervisor.

1. No outside privileges. Drinks, restrooms, and phones are available for use

between 3:50 p.m. and 3:55 p.m.

1. Students will not sleep nor lay their head on the desk.
2. No gum, candy, pop, etc...
3. Student will not damage school property in any way. If damage is done, the

student is responsible for replacement costs.

1. Poor behavior during the student’s time will result in removal from detention, and

consequences decided upon by the Principal and the assigned teacher.

**\*\*\* Refusal or failure to serve detention will result in the notification of parents and double detention time. If you do not show up for double detention, you are assigned Saturday School the following Saturday or ISS. Failure to show up at Saturday School or ISS will result in out of school suspension. (In School may be substituted at request of parent with OSS consequences)**

**HOMEWORK DETENTION (5-19-08)**

In the event a student does not have their completed homework at the time it is due, they will receive a homework detention. A student will be allowed one “nhi” (without detention) per class for each nine weeks. Students receiving a homework detention will serve the detention that day. Bus riders may arrange to serve the next day.

**SATURDAY SCHOOL PROCEDURE (8-7-97)**

 It is the responsibility of the student to complete homework on time, and behave as a good citizen. Student who choose not to meet expectations of behavior and/or academics have the possibility of being assigned to Saturday School.

 Students may be assigned to Saturday School for discipline or academic reasons. The teacher or principal who has assigned a student to Saturday School will contact the parent or guardian of that student, preferably by phone, before that session of Saturday School. Students will attend their assigned session unless they are ill or have made arrangements ahead of time with the principal because of an unforeseeable conflict.

Saturday school rules are:

1. Time is from 8:15 a.m. to 12:00 noon.
2. Tardies count towards unexcused total for the semester.
3. Students who are assigned for homework may leave when they are done

 to the satisfaction of the monitor.

1. If students miss the Saturday School session they are assigned, they will receive one day out of school suspension. (In School may be substituted at request of parent with OSS Consequences)
2. Assignment to Saturday school is at teacher or principal discretion.

**IN SCHOOL SUSPENSION (8-7-97)**

 The In-School Suspension Program is an alternative to removing students from the school setting because of behavioral problems or violation of certain school rules. This program is set up to cause a behavioral change in students and is based on a positive approach to disciplinary action.

 Under the In-School Suspension Program, students are provided the opportunity to continue their school work without losing credit. At the same time they do lose their privileges to mingle and socialize with the student body during their assignment to the In-School Suspension room.

 The procedure that is followed when a student is placed in the In-School

Suspension is very simple.

 1. Students are placed in the In-School Suspension room under the supervision of school personnel.

 2. Assignments (including tests) from each of the student’s teachers are collected and given to the student. Upon completion of the assignments, a student receives credit just as he/she would in a regular classroom. If a student knows ahead of time that he will be in In-School Suspension, he should get his assignments from his teachers.

 3. Students in In-School Suspension stay in the same room all day and eat their lunch there. They may not talk. They are allowed to use the restroom.

 4. Students that are in In-School Suspension for one day or longer are not in good standing and are thereby prohibited from representing his/her school in any extracurricular activities during the period of suspension.

1. Absence from In-School Suspension due to illness or other emergency reasons shall not relieve the student from fulfilling the required time of his/her assignment.

**SUSPENSION OF STUDENTS (8-7-97)**

 The principal or superintendent may suspend a student for any of the following:

A. Willful violation of any published regulation for student conduct adopted or approved by the board of education.

 B. Conduct which substantially disrupts, impedes or interferes with the operation

 of any public school.

 C. Conduct which substantially infringes upon or invades the rights of others.

 D. Conduct which has resulted in conviction of the pupil or student of

 any offense specified in Chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated

 or any criminal statute of the United States.

 E. Disobedience of an order of a teacher, peace officer, or other school

 authority, when such disobedience can reasonably be anticipated to

 result in disruption or interference with the operation of any public

 school or substantial and material infringement upon or invasion of

 the rights of others.

**OUT OF SCHOOL SUSPENSION (6-1-06)**

 If a student receives an out of school suspension, he or she will be allowed to make up the work with half credit.

**STAFF AUTHORITY (8-7-97)**

 Students are under the authority of any teacher, counselor, administrator, para , custodian, bus drivers, or secretary at USD 477 schools any time that they are on the school grounds, at any school function or field trip, regardless of the location. Students are expected to give respectful attention to the requests and directives of all staff members.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR PUPILS RIDING BUSES (8-7-97)**

 The following rules were taken from the Laws and Regulations Governing School Pupil Transportation in Kansas, published by the Traffic and Safety Department of the Highway Commission of Kansas, July 1, 1957.

1. The driver is in charge of the pupils and the bus. Pupils must obey the driver promptly and cheerfully.
2. The driver may assign a seat to each student. Students in less desirable seats may move to a second assigned seat for added comfort after the passenger load is lightened if permission is first obtained from the driver and if the bus is not in motion.
3. Pupils must be on time. The bus cannot wait for those that are tardy.
4. Pupils must never stand in the roadway while waiting for the bus. All pupils must wait for the bus off the traveled portion of the road.
5. Unnecessary conversations with the driver are prohibited. Do not talk loudly or distract the driver’s attention. Remember, your safety is in his hands.
6. Outside of ordinary conversation, classroom behavior is to be observed.
7. Pupils must not throw waste paper or other rubbish on the floor of the bus. Help keep your bus clean and sanitary at all times.
8. Pupils must not at any time extend arms or heads out of the bus windows.
9. Pupils must not try to get on or off the bus or move about within the bus while it is in motion.
10. When leaving the bus, pupils must observe directions of the driver. If you cross the road, do so in front of the bus after making sure the highway is clear.
11. Any damage to the bus is to be reported at once to the driver.
12. Students riding a bus during the stormy season should be advised to listen to their radio for storm warnings and not attempt to reach school when forewarned.
13. The buses will arrive at school between 7:30 and 7:45 in the morning and leave the school building at 3:50 in the afternoon – or not later than ten minutes after school is dismissed.
14. For violation of rules, pupils may be denied the privilege of riding the bus by the transportation director. The Board of Education will be notified when a student is removed permanently.

**STUDY HALL (8-7-97)**

 According to this year's schedule, all 8 (eight) hours will be full with no study halls.

**PUBLIC DISPLAY OF AFFECTION (8-7-97)**

 No P.D.A. (public display of affection) will be allowed during school hours or by any student representing the school at any activity.

 The first teacher to observe an infraction of improper hall conduct is responsible for taking corrective measures. These measures will range from pointing out the violation to the student and impressing upon the student the necessity of adhering to school rules- to reporting the infraction- or bringing the violator to the principal.

 Repetition of minor infractions is to be reported verbally and in writing to the principal. All major infractions are to be reported verbally and in writing to the principal. All students who are conducting themselves improperly are to be reported to the principal. ( To remove any question as to improper conduct in this area- any intentional physical contact is improper.)

**NONRESIDENT STUDENTS (8-7-97)**

 Nonresident students may have their enrollment terminated at any time due to poor student evaluation. Student evaluation will be based on academic record, attendance record, discipline record and/or financial reasons, and any other reason deemed to be in the best interest of the school district.

**STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

**HOMECOMING CANDIDATES (7-7-03)**

1. Every H.S. student will get to vote for the King and Queen Candidates.
2. The ENTIRE student body will elect the King and Queen SHORTLY after the candidates are chosen.
3. Seniors only will be considered for Homecoming candidates regardless of the number of students in the class. Four King Candidates and four Queen Candidates will be chosen.
4. All Seniors will be considered for Homecoming regardless of their participation in the sport/activity of the current season.
5. The teaching staff will also vote for Homecoming Candidates and King and Queen. This will simply be one vote per teacher – non weighted.
6. The football ceremony will be held 30 minutes before the starting of the game. The basketball ceremony will be held between the girls’ varsity and boys’ varsity games.
7. The Homecoming Dance will be held Friday after the game.

**JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM (8-11-10)**

The Jr-Sr Prom may be attended by IHS seniors, juniors, servers and their high school dates. No junior high students will be allowed in the Prom. No freshman or sophomore non-server may attend the dance without being a junior's, senior's or server's date from this school. An out-of-town date for juniors, seniors or the servers is allowed provided they have been signed up in advance of the dance. Sophomore servers will be selected by the junior class sponsor and junior class. It is an honor to be selected as a server and selected sophomores are encouraged to fulfill this duty so that we can continue providing the banquet portion of the Prom. Proceeds from the Prom go to the Junior class to help pay for expenses.

**RULES FOR SCHOOL SPONSORED DANCES**

l. Sock hops from immediately following ball games to 11:45. Homecoming from

 10:00 to 12:30. Dances are for Freshmen thru Senior. All other persons are

 required to have a date with an Ingalls student.

2. Students will sign in and out. You will sign your name correctly. Students leaving

 the building will not be permitted to return. Students who sign in with an out-of

 district/school date or Junior High date will sign out with that same date. Students

 must sign up their Jr. High or out-of-district school dates in the office prior to the

 dance or they will not be allowed in.

3. Three teachers or parents will sponsor dances.

4. Sponsors will not be responsible for students after they leave the dance.

5. There will be no use of tobacco or alcohol. The parents of any student causing a

 disturbance and asked to leave will be notified. The sponsors have the right to

 refuse admittance to any person who has been drinking or has caused a

 disturbance in the past.

6. Sock hops will be planned 2 weeks in advance. When students decide to have a

 dance they will contact the high school principal.

7. ADMISSION: Regular dances will be $2.00 per person. Homecoming will be $3.00

 per person or $5.00 per couple. Prom will be $4.00 for those who must pay.

8. Everyone attending a dance will pay. The only exceptions will be queen

 candidates and escorts at Homecoming, and IHS juniors, seniors, and servers at

 Prom.

 All freshmen, and sophomore non-servers are required to have a junior, senior or server IHS date to attend the Prom. Sock hops and homecoming dances are for freshman through seniors. All other persons are required to have a date with an Ingalls High School Student.

9. There will be adult supervision over the stereo and all tapes and records.

10. The group having the sock hop is responsible for the refreshments and the

 cleanup of the gym.

 Feel free to make any suggestions you might have to better the dances. All

 teachers are invited to volunteer to help. You are invited to attend any dance.

11. Dances may be High School or Junior High. These will be designated. Jr. High

 dances may not be attended by any 9 -12th graders.

12. Any time the sponsors deem necessary, a dance may be stopped. Reasons could

 include weather, student body misbehavior, lack of participation or numbers.

13. Use of equipment for school dances is allowed only if the money raised is going

 toward a school group or program. Individuals may not use the equipment or

 facility for their own personal profit unless they have paid the $25.00 gym rental

 (Art. XlX sec. 2) and a $25.00 equipment rental fee. All damage to equipment or

 facility will be the financial responsibility of these individuals.

**VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC**

 Pupils enrolled in vocal and instrumental music will be expected to participate in all music programs and contests including state and league competition, school programs, and playing in the band at athletic contests. Attendance and participation at these out-of-school time activities are part of the student's grade.

**INGALLS LETTERING AWARD (7-6-99)**

General requirements for all sports:

1. All equipment must be accounted for.
2. A student will not letter if he/she does not complete the season. Injury will exempt from this rule.
3. Any student out for a sport for four years will letter in that sport.
4. A previous letterman who is injured for the season will letter.
5. A student who is injured in practice or in a game and is out for the remainder of the season will letter if he/she was meeting the requirements of a letter at the time of the injury.
6. If a member isn’t suited up because of sickness or injury, that game will not count against him/her and the required time of participation will be proportioned accordingly.
7. Final decisions are determined by the athletic director and coach.

Specific Requirements:

1. Football Participate in 18 varsity quarters
2. Volleyball Participate in 1/3 of the varsity games
3. Basketball Participate in 1/3 of the varsity quarters
4. Track a. Score 15 points during the season

 b. Each relay team will receive ¼ of the total points toward

 lettering.

1. Music a. Vocal – General requirements available from instructor.

 b. Band – General requirements available from instructor.

6. Scholar’s Bowl General requirements available from instructor.

7. Cheerleader Fulfill Cheerleader Constitutional requirements.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**CARE OF BUILDING, EQUIPMENT AND TEXTBOOK (8-7-97)**

 Your parents and other taxpayers of USD # 477 use every means available to provide you with the best building and equipment possible. It is your responsibility to take care of your plant and school property.

 Your custodians work hard to maintain and keep the buildings clean and attractive. Cooperate with them by not throwing paper or litter on the floor, by not eating candy or chewing gum in the building. Be proud of your school so your community will be proud of you.

 Textbooks are the property of the school district. They belong to students only on a temporary basis. The ordinary life of a book is five years provided it has been properly cared for. Textbooks should never be marked in with either pencil or pen. Failure to comply with this policy will result in a fine when the books are checked in at the end of the year.

 BOOK LOAN: Students will be issued books for their respective classes the first day of the new school year. These books are on loan, and the students are responsible for the books throughout the year. At the end of the school year, if books have received excessive damage, the student will reimburse the school district for the price of a new book.

 It is a violation of school policy to mark, carve or otherwise mutilate any school property. Students and parents may be held liable for destruction of district owned property.

**ASSEMBLY PROGRAMS (8-7-97)**

1. Throughout the year the senior high will have various types of assembly programs.

 Students are to sit in the area designated for their class, with their teacher.

2. All students should practice good citizenship during these programs and

 show their appreciation in the right manner. Booing, hissing and

 whistling are not acceptable.

3. All students must leave their books in the classroom from which they are

 leaving for the assembly.

4. Students showing poor citizenship will be removed from all assemblies for

 the rest of the year.

**MARRIED STUDENTS (8-7-97)**

 Married students shall have full opportunity to gain a high school education. The Board of Education reserves the right, through its administration, to make such modifications in married students' programs as are in the best interest of the individual and the school system.

 **STUDENT STATUS (8-7-97)**

 Students 18 years of age and older that are living on their own and supporting themselves will be considered their own Guardian.

**LOST AND FOUND (8-7-97)**

 Articles found around the school should be turned in to the office. Students may check to see if their items have been turned in.

**LIBRARY (7-31-98)**

 The high school library is a central service area to which students and staff members may go for research and study. By its selection of books, magazines, pamphlets, and clippings, the library is especially adapted to meet the needs of the students who use it.

 Although each library patron should be able to use the library efficiently, the librarian welcomes any questions and will gladly give instruction on the use of the library facilities. Its appearance and atmosphere depend upon the words and actions of you. Since the library is your library, you should make it a place in which all feel welcome and of which everyone will be proud. Make it your business to acquaint yourself with the arrangement of the library.

 The Ingalls School Library adheres to the Copyright Law which pertains to pre-recorded videocassettes or DVDs owned or borrowed by the library, including 17 U.S.C. 106 which forbids unauthorized duplication and 17 U.S.C. 202 forbidding public showings of video formats without public performance rights.

 To provide orderly service it is necessary to have some regulations:

1. No material should be taken from the library unless it is properly

 checked out from the circulation desk.

 2. All books, except reference books, are to be checked out for a three

 week period and can be renewed one time. Reference books are to

 be checked out overnight.

3. Current periodicals, maybe checked out for 1 week. Newspapers may be

 checked out for the hour. The student is asked to return the periodicals

 to the proper location.

 4. If our library books are to serve a maximum number of students, it is

necessary that borrowed books be returned promptly. The librarian will collect the price of books that are lost. The amount paid for damage to a book will be determined by the librarian. Students will be notified of library obligations.

1. While in the library, be quiet. Others want to study. Also, keep

 the library neat and clean.

 Any student who cannot or will not abide by the regulation of the library may be denied the use of the library during regular school hours.

**USE OF INTERNET (6-22-01)**

 Students must receive permission from a teacher to access the internet. The student must be supervised by a teacher while using the internet. Students will sign an internet use agreement detailing appropriate use of the internet.

  **STUDENT SUPPLIES (8-7-97)**

 It is the student’s responsibility to have adequate and proper materials and equipment when you enter the classroom. Pencils, pens, and paper can be obtained from the library prior to the beginning of each school day for a nominal fee. Poster Board and other supplies needed for projects ARE NOT available in the office.

**TEACHERS' LOUNGE (8-7-97)**

 There is no reason for any student to be in the teachers' lounge at any time without faculty or staff permission.

**ASBEST0S CLARIFICATION (7-09)**

 This notification is to make you aware that our school facilities are in compliance with the Asbestos Hazardous Emergency Response Act of 1986. As per AHERA our facilities undergo mandatory 6 month surveillance and a mandatory 3 year re-inspection of all asbestos material to asses condition.

 All inspections, operations and maintenance of the material is conducted by a certified Inspector/Management Planner, as required and the records of all activity are available in the management plan binder, located in the school office or the Central Office.

**GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE (7-6-10)**

 Any student who feels they have been discriminated against based on race, color, creed, gender or disability should notify either the high school principal or the superintendent of schools by written notification with the basis of the grievance. The principal and superintendent will jointly determine the validity and severity of the grievance and will schedule a follow-up meeting with the student and his/her parents to discuss their findings and recommended plan to resolve the situation.

**CHEERLEADER CONSTITUTION 2001-2002 (6-22-01)**

Purpose

 1. The cheerleaders shall promote and uphold school spirit.

 2. They shall develop a sense of good sportsmanship among the students.

 3. They shall promote unification of the crowd's yelling.

 4. They shall strive to build better relationships between schools.

 \*At every home game, the squad will introduce themselves to the visiting

 squad and welcome them to our school.

 \*At every away game the squad will do a quick “pickup” of trash in the

 Ingalls seating area.

Requirements

 1. Maintain an overall 2.00 grade point average.

 \*If a cheerleader is failing one subject, they will NOT cheer that week until

 the grade is brought up. They will be expected to study instead of cheer.

1. Each cheerleader shall bring a complete athletic physical and permission permit signed by their parent/guardian before he/she may participate in the program.

Selection of Cheerleaders and Mascot Cheerleader

 1. Cheerleader/Mascot Cheerleader tryout date will be announced

 before spring break and elections will be held by April 10.

 2. Permission slips must be turned in before practice sessions begin.

 3. Three practice sessions will be held. One with teaching cheerleaders and two with sponsor.

 4. Cheerleader participants will be required to perform:

 I. Group cheer

 II. Group dance routine

 III. Cheer alone with:

 a. Three jumps

 b. Incorporate a stunt or chant

1. Mascot Cheerleader participants will be required to perform in full mascot costume.

 I. Group cheer

 II. Get crowd involved

 6. The student body (8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th), the High School Faculty, and an independent group (visiting college cheerleaders) will each vote for new cheerleaders. Their respective group votes will count 1/3 each. Each person trying out must receive 51% of the vote.

 I. In each area participants are ranked one thru number of tryout participants.

 II. Each group vote (student, teacher, and judges) is ranked one (being top) and on down. Lowest total is elected.

 Example - #1 participant is 2nd in student vote (2 pts)

 1st in teacher vote (1 pt )

 3rd in judges vote (3 pts)

 TOTAL (6 pts)

 A perfect score would be 3 points total.

7. No less than two participants trying out for the position of cheerleader should

 ever be eliminated from participating. There will be eight cheerleaders

 selected. Two will be from the Freshman and Sophomore classes. Two will be

 from the Junior and Senior classes. The remaining four will be the next four top

 ranked participants.

 8. Mascot cheerleader will be voted on separately. One mascot will be elected

 the same voting procedure as the cheerleaders are.

 9. After cheerleaders are elected, there will be a meeting of the squad at which

 time they will review the constitution with the sponsor and choose a head

 cheerleader/captain. The following considerations should be taken into account

 when choosing head cheerleader:

 A. Will the candidate represent our school in the most responsible manner

 under all Circumstances? Has the individual been disciplined for

 questionable activities in the past?

 B. Which of the individuals have the best leadership capabilities and gets

 along well with all squad members?

 C. Who is the most spirited and will spend time out of school planning and

 promoting spirit activities?

Head Cheerleader Duties

 1. Plan and exercise leadership during practice sessions.

 2. Make the final decisions as to what cheers are to be performed at the game

 and give leadership in performing these cheers.

 3. Work closely with the sponsor in planning cheerleading activities.

 4. Act as hostess for home games in welcoming visiting cheerleaders.

 5. Be responsible for all equipment used by the cheerleaders.

 6. Report any conduct complaints, uncooperative cheerleaders, or problems to the

 sponsor.

 7. Make sure all rules and regulations are upheld.

 8. Work closely with the Pep Club Officers to insure cooperation.

 \*The head cheerleader can and will be replaced if they fail to carry out any of

 their assigned duties, fail to represent the school in a positive manner, or fail

 to be an effective leader and positive example to the squad. In this case, the

 sponsor will assign a replacement for the remainder of the year.

Uniforms and Appearance

 1. Each cheerleader shall be responsible for the care of his/her own uniform.

 (Pressed and clean for every event)

 2. The design and length of the uniform is to be decided by the squad and

 approved by the sponsor.

 3. The uniform is to be worn only in conjunction with school activities.

 4. The uniform is to be worn on the day of a game unless squad designates

 otherwise.

 5. Hair must be out of the face and off the shoulders. (KSHSAA Rule 2, Section I,

 Article 4)

 6. Jewelry will not be permitted during games. Watches, rings, necklaces,

 earrings, pins, bracelets, and etc., are prohibited. (KSHSAA Rule 2, Section I,

 Article 3)

 7. Jewelry shall be limited to a dainty necklace and tiny earrings worn with the

 uniform, but must be removed during the game.

 8. PROPER undergarments will be required at all times with the uniforms. Any

 cheerleader in violation of this rule will not cheer, and will be asked to change

 out of her uniform.

Conduct and Responsibility

 1. Each cheerleader must pass five out of six solid subjects. In case a cheerleader

 is not passing the required number of subjects, he/she is then ineligible for the

 coming week. At the end of this period, his/her eligibility will again be

 determined. If a cheerleader is failing one subject, they will NOT cheer that

 week until the grade is brought up. They will be expected to study instead of

 cheer.

 2. A cheerleader shall never give up a cheer unless it interferes with the game.

 3. A cheerleader must cooperate with the captain, sponsor, game official and her

 fellow squad members.

 4. A cheerleader shall not sit in the stands, or leave her squad until the end of the

 game.

 5. A cheerleader may not eat, drink, or chew gum while on the field or floor.

 6. It is the responsibility of the cheerleader to promote good sportsmanship and

 school spirit through cooperation with the sponsor. Cheerleaders will be

 expected to actively help with crowd control. This can be done by speaking up

 themselves, or reporting problems to the sponsor.

 7. Cheerleaders are responsible for planning pep rallies, assemblies, bon fires,

 contribute spirit ideas, and help control the attitude of the crowd in so far as

 possible.

 8. Cheerleaders shall conduct themselves properly at all times, for they are official

 student representatives of the school.

 9. A cheerleader is expected to show maturity and sound judgment in classes and

 in all other activities.

 \*If a cheerleader gets in trouble and displays a poor representation of our school or the squad, in a serious offense, the cheerleader can be removed from the squad permanently. This will be done at the discretion of the sponsor AND the H.S. principal.

Discipline

 1. The sponsor shall have the power to discipline or recommend that the principal

 suspend or drop permanently any cheerleader for the following infringements.

 Infringement of rules shall result in demerits. The number of demerits are listed

 in parentheses.

 A. Improper attire (1)

 B. Undesirable or immoral behavior (20)

 C. Sloppy appearance or habits (1)

 D. Undesirable language or gestures (5)

 E. Failure to perform duties (2)

 F. Failure to attend schedule practices/events

 Excused (1) Unexcused (2)

 G. Unsportsmanship behavior (5)

 H. All training rules. Refer to page 16, "Use of Tobacco, Drugs, or Alcohol

 by Students Participating in School Activities".

 I. Any act or deed that harms the reputation of the school (5)

 J. Violation of the standards and regulations of the school (5)

 2. Disciplinary action resulting from demerits will be taken during the event that

 immediately follows the infraction.

 A. 5 Demerits ---- benched 1 quarter of a game

 B. 8 Demerits ---- benched 2 quarters of a game

 C. 11 Demerits --- benched 3 quarters of a game

 D. 14 Demerits --- benched 4 quarters of a game or entire game

 E. 17 Demerits --- benched 5 quarters

 F. 20 Demerits --- decision to come from sponsor and principal.

 3. The sponsor will keep a running tabulation of all demerits given AND report

 these demerits to the individual cheerleaders at their weekly practices.

Games

 1. All cheerleaders shall cheer at all pep assemblies.

 2. Cheerleaders will cheer at all varsity games, both home and away.

 3. Cheerleaders must cheer entire game.

 4. Cheerleaders should be present 20 minutes before the start of a game.

 5. Cheerleaders should begin cheering one minute and 30 seconds before the

 start of a game, and 30 seconds before the start of the 2nd half.

 6. Cheerleaders shall cheer at any junior varsity games assigned by the sponsor.

 7. All available cheerleaders (ones not on the team playing), will cheer at all

 varsity football and basketball games, AND also junior varsity games assigned

 by the sponsor.

Transportation

 1. Transportation will be provided by the school to all cheering events.

1. Cheerleaders are required to observe the Transportation rules listed in

 the pep club section of this handbook.

Practice Sessions

 1. All practices are required.

 2. Practices may be called by the head cheerleader. They must be approved by

 the sponsor.

 3. If a cheerleader is to be tardy or miss a practice, she must notify the sponsor o

 head cheerleader in person at least one hour prior to the practice.

 4. The cheerleaders should set up summer practice sessions on a regular

 basis.

 5. There will be NO practices scheduled on Sundays or after 6:00 p.m. on

 Wednesdays.

**OTHER EXPECTATIONS**

1. Cheerleaders will be expected to smile and be VERY energetic while cheering.

2. Absolutely NO huddling up for “gabbing” during a game will be allowed. The entire

 squad will be required to run 2 stair laps for every huddle seen.

3. Every cheerleader is responsible for knowing the cheers, dances, skits, etc. on time.

 If a cheerleader is not prepared, she will not perform.

4. All cheerleaders will help plan and organize all pep rallies. Cheerleaders are

 responsible for notifying all speakers, performers, and other participants of their

 duties at least two days prior to the rally.

5. If cheerleaders seem to get tired and do not do a good job keeping the energy level

 up, a 30 minute conditioning practice will be scheduled to help build stamina and

 aid with this problem.

6. All cheerleaders must be committed to the quality and success of the squad. We

 want to have a great time while we work towards achieving all the responsibilities

 that have been given us.

7. All cheerleaders will be expected to be in good standing with their teachers, school

 officials, coaches, parents, and the community. At any time, if any cheerleader acts

 in a way that would damage the reputation of the squad or in a way that does NOT

 represent our school in a positive manner, serious actions will be taken. The

 sponsor (along with the H.S. Principal) shall have the power to discipline

 accordingly.

**\*H.S. CHEERLEADER LETTER REQUIREMENTS\***

The following lettering requirements must be met in order to letter in cheerleading.

1. You must complete at least 2 spirit posters during the year.

2. You must be involved with a group in at least two stunts during the year.

3. You must be able to accurately perform at least 3 jumps by the end of the year.

 (approved by sponsor)

4. You must make up one ORIGINAL cheer OR chant for the squad during the year.

5. You must NOT have ANY unexcused absences from games during the year.

6. You must NOT have MORE THAN 2 unexcused absences from practices during the

 year.

7. You must have ABSOLUTELY NO reports or displays of unsportsmanlike conduct

 while cheering.

8. You must have LESS THAN 8 demerits total for the year. When 8 demerits are

 reached you will NOT letter.

9. You MUST be actively involved in all cheerleader functions and activities

 throughout the year. This is determined by sponsor observation.

**STUDENT COUNCIL CONSTITUTION (6-22-01)**

**\*High School\***

Name

 1. The name of this organization is the Student Council of Ingalls High School.

Purpose

 1. The purpose of the group will be to assist students of Ingalls High School in

 their academic pursuits and extracurricular activities.

 2. The Student Council will engage in the following projects.

 A. Student Elections

 B. Lounge Privileges and Responsibilities

 C. Homecoming Activities

 D. School Improvement

1. Student / Staff Recognition

 F. Special Events / Parties

 3. The Student Council will promote student involvement, leadership, school spirit,

 respect and will serve as a voice of the student body.

Qualifications for Membership

 1. Student Council members must be in good standing with peers, faculty,

 administration and community.

 2. Student Council members must be enrolled at Ingalls High School for at least

 a semester prior to their term in office.

Elections

 1. The election process will be held during the last 9 weeks of every year.

**\*\*IHS ELECTIONS\*\***

 A. Each student will be allowed to hold no more than two upper level offices per

 year (president or vice president) at Ingalls High School.

 \*I-Club \*NHS \*SADD \*Band

 \*Choir \*Stuco \*Freshmen \*Sophomore

 \*Junior \*Senior

 B. The Student Council sponsors will be involved in and, if possible, be

 present at all class elections.

 C. The nominations accepted for class offices and stuco representatives will

 not be limited until after a primary vote. If the nominations exceed four, a

 primary vote will be held to reduce the number of candidates to four.

 Students must be elected to an office by a majority of votes. In some cases

 this will require a third vote.

 D. ALL voting will be done by secret ballot.

 E. The elected president of each class will be a member of the Student Council.

 The other six stuco representatives will be elected by the student body.

 F. Each class will nominate candidates for Stuco.

 \*Senior & Junior - 4 nominees for 2 reps

 \*Sophomore & Freshman - 2 nominees for 1 rep

 G. ALL nominees will be require to make SHORT speeches about their desire

 to serve their student body.

 \*Class Officers - 1 minute limit

 \*Stuco Representatives - 3 minute limit

 \*Speeches will be monitored for proper positive content by the Student

 Council Sponsors.

Filling Vacancies

 1. Should a student be unable to serve for any reason, the respective class will

 nominate 2 students to be voted on by the student body. The student body will

 elect the student to fill the vacant position on the council.

Meetings

 1. Regular Student Council meetings will be on Tuesdays, before school as

 needed.

 2. Special meetings shall be called by the president , sponsors, or any member as

 cleared with the sponsor.

 3. Student Council members must be present at all meetings. Each student

 representative is only allowed ONE unexcused absence for each semester. On

 the second, the student will be dismissed and another representative from that

 class will be elected.

Student Council Member Duties

 1. Every Student Council member will be expected to be an ACTIVE member at

 ALL times, completing assigned duties in a timely fashion.

 2. Student Council members will be expected to be a true voice of their

 respective classes. They are to be the VOICE of their class to the council.

 3. Student Council members will be expected, at all times, whether at school or

 away from school, to conduct themselves in a manner that best represents the

 students and faculty at Ingalls High School.

 4. Student Council members that hold an office must perform their officer duties

 with responsibility and dedication.

 5. If a Student Council member fails to uphold any duties, a 3-step process will

 begin:

 A. Official warning by the sponsors.

 B. Official meeting with the entire Council and Sponsors about the problem.

 C. Removal of student from the Council - this is done by the sponsors with

 the High School Principal, ONLY if the problem continues or if the

 violation is extreme.

Officer Duties

 1. The officers of Student Council will be elected by the council at their first

 official meeting for the upcoming year.

 2. President

 A. Preside over all meetings.

 B. Appoint committees.

 C. Call special meetings.

 D. Meet regularly with the Student Council Sponsors.

 E. Act as intermediary between faculty and students.

 F. Introduce speakers for assemblies.

 3. Vice-President

 A. Take over president's duties if president is absent.

 B. Succeed to the office of president in the event of ineligibility or suspension of

 the president.

 4. Secretary-Treasurer

 A. Take minutes of all meetings of the council.

 B. Check roll at all meetings.

 C. Handle all correspondence.

 D. Assist sponsor with the counting and collecting of fund raising monies.

 E. Make a financial report at every regular business meeting.

Amendments

1. The Student Council may, by 7/10 vote, amend the Constitution. They shall

Present the amendment to the student body, if there is reasonable concern the

 amendment will be officially voted on by the student body.

 2. Proposed amendments must be posted on the bulletin board for inspection by

 the student body.

 3. Proposed amendments must be approved by the Board of Education.

**STUDENT COUNCIL CONSTITUTION (6-22-01)**

**\*6th, 7th, & 8th Grades\***

Name

 1. The name of this organization is the Student Council of Ingalls Middle School.

Purposes

 1. One purpose of the group will be to assist students of Ingalls Middle School in

 their academic pursuits and extracurricular activities.

 2. The Student Council will engage in the following projects.

 A. Student Elections

 B. Lounge Privileges and Responsibilities

 C. School Improvements

 D. Student / Staff Recognition

 E. Special Events / Parties

 3. The Student Council will promote student involvement, leadership, school spirit,

 respect and will serve as a voice of the student body.

Qualifications for Membership

 1. Student Council Members must be in good standing with peers, faculty,

 administration, and community.

 2. Student Council Members must be enrolled at Ingalls School for at least a

 semester prior to their term in office.

Elections

 1. The election process will be held during the last 9 weeks of every year.

**\*\*MIDDLE SCHOOL ELECTIONS\*\***

 A. The Student Council Sponsors will be involved in and, if possible, be

 present at all class elections.

 B. The nominations accepted for class offices and stuco representatives will

 not be limited until after a primary vote. If the nominations exceed four, a

 primary vote will be held to reduce the number of candidates to four.

 Students must be elected to an office by a majority of votes. In some cases

 this will require a third vote.

 C. ALL voting will be done by secret ballot.

 D. The elected president of each class will be a member of the Student Council.

 The other six stuco representatives will be elected by the student body.

 E. Each class will nominate candidates for Stuco. Four nominees for two reps.

 F. ALL nominees will be required to make SHORT speeches about their desire

 to serve their student body.

 \*Class Officers - 1 minute limit

 \*Stuco Representatives - 3 minute limit

 \*Speeches will be monitored for proper positive content by the Student

 Council Sponsors.

Filling Vacancies

 1. Should a student be unable to serve for any reason, the respective class will

 nominate 2 students to be voted on by the student body. The student body will

 elect the student to fill the vacant position on the council.

Meetings

 1. Regular Student Council Meetings will be held as needed.

 2. Special meetings shall be called by the president, sponsors, or any member

 as cleared with the sponsor.

 3. Student Council Members must be present at all meetings. Each student

 representative is only allowed ONE unexcused absence for each semester. On

 the second, the student will be dismissed and another representative from that

 class will be elected.

Student Council Member Duties

 1. Every Student Council Member will be expected to be an ACTIVE member at

 ALL times, completing assigned duties in a timely fashion.

 2. Student Council members will be expected to be a true voice of their

 respective classes. They are to be the VOICE of their class to the council.

 3. Student Council Members will be expected, at all times, whether at school or

 away from school, to conduct themselves in a manner that best represents the

 students and faculty at Ingalls School.

 4. Student Council Members that hold an office must perform their officer duties

 with responsibility and dedication.

 5. If a Student Council Member fails to uphold any duties a 3-step process will

 begin:

 A. Official warning by the sponsors.

 B. Official meeting with entire council and sponsors about the problem.

 C. Removal of student from the council - this is done by the sponsors with the

 High School Principal, ONLY if the problem continues or if the violation is

 extreme.

Office Duties

 1. The officers of Student Council will be elected by the council at their first official

 meeting for the upcoming year.

 2. President

 A. Preside over all meetings.

 B. Appoint committees.

 C. Call special meetings.

 D. Meet regularly with the Student Council Sponsors.

 E. Act as intermediary between faculty and students.

 F. Introduce speakers for assemblies.

 3. Vice-President

 A. Take over president’s duties if president is absent.

 B. Succeed to the office of president in the event of ineligibility or suspension

 of the president.

 4. Secretary-Treasurer

 A. Take minutes of all meetings of the council.

 B. Check roll at all meetings.

 C. Handle all correspondence.

 D. Assist sponsor with the counting and collecting of fund raising monies.

 E. Make a financial report at every regular business meeting.

Amendments

 1. The Student Council may amend the Constitution. They shall present the

 amendment to the student body, if there is reasonable concern the amendment

 will be officially voted on by the student body.

 2. Proposed amendments must be posted on the bulletin board for inspection by

 the student body.

1. Proposed amendments must be approved by the School Board.

**CONSTITUTION OF THE VARSITY "I" CLUB (7/7/03)**

**OF**

**INGALLS HIGH SCHOOL**

PREAMBLE

 It will be the duty of this organization to extend to all areas affected by the members of this club, to promote good will for the high school and this club, and to preserve the dignity, honor, and all rights of its members therein. It will be the responsibility of each member of this honorary club to uphold these rights to the best of their ability, to conduct themselves with dignity becoming a worthy letter person of Ingalls High School.

Article I

Club Name

Section I: The name of this club will be officially designated as "The Varsity I Club.

Article II

Purpose

Section I: The purpose of this club primarily will be to foster and promote the good

 name of Ingalls High School, and to foster the desire to uphold it to the

 best of each member's ability.

Section II: This club is organized to add a sense of pride and establishment to the

 achievements of this school's members, and to substitute these

 achievements with a type of temporal reward befitting the members.

Section III: This Club will endeavor to promote a sense of team work, loyalty and

 sportsmanship in each member.

Article III

Qualifications

Section I: In all accord of fairness, only those named by the head coach or

 sponsor of said activity who earn Varsity letters shall be eligible to join

 the club.

Section II: Those who earn varsity letters shall be chosen from varsity squads

 who represent this high school in varsity contests.

Section III: All incoming members shall take the oath of membership at their first

 meeting. This meeting shall take place at the end of each varsity season.

Article IV

Attendance

Section I: Attendance will be recorded at all pre-announced meetings which will be

 in the form of individual notification, and will be considered as a legal

 record of the individuals activity in the club.

 Subsection I: The oath to be administered by the President.

 Subsection II: Oath of Membership.

 I (name) will to the best of my ability; uphold the preamble of the constitution of the Varsity "I" Club.

Section II: Unexcused absences, amounting to more than one-third of the meetings

 may result in expulsion from the club. Misconduct, when involved with the club, may

 also result in expulsion.

Article V

Moderator

Section I: The moderator of the "I" Club shall be approved by the Athletic Director.

Article VI

Executive Body

Section I: The club shall contain three elected officers; a president, a vice-president, a

 Secretary/treasurer. All other committee members shall be appointed.

Section II: It shall be the duty of the president to conduct the meetings and to comply

 to the duties otherwise expected of his or her post.

Section III: It shall be the duty of the vice-president to primarily take the place of the

 president in case of necessity, and to assist any other office in the performance of

 assigned duties, if needed.

Section IV: It shall be the duty of the secretary to record the minutes, and otherwise

 be the official scribe of the club. All matters of interest to the club shall be recorded.

Section V: It shall be the duty of the sponsor to keep a record of and be responsible

 for the financial interest of this club. Occasionally, if asked, a financial report will be

 given to the club.

Section VI: The executive committee will consist of the president, vice-president,

 secretary /treasurer of this club. The president shall be the presiding

 chairperson of this committee.

Article VII

Judicial Body

Section I: The executive committee of the club shall be responsible for determining

 the validity of the excuse for absences.

Section II: Any act or decision of the executive body is subject to the approval of the

 moderator.

Section III: The executive body shall act as interpreters of the constitution.

Section IV: The executive body shall determine the necessity of disciplinary action

 against any member of the Varsity "I" Club.

Article III

Legal Matters

Section I: All meetings will be conducted in an orderly fashion, and will conform to

 the ways and means of formal parliamentary procedure.

Section II: The officers of the club shall be elected by the active members of the club

 during the last month of school. The new officers will take charge of the club the

 following school year.

Section III: All important actions of the club shall be presented to the club during

 meetings, and the matter will be discussed and voted upon.

Section IV: In all cases, a majority vote shall be necessary for approval or rejection of

 a motion.

Section V: In most cases, the voting shall be done by the showing of hands either

 "for" or "against" a proposal.

Section VI: However, in specified cases, when the president or presiding officer feels

 the necessity, a secret written ballot can be asked for.

Article IX

Meetings

Section I: Special meetings can be called at any time if deemed necessary and

 agreed upon by the president of the club and the moderator.

 Article X

Amendments

Section I: Changes to this constitution shall be incorporated into this document by

 the formal use of amendments.

Section II: In order that a meeting may be held and business transacted legally, there

 must be a quorum (of nine representatives) present.

Section III: Voting of amendments or other issues requires two-thirds of the members

 present.

Article XI

Membership

The following activities can nominate a membership to “The Varsity-Club”:

 Basketball Football Track Volleyball

 Cheerleading Dance Team Scholars’ Bowl Vocal

**CONSTITUTION FOR IHS DANCE TEAM (6-22-01)**

RULES AND REQUIREMENTS

 1. The Ingalls High School Dance Team was organized in order to provide IHS

 students the opportunity to participate in a dance activity who might not

 otherwise participate in other activities or sports.

 2. The Dance Team will start mandatory practices in August and will be performing

 at half-time during varsity football and basketball games, and invitational

 tournaments.

 3. The Dance Team will have pre-season summer conditioning. Members will do

 aerobics, lift weights, run, and work on fundamental techniques of dancing.

 4. The cost of the uniforms including shoes and tights will be at the member’s

 expense.

 5. Members must attend practice two (2) to three (3) times a week during school

 and mandatory practices during the summer. When a practice is scheduled, it is

 mandatory you attend.

 6. Members MUST have a completed KSHSAA physical and parental consent.

 7. Members that have two unexcused absences from practice will not be able to

 perform at the following performance. Members tardy (unexcused) for three

 practices will not be able to perform at the following performance.

 Members cannot be absent the week of the performance. If absent the week

 of the performance, the member will not perform unless the practice missed is

 made up at the Captain’s and Sponsors’ convenience. If a time is not agreed

 upon and the practice is not made up, then the member will not perform at the

 next performance. When a member is ill or absent from school on a practice

 day, the member must contact a sponsor. If ill, a doctor or parent’s “ok to

 practice” is needed. A school function is an excused absence.

 8. If a member becomes injured, they are still required to attend practices. The

 member will sit on the bench, unless a written excuse from a physician states

 that the member cannot attend. A member who sustains a significant injury, will

 be allowed to begin practice again only after obtaining a doctor’s release.

 Continual illness or injury will need a doctor’s release and will be counted as

 absent until a release is given.

 9. The team must sit together before all performances, so no one is left behind.

 10. Members’ hair must be neatly pulled up. No gum is allowed at practices or

 performances. No jewelry will be worn as well as tattoos. If a T-shirt and/or

 shorts are inappropriate for school, they are inappropriate for drill team practice.

 Fingernails must be kept at an appropriate length as indicated by the KSHSAA.

 11. All of the money for uniforms will be collected **BEFORE** receiving a uniform

 from sponsors.

 12. SPORTSMANSHIP IS A MUST ! ! ! There will be zero tolerance for anything

 less. NO bad language, NO misrepresenting the school, and NO bad attitudes.

 13. If it is apparent at any practice or performance that a member is under the

 influence of alcohol or drugs, or even smoking, they will be dismissed from the

 team immediately.

 14. During the season, the member shall not: (1) use or possess a beverage

 containing alcohol, including but not limited to cereal malt beverage; (2) use,

 consume, possess, buy, sell, give away or transfer tobacco, marijuana, cocaine,

 controlled substances, nonprescription steroids. It is not a violation of this policy

 to possess and use controlled substances specifically prescribed for the

 member’s own use by her physician. This policy shall provide and include the

 use, possession or transfer of substances in any form and at any time or place

 during the season.

 15. Members of the team must maintain a reasonable grade point average, which

 consists of 2.5 or above, and conform to KSHSAA eligibility requirements.

 **VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES**

 First Violation: After confirmation of the first violation, the member shall be

 ineligible to participate in 10% of her season’s activities, commencing with the

 next scheduled event after confirmation. This shall be interpreted to mean

 number of days on which the activity occurs and not number of performances.

 The member will be required to continue practicing and sit on the bench

 in uniform at the time of the performance or performances. All other rules

 included in the Ingalls Junior/Senior High School Activities Handbook will be

 followed as written.

 16. No visitors, boyfriends, etc. at any practices unless okayed by the sponsors.

 Parents are welcome any time and are always wanted.

 17. At times we may ask for options concerning a routine, which require a vote.

 However, the sponsors have the final say.

 18. It is MANDATORY that the ENTIRE TEAM help with fundraising, activities, and

 be involved in the Spirit Spreader Clinic in the fall. Failure to do so will result in

 dismissal from the team. The drill team will be limited to no more than two (2)

 fund raisers during the school year.

**CONSTITUTION OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY (12-6-04)**

Article I - Name and Purpose

 *Section 1.* The name of this organization shall be the National Honor Society of

 Secondary Schools (NHS).

 *Section 2.* The purpose of this organization shall be to create enthusiasm for

 scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leader-

 ship, and to develop character in the students of secondary schools.

 *Section 3*. The NHS shall be under the sponsorship and supervision of the

 National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), 1904

 Association Drive, Reston, Va. 22091.

Article II - The National Council

 *Section 1.* The control of this organization shall be vested in the National

 Council.

 *Section 2.* The National Council shall consist of seven members appointed by the

 Board of Directors of the NASSP. The executive director of the NASSP

 shall be ex-officio of the National Council and shall serve as treasurer

 of NHS. The director of NASSP’s Division of Student Activities shall

 serve as secretary of the National Council.

 *Section 3*. The seven members shall be appointed for a three-year term.

 *Section 4.* Four members shall constitute a quorum of the National Council.

Article III - State/Regional Organizations

 *Section 1.* Local chapters may choose to organize state associations. The state

 principals association may form regional associations as defined by

 NASSP.

 *Section 2*. Any state or regional association of NHS chapters shall conform to this

 Constitution and shall work with the NASSP Division of Student

 Activities in furthering the purpose of this organization.

 *Section 3*. All state and/or regional associations shall be affiliated with the

 National Honor Society.

 *Section 4.* The state or regional affiliation shall NOT serve as an appeal board for

 local chapter non-selection or dismissal cases.

Article IV - Local Chapters

 *Section 1.* Any secondary public school is eligible to apply for a charter for a local

 chapter. Nonpublic secondary schools accredited or approved by state

 departments of education or by accrediting agencies approved by the

 National Council are eligible to apply for a charter for a local chapter.

 Each school shall have its own chapter. Two or more different schools

 my not share the same chapter. A middle level unit in the same

 building with a high school unit will be appropriate cause for two

 separate chapters (one for the National Junior Honor Society and one

 for the National Honor Society).

 *Section 2.* Each chapter shall pay a chartering fee determined by the National

 Council.

 *Section 3.* Each school with a chapter shall pay an annual affiliation fee recom-

 mended by the National Council and approved by the NASSP Board

 of Directors.

 *Section 4*. The annual individual member dues paid to a chapter, state, or

 regional affiliate, if any, shall not exceed five dollars inclusively. The

 exact amount shall be determined by the executive committee of the

 chapter and shall be subject to the approval of the chapter membership.

 *Section 5*. Duly chartered local chapters shall conform to this Constitution as

 set forth by the National Council. Failure to do so may result in the loss

 of the charter.

Article V - The Principal

 *Section 1*. The principal shall reserve the right to approve all activities and decisions of the chapter.

 *Section 2*. The principal shall annually appoint a chapter adviser, who may serve

 consecutive terms.

 *Section 3*. The principal shall be a part of the local school district appeal process

 for non-selection or dismissal cases.

Article VI - The Chapter Adviser

 *Section 1.* The chapter adviser shall be responsible for the direct day-to-day

 supervision of the chapter and act as liaison between faculty, administration,

 students, and community.

 *Section 2.* The chapter adviser shall maintain files on membership, chapter

 history, activities, and financial transactions. The chapter adviser shall

 send the annual report to the national office.

 *Section 3*. The chapter adviser shall regularly review each member for

 compliance with Society standards and obligations.

 *Section 4*. The chapter adviser shall help the chapter officers understand and

 carry out their duties.

Article VII - Faculty Council

 *Section 1.* The faculty council shall consist of five voting faculty members

 appointed annually by the principal. No principal or assistant principal

 may be included on the faculty council.

 *Section 2*. The term of the faculty council shall be one year. Members may be

 appointed to consecutive terms.

 *Section 3.* The chapter adviser shall be an ex-officio, nonvoting, sixth member

 of the faculty council.

 *Section 4.* The faculty council shall meet at least once a year to select members

 and to consider non-selection, dismissal, other disciplinary action, and

 warning cases.

Article VIII - Membership

 *Section 1.* Membership in local chapters is an honor bestowed upon a student.

 Selection for membership is by a faculty council and is based on out-

 standing scholarship, character, leadership, and service. Once

 selected, members have the responsibility to continue to demonstrate these qualities.

 *Section 2.* Membership shall be known as active and graduate. Active members

 shall become graduate members as graduation. Graduate members have no voice or vote in chapter affairs.

 *Section 3*. The faculty council shall reserve the right to award honorary member-

 ship to school officials, principals, teachers, NHS advisers, or adults in

 recognition of outstanding service rendered to the school in keeping

 with the purpose of the National Honor Society.

 *Section 4*. Candidates become members when inducted at a special ceremony.

 *Section 5*. Members who are seniors in good standing are eligible to be nominated by their chapters to compete in the NHS Scholarship Program.

 *Section 6.* A NHS member who transfers to another school and brings a letter from the former principal or chapter adviser to the new school adviser shall be accepted automatically as a member in the new school’s chapter. Transfer members must meet the new chapter’s standards within one semester in order to retain membership.

 *Section 7.* Members who resign or are dismissed are never again eligible for

 membership or its benefits.

Article IX - Selection of Members

 *Section 1.* To be eligible for membership the candidate must be a member of

 those classes (sophomore, junior, senior) designated as eligible in the

 chapter bylaws. (Freshmen [ninth graders] are not eligible.) Candidates

 must have been in attendance at the school the equivalent of one

 semester. Some candidates may be ineligible for induction because of

 the semester ruling. Many students, including students of military

 parents, are required to move with parents or guardians that have

 transferred in their work. The present school principal should seek a

 recommendation from the previous school principal pursuant to the

 candidate’s selection. Based on the recommendation of the previous

 principal, the faculty council may waive the semester regulation.

 *Section 2*. Candidates must have at least three consecutive semesters cumulative

 scholastic average of a 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale) or the equivalent standard of

 excellence. Candidates shall then be evaluated on the basis of service,

 leadership, and character. Service is defined as: working well with others,

 willing to take on needed tasks, shows courtesy and respect by assisting when

 needed, service to outside organizations, and doing work without complaint.

 Leadership is defined as: promoting school activities; having a positive influence

 on peers; dependable and responsible; has shown leadership in school,

 community or other; and contributes ideas to school improvement. Character is

 defined as: Complies with school regulations, takes criticism well, shows

 concern for others, academic honesty, and exemplifies a positive attitude.

 *Section 3*. The selection of each member to the chapter shall be by a majority vote

 of the faculty council.

 *Section 4*. A description of the selection procedure shall be published in an

 official school publication which is widely available in a timely fashion

 to all students and parents of the school. The selection procedure shall

 be determined by the faculty council and shall be consistent with the

 rules and regulation of the National Honor Society.

 *Section 5.* The National Council and the NASSP shall not review the judgment

 of the faculty council regarding selection of individual members to

 local chapters.

Article X – Dismissal and Resignation

 *Section 1.* The procedure for dismissal shall be determined by the faculty council in compliance with the rules and regulations of the National Honor Society. A written description of the dismissal procedure shall be available to interested parties.

 *Section 2.* Members who fall below the standards which were the basis for their selection shall be promptly warned in writing by the chapter adviser and given a reasonable amount of time to correct the deficiency, except that in the case of flagrant violation of school rules or civil laws, a member does not necessarily have to be warned.

 *Section 3*. There is no such thing as dismissal without procedures. If a student is in

 trouble with the school, they will receive three warnings. Serious offenses will

 result in automatic dismissal. (examples: MIP, DUI, etc.) A student who is

 dismissed is never again eligible for membership in NHS.

 *Section 4*. In all cases of impending dismissal, a member shall have a right to a

 hearing before the faculty council. The student will receive a date for a hearing

 by the end of seven days. If a student is dismissed, written notice of the decision

 should be sent to the member, his or her parents, and the principal. The

 member must surrender the NHS emblem and membership card to the chapter advisor. If the member is unwilling to do this, the matter will be treated as a

 school disciplinary matter.

 *Section 5*. A member who has been dismissed may appeal the decision of the

 faculty council to the principal, superintendent, and the school board.

 *Section 6*. Students who are dismissed from NHS will never again be eligible for

 membership or its benefits.

 *Section 7.* The National Council and the NASSP shall hear no appeals in

 dismissal cases.

 *Section 8*. Those students who resign from the NHS will never again be eligible for

 membership or its benefits. The student will need to submit a written statement

 that is signed by both the student and his/her parents.

Article XI - Chapter Officers

 *Section 1*. The officers of the chapter, their duties, and the method of their election shall be determined by the members of the chapter and be

 described in the chapter bylaws.

 *Section 2.* A majority of the votes cast shall be necessary to elect any chapter

 officer.

 *Section 3.* New officers shall be installed at a special ceremony.

Article XII - Executive Committee

 *Section 1.* The executive committee shall consist of the officers of the chapter and the chapter adviser.

 *Section 2.* The executive committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the chapter between its business meetings, make recommendations to the

 chapter, and determine and perform such other duties as are specified in the

 chapter bylaws. All action and recommendations of the executive committee shall be subject to the review of the chapter membership.

 *Section 3.* The executive committee shall have the responsibility for ensuring that chapter activities and procedures follow school policy and regulations.

Article XIII - Meetings

 *Section 1.* Each chapter shall have regular meetings during the school year on days designated by the executive committee and in accordance with school policy and regulations.

 *Section 2*. The regularity of the meetings (i.e., weekly, monthly, bimonthly) shall

 be designated in the chapter bylaws.

 *Section 3*. Special meetings approved by the executive committee may be called by the president.

 *Section 4*. Chapters shall conduct meetings according to Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised in all points not expressly provided for in this Constitution or the chapter bylaws.

Article XV - Official Insignia

 *Section 1.* This organization shall have an official emblem selected by the National Council. The emblem shall be uniform.

 *Section 2.* The distribution of the emblem and the rules for its use shall be under

 the exclusive control of the National Council.

 *Section 3.* Each active, graduate, or honorary member shall be entitled to wear

 this emblem.

 *Section 4*. Any member who resigns or is dismissed shall return the emblem to

 the chapter adviser.

 *Section 5.* All insignia must be procured from the national secretary of the NHS,

 1904 Association Drive, Reston, Va., 22091. All insignia are registered

 in the United States Patent Office and may not be copied by anyone.

 *Section 6.* The motto of the National Honor Society shall be Noblesse Oblige.

 *Section 7.* The official colors of the NHS shall be blue and gold.

 *Section 8*. A graduate member may replace a lost emblem by verifying member-

 ship to the national office.

Article XVI - Amendments

 *Section 1.* This Constitution may be amended at any meeting of the National

 Council or by mail by an affirmative vote of four members of the

 National Council.

Article XVII - Bylaws

 *Section 1.* Each chapter shall write bylaws to amplify sections of this Constitution

 and to clarify operating procedures of the chapter. Bylaws do not need

 the approval of the National Council but must be consistent with this

 Constitution.

 *Section 2.* The chapter bylaws shall contain information concerning the election

 and duties of officers, the schedule of meetings, member obligations, dues, and the like.

 *Section 3.* State or regional affiliation bylaws must be approved by the secretary of

 the National Honor Society (Director of NASSP’s Division of Student

 Activities) and must be consistent with this Constitution.