

Neshoba Central Elementary School



Student Handbook
Grades K – 5
2009-2010

OUR MISSION: Neshoba Central Elementary School will encourage, challenge, and prepare all children for success.

BELIEFS: We at Neshoba Central Elementary School believe:

1. Every individual should be given the opportunity to learn.
2. Every individual is unique and deserves to be treated fairly and with respect.
3. Every individual has a right to a safe, orderly, and challenging environment.
4. Every student can learn the intended curriculum when provided with the appropriate strategies.
5. Every student deserves a dedicated staff to serve as positive role models.
6. School should be an inviting place for every individual.
7. Every parent plays an important role in the success of our school.
8. Every individual deserves an education that prepares and instills a zest for lifelong learning.

SCHOOLWIDE RULES

Students are expected to:

1. Speak and act respectfully to faculty, staff, and students.
2. Be prepared daily and follow directions as soon as they are given.
3. Keep hands, feet, and objects to oneself.
4. Allow the teacher to teach and other students to learn.
5. Walk quietly in and around school.
6. Refrain from name-calling, cursing, and teasing.
7. Refrain from chewing gum.
8. Refrain from eating in the rooms without permission of the classroom teacher.

**NESHOPA COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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Linda Brewer.....	Counselor
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NESHOBA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2009-2010 School Calendar

Board Approved 2-9-2009

<p>August 3 – 5 August 6 September 7 September 9 September 25 & 28..... October 7 – 9 October 12 (Columbus Day) October 15 – 16 November 11 November 23 – 27 December 1 – 4, 7 – 8..... December 16 – 18 December 18 December 21 – January 1 January 4, 2010 January 18 February 3 February 15 (President’s Day) (Weather March 3 – 4..... March 3 – 4 March 10 – 11..... March 10, 11, 12 March 15 – 19 March 24 – 25..... April 2 April 5 April 7 – 13..... April 14 April 26 – 30..... May 11 – 14 May 18, 19, 20 May 20 May 21</p>	<p>Professional Development (No Students) First Day of School for Students <u>Labor Day Holiday</u> Progress Report # 1 Subject Area Retest Exam Week: 1st Nine Weeks Professional Development (No Students) Eng II Writing Test Progress Report # 2 <u>Thanksgiving Holiday</u> Subject Area Retest Exam Week: 2nd Nine Weeks Exams 60% Day for Students (no lunch served) <u>Christmas/New Year Holiday</u> Classes Resume <u>Martin Luther King Holiday</u> Progress Report # 3 Professional Development (No students) make-up day, if needed) Science Test (Grades 5 and 8) 9 Week Exams (Grades 4 and 7) Writing Test (Grades 4 and 7) Exam Week: 3rd Nine Weeks Exams <u>Spring Break Holiday</u> Subject Area Retest <u>Good Friday Holiday</u> Professional Development (No Students) (Weather up day, if needed) Subject Area Tests Progress Report # 4 Subject Area Test Mississippi Curriculum Tests (MCT2) Exam Week: 4th Nine Weeks Exams (Finals) 60% Day for Students Professional Development & Graduation</p>
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1st Semester

90 Total Student Days
 4 Professional Development Days

2nd Semester

90 Total Student Days
 3 Professional Development Days

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Neshoba Central Elementary School
Schedule of Progress Reports and Report Cards
2009-2010

1 st 9-Weeks Progress Reports	Wednesday, September 9, 2009
1 st 9-Weeks Report Cards	Thursday, October 15, 2009
2 nd 9-Weeks Progress Reports	Wednesday, November 11, 2009
2 nd 9-Weeks Report Cards	Thursday, January 7, 2010
3 rd 9-Weeks Progress Reports	Wednesday, February 3, 2010
3 rd 9-Weeks Report Cards	Thursday, March 25, 2010
4 th 9-Weeks Progress Reports	Wednesday, April 14, 2010
4 th 9-Weeks Report Cards	Will be mailed May 25, 2010

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL STUDENT

A student who is placed in Alternative School, because of discipline, will be allowed to ride the regular bus route provided their behavior is appropriate. A student who is removed from the bus because of inappropriate behavior must meet the Alternative School bus at the off-campus pick up point and will not be allowed to ride a Neshoba Central bus to/from campus.

This student is also banned from all activities at Neshoba Central *.

*Exceptions will be made only in an extreme emergency as determined by the principal.

ATTENDANCE

After 8:00 a.m., students are considered tardy and must report to the office to sign in. **A student is recognized for perfect attendance only if he/she has been present each day from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

A student may have 4 days per semester for parental excuses. All other absences are unexcused unless a doctor's excuse is provided. For an absence to be excused, the parent or guardian must provide a note or doctor's excuse. **Make-up work** must be completed within 5 school days of the student's return to class.

A student/parent has 3 days upon return to school to provide a proper excuse. After 3 days the absence will be either considered parental or unexcused.

Unavoidable (Excused)- After 4 parental excused have been used, an “unavoidable excused absence” may be granted by the principal as a result of a parent conference. A parent conference may, or may not, result in an absence being excused. The principal shall consider only serious personal or family illness or death in the family.

TARDIES/EARLY CHECKOUTS

There will be no sign outs after 2:45 except for an emergency.

After the 3rd Tardy/Early Checkout a parental conference will be scheduled.

Redlining: Parents or guardians should notify the school if certain individuals will **not** be allowed to pick up or contact students. Redlining information for the principal should be updated **each year** on office letterhead, signed and dated by the parent **in the office**. **Redlining from previous years will no longer be applicable.**

BOOK BAG POLICY

The Neshoba County School Board has adopted a policy requiring all students in grades Kindergarten through twelve to carry clear (transparent) or mesh book bags.

BUS CHANGE NOTIFICATIONS

Bus/Car rider changes will not be accepted by phone or fax. All changes must be submitted in writing with date and parent signature to the elementary school office or in person by the parent or guardian at the elementary office. Once boarded, students will not be allowed to get off the bus until bus reaches home or regular destination. The principal has discretion in an extreme emergency to make a bus change by phone or fax.

BUS REGULATIONS

Questions and inquiries regarding stops, routes, student eligibility and bus personnel are directed to the Transportation Supervisor, Hugh W. Winstead at 656-7471.

A student’s privilege to ride the bus is dependent upon proper conduct.

Pupils shall...

1. Be ready in the morning at the scheduled time and place for the bus to arrive.
2. Pass in front of the bus, if necessary to cross road or highway, to mount bus or after dismounting bus.
3. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before trying to load or unload.

4. Be quiet when bus is nearing and crossing a railroad and highway.
5. Wait for a signal from the bus driver before crossing if it is necessary to cross to enter or leave the bus. Always look in both directions along the road to be sure that it is safe before crossing.
6. Obey the driver.

Pupils shall not...

1. Play on the road while waiting for the bus.
2. Put body parts out of windows.
3. Ride outside of bus.
4. Mar or deface bus.
5. Use tobacco or intoxicants.
6. Fight or tussle on the bus. (Carries the same penalties as fighting at school.)
7. Strike or threaten bus driver.
8. Use profane language or making vulgar gestures.
9. Carry deadly weapons.
10. Make excessive noise.
11. Throw objects.
12. Commit any other act of improper conduct.
13. Get off the school bus except at school in the morning.
14. Get off the school bus in the afternoon except at his/her home or regular stop unless he/she has written permission from parent or guardian, countersigned by a principal.
15. Possess electronic devices such as radios, tape/cd players, tapes, CDs, cameras, beepers, trading cards, stamps, etc.
16. Wear hats.
17. Possess or use cell phone.
18. Possess trading cards.

**BUS DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS
(Minimum Consequences)**

Students reported to the principal and found guilty of misbehaving on the school bus shall be punished according to the following:

Grades K – 2:

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS FOR STUDENTS RIDING SCHOOL BUS

Students reported to the principal by the bus driver of misbehaving on the school bus are punished according to the following referrals:

- 1st - Warning or punishment (including paddling) depending on the severity of the offense and notification to parents of impending suspension.
- 2nd – Paddling or other punishment depending on the severity of the offense and notification to parents of impending suspension.
- 3rd – 3 day bus suspension
- 4th – 3 day bus suspension
- 5th – 5 day bus suspension

6th – 6 day bus suspension

7th – 7 day bus suspension

8th – 8 day bus suspension

9th – may be suspended from the bus for the remainder of the year

*Exceptions will be made only in an extreme emergency as determined by the principal.

Any student that is redlined from corporal punishment will start on step 3 with 3 days bus suspension.

The principal has discretion on all matters of discipline.

Any student suspended from the bus must have a parent – principal conference before the student can ride the bus.

Grades 3 – 5:

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS FOR STUDENTS RIDING SCHOOL BUS

Students reported to the principal by the bus driver of misbehaving on the school bus are punished according to the following referrals:

1st – Warning or punishment (including paddling) depending on the severity of the offense and notification to parents of impending suspension.

2nd – Paddling or other punishment depending on the severity of the offense and notification to parents of impending suspension.

3rd – 3 day bus suspension

4th – 3 day bus suspension

5th – 5 day bus suspension

6th – 10 day bus suspension

7th – may be suspended from the bus for the remainder of the year

*Exceptions will be made only in an extreme emergency as determined by the principal.

Any student that is redlined from corporal punishment will start on step 3 with 3 days bus suspension.

The principal has discretion on all matters of bus discipline.

Any student suspended from the bus must have a parent – principal conference before the student can ride the bus.

CODE OF CONDUCT

In implementing conduct and personal appearance regulations, it should be kept in mind that the primary responsibility for the conduct and personal appearance of a student rests with the student and the parents. Every effort should be made to impress the student and the parents that discipline and order can only be maintained in the school when the school is used as a vehicle for favorable and constructive influences. In carrying out school regulations, students, parents, teachers and the administrative staff should observe the following:

STUDENT CONDUCT

The superintendent and principals are authorized to institute appropriate disciplinary action including immediate suspension for the following:

- ** (a) Fighting
- * (b) Physical or verbal harassment/threatening another student or school employee
- (c) Obscene language
- (d) Theft
- (e) Damage to property, private or school
- * (f) Use/possession of tobacco, illegal drugs, and/or alcoholic beverages
- * (g) Gang related activities
- * (h) Possession or use of anything that is detrimental to an NCES student as determined by administration.
- * (i) Possession or use of other materials, of which possession is punishable by law.
- (j) ELECTRONIC DEVICES ARE NOT ALLOWED INCLUDING CELL PHONES, VIDEO GAMES, CD/DVD PLAYERS, ETC.

Cell phones on campus, in the buildings, or on school buses will not be permitted. Cell phones cause a disruption of the educational process. There is to be not cell phone usage on campus between the hours of 7:00 AM and 3:30 PM. There is to be no cell phone usage during any performance or practice.

First offense- Cell phone will be confiscated and (1) parent may pay a fifty dollar (\$50.00) fine (cash only) and get the phone back or (2) phone will not be returned for 30 days.

Second Offense- Cell phone will be confiscated and not returned for 30 days.

All Subsequent Offenses- Cell phone will be confiscated and student will receive a three (3) day Out-of School Suspension. Cell phone will be returned to parent at parent conference.

***CARRIES PENALTY OF AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION**

Any student suspended from school must have a parent – principal conference before the student can re-enter school.

Grades K – 1

**Fighting: All fights warrant an out of school suspension.

1st offense: 1 day out of school suspension

2nd offense: 3 days out of school suspension

3rd offense: 5 days out of school suspension

Grades 2 – 5

**Fighting: All fights warrant an out of school suspension.

1st offense: 3 days out of school suspension

2nd offense: 3 days out of school suspension

3rd offense: 5 days out of school suspension plus recommend Alternative School for grades 4 and 5

DISCIPLINE POLICY

Grades K – 2:

Six (6) cards will be stacked for each student.

- White – Attendance
- Green – Great Day
- Yellow – Warning
- Orange – Loss of Privilege/Isolation
- Red – Parental Contact/Corporal Punishment
- Blue – Principal Referral (Minimum Consequences: The principal will make the final determination regarding disciplinary actions.)
 1. 2 days In School Suspension
 2. 3 days In School Suspension
 3. 3 days Out of School Suspension
 4. 3 days Out of School Suspension
 5. 3 days Out of School Suspension
 6. 5 days Out of School Suspension

A clean slate begins daily for K-2

Grades 3 – 4:

Weekly discipline chart (A clean slate begins weekly.)

Six (6) cards will be stacked for each student.

- White – Attendance
- Green – Great Day
- Yellow – Warning
- Orange – Loss of Privilege/Isolation
- Red – Parental Contact/Corporal Punishment
- Blue – Principal Referral (Minimum Consequences: The principal will make the final determination regarding disciplinary actions.)
 1. 2 days In School Suspension
 2. 3 days In School Suspension
 3. 3 days Out of School Suspension
 4. 3 days Out of School Suspension
 5. 3 days Out of School Suspension
 6. 5 days Out of School Suspension

Grade 5:

The 5th grade will be departmentalized by subject areas.

Discipline steps for each class:

Step 1- Warning

Step 2- Warning/Corporal Punishment

Step 3- Corporal Punishment

- If a student has received corporal punishment (step two or 3) and is deemed necessary for step 2 corporal punishment or step 3 in the same day, the child will receive an office referral.

- If a student has received corporal punishment twice or step 3 twice in one week then the third time will be an office referral.

Office referral steps:

1. 2 days In School Suspension
2. 3 days In School Suspension
3. 3 days Out of School Suspension
4. 3 days Out of School Suspension
5. 3 days Out of School Suspension
6. 5 days Out of School Suspension

Minimal Consequences: The principal will make the final determination regarding disciplinary action.

The principal has discretion on all discipline offenses and steps.

After the third out of school suspension, in grades 4 and 5, the student may be referred to alternative school upon the next office referral.

The principal has the discretion to send a student to alternative school for good reason at anytime deemed appropriate during the discipline process.

The principal may suspend any student for good cause for up to 10 days.

In-school suspension begins at 7:55 A.M. and ends at 3:00. You must attend all day to receive credit as one day in-school suspension. The first time a student is sent to the office for a discipline problem while in ISS, the student will receive corporal punishment. For the second time the same day from ISS a student will receive a 3 day out of school suspension plus make up the time missed from ISS. Students that are redlined from corporal punishment will receive 3 days OSS for first offense.

For a student that cannot be paddled, “Red” will be omitted and the student will be on “Blue”. The following disciplinary actions will be taken:

- 1 day Out of School Suspension
- 3 days Out of School Suspension
- 5 days Out of School Suspension

STUDENT EXPULSION

The board may expel a student for conduct that disrupts the educational process or endangers the health or safety of the student, his/her classmates, or school personnel. Prior to final action, the board and its administrators must follow the requirements of due process.

DRESS CODE

Anything that is deemed a disruption of the educational process is a violation of the dress code.

Shorts, skirts, and dresses should extend below fingertips when student is standing with arms by side. All straps on shirts must be two fingertips wide. Sagging pants are NOT allowed.

Caps/hats will not be allowed except on “Spirit Day” or when designated by teachers. Anything that distracts from the spirit or dignity of Neshoba Central Elementary School will be controlled.

Hair shall be neatly groomed as to not extend below the eye brows or cover or obscure the eyebrows.

No Mohawks.

The principal has discretion regarding discipline for habitual dress code violation.

CAFETERIA

	<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Lunch</u>
Student full price	.50	1.50
Student reduced price	.30	.40
Adults	1.75	2.75

Ice cream products are sold separately for 25¢ - \$1.00.

DELIVERY OF FLOWERS, BALLOONS, COMMERCIAL FOODS, ETC.

The school does not accept commercial delivery of food, flowers, balloons, candy or gifts and will direct the delivery to the home.

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS

In case of bad weather or other emergency, the closing of school will be announced on the radio stations WHOC (1490 AM), WWSL (102.3 FM), OR MISS101 (101.3 FM) between 5:00 A.M. and 7:00 A.M. Be sure to listen for the specific school name as the closing of other schools in our community, or the closing of schools in our adjacent community, may not mean we are closed.

GRADING SYSTEM

A 90 -100 B 80 - 89
C 70 - 79 D 65 - 69
F 64 and below

K-1: 5% Homework.
 70% Class Work
 25% Major Test
2-5: 5% Homework
 10% Nine-Weeks Test
 60% Class Work
 25% Major Test

HONOR ROLL

Students may earn recognition for the Special Honor roll by having a 95 or better average for the 9 weeks. Recognition for the Honor Roll is earned by having a 90 to 94 average for the 9 weeks.

PROMOTION/RETENTION

MINIMUM ACADEMIC STANDARDS:

KINDERGARTEN:

Pupils must master 70% of the objectives in language arts and mathematics.

Grade 1 will have 3 major subjects and must pass all three to go to 2nd grade.

Grades 2-5: Students must pass four of the five major subjects, three of which must be Language Arts, Math, and Reading.

Students that do not master the above standards for K-5 will be referred to the TST committee.

VISITORS

- A. ID **shall** be required from anyone who comes to check a student out of school.
- B. Parents who wish to visit the school are welcome, however, prior arrangements must be made for a teacher conference. Teacher conferences must be held during a teacher's planning time or after school hours. Classroom interruptions will not be allowed.
- C. **All parents and visitors must sign-in and obtain a visitor's badge before visiting school buildings or classrooms.** No office pass is needed to attend a program except programs in classrooms.
- D. **Redlining:** Parents or guardians should notify the school if certain individuals will **not** be allowed to pick up or contact students. Redlining information for the principal should be updated **each year** on office letterhead, signed and dated by the parent **in the office.** **Redlining from previous years will no longer be applicable.**

SCHOOL NURSE SERVICES

The Neshoba County School District employs a full-time registered nurse. The school nurse can be contacted at 656-5142.

MEDICATIONS

Medication will NOT be administered without written instructions.

If a student must bring medication to school, the following requirements must be met:

Prescription Medications:

1. The prescription label must be current and clearly indicate the child's name, drug identity, dosage instructions, doctor's name and prescription date.
2. A note, dated and signed by the parent, must accompany the medication, giving the child's name, dosage amounts, specific dosage times and other instructions if necessary.
3. No more than one week of medication may be sent at one time.
4. Medication will be given by the school nurse.
Refrigeration is available if needed.

Medication must be picked up by a parent or guardian at the end of the school year.

Non—Prescription/Over-the-Counter Medications must not be sent to school.

Students will be sent home from school if they have:

1. temperature of 100 or above
2. vomiting and/or diarrhea
3. head lice.

The Mississippi passed House Bill 1072 that permits school students to self-administer asthma medications with written consent form the parent and a statement from the health care provider outlining the proper process to administer the medication.

If your child has asthma and uses an inhaler, the school will need a release form signed by the parent/guardian and the physician. The teacher will also need to be notified of the use of the inhaler. This will permit your child to carry their inhaler with them at all times.

COUNSELING AND SOCIAL SERVICES

A counselor and social worker are on staff to assist students and parents.
Linda Brewer, Counselor: 656-2182
Rita Gaines, Social Worker: 656-6205

POLICY ON RESIDENCE

As a result of the Residency Verification Procedure adopted as a policy of the Mississippi State Board of Education on April 20, 1990, each parent or legal guardian or other adult with whom a student lives, must provide to School Administration the following documents:

1. A copy of TWO of the following items of verification of residence. No post office box address will be acceptable. These items must reflect a street address or designated road address.
 - (a) Filed Homestead Exemption Application Form
 - (b) Mortgage Documents or Property Deed
 - (c) Apartment or Home Lease
 - (d) Utility Bills
 - (e) Driver's License
 - (f) Voter Precinct Identification
 - (g) Automobile Registration
 - (h) Affidavit of Residence and/or personal visit by a designated school district official
 - (i) Any other documentation that in the determination of the school board will objectively and unequivocally establish that the parent or guardian resides in the School District.
2. If you are the legal guardian of the student, you must also provide a copy of the court order appointing you as guardian. If a petition for guardianship has been filed and the decree is pending, you must provide a certified copy of the filed petition for guardianship. NOTE: Any legal guardianship formed for the purpose of establishing residency for school district attendance purposes shall not be recognized by the affected board. Legal reference, Mississippi Code Ann. Section 37-15-31 (1989 Supp.)
3. If your child fails to provide the necessary documentation, he/she will not be allowed to attend the Neshoba County School District.
4. Any pupil admitted under false information is not legally enrolled and is subject to penalty.

**PREVENTION OF SCHOOL VIOLENCE ACT
SENATE BILL 3349**

A. PROHIBITION OF WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

1. Educational Property. Any public or private school building or bus, public or private school campus, recreational area, athletic field, or other property owned or actually used or operated for school purposes.
2. Student. A person enrolled in a public or private school or a person who has been suspended or expelled within the last five (5) years from a public or private school, college, or university, whether the person is an adult or a minor.
3. Switchblade. A knife containing a blade or blades which opens automatically by the release of a spring or a similar contrivance.
4. Weapon shall mean any of the following: gun, rifle, pistol, or other firearm of any kind, or any dynamite cartridge, bomb, grenade, mine or powerful explosive, BB gun, air rifle, air pistol, bowie knife, dirk, dagger, slingshot, leaded cane, switchblade knife, blackjack, metallic knuckles, razors and razor blades (except solely for personal shaving), any sharp pointed or edged instrument except instructional supplies, unaltered nail files and clips and tools used solely for preparation for food, instruction and maintenance of educational property.
5. It shall be a felony for any person to possess or carry whether openly or concealed, any gun, rifle, pistol, or other firearm of any kind, or any dynamite cartridge, bomb, grenade, mine or powerful explosive on educational property (this does not apply to a BB gun, air rifle or air pistol). Any person violating this section shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$5,000.00 or imprisoned for not more than three (3) years or both.
6. It shall be a misdemeanor for any person to possess or carry, whether openly or concealed, any BB gun, air rifle, air pistol, bowie knife, dirk, dagger, slingshot, leaded cane, switchblade knife, blackjack, metallic knuckles, razors and razor blades (except solely for personal shaving), and any sharp pointed or edged instrument except instructional supplies, unaltered nail files and clips and tools used solely for preparation for food, instruction and maintenance of educational property. Any person violating this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$1,000.00 or imprisoned not exceeding six (6) months or both.
7. It shall be a misdemeanor for any person to cause, encourage or aid a minor who is less than eighteen (18) years old to possess or carry, whether openly or concealed, any BB gun, air rifle, air pistol, bowie knife, dirk, dagger, slingshot, leaded cane, switchblade knife, blackjack, metallic knuckles, razors and razor blades (except solely

for personal shaving), and any sharp pointed or edged instrument except instructional supplies, unaltered nail files and clips and tools used solely for preparation for food, instruction and maintenance of educational property. Any person violating this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$1,000.00 or imprisoned not exceeding (6) months or both.

8. Exceptions To Weapons Prohibition. Include weapons used solely for educational or school sanctioned ceremonies, carried by persons as authorized by law, kept in a home

school and used in organized shooting events as well as certain non-prohibited weapons in vehicles under parental control and used to transport a student and carried, concealed in whole or part, if going or returning from a legitimate weapon related sports activity.

ENROLLMENT AND ASSIGNMENT OF STUDENTS

Expulsion Notice. A child or parent must now indicate on the registration form if the child has been expelled from any public or private school or is currently a party to an expulsion proceeding. If the Cumulative Record application shows that the child has been expelled, the District may deny admission until the Superintendent or his designee has reviewed the record and determined that the child has participated in successful rehabilitation efforts including progress in an alternative or similar program.

Temporary Admission. If a child is a party to an expulsion proceeding, the child may be admitted to school pending final disposition of the proceeding. If it results in expulsion, the school may revoke admission.

Denial of Admission For Violent/Other Acts. If the child was expelled or is a party to an expulsion proceeding for an act involving violence, weapons, alcohol, illegal drugs or other activity which may result in expulsion, the District is not required to grant admission or enrollment before one calendar year after the date of expulsion.

37-15-9 Mississippi Code Annotated of 1972

PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

Weapons Possession. A parent may be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined up to \$1,000.00 and/or up to six (6) months in the county jail for knowingly allowing a child (under 18) to have, own, or carry a concealed weapon. 97-37-13 Mississippi Code Annotated 1972.

General Responsibility For Child's Acts. The district's discipline plan must be given to students and parents must sign a statement verifying notice of the plan. The plan must include statements regarding parental responsibility and any parent, guardian, or custodian of a compulsory school age child who refuses or willfully fails to perform any of the duties imposed, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined not to exceed \$3,500.00. 37-1 1-53 Mississippi Code Annotated 1972.

A parent, guardian, or custodian of a compulsory school age youngster enrolled in a public school district shall be responsible for any criminal fines brought against such student for unlawful activity occurring on school grounds (fine not to exceed \$3,500.00). 37-11-53 Mississippi Code annotated 1972.

Attendance at Discipline Conference. Any parent, guardian, or custodian of a compulsory school age child who shall fail to attend a discipline conference to which such parent, guardian or custodian has been summoned shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, shall be fined not to exceed \$250.00. 37-1 1-53 Mississippi Code Annotated 1972.

NOTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS RELATING TO ASBESTOS

To Parents or Guardians of Students, Faculty and Employees of Neshoba County Schools:

On October 22, 1986, the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA, Public Law 99-519) was signed into law. The law requires schools to inspect for friable and nonfriable asbestos and develop ASBESTOS INSPECTION AND MANAGEMENT PLANS that address asbestos hazards in school buildings and implement response actions in a timely fashion.

The Neshoba County School District has taken and shall continue to take steps to comply with these guidelines. All asbestos-containing building material has been removed from the school plant with the exception of asbestos-containing floor tile. Due to the nonfriable nature of asbestos-containing floor tile, consultants advise that it should remain undisturbed.

As required by law, the LEA designee has conducted and shall continue to conduct an inspection of the school plant every six months. There has been no significant change in the condition of the remaining asbestos in the floor tile. No new asbestos has been found. The district will continue to inform the public of the status of the Asbestos Program. Copies of the ASBESTOS INSPECTION AND MANAGEMENT PLAN are in the offices of the superintendent and each principal and are available for public review.

Due to the action taken above and the plans set forth, the Neshoba County School District is in compliance with AHERA, Public Law 99-519.

If you have any questions concerning the Asbestos Program, please contact George Shaw, Superintendent of Education at 656- 3752.

Neshoba Central Elementary School
Official Receipt of Student Handbook
2009 – 2010

I have received and read the Student Handbook published by the Neshoba County School System.

My child has my permission to go on any field trip sponsored by the school, respond to surveys/questionnaires designed to assess school services and be photographed for publicity purposes. The school has my permission to do any routine testing necessary to aid in planning an instructional program for my child.

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

GRADE: _____

DATE: _____