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CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION
CLARE-GLADWIN RESD

2023-2024 Student Handbook

Welcome to Clare-Gladwin CTE

On behalf of the Clare-Gladwin Regional Education Service District and the Career and Technical Education Staff, I would like to welcome you to our programs. By choosing to attend a CTE program, you have made an amazing first step toward a productive and successful future!

We recognize you and applaud your efforts in making this very important decision. The education and training you receive at CTE will provide you with an opportunity to be successful in a career, college and life. CTE instructors are highly trained experts in their fields who



will assist you in learning the industry standards in whichever field you choose. You will not only learn the technical information needed on the job, you will also learn the habits of highly successful employees such as problem solving, team work, communication, and positive attendance habits. Your CTE experience will give you the edge needed to pursue your career dreams after high school.

This handbook is designed to help acquaint you with CTE and the services that are available to you. Further, a second purpose of this handbook is to establish reasonable standards of conduct and behavioral expectations.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me directly at ejohnson@cgresd.net or 989.386.9334.

Sincerely,



Eric Johnson

Director of Career and Technical Education Clare-Gladwin Regional Education Service District

About this Handbook

This handbook is intended for use by students, parents, and staff as a guide to the rules, procedures, and general information about the District. The use of the word "parent" in this handbook means a student's natural or adoptive parent or legal guardian. Students and their parents are responsible for familiarizing themselves with this handbook, and parents should use the handbook as a resource to assist their children with following its rules and procedures.

Students must comply with all school policies, regulations, rules, and expectations. The use of the word "Policy" in this handbook includes bylaws or policies adopted by the Board of Education. Although the information in this handbook is comprehensive, it is not intended to address every situation that may arise during a school day or school year. This handbook does not create a contract between the District and parents, students, or staff. The administration is responsible for interpreting the rules contained in the handbook to ensure the implementation of the school's educational program and well-being of all students. If a situation arises that is not specifically addressed by this handbook, the administration may respond based on applicable law and policy.

The rules and information provided in this handbook may be supplemented or amended by the administration at any time, consistent with applicable law and policy.

Clare-Gladwin RESD 4041 East Mannsiding Road Clare, MI 48617

Please visit the Clare-Gladwin RESD's website at www.cgresd.net for a complete list of policies.

Clare-Gladwin Regional Education Service District Mission:



Clare-Gladwin RESD inspires the best in every student, parent, and teacher

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CLARE - GLADWIN CTE

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Clare-Gladwin Board of Education

President: Sue Murawski
Vice President: Jason Pahl
Secretary: Lou Adams
Treasurer: Sarah Kile
Trustee: Rick Foote

Board Policies

Board Policies are available by visiting: https://www.cgresd.net/page/board-policy

Superintendent:

Tara Mager 989.386.3851

Assistant Superintendent:

Michael Simon 989.386.8616

Administrative Staff:

CTE Director Eric Johnson 989-386-9334 CTE Coordinator Clint Colosky 989-386-9334 Administrative Assistant Amy Jo Smith 989-386-9334

Clare-Gladwin CTE

2023-2024 School Calendar



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September 1, 4 October 30 November 15, 22-24 December 20 - January 3 February 12 March 22-29 April 12

First & Last Day of CTE Classes Frist Day of CTE- August 22

Last Day of CTE- May 24

April 10

CTE Staff PD Days- No Students August 14 - New Staff Orientation August 15, 16, 17 October 30 February 12

Total Staff Days:179

Total Student Days:173

Board approved: 6/28/2023

2023-2024 DAILY SCHEDULE

Operational hours for CTE are 7:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Morning class hours for CTE range from 8:15 a.m.-10:45 a.m. while instructional time is typically 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Afternoon class hours range from 12:00 p.m.-2:45 p.m. and instructional time is typically 12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. The main CTE office is located at the Mid Michigan College Campus in room 284.

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSING PROCEDURES

In the event of an emergency school closure, such as a bad weather day or when school is unexpectedly closed early, the District will notify students, parents, and the general public about the closure in the following manner:

In the event of a closure at Clare-Gladwin RESD, a school closure message will be sent via phone, email, and posted on the CTEITSWorking <u>Facebook page</u>.

CTE students will follow their local school district's closure procedures for poor weather or delays.

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, sex (including pregnancy, gender identity, or sexual orientation), disability, age, height, weight, marital or family status, veteran status, ancestry, genetic information, military status, or any other legally protected category (collectively, "Protected Classes"), in its programs and activities, and provides equal access designated youth groups as required by law.

The District prohibits unlawful discrimination, including unlawful harassment and retaliation. The District will investigate all allegations of unlawful discrimination and will take appropriate action, including discipline, against any person who, following an investigation, is determined to have engaged in unlawful discrimination.

"Unlawful harassment" is verbal, written, or physical conduct that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion toward a person because of the person's membership in a Protected Class that has the purpose or effect of: (1) creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment; or (2) unreasonably interfering with the person's ability to benefit from the District's educational programs or activities.

- Race, color, and national origin harassment can take many forms, including, but not limited to, slurs, taunts, stereotypes, or name-calling, as well as racially motivated physical threats, attacks, or other hateful conduct. Harassment based on ethnicity, ancestry, or perceived ancestral, ethnic, or religious characteristics is considered race, color, and national origin harassment.
- **Disability harassment** can take many forms, including, but not limited to, slurs, taunts, stereotypes, or name-calling, as well as disability-motivated physical threats, attacks, or other hateful conduct.
- **Sex-based harassment** can take many forms. For the definition of sex-based harassment, including sexual harassment under Title IX, see Policies 3118 and 5202. The District's Title IX Policy is attached to this handbook as Appendix A.

Any student who witnesses an act of unlawful discrimination, including unlawful harassment or retaliation, is encouraged to report it to District personnel. No student will be retaliated against based on any report of suspected discrimination. A student may also anonymously report an incident of unlawful discrimination. The District will investigate anonymous reports pursuant to its investigation procedures described by Policy 3118. Minor students do not need parent permission to file complaints or participate in the formal complaint resolution process described by Policy 3118.

If you or someone you know has been subjected to **sex-based discrimination**, **harassment**, **or retaliation**, you may file a report with any District employee. Formal Complaints of sexual harassment must be filed with the Title IX Coordinator:

TITLE IX COORDINATOR: Human Resource Specialist Clare-Gladwin Regional Education Service District 4041 East Mannsiding Rd. Clare, MI 48617 989-386-8635 cghr@cgresd.net

If you or someone you know has been subjected to **disability-based discrimination**, **harassment**, **or retaliation**, you may file a complaint with:



SECTION 504 COORDINATOR: Katie Knapp-Wyman Clare-Gladwin Regional Education Service District 4041 East Mannsiding Road Clare, MI 48617 989-386-8614 kknapp@cgresd.net

If you or someone you know has been subjected to **any other type of unlawful discrimination**, **harassment**, **or retaliation**, including unlawful conduct based on race, color, or national origin, you may file a complaint with:

CIVIL RIGHTS COORDINATOR: Tara Mager Clare-Gladwin Regional Education Service District 4041 East Mannsiding Rd. Clare, MI 48617 989-386-3851 tmager@cgresd.net

A report of unlawful discrimination, including unlawful harassment or retaliation, may be made orally or in writing.

A student found to have engaged in unlawful discrimination, including unlawful harassment or retaliation, may be subject to discipline, including suspension or expulsion, consistent with Policy 5206.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 TITLE IX OF THE EDUCATION AMENDMENT ACT OF 1972 SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973 TITLE II OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990

Section 1

Any person believing that the Clare-Gladwin Regional Education Service District or any part of the school organization has inadequately applied the principles and/or regulations of (1) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, (2) Title IX of the Education Amendment Act of 1972, (3) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and (4) Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 may bring forward a complaint, which shall be referred to as a grievance to:

Civil Rights Coordinator, Superintendent

Clare-Gladwin Regional Education Service District Administration Building 4041 East Mannsiding Rd. Clare, MI 48617 (989) 386-3851 tmager@cgresd.net

Title IX Coordinator, Human Resource Specialist

Clare-Gladwin Regional Education Service District Administration Building 4041 East Mannsiding Road Clare, MI 48617 989-386-8635 cghr@cgresd.net

Special Education and 504 Coordinator

SECTION 504 COORDINATOR: Katie Knapp-Wyman Clare-Gladwin Regional Education Service District 4041 East Mannsiding Road Clare, MI 48617 989-386-8614 kknapp@cgresd.net

Section II

The person who believes a valid basis for grievance exists shall discuss the grievance informally and on a verbal basis with the Civil Rights Coordinator, who shall in turn investigate the complaint and reply with an answer within five (5) business days.

If the complainant feels the grievance is not satisfactorily resolved, they may initiate formal procedures according to the following steps.



Step 1

A written statement of the grievance signed by the complainant shall be submitted to the Civil Rights Coordinator within five (5) business days of receipt of answers to the informal complaint. The coordinator shall further investigate the matters of grievance and reply in writing to the complainant within five (5) business days.

Step 2

A complainant wishing to appeal the written (or Step 1) decision of the local Civil Rights Coordinator may submit a signed statement of appeal to the Superintendent of Schools within five (5) business days after receipt of the Coordinator's response. The Superintendent shall meet with all parties involved, formulate a conclusion, and respond in writing to the complainant within ten (10) business days.

Step 3

If still unsatisfied, the complainant may appeal through a signed, written statement to the Board of Education within five (5) business days of receiving the Superintendent's response in Step 2. In an attempt to resolve the grievance, the Board of Education shall meet with the concerned parties and their representative within forty (40) days of the receipt of such an appeal. A copy of the Board's disposition of the appeal shall be sent to each concerned party within ten (10) days of this meeting. The decision of the Board of Education shall be final.

The local Coordinator, on request, will provide the complainant with a copy of the district's grievance procedure and investigate all complaints in accordance with this procedure.

A copy of each of the Acts and the regulations on which this notice is based may be found in the Civil Rights Coordinator's office.

SECTION I: DISTRICT-WIDE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Attendance

Due to the instructional design of extensive hands-on training in all CTE programs and local employers communicating that the most important skill in the workplace is attendance and punctuality, CTE will put a major emphasis on attendance.

Students are expected to attend school every day school is in session. Students are to arrive before the first class and stay until the scheduled end of their school day. If a student is unable to attend school, the student or parent must report that absence to the CTE Office at (989) 386-9334 on the morning of the day that your child will not be in attendance.

Parents of students who are tardy or absent more than 10 days during a marking period will be notified by the CTE Office. Doctor's notes may be required for days absent. If the problem continues, the truancy procedures will be followed.

Excessive absences, unexcused absences, and/or tardiness may result in a conference with the parent, and/or filing a complaint with the county prosecutor in which county the student resides, against the parent or other person in parental relation with the failure to send the student to school. A student with 10 or more unexcused absences, may be removed from their CTE program.

CTE students are not required to attend CTE class on days when their home school districts are not in session due to scheduled holiday breaks or inclement weather.

CTE students may be required to attend CTE classes on other days designated by local district administration such as teacher in-service days or early release days due to Parent/Teacher Conferences. Parents and students will be notified in advance of these dates and the local school districts will provide busing to and from the local high schools only on these days. Students/parents will be expected to have transportation from the high school to home on these occasions. Please check with your local high school office before making any appointments for students on regularly scheduled CTE attendance dates. CTE students are responsible for all missed assignments due to any type of absence while CTE classes are in session.

CTE students in Dual Enrolled programs (Welding, AIME, Health Occ. 2nd Year and Criminal Justice 2nd Year) are required to attend ALL scheduled CTE classes for the 2023-2024 school year.

The following absences will be considered excused if they are confirmed by communication to the school from the student's parent:

- the student's physical or mental illness (a physician's verification is required after 4 consecutive days of absence for illness)
- severe weather
- medical appointments for the student
- death or serious illness of the student's family member
- attendance at a funeral, wedding, or graduation
- appearance at court or for other legal matters
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observance of religious holidays of the student's own faith

Students who are more than 5 minutes late are considered tardy.

A student who violates attendance expectations may be subject to discipline and any other applicable consequences.

Absences due to illness

The school will contact parents if a student becomes ill at school and may ask that the parent pick up the student.

Planned absences

Parents who know in advance that a student will be absent must contact the school at the earliest possible date. Students who will be absent for reasons that can be anticipated, such as routine medical appointments and school activities, must complete any work required by the teacher before the absence unless alternative arrangements are approved by the teacher in advance. Parents should make every attempt to schedule medical and other appointments outside of school hours.

Students are expected to:

- Complete all class work in advance for any absence that can be anticipated or make alternative arrangements with their teacher in advance of the absence.
- Sign out of school at the office if leaving school during the school day.
- Make up all work that is assigned by teachers for the instructional time that has been missed.

For more information, see Policy <u>5301</u>.

Books and Supplies

The District will provide free instruction to all students and will not charge a fee for materials necessary to complete required or elective courses. Students and parents may purchase additional supplies at their own expense. The District may charge a reasonable and refundable deposit to cover damage to textbooks and supplies. A teacher may provide a list of suggested materials that students and parents may purchase. Purchasing materials is voluntary and not required for curricular activities.

Students must take care of books and other supplies provided by the District. The District may assess fees to repair or replace District property that is lost, damaged, stolen, returned in a different condition, or not returned on time.

Bulletin Boards

Space may be provided within school buildings or on school electronic media for students and student organizations to post notices about student groups. All postings are required to be reviewed and approved by the CTE Director. Rules for posting on bulletin boards are found in Policy <u>5503</u>.

Bullying

All types of student-on-student bullying, including cyberbullying, without regard to subject matter or motivation, are prohibited. The District's Anti-Bullying Policy is <u>5207</u>.

Use of Cell Phone and Electronic Communication Devices

Students may use cell phones or other electronic devices while at school, so long as they do so safely, responsibly, and respectfully, and comply with all other school rules while using the devices.

Students are personally and solely responsible for the security of their cell phones and other electronic devices. The District is not responsible for theft, loss, or damage of any cell phone or other electronic device.

Students may not use cell phones or other electronic devices while they are in locker rooms, restrooms, or any other area in which others may have a reasonable expectation of privacy.

Taking, disseminating, transferring, or sharing obscene, pornographic, lewd, or otherwise illegal photographs, video, audio, or other similar data, whether by electronic data transfer or otherwise (including via cell phone or other electronic device), may constitute a crime under state or federal law. A student engaged in any of these activities at school, at a school event, or on school-provided transportation, may be subject to discipline. A student engaged in any of these activities outside of school may be disciplined if the student's activities substantially disrupt or negatively affect the school environment.

Teachers may also develop classroom rules for use of cell phones and other electronic devices.

School administrators and teachers may confiscate a student's cell phone or other electronic device if the student's use or possession of a cell phone or electronic device violates Board Policy, the student code of conduct, or any applicable building or classroom rule. The building principal or designee may require a meeting with the student's parent to discuss the rule violation before returning the cell phone or electronic device.

Cheating, Plagiarism, and Academic Dishonesty

Students may not cheat, plagiarize, or otherwise participate in academic dishonesty in any form. Unless specifically authorized by a teacher, prohibited behavior may include, but is not limited to:

- Obtaining, attempting to obtain, or aiding another person in obtaining credit for work by any dishonest or deceptive means.
- Copying another person's work or answers.
- Discussing with other students the answers or questions on a test or assignment before the test or assignment has been submitted for a grade.
- Taking or receiving copies of a test.
- Using or displaying notes, "cheat sheets," or other sources of unauthorized information.



- Using the ideas or work of another person as if they were your own without giving proper credit to the source.
- Using artificial intelligence to assist or complete an assignment or test.
- Submitting work or any portion of work completed by another person.

A student who cheats, plagiarizes, or otherwise participates in any academic dishonesty may receive no credit on that assignment or class and may be subject to discipline.

Children's Protective Services Investigations

The District will cooperate with Children's Protective Services (CPS) during an investigation of suspected child abuse or neglect. Cooperation may include allowing CPS access to a student without parent consent if CPS determines access is necessary to complete the investigation or prevent abuse or neglect. As a matter of law, the identity of an individual who makes a report of suspected child abuse or neglect is confidential and will not be disclosed.

Classroom Behavior

Teachers may establish classroom conduct rules that students must follow.

Communicable Diseases

The District, in conjunction with local health department officials, may exclude students who:

- Are suspected of having a communicable disease until a physician or local health department official determines the student is no longer a risk; or
- Lack of documentation of immunity or are otherwise considered susceptible to a communicable disease until the local health department officials determine the risk of spreading the disease has passed.

Communicable diseases include, but are not limited to, diphtheria, scarlet fever, strep infections, whooping cough, mumps, measles, rubella, COVID-19, and other conditions indicated by the local and state health departments. Any removal will only be for the contagious period or as directed by the local health department.

Damage to School Property

Students who damage school property either intentionally or unintentionally may be subject to discipline and required to pay to replace or restore the property.

Dress and Grooming

CTE programs are designed to provide a safe environment, which is conducive to learning while being as much like the work-place as possible. Each individual program has specific requirements, which will be provided by your instructor. The CTE director or instructor will determine whether certain types of clothing are hazardous to the student in the operation of the machinery in the particular area.

Student dress, hair style, make up, cleanliness, or personal appearance that is a threat to the safety, health, or welfare of students or others; violates any statute or <u>Policy 5101</u>; or substantially disrupts the educational environment or that school officials reasonably forecast will substantially disrupt the educational environment, is grounds for remedial or disciplinary action.

The final decision in any situation involving inappropriate attire rests with building administrators.

Students who are dressed inappropriately will be asked to change clothing immediately. If necessary, parents will be called to bring appropriate clothing, students can use extra clothing provided by the District, or the student may be sent home to change. Repeated dress code violations may result in more severe consequences.

Dress Code

Tops must have straps or sleeves and must cover the student's entire torso from armpit to armpit. Clothing may not display material that:

- Is materially and substantially disruptive or that school officials can reasonably forecast will create a substantial disruption;
- Is obscene, sexually explicit, indecent, or lewd;
- Promotes the use of or advertises illegal substances, including but not limited to substances illegal for minors;
- Incites violence;
- Contains "fighting words";
- Constitutes a true threat of violence;
- Demonstrates hate group association/affiliation or uses hate speech targeting groups based on their membership in a protected class; or
- Displays nipples, genitals, or buttocks.

Students who represent the District at an official or school-sponsored function or public event (e.g., athletic teams, bands, choirs, and other groups) may be required to follow specific dress requirements as a condition of participation or attendance.

Driving and Parking Personal Vehicles

Student driving and parking on District property is a privilege, not a right, that may be revoked at any time. Students are required to ride their local district bus to CTE. In some instances, a student may receive permission to drive from the CTE Director and local district Principal. Students who drive to school are expected to the follow the rules:

- 1. Students may not move their vehicles, sit in, or be around their vehicles during the school day without permission from administration.
- 2. Students may not drive carelessly or with excessive speed on school grounds.



3. By driving to school and parking on school grounds, students and parents consent to having that vehicle searched when school officials have reasonable suspicion that a search will reveal a violation of school rules, Board Policy, or law.

Emergency Contact Information

Parents must provide emergency information for each student enrolled in the District. The information should include the family physician's name, contact information for parents or a responsible adult, and any necessary emergency instructions. Parents must promptly inform the school if this contact information changes.

Fees

The District will not charge students a fee to participate in curricular activities. The District may charge students a fee to participate in extracurricular and non curricular activities to cover the District's reasonable costs. The District may require students to furnish specialized equipment and clothing required for participation in extracurricular and non curricular activities or may charge a reasonable fee for the use of District-owned equipment or clothing. The activity's coach or sponsor will provide students with information about the fees charged and the equipment or clothing required.

Field Trips

Classes occasionally take field trips off school property for educational enrichment. Each student must submit a completed permission form signed by the student's parent before being allowed to attend a field trip.

A student's failure to comply with Board Policy, the Student Code of Conduct, or any other applicable rules or behavioral expectations while on a field trip may result in disciplinary action and removal or exclusion from the trip or future field trips.

Students who have not met academic or behavioral expectations may not be allowed to attend field trips.

First Aid, Illness, or Injury at School

Students who feel ill or are hurt while at school should seek immediate assistance from their classroom teacher or the nearest staff member.

When the building principal or designee determines that a student is too ill or injured to remain at school, school staff will contact the student's parent or other designated responsible adult to pick up the student from school. If the student requires immediate medical attention, the District will first attempt to contact a parent or other designated responsible adult when reasonably possible. If contact cannot be made, the building principal or designee will take any reasonable action necessary on the student's behalf, consistent with state law.

Students showing symptoms of a communicable disease may be sent home. The District may require a statement from a licensed physician or local health official before allowing the student to return to school.

Head Lice

A student with nits within ¼ inch of the scalp or live lice may remain at school until the end of the school day. The student will be restricted from activities that involve close head-to-head contact or sharing of personal items. The District will notify the student's parents and provide educational materials on head lice prevention and treatment.

The student will be readmitted to school after treatment so long as the parent consents to a head examination and the examining District official does not find live lice on the student. If the District official finds nits within ¼ inch of the student's scalp, the student may return to class, but the District must inform the student's parent about the need to remove the nits. District personnel will not ostracize or embarrass a student with lice or nits and will maintain student confidentiality.

If a student has a persistent infestation after 6 weeks or 3 separate cases within 1 school year, the District will form a team that may include the student's parents, teacher, social workers, or administrators to determine the best approach to resolve the issue.

If pest management is necessary, it will be provided to affected areas of the school building consistent with Policy <u>3406</u>.

Homeless Children and Youth

The District will provide a free public education to homeless children and youth who are in the District and will afford them the educational rights and legal protections provided by federal and state law. Homeless children and youth will not be stigmatized or segregated based on their homeless status and will have the same access to services offered to students who are not homeless.

A student or parent in a homeless situation who requires assistance should contact the CTE Counselor to coordinate services with the student's local school district.

For detailed information about Homeless Children and Youth, see Policy 5307.

Immunizations

For a student entering the District for the first time, a parent must provide the building principal or designee with a certificate stating that the student has received at least 1 dose of an immunizing agent against each disease specified by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) or other responsible agency or documentation of an applicable approved exemption.

The student's parent must provide the certificate or documentation at the time of registration, or no later than the first day of school. A parent of a student who has not received all doses of any required immunizing agent must provide the District an updated immunization certificate demonstrating that the immunizations have been completed as required by the MDHHS. The updated certificate must be provided within 4 months of the student entering the District for the first time. The District will not permit a student to attend school unless the parent provides evidence of immunizations or exemptions consistent with Policy 5713 and state law.

Law Enforcement Interviews

Law enforcement officers may be called to the school at the request of school administration. Students may be questioned by law enforcement consistent with Policy <u>5201</u>. Students may be questioned by school officials at any time, without parent notice or consent, consistent with the District's obligation to maintain a safe and orderly learning environment.

Limited English Proficiency

Limited proficiency in the English language should not be a barrier to a student's equal participation in the District's instructional or extracurricular programs. Those students identified as having limited English proficiency will be provided additional support and instruction to assist them in gaining English proficiency and in accessing the educational and extra-curricular programs offered by the District.

Locker Use

Pursuant to Policy <u>5102</u>, lockers are District property and may be made available for student use. Lockers are assigned to students on a temporary basis, and District administration may revoke a student's locker assignment at any time. The District retains ownership of lockers notwithstanding student use.

Students have no expectation of privacy in their lockers. The building principal or designee may inspect lockers without any particularized suspicion or reasonable cause and without advance notice. Upon the request of the building principal or designee, law enforcement may assist with searching lockers.

During a locker search, student privacy rights will be respected for any items that are not illegal or violate Board Policy or building rules.

Lost and Found

All lost and found items are to be taken to the CTE Main Office. Students may claim lost articles there. Unclaimed items may be donated to a local charity or otherwise disposed of at the conclusion of each semester.

Medication

Whenever possible, parents should arrange student medication schedules to eliminate the need for administration of medication at school. When a student requires prescription or over-the-counter medication at school, the following procedures apply:

- The student's parent must annually submit a written request and consent form as required by the District.
- A building principal or designee must request that the parent supply medications in the exact dosage required whenever feasible.
- The building principal or designee will notify the student's parent of any observed adverse reaction to medication.



All medications must be in the original container.

For additional information and requirements, see Policy 5703.

Asthma Inhalers and Epinephrine Auto-Injectors/Inhalers

A student may possess and use an asthma inhaler or epinephrine auto-injector or inhaler with written approval from the student's healthcare provider and consistent with Policy <u>5703</u>. A minor student must also have written permission from the student's parent. The required documentation must be submitted to the building principal or designee. If a student is authorized to self-possess or self-administer an asthma inhaler or epinephrine auto-injector or inhaler, the building principal or designee will notify the student's teachers and other staff as appropriate.

Additionally, the school must maintain a written emergency care plan drafted by a physician in collaboration with the student's parent. The emergency care plan will contain specific instructions related to the student's needs. The physician and parent should update the emergency care plan as necessary to address any changes in the student's medical circumstances.

Parties

Classes may have seasonal or curriculum-related parties during the year. Students must follow all expectations and rules established by the teacher or other relevant staff during the party. Invitations for private parties and non-school-sponsored events may not be distributed in the classroom.

Protection of Pupil Rights

The District respects the rights of parents and their children and has adopted a Protection of Pupil Rights policy as required by law. The policy is available on the District's website or upon request from the District's administrative office. Parents may opt their child out of participation in activities identified by the Protection of Pupil Rights policy by submitting a written request to the Superintendent. Parents may have access to any survey or other material described in the Protection of Pupil Rights policy by submitting a written request to the Superintendent. A copy of the District's annual notice to parents regarding the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment is attached as Appendix C or can be viewed in Policy <u>5309</u>.

Public Display of Affection

Students may not engage in public displays of affection that are disruptive to the school environment or distracting to others.

Rights of Custodial and Non-Custodial Parents

Unless a parent has provided the building principal or designee with a court order that provides otherwise, District personnel will treat each parent, regardless of custody or visitation rights, the same as to accessing student records, meeting and conferring with District personnel, visiting a child at school, and transporting a child to or from school. District personnel are not responsible for enforcing visitation or parenting time orders.

Parents, regardless of custodial status, will be provided information about conference times so both parents may attend a single conference. The District is not required to schedule separate conferences if both parents have been previously informed of scheduled conference times.

If either or both parents' behavior is disruptive, staff may terminate a conference and reschedule it with appropriate modifications or expectations.

Search and Seizure

To maintain order and discipline in school and protect the safety and welfare of students and school personnel, school authorities may search a student or the student's personal effects (e.g., purse, book bag, athletic bag) as permitted by law and may seize any illegal, unauthorized, or contraband materials discovered in the search. As noted in "Locker Use," student lockers and desks are school property and remain at all times under the District's control. Student lockers and desks are subject to search at any time for any reason and without notice or consent.

School officials may use canines, metal detectors, wands, or other tools to conduct searches.

A student's failure to permit a search and seizure may be grounds for disciplinary action. A student's person and personal effects may be searched whenever a school official has reasonable suspicion to believe that the student possesses illegal or unauthorized materials. If a properly conducted search yields illegal or contraband materials, these items may be turned over to law enforcement.

Student Education Records

The District may collect, retain, use, and disclose student education records consistent with state and federal law. See Policy <u>5309</u> for an overview of the District's collection, retention, use, and disclosure of student records.

Parents may inspect and review their minor child's education records, regardless of custody status, unless a court order specifies otherwise. An eligible student (i.e., a student who is 18 years or older or an emancipated minor) may also inspect and review their education records.

Right to Request Explanation or Interpretation

A parent or eligible student may request, in writing, an explanation or interpretation of a student's education records. School officials will respond to any reasonable request.

Right to Request Amendment of Education Records

A parent or eligible student may request that a student's education record be amended if the parent or eligible student believes the record is inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights as explained in Policy <u>5309</u>.

Directory Information

The District designates the following information as directory information:



- a. student names, addresses, and telephone numbers;
- b. photographs, including photographs and videos depicting a student's participation in school-related activities;
- c. date and place of birth;
- d. major field of study;
- e. grade level;
- f. enrollment status (e.g., full-time or part-time);
- g. dates of attendance (e.g., 2013-2017);
- h. degrees, honors, and awards received; and
- i. the most recent educational agency or institution attended

School officials may disclose "directory information" without the prior written consent of a parent or eligible student unless the parent or eligible student specifically notifies the District that the parent or eligible student does not consent to the disclosure of the student's directory information for 1 or more of the uses for which the District would commonly disclose the information.

A Directory Information Opt Out Form is available in the CTE office or by contacting the office directly. This form allows the parent or eligible student to elect not to have the student's directory information disclosed for 1 or more of the listed uses. Upon receipt of a completed Directory Information Opt Out Form, school officials may not release the student's directory information for any of the uses selected on the form.

Technology

Use of District technology resources is a privilege, not a right. Students are expected to use computers, the internet, and other District technology resources for school-related educational purposes only. Students and their parents are required to sign and return the Acceptable Use Agreement before they may use or access District Technology Resources. Students who violate the District's Acceptable Use Agreement may have technology privileges terminated or suspended and may be subject to discipline, up to and including expulsion. See Policy (3116) for more information.

Transportation Services

School Vehicle Rules

Riding in school vehicles is a privilege, not a right. Students must comply with the following rules and all school conduct rules and directives while riding in school vehicles. In addition, students must comply with the Student Code of Conduct while in school vehicles.

When in school vehicles, the following rules apply:

- 1. Students must promptly comply with any directive given by the driver.
- 2. Students must wait in a safe place for the vehicle to arrive, clear of traffic and away from where the vehicle stops.
- 3. Students may not fight or engage in bullying, harassment, or horseplay while riding or waiting for school vehicles.
- 4. Students must enter the vehicle without crowding or disturbing others and go directly to a seat.
- 5. Students must remain seated and keep aisles and exits clear while the vehicle is moving.
- 6. Students may not throw or pass objects on, from, or into vehicles.
- 7. Students may not use profane language, obscene gestures, tobacco, alcohol, drugs, or any other controlled substance on the vehicles.
- 8. Students may not carry weapons, look-a-like weapons, hazardous materials, nuisance items, or animals onto the vehicle.
- 9. Students may converse in ordinary tones and volumes but may not be loud or boisterous and should avoid talking to the driver while the vehicle is moving. Students must be absolutely quiet when the vehicle approaches a railroad crossing and any time the driver calls for quiet.
- 10. Students may not open windows without the driver's permission. Students may not dangle body parts or other items (e.g., legs, arms, backpacks) out of the windows.
- 11. Students must secure any item(s) that could break or cause injury if tossed about the inside of the vehicle if the vehicle were involved in an accident.
- 12. Students must respect the rights and safety of others at all times.
- 13. Students must help keep the vehicle clean, sanitary, and orderly. Students must remove all personal items and trash upon exiting.
- 14. Students may not vandalize or intentionally cause damage to the vehicle.
- 15. Students may not leave or board the vehicle at locations other than the assigned stops at home or school unless approved prior to departure by the superintendent or designee.

Video cameras may be placed on vehicles and buses to monitor student behavior on the vehicle/bus. Exceptions or modifications to these rules may be made as necessary to accommodate a student with a disability.

School Vehicle Misconduct Consequences

Students who violate the school vehicle rules will be referred to the building principal for discipline. Disciplinary consequences may include parent notification, suspension of vehicle/bus riding privileges, exclusion from extracurricular activities, in-school suspension, and suspension or expulsion.

These consequences are not progressive and school officials have discretion to impose any listed consequence they deem appropriate in accordance with state and federal law and board policy.

Records of vehicle misconduct will be forwarded to the appropriate building principal and will be maintained in the same manner as other student discipline records. Reports of serious misconduct may be reported to law enforcement.

Video Surveillance and Photographs

The District may monitor any District building, facility, property, bus, or vehicle with video recording equipment other than areas where a person has a legally recognized and reasonable expectation of privacy (e.g., restrooms and locker rooms). Except in those school areas, a person has no expectation of privacy.

The District may use video recordings for any lawful purpose, including student discipline, assisting law enforcement, or investigations.

Students may not make recordings: on school property; when on a vehicle owned, leased, or contracted by the District; or at a school-sponsored activity or athletic event unless otherwise authorized by Policies 5210 or 5805, applicable law, or a District employee.

Withdrawal From School

Schedules are provided to each student at the beginning of the school year or upon enrollment. Schedules are based on the student's needs and available class space. Any changes in a student's schedule should be handled through the CTE Office. Students may be denied course enrollment due to a lack of available space or the need to pass prerequisites. Students are expected to follow their schedules. Any variation should be approved with a pass or schedule change.

Students who are transferring from the District must submit written notice to the building principal at least 1 week before the withdrawal.

SECTION II: ACADEMICS

To encourage students and parents to stay apprised of student academic information, grades, attendance, and other information can be accessed via Skyward.

To register for the Skyward Parent Portal, contact the CTE Office by calling 989-386-9334.

Credits and Graduation Requirements

A student must successfully complete all graduation requirements to earn a high school diploma. CTE credit recommendations are issued to each local district when a student earns a C or higher grade in a CTE program. Ultimately, the student's local district will determine the amount of credit received for participation in a Clare-Gladwin CTE program.

Dropping or Adding a Class

Enrollment in a CTE class must be done by the local district school's counselor during the open enrollment period or upon new enrollment at a local district.

Local High School Counselors

Beaverton	Misty Johnson	(989) 246-3323	
Clare	Erin Murphy	(989) 386-1223	
Farwell	Amy Rohdy	(989) 588-9913	
Gladwin	Erika Freds	(989) 426-8112	
Harrison	Deana Houghton	(989) 539-7417	
CTE	Margie Dill	(989) 229-8710	

Dual Enrollment

Students in grades 9 and above may be eligible to dually enroll in college classes to obtain high school and college credit. Please contact your assigned counselor for information about enrollment eligibility, charges paid by the District, eligible institutions, and other matters related to dual enrollment.

Grades

CTE grades will be issued every eight weeks to the local district and will appear on their local district report card. The local sending district will determine the appropriate credit and honor points to be awarded.

The purpose of a grade is to indicate the extent to which the student has acquired the necessary learning. In general, students are assigned grades based upon test results, homework, projects, and work-ethic. Each teacher may place a different emphasis on these areas in determining a grade and will inform the students at the beginning of the course work. If a student is not sure how his/her grade will be determined, they should ask the teacher.

Homework

Classroom teachers may assign homework. Parents who have questions about homework or concerns about class work should contact their student's teacher.

Each student is expected to spend time preparing for classes outside of school hours. The amount of time that is needed will depend upon each student and each class.

Personal Curriculum

For some students, it may be appropriate to modify the Michigan Merit Curriculum through implementation of a personal curriculum. All students who have completed 9th grade are entitled to a personal curriculum, and the District will implement a personal curriculum for a student if requested by a parent or by the student if the student is age 18 or older. Any modification to the Michigan Merit Curriculum must be consistent with Michigan law and must incorporate as much of the Michigan Merit Curriculum content standards as practicable for the student. The District retains discretion to determine what modifications to the Michigan Merit Curriculum are appropriate for a particular student through a personal curriculum. A student who successfully completes an approved personal curriculum will earn a regular high school diploma.

To request a personal curriculum, please contact the local district Counselor.

For additional information about the Michigan Merit Curriculum and Personal Curriculum, see Policy 5409.

Work-Based Learning

The CTE programs offer career placement opportunities for eligible students. This can be a paid or unpaid work experience where students can use skills learned in the CTE program and apply them in a supervised work setting to prepare them for the work force or further education in that career area. Students must have 6 completed segments in the CTE course in which they are enrolled before being considered for work-based learning placements.

The length of the placement varies by program. Students may be required to have a criminal background check to participate in the placement. Students may need to provide their own transportation to the placement depending on location and times. For more information regarding work-based learning opportunities contact the CTE office at (989) 386-9334.

Placement

The District has the sole discretion to make promotion, retention, and placement decisions for its students, consistent with state and federal law. The District may consider parent requests that a student be placed in a particular classroom, building, educational program, or grade. The District's placement decision is final.

Students with Disabilities

Eligible students with disabilities under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act are entitled to a free appropriate public education. The District will follow state and federal law and applicable rules and regulations in identifying, locating, evaluating, and educating students with disabilities.

A parent who believes their student is eligible for special education or accommodations due to a disability or suspected disability should contact.

SECTION 504 COORDINATOR: Katie Knapp-Wyman Clare-Gladwin Regional Education Service District 4041 East Mannsiding Road Clare, MI 48617 989-386-8614 kknapp@cgresd.net

Work Permits

Information about work permits is available at the student's local district main office. The CTE Office does not handle work permits.

SECTION III: STUDENT CLUBS, ACTIVITIES, AND ATHLETICS

Students are encouraged to participate in the various student clubs, activities, and athletics offered by the District.

For the 2023-2024 school year, the District offers the following student clubs, activities, and athletics:

Student Activities and School Sponsored Clubs

LEADERSHIP ORGANIZATIONS

- HOSA—Health Occupations Students
- FFA-Agri-Science

COMPETITIONS

- MITES—Automotive, Welding and Digital Media Students
- ProStart—Culinary Arts Students
- Delta Days—Criminal Justice
- SkillsUSA—Criminal Justice
- MCTA Building Trades State Competition-Construction Trades
- HOSA- Health Occupations

A student's failure to comply with Policy, the Student Code of Conduct, or any other applicable rules or behavioral expectations while participating in or attending a student club, activity, or athletic competition, meeting, event, or practice, may result in disciplinary action.

Extracurricular Activities

Participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege, not a right. Students are encouraged to participate in extracurricular activities. Participation is open to students who meet the eligibility requirements established by the District and any applicable governing body.

The District has exclusive control over extracurricular activities including, but not limited to, formation, naming, structure, operation, financing, and discontinuance.

For more information, see Policy 5507.

Student-Initiated Non-Curricular Clubs

Students may voluntarily form clubs that are not directly related to the school curriculum to promote activities unrelated to curriculum. Membership in a student-initiated, non-curricular club must be open to all interested and eligible District students, and the club may not refuse membership to a student based on any protected classification under state or federal law.

For more information about student-initiated non-curricular clubs, including how to form a club, see Policy 5510.

Transportation To/From Extracurricular Activities

The District may provide transportation to students who participate in school-sponsored events. If District-provided transportation is available, students must ride to and from those events in a school vehicle unless otherwise excused by the activity sponsor.

SECTION IV: DISCIPLINE AND CODE OF CONDUCT

Discipline Generally

The District may discipline students who engage in misconduct, up to and including suspension or expulsion from school.

The District will take steps to effectively discipline students in a manner that appropriately minimizes out-of-school suspensions and expulsions. The District will comply with applicable laws related to student discipline, including the consideration of specific factors and possible use of restorative practices.

If an administrator determines that an emergency requires the immediate removal of a student from school, the administrator may contact the student's parent or local law enforcement or take other measures to have the student safely removed from school.

Students who are involved in extracurricular activities and engage in misconduct may face consequences related to the activity in addition to the consequences provided in this handbook.

The District reserves the right to refer to an appropriate non-school agency any act or conduct which may constitute a crime. The District will cooperate with those agencies in their investigations as permitted by law.

The District's rules and policies apply to any student who is on school property or school-affiliated transportation, who is in attendance at school or at any school-sponsored activity or function, or whose conduct at any time or place directly interferes with the operation, discipline, or general welfare of the school, regardless of location, date, or time.

Forms of School Discipline & Applicable Due Process

Restorative Practices

All students are guaranteed important rights and privileges. Among these include the right to learn in a safe, orderly, and respectful environment. The CTE discipline policy is a collaborative effort on the part of the school, families, and students. Discipline does not necessarily mean punishment, but an opportunity to review expectations and build positive developmental assets.

Restorative practices are defined as "practices that emphasize repairing the harm to the victim and the school community caused by a pupil's misconduct."

Restorative practices may include victim-offender conferences that:

- 1. are initiated by the victim;
- 2. are approved by the victim's parent or legal guardian or, if the victim is at least age 15, by the victim:
- 3. are attended voluntarily by the victim, a victim advocate, the offender, members of the school community, and supporters of the victim and the offender; and
- 4. provide an opportunity for the offender to accept responsibility for the harm caused to those affected by the misconduct and to participate in setting consequences to repair the



Factors to Consider Before Discipline

Prior to suspending or expelling a student, except in cases of possessing a firearm in a weapon free school zone, school officials shall consider all of the following factors before suspending or expelling a student:

- 1. The student's age;
- 2. The student's disciplinary history;
- 3. Whether the student has a disability;
- 4. The seriousness of the violation or behavior committed;
- 5. Whether the violation or behavior committed threatened the safety of any student or staff member:
- 6. Whether restorative practices will be used to address the violation or behavior committed; and
- 7. Whether a lesser intervention would properly address the violation or behavior committed.

Restorative Practices Encouraged:

Public Act 361 of 2016 (PA 361) adds RSC Section 1310c and requires school officials to consider using restorative practices as an alternative or in addition to suspending or expelling a student.

In-School Suspension

The building administrator may require a student to serve In-School Suspension, during which students follow strict rules and must work on assignments the entire time, except for short breaks. Students not completing their In-School Suspension will face further disciplinary action.

Snap Suspension - Suspension from Class, Subject, or Activity by Teacher

A teacher may suspend a student from any class, subject, or activity for up to 1 full school day if the teacher has good reason to believe that the student:

- intentionally disrupted the class, subject, or activity;
- jeopardized the health or safety of any of the other participants in the class, subject, or activity;
- was insubordinate during the class, subject, or activity.

Any teacher who suspends a student from a class, subject, or activity must immediately report the suspension and its reason to the building principal or designee. If a student is suspended from a class, subject, or activity, but will otherwise remain at school, the building principal or designee must ensure that the student is appropriately supervised during the suspension and, if the student is a student with a disability, that all procedures applicable to students with disabilities are followed.

Any teacher who suspends a student from a class, subject, or activity must, as soon as possible following the suspension, request that the student's parent attend a parent/teacher conference to discuss the suspension. The building principal or designee must attend the conference if either the teacher or the parent requests the building principal's attendance. The building principal or designee

must make reasonable efforts to invite a school counselor, school psychologist, or school social worker to attend the conference.

Removal for 10 or Fewer School Days

Before a student is suspended for 10 or fewer school days, an administrator will: (1) provide the student verbal notice of the offense the student is alleged to have committed, and (2) provide the student an informal opportunity to respond and explain what happened. Except in emergency circumstances, an administrator will not suspend the student unless, after providing the student notice and an opportunity to explain, the administrator is reasonably certain that the student committed a violation of the Student Code of Conduct and that suspension is the appropriate consequence. The building administrator will consider the 7 factors provided in the Student Code of Conduct before suspending a student.

Removal for More than 10 and Fewer than 60 School Days

Before a student is suspended for more than 10 school days but less than 60 school days, the Superintendent or designee will provide the parent or student with: (1) written notice of the offense the student is suspected to have committed; (2) an explanation of the evidence relied upon by the District in arriving at the conclusion that disciplinary action may be warranted; and (3) an opportunity for a hearing at which the student may present evidence and witnesses to show that the student did not commit the alleged offense or that suspension is not an appropriate consequence.

The Superintendent or designee will provide the parent or student at least 3 calendar days' notice before the hearing. The parent and student may be represented, at their cost, by an attorney or another adult advocate at the hearing.

The Superintendent or designee will not suspend the student unless, following the hearing, he or she is convinced by a preponderance of the evidence that the student committed a violation of the Student Code of Conduct and that suspension is the appropriate consequence. The Superintendent or designee will consider the 7 factors noted in the Student Code of Conduct before suspending a student.

Removal for 60 or More School Days

Before the Board suspends or expels a student, the Superintendent or designee must provide the parent or student with: (1) written notice of the offense the student is suspected to have committed; (2) an explanation of the evidence relied upon by the District in arriving at the conclusion that disciplinary action may be warranted; and (3) an opportunity for a Board hearing at which the student may present evidence and witnesses to show that the student did not commit the suspected offense or that suspension or expulsion is not an appropriate consequence.

The Superintendent or designee will provide the parent or student at least 3 calendar days' notice before the hearing. The parent and student may be represented, at their cost, by an attorney or another adult advocate at the hearing.

The Board will not suspend or expel the student unless, following the hearing, a majority of the Board finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the student committed misconduct that should result in suspension or expulsion under either the Student Code of Conduct or Board Policy and that



suspension or expulsion is the appropriate consequence. The Board will consider the 7 factors noted in the Student Code of Conduct before suspending or expelling a student. The Board's decision is final.

Student Code of Conduct

This Student Code of Conduct is meant to be a guide and is subject to the discretion of administration and the Board.

Administration will, as required or permitted by state law, always consider the use of restorative practices as an alternative to, or in addition to suspension or expulsion. Nothing in the following table limits the District's ability to impose more or less severe disciplinary consequences depending on the situation's unique circumstances and the following factors:

- 1. the student's age;
- 2. the student's disciplinary history;
- 3. whether the student has a disability;
- 4. the seriousness of the behavior;
- 5. whether the behavior posed a safety risk;
- 6. whether restorative practices will be used to address the behavior; and
- 7. whether a lesser intervention would properly address the behavior.

Nothing in this handbook limits the District's authority to discipline a student for conduct that is inappropriate in school, but that is not specifically provided in this table. Depending on the circumstances of a particular situation, separate athletic or extracurricular sanctions may be imposed, in accordance with the applicable handbook or rules.

Prohibited Conduct	Potential Consequence(s)
Illegal Substances or Paraphernalia, including	Restorative Practices
Alcohol: possession, sale, attempted sale,	 Parent Notification
distribution, attempted distribution, use, or attempted use of drugs, alcohol, fake drugs, illegal steroids,	Suspension or Expulsion
illegal inhalants, or look-alike drugs	Police Referral
Tobacco/Nicotine: possession, sale, attempted sale,	Restorative Practices
distribution, attempted distribution, use, or attempted	 Parent Notification
use of any form of tobacco, including vaping devices or supplies.	Suspension or Expulsion
	Police Referral
Disruptive Behavior or Insubordination: disrupting	Restorative Practices
the learning environment or school activity or violating	 Parent Notification
a school rule or directive.	Suspension or Expulsion

	Restorative Practices	
Dangerous Weapon Possession: firearm, dagger,		
dirk, stiletto, knife with a blade over 3 inches in length, pocketknife opened by a mechanical device, iron bar,	Parent Notification	
or brass knuckles.	Suspension or	
	Permanent Expulsion	
	Police Referral	
Other Weapons and Look-Alike Weapons	Restorative Practices	
Possession: an object that is not a "dangerous	 Parent Notification 	
weapon," including but not limited to a pellet or air-soft gun, a knife with a blade of 3 inches or less, items	 Suspension or 	
intended to look like a dangerous weapon, or similar	Permanent Expulsion	
items.	Police Referral	
Use of an Object as a Weapon: any object used to	Restorative Practices	
threaten or harm another, regardless of whether injury	 Parent Notification 	
results.	 Suspension or 	
	Permanent Expulsion	
	Police Referral	
Arson: purposefully, intentionally, or maliciously	Restorative Practices	
setting a fire on school property.	 Parent Notification 	
	 Suspension or 	
	Permanent Expulsion	
	Police Referral	
Physical Assault (Student to Student): causing or	Restorative Practices	
attempting to cause physical harm to another through	 Parent Notification 	
intentional use of force or violence.	Suspension or Expulsion	
	up to 180 school days	
	Police Referral	
Physical Assault (Student to Employee, Volunteer,	Restorative Practices	
or Contractor): causing or attempting to cause	Parent Notification	
physical harm to another through intentional use of force or violence.	Suspension or	
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	Police Referral	

Verbal or Written Threat, including Bomb or Similar Threat: statement that constitutes a threat against a student, employee, other person, or school property.	 Restorative Practices Parent Notification Suspension or Expulsion Police Referral
Plagiarism, Cheating, or other Falsification of Schoolwork: submitting work that is not your own, including copying from others' work.	 Restorative Practices Credit Loss or Grade Reduction Parent Notification Suspension or Expulsion
Discrimination, Harassment (including Sexual Harassment), and Bullying: violating Board Policy addressing anti-discrimination, anti-harassment, and anti-bullying.	Restorative PracticesParent NotificationSuspension or Expulsion
Criminal Sexual Conduct: commits criminal sexual conduct in a school building or on school grounds; or pleads to, is convicted of, or is adjudicated for criminal sexual conduct against another student enrolled in the same school district; or commits criminal sexual conduct against another student enrolled in the same school district.	 Restorative Practices Parent Notification Suspension or Permanent Expulsion Police Referral
Fighting, Inciting Violence, Filming a Fight or Assault, Distributing or Publishing a Fight or Assault Video	Restorative PracticesParent NotificationSuspension or Expulsion
Sexting: distribution or publication of lewd, pornographic, or sexually suggestive videos or photographs of students or staff.	 Restorative Practices Parent Notification Suspension or Expulsion Police Referral
Misuse of District Technology: violating the District's Acceptable Use Policies and agreement.	 Restorative Practices Parent Notification Suspension or Expulsion Police Referral

APPENDIX A: TITLE IX SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Policy 3118 Title IX Sexual Harassment

Consistent with Policy 3115, the District prohibits unlawful sex discrimination, including harassment and retaliation, in any of its education programs or activities in accordance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and corresponding implementing regulations.

This Policy addresses allegations of sexual harassment under Title IX. Allegations of other forms of sex discrimination should be addressed under the District's non-discrimination or anti-harassment policies (Operations Policy 3115, Employee Policies 4101, 4102, 4104 for, or Student Policy 5202). Allegations alleging both Title IX sexual harassment and other forms of unlawful discrimination and harassment (e.g., race, age, disability) that cannot be reasonably separated into two distinct complaints should be investigated under this Policy. Investigating other forms of discrimination, including harassment, through this Policy, will fulfill the District's investigation requirements under Policies 4104 or 5202, but nothing in this paragraph limits the District's right to determine at any time during the Grievance Process that a non-Title IX complaint allegation should be addressed under Policies 4104 or 5202 or any other applicable Policy.

The Board directs the Superintendent or designee to designate persons to serve as Title IX Coordinator, Investigator, Decision-Maker, and Appeals Officer. If a Formal Complaint is made under this Policy against the Superintendent, the Board President will designate the persons who will serve as the Investigator, Decision-Maker, and Appeals Officer and will work with the Title IX Coordinator to ensure that all other requirements of this Policy are met. If a Formal Complaint is made against the Board President, the Board Vice President will designate who will serve as the Investigator, Decision-Maker, and Appeals Officer.

The Investigator, Decision-Maker, and Appeals Officer cannot be the same person on a specific matter, and the persons designated to serve in those roles may or may not be District employees.

Inquiries about Title IX's application to a particular situation may be referred to the Title IX Coordinator, the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights of the United States Department of Education, or both.

A. Definitions

For purposes of this Policy, the below terms are defined as follows:

- 1. "Sexual Harassment" means conduct on the basis of sex that satisfies one or more of the following:
 - a. A District employee conditioning the provision of a District aid, benefit, or service on a person's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct;
 - b. Unwelcome conduct that a reasonable person would determine to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to the District's education program or activity; or

- c. Sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking, as defined by the Violence Against Women Act, 34 USC § 12291 et. seq., and the uniform crime reporting system of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 20 USC 1092(f)(6)(A)(v).
 - "Sexual assault" means an offense classified as a forcible or nonforcible sex offense under the uniform crime reporting system of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.
 - ii. "Dating violence" means violence committed by a person who is or has been in a romantic or intimate relationship with the Complainant. The existence of such a relationship is based on a consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.
 - iii. "Domestic violence" means felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the Complainant, person with whom the Complainant shares a child, person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the Complainant as a spouse or intimate partner, person similarly situated to a spouse of the Complainant under the domestic or family violence laws of Michigan; or any other person against an adult or youth Complainant who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of Michigan.
 - iv. "Stalking" means engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to (1) fear for the person's safety or the safety of others; or (2) suffer substantial emotional distress.
- 2. "Actual Knowledge" means notice of sexual harassment or allegations of sexual harassment to the District's Title IX Coordinator or any District employee. Imputation of knowledge based solely on vicarious liability or constructive notice is insufficient to constitute actual knowledge. This standard is not met when the only District employee with actual knowledge is the Respondent.
- 3. "Appeals Officer" is the person designated by the District to handle appeals of a dismissal or determination of responsibility for matters investigated under this Policy. The Appeals Officer may not be the same person as the Investigator, Title IX Coordinator, or Decision-Maker on a specific matter.
- 4. "Complainant" is a person who is alleged to be the victim of conduct that could constitute Title IX sexual harassment.

- 5. "Consent" means a voluntary agreement to engage in sexual activity by a person legally capable of consenting. Someone who is incapacitated cannot consent. Past consent does not imply future consent. Silence or an absence of resistance does not imply consent. Consent to engage in sexual activity with one person does not imply consent to engage in sexual activity with another. Consent can be withdrawn at any time. Coercion, force, or threat of either invalidates consent. Sexual conduct or relationships between District employees, volunteers, or contractors and students, regardless of age or consent, are prohibited.
- 6. "Day," unless otherwise indicated, means a day that the District's central office is open for business.
- 7. "Decision-Maker" is the person designated by the District to review the investigation report and provide a written determination of responsibility that provides the evidentiary basis for the Decision-Maker's conclusions. The Decision-Maker may not be the same person as the Investigator, Title IX Coordinator, or Appeals Officer on a specific matter.
- 8. "Education Program or Activity" means any location, event, or circumstance over which the District exhibits substantial control over both the Respondent and the context in which the harassment occurred.
- 9. "Formal Complaint" means a written document or electronic submission signed and filed by a Complainant or signed by the Title IX Coordinator alleging sexual harassment against a Respondent and requesting that the District investigate the sexual harassment allegation.
- 10. "Grievance Process" is the process by which the District handles Formal Complaints.
- 11. "Investigator" is the person designated by the District to investigate a Title IX Formal Complaint or report. The Investigator cannot be the same person as the Decision-Maker or Appeals Officer on a specific matter. The Title IX Coordinator may serve as the Investigator on a particular investigation, unless the Title IX Coordinator signed the Formal Complaint.
- 12. "Report" means an account of Title IX sexual harassment made by any person (regardless of whether the reporting party is the alleged victim).
- 13. "Respondent" is a person who has been reported to be the perpetrator of conduct that could constitute Title IX sexual harassment.
- 14. "Supportive Measures" are non-disciplinary, non-punitive, individualized services offered and implemented by the Title IX Coordinator as appropriate, as reasonably available, and at no-cost to the Complainant and the Respondent before or after the filing of a Formal Complaint or when no Formal Complaint has been filed. Supportive measures are designed to restore or preserve equal access to the District's education program or activity without unreasonably burdening the other party, including measures designed to

15. "Title IX Coordinator" is the person(s) designated by the District to coordinate the District's Title IX compliance. The Title IX Coordinator may not be the same person as the Appeals Officer or Decision-Maker on a specific matter. A person not serving as a Title IX Coordinator in a particular investigation is not disqualified from serving in another role in that investigation. The Title IX Coordinator may also serve as the Investigator on a particular investigation, unless the Title IX Coordinator signed the Formal Complaint.

B. Posting Requirement

The Title IX Coordinator's contact information (name or title, office address, electronic mail address, and telephone number), along with the District's Title IX nondiscrimination statement must be prominently posted on the District's website and in any catalogs or handbooks provided to applicants for admission or employment, students, parents/guardians, and unions or professional organizations with a collective bargaining or professional agreement with the District.

The District will provide notice of this Policy to all applicants, students, parents/guardians, employees, and unions or professional organizations with a collective bargaining or professional agreement with the District by prominently posting this Policy on its website and referencing this Policy in its handbooks, which will include the Title IX Coordinator's name or title, office address, electronic mail address, and telephone number.

C. Designation of Title IX Coordinator:

The District designates the following person(s) as the Title IX Coordinator(s):

Human Resources Specialist
Clare-Gladwin Regional Education Service District
4041 East Mannsiding Road
Clare, MI 48617
989-386-8635
cqhr@cgresd.net

D. Reporting Title IX Sexual Harassment:

Any person who witnesses an act of sexual harassment is encouraged to report it to a District employee. No person will be retaliated against based on any report of suspected sexual harassment or retaliation.

A person may also anonymously report an incident of sexual harassment or retaliation. The District will investigate anonymous reports pursuant to its investigation procedures described below. A person who has been the subject of sexual harassment or retaliation may report that behavior to the Title IX Coordinator or any District employee. Any District employee who receives a report of sexual harassment or has actual knowledge of sexual harassment must convey that information to the Title IX Coordinator by the end of the next day.

A person may make a report at any time, including non-business hours. Reports may be filed in person, by mail, by telephone, or by electronic mail, using the contact information listed for the Title IX Coordinator, or by any other means that result in the Title IX Coordinator receiving the person's verbal or written report.

E. General Response to Sexual Harassment

1. Actual Knowledge without Formal Complaint Being Filed:

Upon actual knowledge of Title IX sexual harassment, the Title IX Coordinator must respond promptly in a manner that is not deliberately indifferent. The District will be deemed to be deliberately indifferent only if its response to sexual harassment is clearly unreasonable in light of the known circumstances.

The Title IX Coordinator must promptly contact the Complainant to discuss the availability of supportive measures, consider the Complainant's wishes with respect to supportive measures, inform the Complainant of the availability of supportive measures with or without the filing of a Formal Complaint, and explain to the Complainant the process for filing a Formal Complaint.

If the Complainant does not file a Formal Complaint or if another person informs the Title IX Coordinator of an allegation of sexual harassment, the Title IX Coordinator must evaluate the information and determine whether to sign and submit a Formal Complaint. If the Title IX Coordinator determines not to sign and submit a Formal Complaint, the Title IX Coordinator must address the allegations in a manner that is not deliberately indifferent.

2. Formal Complaint Filed

Upon the receipt of a Formal Complaint, the District must follow the Grievance Process in Section F of this Policy. A Formal Complaint may be submitted using the Title IX Sexual Harassment Formal Complaint Form.

3. Equitable Treatment

The District will treat the Complainant and Respondent equitably throughout the Grievance Process. This may include offering supportive measures as described in Subsection E(5) of this Policy.

4. Documentation and Recordkeeping

The Title IX Coordinator will document all sexual harassment reports, as well as as incidents of sexual harassment that the Title IX Coordinator personally observes.

The District will retain this documentation in accordance with applicable record retention requirements in Section P of this Policy.

5. Supportive Measures

The Title IX Coordinator must promptly contact the Complainant to discuss the availability of supportive measures, with or without the filing of a Formal Complaint. If the District does not provide a Complainant with supportive measures, then the Title IX Coordinator must document the reasons why such a response was not clearly unreasonable in light of the known circumstances. The documentation of certain bases or measures does not limit the District in the future from providing additional explanations or taking or describing additional supportive measures.

The District may provide, as appropriate, non-disciplinary, non-punitive individualized services to the Complainant or Respondent before or after the filing of a Formal Complaint or when no Formal Complaint has been filed.

Supportive measures should be designed to restore or preserve equal access to the District's education program or activity without unreasonably burdening the other party.

Supportive measures are offered without charge to all parties and are designed to protect the safety of all parties or the District's educational environment, or deter sexual harassment.

Supportive measures may include, but are not limited to:

- a. District-provided counseling;
- b. Course-related adjustments, such as deadline extensions;
- Modifications to class or work schedules;
- d. Provision of an escort to ensure that the Complainant and Respondent can safely attend classes and school activities; and
- e. No-contact orders.

All supportive measures must be kept confidential, to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the District's ability to provide the supportive measures.

6. Respondent Removal

a. Emergency Removal (Student)

The District may only remove a student Respondent from a District program or activity if, following an individualized safety and risk analysis, the District determines that there is an immediate threat to the physical health or safety of any student or other person arising from the sexual harassment allegations. The District must provide the Respondent with notice and an opportunity to immediately challenge the removal decision. This provision may not be construed to modify any rights under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or the Americans with Disabilities Act.

b. Administrative Leave (Employee)

The District may place an employee Respondent on administrative leave during the pendency of the Grievance Process. This provision may not be construed to modify any rights under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or the Americans with Disabilities Act.

7. Law Enforcement

In appropriate circumstances, the Title IX Coordinator will notify law enforcement or Child Protective Services, consistent with Policies 4202, 5201, and 5701.

The District will attempt to comply with all law enforcement requests for cooperation with related law enforcement activity. In some circumstances, compliance with law enforcement requests may require the District to briefly suspend or delay its investigation. If an investigation is delayed, the District will follow the procedures described in Subsection F(1) of this Policy to notify the parties, in writing, of the delay.

The District will promptly resume its investigation as soon as it is notified by the law enforcement agency that the law enforcement agency has completed its evidence gathering process. This delay should not exceed 10 days.

If the District's investigation is suspended or delayed, supportive measures will continue during the suspension or delay. If the law enforcement agency does not notify the District within 10 days that the District's investigation may resume, the District will notify the law enforcement agency that the District intends to promptly resume its investigation.

Grievance Process

1. Generally

The Grievance Process begins when a Formal Complaint is filed or when the Title IX Coordinator signs a Formal Complaint. The District will endeavor to complete the Grievance Process within 45-60 days, absent extenuating circumstances or delays as described below. The District will treat both the Complainant and the Respondent equitably throughout the Grievance Process.

Neither the Title IX Coordinator, the Decision-Maker, the Investigator, nor any person designated to facilitate an informal resolution process will have a conflict of interest or bias for or against Complainants or Respondents generally or for or against an individual Complainant or Respondent.

The Grievance Process requires an objective evaluation of all relevant evidence – including both inculpatory and exculpatory evidence. Credibility determinations may not be based on a person's status as a Complainant, Respondent, or witness.

Throughout the Grievance Process, there is a presumption that the Respondent is not responsible for the alleged conduct unless, in the determination of responsibility at the conclusion of the Grievance Process, the Decision-Maker finds the Respondent

responsible for the alleged conduct.

At any point during the process, the Title IX Coordinator, Investigator, or Decision-Maker may temporarily delay the Grievance Process or permit a limited extension of time frames for good cause. Good cause may include absence of a party, party's advisor, or witness; concurrent law enforcement activity; or the need for accommodations (e.g., language assistance or accommodation of disabilities). If there is a delay or extension, the parties will receive written notice of the delay or extension and the reasons for the action.

Any disciplinary action resulting from the Grievance Process will be issued in accordance with Policies 4309, 4407, 4506, 4606, or 5206, as applicable, and any applicable codes of conduct, handbooks, collective bargaining agreements, and individual employee contracts.

After the investigation portion of the Grievance Process has concluded, the Decision-Maker will endeavor to issue determinations of responsibility within 10 days, absent extenuating circumstances.

Additional information regarding this policy can be founds at https://core-docs.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/asset/uploaded_file/1954565/3118-Title-IX-Sexual-Harassment-Policy-updated_and_adopted.pdf

Office for Civil Rights

Any person who believes that he or she was the victim of sexual harassment may file a complaint with the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) at any time:

U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights

1350 Euclid Avenue, Suite 325 Cleveland, Ohio 44115 Phone: (216) 522-4970 E-mail: OCR.Cleveland@ed.gov

An OCR complaint may be filed before, during, or after filing a Formal Complaint with the District. A person may forego filing a Formal Complaint with the District and instead file a complaint directly with OCR. The District recommends that a person who has been subjected to sexual harassment also file a Formal Complaint with the District to ensure that the District is able to take steps to prevent any further harassment and to discipline the alleged perpetrator, if necessary. OCR does not serve as an appellate body for District decisions under this Policy. An investigation by OCR will occur separately from any District investigation.

APPENDIX B: ANTI-BULLYING

5207 Anti-Bullying Policy

All types of bullying, including cyberbullying, without regard to subject matter or motivating animus, are prohibited.

A. Prohibited Conduct

- 1. Bullying, including cyberbullying, a student at school is prohibited. Bullying is any written, verbal, or physical act, or electronic communication that is intended to or that a reasonable person would know is likely to harm one or more students directly or indirectly by doing any of the following:
 - a. substantially interfering with a student's educational opportunities, benefits, or programs;
 - adversely affecting a student's ability to participate in or benefit from the District's educational programs or activities by placing the student in reasonable fear of physical harm or by causing substantial emotional distress;
 - c. having an actual and substantial detrimental effect on a student's physical or mental health; or
 - d. causing substantial disruption in, or substantial interference with, the District's orderly operations.
- 2. Retaliation or false accusations against the target of bullying, anyone reporting bullying, a witness, or another person with reliable information about an act of bullying, are prohibited.

B. Reporting an Incident

If a student, staff member, or other person suspects there has been a bullying incident, the person must promptly report the incident to the building principal or designee, or to the Responsible School Official(s), as defined below.

A report may be made in person, by telephone, or in writing (including electronic transmissions). If a bullying incident is reported to a staff member who is not the building principal, designee, or a Responsible School Official, the staff member must promptly report the incident to the building principal, designee, or a Responsible School Official.

To encourage reporting of suspected bullying or related activities, each building principal, after consulting the Responsible School Official(s), will create, publicize, and implement a system for anonymous reports. The system must emphasize that the District's ability to investigate anonymous reports may be limited.

Complaints that the building principal has bullied a student must be reported to the Superintendent. Complaints that the Superintendent has bullied a student must be reported to the Board President.

C. Investigation

All bullying complaints will be promptly investigated. The building principal or designee will conduct the investigation, unless the building principal or Superintendent is the subject of the investigation. If the building principal is the subject of the investigation, the Superintendent or designee will conduct the investigation. If the Superintendent is the subject of the investigation, the Board President will designate a neutral party to conduct the investigation.

A description of each reported incident, along with all investigation materials and conclusions reached, will be documented and retained.

D. Notice to Parent/Guardian

If the investigator determines that a bullying incident has occurred, the District will promptly notify the victim's and perpetrator's parent/guardian in writing.

E. Annual Reports

At least annually, the building principal or designee, or the Responsible School Official, must report all verified bullying incidents and the resulting consequences, including any disciplinary action or referrals, to the Board.

The District will annually report incidents of bullying to MDE in the form and manner prescribed by MDE.

F. Responsible School Official

The Superintendent is the "Responsible School Official" for this Policy and is responsible for ensuring that this Policy is properly implemented. This appointment does not reduce or eliminate the duties and responsibilities of the building principal or designee as described in this Policy.

G. Posting/Publication of Policy

The Superintendent or designee will ensure that this Policy is available on the District's website and incorporated into student handbooks and other relevant school publications.

The Superintendent or designee will submit this Policy to the MDE within 30 days after its adoption.

H. Definitions

1. "At school" means in a classroom, elsewhere on school premises, on a school bus or other school-related vehicle, or at a school-sponsored activity or event whether it is



held on school premises. "At school" also includes any conduct using a telecommunications access device or telecommunications service provider that occurs off school premises if the device or provider is owned by or under the control of the District.

- 2. "Telecommunications access device" means any of the following:
- a. any instrument, device, card, plate, code, telephone number, account number, personal identification number, electronic serial number, mobile identification number, counterfeit number, or financial transaction device defined in MCL 750.157m (e.g., an electronic funds transfer card, a credit card, a debit card, a point-of-sale card, or any other instrument or means of access to a credit, deposit, or proprietary account) that alone or with another device can acquire, transmit, intercept, provide, receive, use, or otherwise facilitate the use, acquisition, interception, provision, reception, and transmission of any telecommunications service; or
- b. any type of instrument, device, machine, equipment, technology, or software that facilitates telecommunications or which is capable of transmitting, acquiring, intercepting, decrypting, or receiving any telephonic, electronic, data, internet access, audio, video, microwave, or radio transmissions, signals, telecommunications, or services, including the receipt, acquisition, interception, transmission, retransmission, or decryption of all telecommunications, transmissions, signals, or services provided by or through any cable television, fiber optic, telephone, satellite, microwave, data transmission, radio, internet based or wireless distribution network, system, or facility, or any part, accessory, or component, including any computer circuit, security module, pager, cellular telephone, personal smart card. software, computer chip. communications device, transponder, receiver, modem, electronic mechanism or other component, accessory, or part of any other device that is capable of facilitating the interception, transmission, retransmission, decryption, acquisition, or reception of any telecommunications, transmissions, signals, or services.
- 3. "Telecommunications service provider" means any of the following:
 - a person or entity providing a telecommunications service, whether directly or indirectly
 as a reseller, including, but not limited to, a cellular, paging, or other wireless
 communications company or other person or entity which, for a fee, supplies the facility,
 cell site, mobile telephone switching office, or other equipment or telecommunications
 service;
 - b. a person or entity owning or operating any fiber optic, cable television, satellite, internet based, telephone, wireless, microwave, data transmission, or radio distribution system, network, or facility; or
 - c. a person or entity providing any telecommunications service directly or indirectly by or through any distribution systems, networks, or facilities.

Legal authority: MCL 380.1310b; MCL 750.157m, 750.219a

APPENDIX C: PROTECTION OF PUPIL RIGHTS

Policy 5308 Protection of Pupil Rights

A. Surveys, Analyses, and Evaluations

Parents/guardians may inspect any survey created by a third party before that survey is administered or distributed to their student. All survey inspection requests must be made in writing to the building principal before the survey's scheduled administration date.

The District must obtain written consent from a student's parent/guardian before the student is required to participate in a survey, analysis, or evaluation funded, in whole or in part, by the U.S. Department of Education that would reveal sensitive information. For all other surveys, analyses, or evaluations that would reveal sensitive information about a student, the District will provide prior notice to the student's parent/guardian and an opportunity for the parent/guardian to opt their student out.

Employees may not request or disclose the identity of a student who completes a survey, evaluation, or analysis containing sensitive information.

"Sensitive information" includes:

- 1. political affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent/guardian;
- 2. mental or psychological problems of the student or the student's family;
- 3. sexual behavior or attitudes;
- 4. illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
- 5. critical appraisals of other persons with whom the student has close family relationships;
- 6. legally recognized privileges or analogous relationships, such as those with lawyers, physicians, and ministers;
- 7. religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or the student's parent/guardian; or
- 8. income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participating in a program or for receiving financial assistance under that program).

B. Invasive Physical Examinations

Parents/guardians may refuse to allow their students to participate in any non- emergency, invasive physical examination or screening that is: (1) required as a condition of attendance, (2) administered and scheduled by the District, and (3) not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of a student.

"Invasive physical examination" means:

- 1. any medical examination that involves the exposure of private body parts; or
- 2. any act during an examination that includes incision, insertion, or injection into the body that does not include a hearing, vision, or scoliosis screening.

C. Collection of Student Personal Information for Marketing

No employee will administer or distribute to students a survey or other instrument for the purpose of collecting personal information for marketing or selling that information.

"Personal information" means individually identifiable information that includes:

- 1. student's and parents'/guardians' first and last name;
- 2. home or other physical address; telephone number; or
- 3. Social Security Number

This Policy does not apply to the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for the purpose of providing educational services to students, such as:

- post-secondary education recruitment;
- 2. military recruitment;
- 3. Tests and assessments to provide cognitive, evaluative, diagnostic, or achievement information about students; or student recognition programs.
- D. Inspection of Instructional Materials

Parents/guardians may inspect instructional material consistent with Policy 5401.

E. Notification of Rights and Procedures

The Superintendent or designee will notify parents/guardians of:

- 1. This Policy and its availability upon request;
- 2. How to opt their child out of participation in activities as provided for in this Policy;
- 3. The approximate date(s) when a survey, evaluation, or analysis that would reveal sensitive information is scheduled or expected to be scheduled;
- 4. The approximate date(s) when the District or its agents intend to administer a non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening required as a condition of attendance (except for hearing, vision, or scoliosis screenings); and
- 5. How to inspect any survey or other material described in this Policy.

This notification will be given to parents/guardians at least annually at the beginning of the school year and within a reasonable period after any substantive change to this Policy.

Parents/guardians who believe their rights have been violated may file a complaint with:

Student Privacy Policy Office

U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20202



APPENDIX E: ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT

Technology Acceptable Use Agreement

Clare-Gladwin RESD

Agreement for Acceptable Use of Technology Resources

This Agreement is entered into on August 23, 2023 between Clare-Gladwin RESD CTE ("District") and

Print User/Student Name:	("Student/User").

Technology Resources include any type of instrument, device, machine, equipment, technology, or software that is capable of transmitting, acquiring, or intercepting any telephone, electronic, data, internet, audio, video, or radio transmissions, signals, telecommunications, or services, and include: (1) internal and external network infrastructure, (2) internet and network access, (3) computers, (4) servers, (5) storage devices, (6) peripherals, (7) software, and (8) messaging or communication systems.

In exchange for the use of the District's Technology Resources either at or away from the District, the User understands and agrees to the following:

- A. Use of the District's Technology Resources is a privilege that the District may revoke at any time and for any reason. The resources are for exclusive use on behalf of the District and not a person's personal use.
- B. There is no expectation of privacy when using the District's Technology Resources. The District has the right to monitor and inspect all use of its Technology Resources, including, without limitation, personal email and voicemail communications, computer files, databases, web logs, audit trails, or any other electronic transmissions accessed, distributed, or used through Technology Resources. The District has the sole discretion and right to remove any material from Technology Resources that it chooses to, including, without limitation, any information that the District determines to be unlawful, obscene, pornographic, harassing, intimidating, disruptive, or that violates this Agreement.
- C. Technology Resources do not provide a "public forum." Do not use Technology Resources for commercial or political positions or candidates without express written authorization in advance by an appropriate District administrator, except to contact or communicate with public officials directly relating to the duties of the User's position.
- D. Technology Resources are for use only by the registered User. The User is responsible for use of the account/password and any access to Technology Resources made using the account/password. Any damage or liability arising from the use of the account/password is the User's responsibility. Use of the account/password by someone other than the User is prohibited and may be grounds for suspension from Technology Resources and other disciplinary consequences (for employees, up to and including discharge), for both the User and the person(s) using the account/password. Likewise, using or accessing another person's account is prohibited and may be grounds for suspension from the Technology Resources and other disciplinary consequences for both you and the person whose account or password you used or accessed.

- E. Misuse or abuse of Technology Resources may result in the User being subject to discipline, up to and including discharge and/or suspension of access to Technology Resources. Misuse includes, but is not limited to:
 - 1. Accessing or attempting to access material that is unlawful, obscene, pornographic, profane, vulgar, or otherwise inappropriate for an educational or professional setting.
 - 2. Sexting, which includes, without limitation, possessing, sending, distributing or otherwise transmitting via phone or other technology: nude, sexually explicit, or sexually suggestive photographs, videos, or other visual depictions of yourself or another person, including cartoon or animated images.
 - 3. Sexually suggestive or explicit messages.
 - 4. Destruction or vandalism, which includes, without limitation, any malicious or intentional attempt to harm, steal, destroy, or disrupt user data, District materials, or District hardware or software.
 - 5. Hacking, which includes, without limitation, gaining or attempting to gain access to, modifying, or obtaining copies of information belonging to other users or information you are not authorized to access.
 - 6. Unauthorized copying or use of licenses or copyrighted software.
 - 7. Plagiarizing, which includes the unauthorized distributing, copying, using, or holding out as your own material that was written or created by someone else, without permission of, and attribution to, the author/creator.
 - 8. Posting or distributing confidential or inappropriate information meant to harass, intimidate, or embarrass others.
 - 9. Allowing someone else to use your account or password or not preventing unauthorized access to Technology Resources when leaving them unattended.
 - 10. Using or soliciting the use of or attempting to use or discover the account information or password of another user, unless authorized to do so by the Board or its designee.
 - 11. Attempting to or successfully disabling security features, including technology protection measures required under the Children's Internet Protection Act ("CIPA"), unless authorized to do so by the Board or its designee.
 - 12. Misusing equipment or altering system software without permission.
 - 13. Commercial transactions or advertising.
 - 14. Sending mass mailings or spam.
 - 15. Political, partisan activities, or lobbying petitions.

- 16. Disclosing any information via Technology Resources that includes personally identifiable information about any of the District's students, including without limitation videos, audio, documents, or other student records that identify a student by name, voice, or likeness, except as permitted by applicable law or as authorized by the Board or its designee.
- 17. Using Technology Resources in any way that violates federal, state, or local law or rule, or District policy, rule, handbook, or agreement.
- F. The District, as a recipient of certain federal funds, must provide technology protection measures on its computers with Internet access to protect against visual depictions that are obscene or constitute child pornography. An authorized person may disable the technology blocks for adult use, to enable user access to bona fide research, or for other lawful purposes.
- G. The District does not guarantee that its Technology Resources will meet any specific requirement or be error-free or uninterrupted; nor will the District be liable for any damages (including lost data, information, or time) in connection with the use, operation, or inability to use Technology Resources.
- H. As soon as possible, the User must disclose to an appropriate District administrator any content viewed or received over Technology Resources that is harassing, bullying, or threatening, or any communication that contains sexually explicit content. Do not delete such content unless instructed to do so by the Superintendent or designee. Transmission of sexually explicit content of a minor may result in charges for distribution of child pornography. Any such content should not be retransmitted for any reason.
- I. Student education records and other data is subject to confidentiality requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, the Michigan Mandatory Special Education Act, the National School Lunch Act, the Revised School Code, and their underlying regulations (collectively, the "Acts"). Such data and records are subject to the provisions of those Acts, and User will not re-disclose student data or other education records except as permitted by law.
- J. Correspondence or data that the User sends or receives may be subject to retrieval and disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") and other federal or state statutes and regulations. The User will cooperate fully and promptly with the District when responding to FOIA requests or other requests for disclosure of information.
- K. The User is solely responsible for all charges and fees, including outside telephone, printing, and merchandise purchases, made through Technology Resources. The District is not a party to such transactions and is not liable for any costs or damages, whether direct or indirect, arising out of the User's use of Technology Resources.
- L. The User is responsible for the proper use of Technology Resources and will be held accountable for any damage to or replacement of Technology Resources caused by the User's inappropriate use or negligence.
- M. Violation of this Agreement may result in the suspension of access to Technology Resources and discipline, up to and including discharge.



As a condition of using Technology Resources, I release the District and its Board members, agents, and employees, including the Internet Service Provider, from liability related to my use of Technology Resources. I agree to follow this Agreement, all applicable Board policies and handbooks, and all rules and regulations that may be added from time to time by the District or its Internet Service Provider. I agree to pay for, reimburse, and indemnify the District for damages, including any fees or expenses, incurred as a result of use or misuse of Technology Resources.

I understand that data I send or receive over Technology Resources is not private. I consent to having the District monitor and inspect my use of Technology Resources, including any electronic communications that I send or receive through Technology Resources.

I have read this Agreement and agree to its terms.				
Signature of Student/User	Date			