

LFO WARRIORS STUDENT HANDBOOK 2012 – 2013



BELIEFS

Every person has the right to work/learn in a clean, modern, safe and caring environment.

Every person has the capacity and the right to learn, which is the chief priority of the school.

Every person (students, parents, faculty, staff and community) shares the responsibility for student learning.

Every person learns best when he/she is actively engaged in learning.

Every person learns in different ways and should be provided with a variety of instructional approaches.

MISSION STATEMENT

“At LFO, students will be encouraged, challenged, equipped, and motivated to succeed.”

VISION STATEMENT

“Building a legacy of excellence, one student at a time.”

GENERAL STUDENT/PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES

Students are responsible to become thoroughly familiar with the Catoosa County Student Discipline and Attendance Handbook, Board Policy, and the following LFO Student policies and procedures. They are to abide by their guidelines at all times at school and at school activities. A copy of this handbook is kept in the guidance office(s), media center, main office(s) and all classrooms.

ATTENDANCE

LFO will continue to emphasize using instructional time productively. Good and regular attendance is extremely important for student success. Furthermore, students must be on time both to school and to class. Students who are not in class each day cannot benefit from the teaching and learning process and their grades will reflect this.

A high school student is required to be in attendance for more than half of the school day in order to be considered present for the day. Half the school day is defined to be 11:45 a.m. Students must also be present for half of any class period to be marked present on that day.

ABSENCES

An absence is defined as not being in class for any reason. The absence will be coded “excused” or “unexcused” as appropriate based on the following attendance policy set by State Law and Local Board Policy:

EXCUSED ABSENCE (Except for those on CART)

1. Illness of student with note from parent (students are allowed up to 3 per 9 week).
2. Serious illness or death of an immediate family member. (parents, siblings, grandparents, other adults living in the home)
3. Mandated order of a government agency.
4. Religious holidays.
5. Conditions rendering attendance impossible or hazardous to students' health or safety.
6. Registering to vote or voting for a period not to exceed one day.
7. Student court appearances.
8. Seniors may use (2) days per year **prior to May 1** for college visits.
9. These may not be taken during exam weeks. Prior notification is required. Documentation required upon return.
10. Others approved in advance by the principal.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCE

1. All absences other than those listed above.
2. Out of school suspension days (OSS).
3. A student who is absent more than 10 consecutive unexcused days will be withdrawn from school.

4. Ten unexcused absences per semester will result in non-compliance letter mailed to GDOT (see drivers license section).

SCHOOL-CAUSED ABSENCE

School-sponsored activities will not count as an absence. The school has the right to deny student participation in any school related activity based on grades or discipline. All students must have a 70 or greater before they will be allowed to miss any classes. Students will be required to provide a written permission form signed by the teacher of any class they will be missing before they are allowed to leave.

1. School related field trips
2. Athletic events.
3. Serving as student representatives of the Georgia General Assembly.
4. Gold card days with prior approval (may not be taken during exam weeks).
5. Others if approved by Administrators.

PROCEDURES FOLLOWING AN ABSENCE

When a student is absent he/she will not be admitted to classes without his/her admit from the attendance office. The student will have his/her teachers sign the **admit in each block.**

On the day following the absence, the student must bring a proper documentation dated and signed by a parent/guardian explaining the absence. The absentee note should be presented to the attendance clerk **prior to the first bell so that the student will arrive in class on time. Failure to comply with this requirement will not allow time to process the admit and will result in the student being charged with a tardy to school. The student should plan to be early on the day following the absence in order to have time to receive an admit.**

Students who do not bring an official written and signed statement will have the admit stamped “unexcused” regardless of the reason. **After three (3) days, written statements and doctor's notes may not be accepted.**

LFO considers any note that has not been signed by the parent or legal guardian to be an illegal document and students submitting an illegal excuse will be subject to disciplinary action.

FINAL EXAM EXEMPTION POLICY

If a student meets the following attendance and grade criteria they are exempt from having to take a final exam in a class:

1. Perfect attendance and passing grade.
2. One absence with a “C” average
3. Two absences with a “B” average
4. Three absences with an “A” average.

This exemption **does not apply** to the EOCT. It applies to exams given the last two days of the semester.

ATTENDANCE APPEAL PROCEDURES

Any student who has seven (7) or more unexcused absences from a given class during **any one semester** jeopardizes losing credit for the class. **Students must appeal their attendance.** Attendance appeal forms may be picked up in the Attendance Office.

MAKING UP WORK

According to Board policy all work missed due to lawful and school related absences is to be made up. In addition, any teacher may require work missed due to unlawful absence to be made up for **no credit**. The time allowed to make up work should be equal to the number of days absent. Example: two days absent = two subsequent days allowed to make up work.

DRIVERS LICENSE

Students should come to the Main office at least a week before they plan to get their driver's licenses to sign the application list stating name and date of birth. Student may not come during class. Each student's record must be checked to verify that he meets the state attendance requirements. Forms are then issued any may be picked up no sooner than three (3) days following the application. These forms may be picked up before school, after school or during lunch. The form is good for thirty (30) days from the date signed by the principal.

Georgia's Teen-age and Adult Driver Responsibility Act (TAADRA)

This act requires that the local school systems certify that a student's attendance pattern and discipline record permits him/her to have a Georgia driver's permit or license. This act applies to all minors who are at least 15 years of age and under the age of 18. When such a minor submits an application for a Georgia driver's license or instruction permit (learners permit) applicant must present proof that he or she is enrolled in and not under expulsion from a public or private school and has satisfied relevant attendance requirements for the 2007-2010 academic year (student has not had more than ten school days of unexcused absences in any semester or combination of two consecutive quarters) and for the current academic year (student has not had ten or more school days of unexcused absences). Note: Beginning with the 2006-2007 school year, the language of Senate Bill 35 will apply to both the current and previous academic year).

If a student has more than 10 unexcused absences a non-compliance letter will be filed with GDOT to revoke the student's license.

Procedures to follow to obtain a Certificate of Attendance:

1. Sign the request list in the Attendance Office before or after school.
2. After 5 school days, students may pick up the notarized certificate from the Attendance Office.

3. During the regular school year the certificates are good for 30 days. During the summer months the certificates may be obtained any time during June and July, Monday-Thursday in the Main Office. School office will be closed on Fridays during June and July.
4. For further questions:
https://gadata.doe.k12.ga.us/TAADRA/taadra_docs.cfm

HOSPITAL/HOMEBOUND

If extended absences are necessary, hospital/homebound instruction is available for students who meet the criteria. **Homebound credit cannot be earned for lab classes. Students who are on hospital/homebound instruction may not attend extracurricular activities including the prom.**

If you are too ill to attend school, you are too ill to attend extracurricular activities. Forms may be picked up from the attendance office.

CHECKIN/CHECKOUT PROCEDURES

All dismissals must be administered through the attendance office. **Students will be dismissed only during class changes except when conditions arise that make it impossible or impractical to delay class interruptions.** Whenever possible, doctor and dental appointments should be made outside school time.

Students must go to the attendance office to sign in and out.

School board policy requires that a parent or legal guardian must personally come to school to sign for a student to be dismissed for any reason other than a documented doctor or dental appointment, except in emergency situations determined by an administrator. Checkouts cannot be made by phone or FAX. Parents or guardians signing for a dismissal may come to school at any time during the school day but are asked to work with us to protect instructional time by timing their checkouts to coincide with our bell schedule. **There will be no checkouts after 2:45 with the exception of EXTREME EMERGENCIES.**

The following general rules apply to early medical dismissal:

1. Students should bring notes to the attendance clerk before school stating the name and phone number of the doctor or dentist.
2. It must specify the date and time of the appointment.
3. It must contain the parent's signature and daytime telephone number.
4. School personnel will confirm the appointment.
5. The student must come by the attendance office and sign out before leaving school campus.
6. The only persons that can check out a student are those previously listed on their check out list and have been verified for that particular day.

TARDIES TO SCHOOL AND CLASSES

Tardiness is treated the same whether considered excused or unexcused. A student is not considered tardy if his/her bus is late. Documented legal, medical or dental appointments may be considered exceptions. Students who are ill and check in tardy will be required to make up work.

According to Board Policy, students who have an unexcused tardy, or absent from school or checkout of school **may not participate in a game or practice held that afternoon or evening in extra-curricular areas.** Illness is not a satisfactory excuse. If one is too ill to come to school, it is not in his best interest to participate in the activity.

TARDY POLICY

Please remember, we are trying to reduce the number of tardies to class by all students. For this policy to work, we must have the cooperation of **ALL FACULTY MEMBERS. Please be prompt in reporting tardies to class.**

Tardies 1 and 2 – Written Warnings

Tardy 3 – School Lunch Detention

Tardies 4 and 5 – Saturday School

Tardies 5 and up – Administrator Discretion to include parent meetings, ISS, OSS, Loss of school privileges, etc...

Additional tardies will be handled at administrator's discretion.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Each student is asked to contribute \$30 per year to help cover the cost of student supplies and materials. In addition to the \$30, students who live out of county must pay out of county tuition, and students who live out of state must pay out of state tuition.

LOCKERS

Students may not share lockers. Students are encouraged to rent a locker in which to keep books, coats and book bags during the school day. Coats, jackets and outerwear that do not meet dress code must be stored in lockers during the day.

Lockers with locks are available for a rental of \$20.00 per year. No refunds will be issued. Lockers will be issued at the beginning of first semester. Tell no one your locker combination. Lockers may be searched by the administration at any time without notice. Locker checks will be held periodically.

BOOKBAGS, GYM BAGS & OVERSIZED BAGS

Book bags, gym bags and other oversized bags may be used only to carry books to and from school. For safety reasons, limited classroom space and crowded hallways, book bags must be placed in a locker after the student arrives to school and before first block. Time will be allotted before school and between classes to visit lockers. Buses will remain at school long enough to allow students to go to their lockers after school has ended.

Hallways will be open at 7:45 a.m. so that students may go to their lockers.

SCHOOL DAY

School is considered to be in session between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. **Upon arrival, students should report to the cafeteria/commons area. Food other than what is brought from home is not allowed to be brought into the building. Students may not sit in cars or stand outside the building at the end of the hallways or in front or back of the school.** No smoking is allowed on campus. (State Law)

Students are under the supervision of school personnel during the school day as well as at extracurricular activities. Teachers are on duty at all school functions. They have the authority to correct or reprimand any students who do not conduct themselves appropriately.

The teacher will dismiss students from classes, not the ringing of the bell.

Students may not leave campus during the school day for any reason unless given permission from an administrator. Students may not leave campus to pick up lunch and check back in. **Students may not have lunch/breakfast brought to them.**

Students are not to be picked up or dropped off in front of the school. In the afternoon, students should wait for rides only in designated areas. Designated areas are at the rear of the school and at the east end of the school (stadium side). Students should not be on campus after 4:00 unless under the supervision of a teacher/coach. During bad weather, students may wait for buses in the main lobby area. Please make arrangements to be picked up by 4:00 p.m.

PLEASE OBSERVE ALL PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS, SPEED LIMITS AND TRAFFIC SIGNS.

BUS SERVICE

Students who ride a school bus are expected to follow the appropriate behavior outlined in the system disciplinary handbook. **REMEMBER – BUS RIDING IS A PRIVILEGE – NOT A RIGHT.**

Students must bring a note from home if they wish to ride another bus, get off at a different stop or ride home with another student on his bus. **Notes must be brought to attendance clerk before school begins.** Note must have daytime phone number of parent where they can be reached during school hours.

OFF LIMITS AREAS

The following areas are off limits to all students at all times during the school day.

1. All parking areas
2. Any special rooms set aside for staff members only. (Faculty lounges, workrooms, boiler room, mailrooms, and faculty restrooms.)
3. All outside areas except for designated lunch areas and walkways during class changes.
4. Areas under and entrances to stairwells, between building at gym and band entrance, except as passageways during class changes.
5. Gym Stage.
6. During class time, students with passes to the restroom are to go to the restroom in the hallway closest to their classroom, not in the commons area.
7. Vending machines during class time.
8. All Construction Areas

VISITORS

Parents are always welcome at LFO and are encouraged to visit classes. To better manage the instruction of students and the time they spend with school personnel, appointments should be made in advance to see a teacher, counselor, or administrator except in emergencies.

ALL VISITORS must check in through the main office and receive a visitor's pass. Students ARE NOT to have visitors at school during instructional time or during lunch. School policy is to accept only those visitors who have legitimate business at school. An administrator may refuse to issue a visitor's pass anytime he or she feels it is in the best interest of the school to do so.

Parents may receive visitor's passes to observe classes. All visitors should park in designated visitor's spaces.

Any person found on the school grounds without permission from the administration is trespassing and is subject to arrest by police authorities.

DETENTIONS

Detention is held daily during student lunches.

Detentions may also be given by teachers to be served with them in their classroom. These detentions may be assigned before or after school.

SATURDAY SCHOOL

When scheduled, Saturday School is held from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Students must provide their own transportation to and from Saturday School. The number of students attending Saturday School determines the activity in which the students will be involved. They may include:

- Raking Leaves
- Trash Pick-up
- Gum Removal
- Window/Door Cleaning
- Other minor "chores" about the school.
- Academic study hall

Students who refuse to accept this program will be subject to alternative measures.

Failure to attend Saturday School will result in 3 days of ISS. Any future absences from Saturday School will be handled at administrator's discretion.

CARE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

Students are responsible for the proper care of all books, supplies, furniture, and equipment supplied by the school. Students who disfigure or vandalize school property or the personal property of others will be required to either pay for the damage or replace the item.

Areas used by students, including classrooms, hallways and other common areas, cafeteria, restrooms, gymnasium, etc. should be kept free from trash and graffiti.

Students are expected to dispose of trash and garbage in proper containers, return lunchroom trays, and aid in keeping the school clean and well maintained.

PERSONAL PROPERTY
ITEMS BROUGHT TO SCHOOL

To minimize the possibility of having personal property damaged, students should limit items brought to school to only those items necessary for school activities. Items that cannot be brought to school include CD players, video cameras, cameras, laptops, or any other musical electronic device including headphones. (Cell phones see Telephones) **SKATEBOARDS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON CAMPUS AT ANY TIME.**

The administration/school is not responsible for personal items brought to school, which are lost or stolen. Thefts and losses should be reported to the office to aid in recovery but there is no assurance that recovery will be made. Personal valuables and purses should not be left unattended, nor should they be left in classrooms, ROTC or gym changing areas. **PE and ROTC teachers have procedures for students to follow for** storing valuables during PE and ROTC classes

In most subjects, students will be furnished with one or more textbooks and in some classes issued supplies. Textbooks are loaned to the student for use. They should not be marked on or written in any way. Books should be covered with book covers on all new books. Reasonable wear and tear is expected as a result of daily use; however, unreasonable damage will result in payment for damages or replacement of the book(s). Lost textbooks must be paid for and replaced immediately, at replacement cost. Equipment and supplies issued to students must be used responsibly. Equipment that is damaged or lost must be repaired or replaced at student expense.

BOY-GIRL RELATIONSHIPS

The school recognizes and encourages wholesome relationships among boys and girls. However, students should be careful at all times to avoid undue familiarity and the violation of accepted standards of behavior.

The school considers visiting in secluded areas under stairwells or corners of the building, an arm or arms around the other person, kissing, petting, standing too close to one another, and other similar actions as undue familiarity **and a violation of accepted standards of conduct** during school hours or when under school supervision.

No physical contact is permitted. Anything other than holding hands is unacceptable.

TELEPHONES

Students will not be excused from class to use the telephone. If a student

becomes ill at school, he should notify his teacher who will follow proper procedures, which includes **giving a pass from class to go to the nurse.** The nurse will make proper contact to parents. Students may obtain permission from an administrator to use a school phone located in the main office for (1) school business and (2) emergency use only. **Students are never to use teacher telephones.**

Students may use their cell phone at school with the following exceptions:

Students may not use their cell phone during class. Phones shall be turned off during class time unless the student is given specific permission to use it by the teacher of the class of which it is being used. Current Catoosa County Policy will be followed if a student uses a cell phone in class.

Restrictions on cell phone usage: Students are prohibited from using their cell phone to make video recordings at school, to cheat or plagiarize, to bully or haze others, to disrupt the learning environment, to view pornographic, vulgar, or inappropriate content, to post derogatory content on social media sites, or take unsolicited or unwelcome photographs of students, staff or facilities.

Since cell phone use may allow students to access the internet, the following restrictions apply: Students must adhere to the Student code of Conduct while using their cell phone at school. Cell phones may not be used for commercial purposes or for-profit activities. It is prohibited for students to send emails or other forms of electronic communication of libelous or inflammatory language, denouncing or harassing communication, sexually explicit language, racially offensive language, or to impersonate others. Students must adhere to acceptable use policies of any websites they visit. Students may not visit any website with content which would violate the system's acceptable use policy or Student Code of Conduct.

Students who inappropriately use their cell phone at school will be subject to discipline as stipulated in the Student Code of Conduct. Additionally, students may lose their privilege of using their cell phone at school for a length of time to be determined by the school administrators.

To maintain our policy of **keeping classroom time free from interruptions, telephone messages will not be delivered to students.** When an EMERGENCY arises, the nature of the emergency must be given to a school official who will determine whether to interrupt class. Arrangements for routine matters such as rides to and from school, car and house key delivery and pickup, job times, meetings places, **are not considered emergencies and should be made before students arrive at school.**

In addition to the above, please see the Student and Parent Catoosa County Code of Conduct Handbook 2012-2013 section "Electronic Device Use Policy" page 40 – 42.

HALL CONDUCT/PASSES

Time between classes is provided for students to go to lockers, restroom and for arrival to the next class on time. Excessive noise, running, and other activities that affect the smooth transition between classes or student safety are not allowed.

Passes are not given to lockers, parking lot, office, to the bookkeeper for change or to cash checks, commons areas, snack machines, telephones, or other teacher's rooms. Passes to the media center should be related to an assignment in the class of the teacher issuing the pass. Passes to guidance will only be given at the request of a counselor who will page or send for the student. Students may not disturb a class to talk with another student without the written approval of an administrator. Students should not peer in doors and distract students.

Students must have a pass from a teacher to be in the hall during class time.

This pass policy applies to ALL students in the halls for any reason unless the group has been called out of class for a special purpose. **DO NOT LEAVE CLASS FOR ANY OTHER REASON EXCEPT A PHYSICAL EMERGENCY WITHOUT A PASS.**

During class time students with passes to the restroom are to go to the restroom in the hallway closest to their class, not in the commons area.

FIGHTING

High school students are too old to be settling their disagreements by fighting. Any student who engages in a fight on school property will be either taken to jail and/or legal complaint will be filed. Please refer also to the county discipline handbook.

A fight at any school activity, both on and off school property, is the same as fighting at school and carries the same penalties. Likewise, a fight that starts at school and continues off campus carries the same penalties as if it occurred at school.

CHEATING/PLAGIARISM

Students are expected to do their own work and complete their own assignments. If a student cheats on a test, he will receive a "0" on the test. If a student copies someone's homework paper, uses a student's ID, or copies computer work, both students will receive a "0" on that assignment. **If a student cheats on a final, he/she will not receive credit.**

Plagiarism is stealing, or passing off as your own, words or ideas of another person. Copying from a book, word-for-word or even putting the information into your own words and not giving credit to the author is plagiarism. Any information whether from a book or off the internet received from another source must be documented with credit given to the author. Anything taken word for word must follow rules for quotations. Plagiarism is cheating and will be dealt with in like manner. Parents will be notified if students cheat or plagiarize.

STUDENT ILLNESS

We take your health and well-being seriously and want to take appropriate action to assist you. Students who become ill or who are injured during the day should notify their teacher. The teacher will determine the nature of the illness and contact the office, refer the student to the nurse, assign someone to accompany an ill student, administer first aid, or seek assistance as necessary. (Students should not go to the restroom alone when ill.) If feasible, the teacher will issue a pass to the attendance office where the student may seek assistance. At the request of the nurse or administrator the attendance clerk will contact the parent/guardian to come to school to pick up the student. **The nurse must notify an administrator before sending a student home.** At the discretion of an administrator, emergency treatment may be sought and a parent/guardian will be contacted.

If a student brings prescribed or over-the-counter medicines to school, he/she must leave the medicine in the nurse's office. The student should get a pass from the teacher to go to the nurse's office when he/she needs to take the medication. All medication must be taken in the nurse's office.

Georgia Law now permits students with asthma to carry inhalers PROVIDED a doctor's letter is on file stating that the medication is prescribed and parent permission is noted on the school medical form. Parents are required to provide the school with emergency information and to notify the school if name, address, and phone numbers change. **Failure to submit required student forms will be grounds for dismissal.**

COMPUTER RULES

Computers are used as a tool to assist instruction. Students are expected to take proper care of the computers and to use them in a responsible and ethical manner. LFO computer rules are very detailed and will be given and explained to you by your teacher. Both you and your parents will be asked to go over the rules in detail and sign that you understand the rules and will comply with them totally. **Failure to do so carries very stiff penalties, including ISS, OSS, taking away of privileges, restitution and even prosecution. BE SURE YOU KNOW AND APPLY THESE RULES.**

INTERNET USE

Students are never to access the Internet without direct teacher supervision. Any student whose parent requests in writing that their child not be allowed to use the Internet will be restricted from Internet and will be given alternate assignments. **UNLESS THIS FORM IS ON FILE, STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE FULL COMPUTER PRIVILEGES ACCORDING TO COUNTY POLICY.**

MEDIA/WEBPAGE RELEASE

If a parent/guardian denies on camera/newsprint release, or web page publication, denial must sent in writing to the Vocational office. **It is the student's responsibility to notify his/her teacher/coach/sponsor of the denial.**

SAFETY

Students must adhere to safety rules in **all school areas**. Those classes with heavy equipment can be dangerous if safety rules are not followed: i.e. wearing safety goggles, wearing hard hats, wearing safety gloves, being in unauthorized areas, improper use of equipment, or any type of horseplay etc. **Horseplay will not be tolerated on school property or while attending a school event. Failure to comply with these safety rules may result in disciplinary action which may include ISS, or OSS.**

GENERAL PARKING AND TRAFFIC RULES

All drivers must observe **the 15-mph speed limit**, traffic signs and all crosswalks. The speed limit between the football field house and Battlefield Elementary School is **10-mph** and must be observed at all times. All cars exiting by the field house must turn right at the baseball field. Failure to comply with these rules may result in loss of driving privileges.

All faculty, staff and student motor vehicles must be registered and a current parking permit displayed. Registered vehicles must be covered by insurance and the driver must have a valid driver's license.

PLEASE FOLLOW ALL DETOUR SIGNS POSTED DUE TO CONSTRUCTION.

Student parking will be \$25 per year. The permit must be displayed by hanging it from the rearview mirror with the permit number facing the front of the vehicle. All lost or stolen permits must be reported immediately. Replacement cost for a lost permit will be \$5. Use of stolen permits can result in loss of driving privileges.

Parking for the disabled is available. All disabled students must be able to present certification of being disabled from the Georgia Department of Public Safety. **SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS HAVE THE RIGHT TO SEARCH VEHICLES PARKED ON CAMPUS AT ANY TIME.**

When students who drive enter the school parking lot, they should turn right and enter parking spaces from the wooded side of the parking lot. Parent drop-off and pickup will be in the designated areas in rear of school. Behind the school, right lane is for through traffic and left lane is for parent pick up.

The registrant of the motor vehicle is held responsible for the safe operation of the vehicle and the proper parking of the vehicle regardless of who may be the operator.

Cars are to be parked only in spaces assigned for students. Student parking is designated by white lines. Parking is prohibited in the drive in front of the school.

Vehicles improperly parked or without a parking permit may be towed away at the owner's expense.

Speed limits as posted must be obeyed. Failure to do so could result in a fine, loss of driving privileges or both.

All vehicle accidents on campus must be reported immediately to the office and an investigation into the accident will be conducted by the police officer on duty.

Neither Lakeview-Fort Oglethorpe High School nor any of its employees assume any responsibility of liability for the loss of theft or damage to vehicles parked in the parking areas.

Students may not go to vehicles for any reason during the school day. Students may not go to vehicles in route to the Field House or any other external building. Vehicles left on campus after schools may be towed away at the owner's expense. Vehicles should not be left on campus overnight.

The principal of LFO has the authority to issue school citations and can appoint any member of his staff or faculty to issue these citations.

If fines are paid within five (5) school days, the fine will be reduced by one-half (1/2). All fines are to be paid in the school bookkeeper's office.

FINES AND PENALTIES FOR CITATIONS

Failure to display parking permit	\$10.00
Parking in space other than the space assigned	\$20.00
Improperly parked	\$10.00
Parking in an unauthorized area	\$10.00
Parking in a handicapped space	\$30.00
Speeding	\$10.00
Reckless Driving	\$20.00

LUNCHROOM

Lunch and breakfast are available daily in the school cafeteria. Parents may pay for student's lunches in advance by making a check out to LFO School Cafeteria. They may pay by the week, month, semester or year. **No lunchroom charges are accepted.**

Students may bring their lunch to school but **cannot have lunch delivered to them from outside the school**. Students may not check out for lunch and return to school. Lunches on trays must be eaten in the lunchroom. Students may request a to-go tray for the picnic area or commons area. All food items not on trays must be eaten in the lunchroom, picnic area or main commons area.

Out of consideration for others, please leave the tables and eating areas clean. All lunchroom trays and silverware are to be returned to the cleaning window and all wrappers and trash should be placed in trashcans located in the commons and picnic areas.

After finishing lunch, students are to remain in the lunchroom, commons area (up to the guidance doors), and picnic areas until the bell rings. Restrooms in the commons area are open during lunch.

HALLWAYS DURING LUNCH WHERE CLASSROOMS ARE LOCATED ARE OFF-LIMITS DURING LUNCH AND STUDENTS ARE NOT TO GO TO THEIR LOCKERS UNTIL THE BELL RINGS.

BREAKFAST & LUNCH PRICES

2012 - 2013

STUDENT PRICES

BREAKFAST

	<u>FULL PRICE</u>	<u>REDUCED PRICE</u>
Elementary	1.00	.30
Middle	1.10	.30
High	1.10	.30

LUNCH

	<u>FULL PRICE</u>	<u>REDUCED PRICE</u>
Elementary	1.90	.40
Middle	2.00	.40
High	2.00	.40

ADULT & VISITOR PRICES

	<u>TEACHERS</u>	<u>VISITORS (Adult)</u>	<u>VISITORS (Child)</u>
Breakfast	1.65	2.65	1.50
Lunch	3.25	4.25	3.00
Milk	.60		
OJ	.40		



Soft drink and snack machines are provided for students in the commons area. All soft drinks and snacks are to be eaten in the commons area at lunch and at break. **DRINKS OR CONTAINERS ARE NOT TO BE TAKEN INTO HALLWAYS OR CLASSROOMS IN THE MOBILES, 100, 200, 300, 500 HALLS, OR WEST WING FOR ANY REASON. WATER IS ACCEPTABLE AT TEACHER'S DISCRETION.**

A CHANGE MACHINE IS PROVIDED THAT WILL CHANGE \$5, \$10. **Drinks and snacks are not allowed outside of the commons area at any time which includes after school.**

GUIDANCE SERVICES

Student schedules are planned carefully with the input of the student, parent, and guidance counselor. Course selections from the student help to create the schedule of classes for that student. Requests for schedule changes should be filled out on the request form available in guidance or the main office and must be turned in to Dr. Willard for approval **within the first 5 days of the semester**. Reasons for schedule changes should be one of those stated on the request form. If your request is approved for change, guidance will notify you with a new schedule to follow.

All students are required to take and pass the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT) to earn a high school diploma. The first test offering (writing) is the fall of the junior (11th grade) year, with the core area tests in the spring. Students will have a total of five opportunities to take and pass the GHS GT before the end of the 12th grade. A student may also continue taking the exam even after leaving high school. All areas (English/Language Arts, math science, social studies, and writing) must be passed to receive a high school diploma. Once an area is passed, the student will not have to retake the test for that area. Students should register for GHS GT retest in guidance as soon as it is determined that he/she has not passed any portion of the GHS GT.

WITHDRAWAL OR TRANSFER FROM SCHOOL

Any student who plans to leave LFO at any time before the end of the school year should report to the guidance office with the custodial parent/guardian to authorize the transfer or withdrawal. The student will be given a checkout form that is to be signed by all of his teachers. All school property and books are to be returned to the persons who issued them. All obligations and fines are to be paid. The completed checkout form is to be returned to the guidance office.

GRADUATION INFORMATION

Students graduating from Catoosa County are required to take a minimum of eight (8) semesters during grades 9-12, not counting summer school. No student may take more than eight (8) Carnegie units during the regular school year without school administrators' approval. A minimum of at least one and one-half Carnegie units must be given by a Catoosa County High School for graduation. A minimum of 28 credits total must be earned. All students must clear up any fees and fines owed and shall have completed all requirements for graduation prior to their participation in graduation exercises.

MEDIA SERVICES

The Media Center contains written and electronic collections of resource materials that relate to all subject areas as well as reading materials covering a wide range of interests.

- The media center is open and a media specialist is available to assist you between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily.

- Students on a pass from a teacher should be coming to the center to do research for that teacher's class only. Students report directly to the center and sign in at the circulation desk immediately and have the pass signed and time noted.
- No passes are issued from the media center to anywhere else in the school. Likewise, students are not to use their passes to the media center to go to other school locations.
- Students wishing to do research during lunch should have a note indicating the research and signed by their teacher.
- Books and resource materials may be checked out for a period of two weeks and may be renewed only once.
- Reference books may be checked out for overnight only. They are due back by 8 a.m. the following day.
- No more than four (4) items may be checked out at one time.
- Magazines, newspapers, encyclopedias and microfiche must be used in the center.
- Students are notified each week concerning overdue materials.
- After a two-week grace period, a student is notified that he must pay for the materials if lost or pay a \$2.00 overdue fine when the materials are returned.
- Students are responsible for payment of damages, fines, or replacement costs for materials that they have checked out, including a \$1.00 processing fee.
- Students should not check out materials for another student.
- Removal or vandalism of circulation security features will result in a \$1.00 fine and may include other disciplinary measures.

RENAISSANCE

We are proud to be a Renaissance school. The mission of Renaissance is to create a "renaissance" (rebirth) in education to promote and recognize academic achievement and citizenship. Renaissance is for both students and faculty members.

Students may obtain different cards with each card entitling the cardholder to different degrees of privileges.

GOLD – All A's **SILVER** – A's and B's **BRONZE** – Nothing below a C

Students may not obtain a card if they have had any ISS or OSS for discipline the previous semester. **Students who have more than 5 unexcused absences will not be eligible to receive a card beginning this school year.**

Cardholders receive discounts from area merchants, extended lunches, and various "surprise" benefits. Cardholders are also eligible for prizes given by drawings during Renaissance week.

Every student has the ability to obtain a card. Cards are awarded once each semester based on the previous semester's grades, behavior, and attendance.

All students are encouraged to be a part of "Renaissance" and enjoy the benefits of being a cardholder.

Gold card days count as school-related and may not be taken during exam weeks. Gold card days must have prior administrative approval and will be counted as school related days. Students must notify their teachers and attendance clerk prior to taking their Gold card day.

ACADEMIC LETTERS

See Academic Sponsors for criteria.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR PARTICIPATION /ATHLETICS

In order to participate in athletics and compete with other academic institutions in specified extra curricular activities during any semester, students must be currently enrolled in four credit classes, have passed three (3) subjects the preceding semester and be on track for graduation.

I understand that drugs and alcohol are harmful, and that all athletes in Catoosa County Schools are subject to drug/alcohol testing in accordance with Catoosa County Board of Education drug testing policy.

I recognize that the use of tobacco products is a major health risk and is prohibited by school policy; therefore, I agree not to use or possess tobacco products at any time during the school year.

I agree to dress tastefully and conservatively at all times because I represent my school to others. I know that all school rules are in effect during athletic practices and contests, but I also understand that there are additional **SPECIAL RULES** that are given by the coaching staff to make our team stronger. Infractions of these rules will become a part of the student's discipline record.

THESE SPECIAL RULES ARE:

DRUG/ALCOHOL

Possession or use of drugs or alcohol:

1st Violation: Minimum suspension of 20% of the regular season games. Before participation in another game, the student must submit a comprehensive drug test, at family's expense, that would indicate the presence and level of concentration of a full panel of drugs. This drug test should be negative of the presence of drugs, or in the case of marijuana, should reveal a declining concentration of the substance.

2nd Violation: Dismissal from the athletic program for a calendar year.

3rd Violation: Dismissal from participation in athletics permanently in Catoosa County.

Off Season violation of school drug/alcohol policy will be punished in the next season of participation.

Drug/alcohol offenses are cumulative throughout a student's high school career.

All student drug and tobacco offenses should also be punishable under the Catoosa County Student Code of Conduct.

SCHOOL CONDUCT

Player assigned to In-School Suspension: Definition: ISS begins the first day served. On the last day of ISS the suspension ends at 3:30

1st Assignment: Minimum 1 game suspension. Middle School students will be suspended a max. of 1 game.

2nd Assignment: Minimum 3 games suspension. Middle School students will be suspended a max. of 1 game.

*Each additional assignment at the discretion of the school administration with the minimum described above.

Player assigned to Out-of-School Suspension:

1st Assignment: Minimum Suspension of 20% of the regular season games.

2nd Assignment: Dismissal from the athletic program for a calendar year.

*Students are allowed to practice while in ISS but cannot attend or participate in a game.

*Suspensions for games due to ISS/OSS are applicable only during the season.

TEAM CONDUCT

Unsportsmanlike behavior:

1st Offense: Extra running

2nd Offense: Punishment at coach's discretion.

Note: Any athlete ejected from a game is automatically suspended for the next 2 games by G.H.S.A.

3rd Offense: Dismissal from the athletic program the remainder of the school year.

Note: Catoosa County School Board Policy does not allow any student to participate on any day he/she is tardy to school or absent from school unless approved by an administrator.

ATHLETIC FEE

A \$50.00 mandatory County Athletic Fee, which includes one physical one drug test and Erlanger Trainer Fee. Physicals are given every April and are good for one complete year.

According to Board Policy, students who have an unexcused tardy to school or absent from school may not participate in a game or practice held that afternoon or evening in the following extra-curricular areas.

Football	Baseball
Basketball	Wrestling
Volleyball	Cheerleading
Cross Country	Debate
Track	Literary Events
Fast Pitch Softball	Academic Bowl
Golf	One-Act Play
Rifle Team	Band
Soccer	Drill Team
Tennis	Chorus

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Students are encouraged to join and actively participate in activities offered by one of the following clubs and organizations. Their purpose is to develop individual and collective leadership, instill the spirit of service, and to promote and aid the best interests of the school and community.

ACADEMIC- Lisa Beck, Sponsor

ART CLUB-Wendy Morgan, Sponsor

BETA CLUB – Kelley Zipp, Susan Bradley, Brad Langford. Members must be juniors with at least one semester at LFO, GPA of 3.495 or above, good conduct and attendance record, and approval from administration.

GCSA-Ron Hickey, Sponsor. Members must be enrolled in CCAE.

DECA-Dewayne Watkins, Sponsor, must be enrolled in Marketing Class.

FBLA-Myra Purcell, Sponsor. Members must participate in fund-raising activities, attend two business meetings, participate in two service projects and attend one social event.

FCA – Lisa Rogers, Jerry Jones

FFA – Nelson McCracken, Sponsor. Must be enrolled in agriculture program.

FCCLA – Chef Brown, Diane Stichler Sponsor.

FREE- Amanda Atkins, Sponsor.

KEY CLUB –Laura Cole, Sponsor. Must apply for membership.

MOCK TRIAL TEAM-Kelley Zipp, Sponsor

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY – Jessica Blevins & Tom Lord, Sponsors.

Members must be second semester juniors and seniors with a 3.3 GPA who have completed activity sheets and are evaluated by the faculty.

NEWS PAPER-Brigitte Cash, Sponsor

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB-Wendy Morgan

RESPECT – Diane Stichler, Traci McCracken - application required.

SGA-Susan Bradley, Donnie Welborn, Kelley Zipp, Sponsor.

Members must be elected by their class at the end of each school year.

SKILLS USA –Bo Campbell Lead Sponsor, Rich Cash, Co-Sponsor. All Technology/Career instructors assist. Eligible if in any Technology/Career class

Y-CLUB – Jonathon Schneider, Sponsor. A Christian service organization. Meetings are the first Tuesday morning of each month.

YEARBOOK – Brigitte Cash, Sponsor.

AFTER-HOURS ACTIVITIES

There are many after-hours school activities. Students are reminded that the same rules, regulations, and discipline apply while in attendance at these activities. For the safety of students, all students attending any night activity (dances, athletic events, etc.) must leave or be picked up within 30 minutes after the end of the activity or they will be transported to the Fort Oglethorpe City Hall to be picked up by a parent/guardian. Only LFO students may attend dances.

HOMECOMING COURT AND CLASS/SGA OFFICER CRITERIA

Candidates for homecoming queen, class representatives and ultimate warrior/Class Favorites must meet the following criteria:

No OSS for discipline during grades 9-12.

No more than 1 ISS for discipline during grades 9-12.

- Minimum GPA of 2.5.
- No cheating/plagiarism offenses for grades 9-12.
- No drug/alcohol violations during grades 9-12.
- No felony convictions.
- On track for graduation.
- Pass 3 of 4 classes the preceding block semester and currently passing all classes.
- Transfer students: verification of criteria above from previous school

Candidates who violate any of the above policies or demonstrate questionable behavior after being selected may be removed from the court/OFFICE.

THE VICE PRESIDENT OF EACH CLASS WILL AUTOMATICALLY SERVE ON SGA.

MR. /MISS LFO AND COURT CRITERIA

Candidates for Mr. and Miss LFO must meet the following criteria:

- No OSS for discipline during grades 9-12.
- No more than 1 ISS for discipline during grades 9-11.
- No ISS, OSS during senior year.
- Minimum GPA of 2.5.
- No cheating/plagiarism offenses for grades 9-12.
- No drug/alcohol violations during grades 9-12.
- No felony convictions.
- On track for graduation.
- Pass all classes the preceding block semester and a current passing grade.
- Transfer students: verification of criteria above from previous school

Be involved in school activities through leadership in or active participation in extracurricular activities

Candidates who violate any of the above policies or demonstrate questionable behavior after being selected may be removed from the court.

SCHOOL INSURANCE

Accident insurance is available to students for a reasonable premium. This covers students while they are at school or while they are participating in school activities. Another policy providing 24-hour coverage is also available.

In the event of an accident, claim forms may be secured from the main office. The school will complete its part of the claim and return it to the student for the parent's signature. The claim then becomes the responsibility of the insurance company. The school assumes no responsibility for accidents.

FIRE/DISASTER DRILL

The signal for fire will be the continued sounding of the fire alarm buzzer. A fire exit map is posted in all rooms. Teachers will explain fire drill procedures.

Entire class should remain together and students should remain silent. Students are to group in the area designated by the teacher for checking of roll. All students should consider the fire drill an important safety measure and should carry it out seriously, swiftly and effectively.

EXTENDED DRILL

An extended drill will be dismissed by intercom, and when possible, instructions will be given. It is important that students take all personal belongings with them in the classroom and report to the area away from the building that has been designated by the teacher, where roll will be taken. Students are not to stop by lockers, but are to remain with their class and teacher throughout the drill. If a student is out of the room and not with his/her class at the time of the drill (restroom, media center office, etc.), he/she should report to the nearest teacher, make sure he/she takes their name, and join his/her group for the entire drill. **DO NOT USE ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING AN EXTENDED DRILL. THEY SHOULD BE TURNED OFF IMMEDIATELY AND REMAIN OFF UNTIL CLEARED FOR USE BY EMERGENCY PERSONNEL.**

TORNADO PROCEDURES

The signal for the tornado drill will be the repeated sounding the class change tone. Students should move quickly and quietly to their shelter, which will be explained by the teachers. Tornado exit maps are posted in each classroom. Students should remain silent, kneel facing the wall, bend and cover his/her head

P.T.S.O.

A primary source of support for LFO comes from our parent-teacher-student organization. This organization is especially interested in the welfare of the students in the community and strives to help in any way possible. All students are urged to join and to ask their parents to join and attend meetings. Meeting times and dates will be announced.

DRESS CODE

All school attire shall be worn appropriately and must be gender appropriate. All pants, jeans, shorts, and other school attire should be pulled up to the student's waist and not drooping below the beltline area, as to cause a distraction or safety hazard. Shirts and blouses should be worn to cover the midriff at all times and no inappropriate writing or pictures are allowed on any item of clothing.

THE FOLLOWING WILL BE PERMITTED:

Shirts and Tops: Young ladies blouses/tops must have a modest neckline and be long enough to cover the midriff **AT ALL TIMES.** All sleeveless shirts must completely cover the top of the shoulder.

Pants: Acceptable pants are REGULAR FITTING dress pants, khakis style cotton twills), and denim pants. All pants must be pulled up to waist level, with the belt line visible, not drooping below the belt line area as to cause a distraction or danger to the student, and should be worn with a belt.

Dress/Skirts/Shorts: Should be knee-length and worn appropriately. Dresses should have a modest neckline and be appropriate for a school setting.

Outerwear: The length of outerwear must meet the fingertip rule. (General rule: the length of the garment must not exceed the length of arms extended beside the body). Jackets, pullovers, and sweatshirts will be permitted at the above-mentioned length, unless notice is given to students before it is prohibited.

IRRESPECTIVE OF ANY LANGUAGE IN THE POLICY, THE FOLLOWING WILL NOT BE PERMITTED UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY AN ADMINISTRATOR.

Hair, clothing, patches, or other items that display symbolize or are identified with gangs, gang membership, or cults.

- A. Example: Gang related symbols such as, but not limited to, "flaming cross", swastikas, forks, KKK, UNLV, skulls, and crossbones.
- B. In the event of new symbols identified or related to gang(s) or gang conduct, then the student will be given notice that it will be prohibited. No actual disruption need occur prior to prohibiting display or wearing of the symbol(s) if the symbol has the potential to create the disruption.
- C. In All circumstances the intent to protect the instructional environment will be primary. A student and parents may request a conference with the school administrator if there is a disagreement as to whether the item may be displayed or worn.

Hair, clothing, patches or other items that display the advocating of illegal activities, words, colors, or scenes that are substantially likely to cause disruption, including but not limited to clothes with patches, hair or other items containing or displaying any of the following:

- a.)Example: Hair must be of a natural hair color (i.e. brown, black, gray, red, blonde or white) without unnatural hair color, in spikes, geometric lettering or designs that would be a disruption to the learning environment. (i.e. Mohawks, partially shaved heads)

- b.)Racial slurs or sexually suggestive comments
- c.)Cursing, vulgar or other inappropriate language, whether by word lettering, or innuendo (Ex: “SOB”).

Holes, cuts or frays, or tears in clothing, except that caused by normal wear at school on the same day that the holes are present

Nose jewelry, tongue jewelry or body piercing that includes excessive ear piercing (more than 3 is considered excessive).

Jewelry that dangles so as to create a safety hazard to the wearer or could be used as a weapon.

Hats, toboggans, headbands, skullcaps, and bandannas. No headwear is allowed in the school building. (except those worn in sports, dramatic or theatrical presentations which are a part of a school or class-sponsored activity.)

Tank or tube tops, muscle shirts, sleeveless shirts or other clothing which exposes the skin to such an extent that such exposure may cause disruption to a learning environment.

Clinging clothing, such as biker’s pants or unitards – unless covered by other appropriately worn outerwear as described in Section B of the policy.

Short shorts. Shorts should be knee-length.

Sunglasses inside the building.

See-through (mesh) shirts, or sheer clothes.

Clothing that represents:

- a) Illegal drug, alcohol and other contraband.
- b) Tobacco
- c) Suicide
- d) Death
- e) Gangs or symbols related to, or identified with, gangs.

Oversized clothing of any type, to include but not limited to wide leg and/or sagging pants oversized shirts, or other garments that may be determined could conceal dangerous articles or items, are not permitted and may result in the student being removed from the school environment until proper clothing is worn.

Pajama or pajama type pants.

Furthermore, other articles of clothing or style of grooming substantially likely to be disruptive to the instructional program, including all school extracurricular activities (ie. prom) or to the school’s orderly environment and safety are prohibited. Proper footwear shall also be worn made of materials that promote safety of movement in and around the school.

If circumstances arise which would require an exception to this dress code, a student or parent must request a conference with the school administration for a determination to be made BEFORE the item is worn to school.

An administrator will make the decision to determine if the clothing or article is appropriate. If the particular school circumstances (for example, peculiar activities at a school, problems particularly associated with a school, very young age students at a school, or issues particularly associated with a student or group of students) warrant deviations from this policy, the principal of such school may add to or delete from the specific requirements of this policy to meet the extenuating circumstances.

GYM RULES

1. LFO IS A TOBACCO FREE FACILITY (State Law)
2. There will be **No Entering or Exiting** through the **Back Doors** of the Gym. This will wear the floor out as well as make the side area look like a sidewalk.
3. **Absolutely no food or drinks** in the Gym. When teams practice you should leave your drinks and food in the little areas beside the steps going upstairs.
4. **No chewing gum** on the Gym Floor.
5. Shoes must be **clean** and be **tennis shoes with rubber soles.**
6. The floor should be **swept after each use.**
7. When students play outside or practice outside, they should be monitored so that when they return back into the gym discretion should be used on what goes on the floor after they come back in. We will have mats so shoes can be brushed off.
8. The floor should not be hit with sticks, baseballs, softballs, Etc
9. Any use of the Gym other than practices that are not regularly scheduled should be approved through the Athletic Director. In many instances the floor may have to be covered with the cover that we have to protect the floor.
10. The stage also has been refinished. **No one should** drag materials across it. Materials must be lifted off the floor, and not scooted. Do not leave stuff on the floor. There should be no food or drinks on the stage. The curtains are to remain closed at all time.

SMOKING

LFO IS A TOBACCO FREE FACILITY (State law). Students, parents, or visitors may not smoke while on campus or at any athletic facilities, including spectator seating and standing areas and areas outside the gates, school or gym doors at any time. Students may not smoke in cars or anywhere on the school campus. See county code of conduct for penalties. **SCHOOL BOARD POLICY PROHIBITS THE USE OF ALL TOBACCO PRODUCTS EVERYWHERE, BY EVERYONE, 24 HOURS PER DAY, 7 DAYS PER WEK. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.**

SPORTS EQUITY COORDINATOR

State law prohibits discrimination based on gender in athletic programs of local school systems (Equity in Sports Act, O.C.G.A. 20-2-315). Students are hereby notified that Catoosa County Schools do not discriminate on the basis of gender in its athletic programs. The sports equity coordinator for this school system is: Mr.Jack Sims and Susan Wells, P.O. Box 130, Ringgold, Georgia 30736, 965-2297. Inquiries or complaints concerning sports equity in this school system may be submitted to the sports equity coordinator.

WORK BASED LEARNING PROGRAMS AND INTERNSHIPS

All students enrolled in WBL, YAP, Intro to Teaching, or any Career Tech Internships, or Job Shadowing programs are subject to random drug tests at any time. WBL and YAP students must pay a fee for the 1st drug test.

Students participating in these programs represent LFO High School and student's behavior should be exemplary at all times. Anything but exemplary behavior could result in immediate dismissal or removal from the program without credit.

CATOOSA COUNTY GRADING SCALE

A = 90 - 100
 B = 80 – 89
 C = 74 – 79
 D = 70 – 73
 F = Below 70

2012 – 2013 **Testing** Calendar

<i>Dates</i>	<i>Test</i>	<i>Grade(s)</i>
September 4 – March 29	GAA	All
September 10 -14	GHS GT	HS
September 17 – 28	EOCT Mid Month/ Retest	HS
October 3	GHS WT	HS
October 4	GHS WT make up	HS
October 15 – 26	EOCT Mid Month/Retest	HS
Nov 5 – 9	GHS GT	HS
Nov 5 – 16	EOCT Mid Month/Retest	HS
January 8 – 11	EOCT	HS
January 14 – 25	EOCT Mid Month/Retest	HS
January 22 – March 5	ACCESS	ALL
January 23	Grade 8 Writing Assessment	8
January 24	Grade 8 Writing Assessment make-up	8
January 28 – March 8	NAEP	TBD
February 4 – 15	EOCT Mid Month/Retest	HS
February 27	GHS WT	HS
February 28	GHS WT make-up	HS
March 4 – 15	EOCT Mid Month/Retest	HS
March 6	Grade 5 Writing Assessment	5
March 7	Grade 5 Writing Assessment make-up	5
March 18 – 29	Grade 3 Writing Assessment	3
March 18 – 22	GHS GT	HS
April 23 – May 3	CRCT	1-8
April 23 – 29	CRCT-M	1-8
May 10	GKIDS Information Due	K
May 13 – 17	EOCT	HS
May 29 – June 4	CRCT Retest	8
May 29 – June 3	CRCT-M Retest	8
June 3 – 7	CRCT Retest	3,5
June 3 – 6	CRCT-M Retest	3,5
July 17	GHS WT	HS
July 15 – 19	GHS GT	HS
July 15- 19	EOCT	HS

Lakeview Fort Oglethorpe
High School
2012 -2013
Bell Schedule 3 Lunches

7:45 First Bell

*8:00 – 9:38 First Block

9:38 – 9:43 Class Change

*9:43 – 11:21 Second Block

11:21 – 11:26 Class Change

*11:26 – 1:38 Third Block

- 11:26 – 11:56* 1ST Lunch
- 11:56 – 12:00* Hall Time
- *12:16 – 12:46* 2ND Lunch
- 12:46 – 12:50 Hall Time
- *1:04 – 1:08 Hall Time
- 1:08 – 1:38 3rd Lunch

1:38 – 1:43 Class Change

*1:43 – 3:21 Fourth Block

Lakeview-Fort Oglethorpe High School

NAME OF STUDENT_____

DATE_____

This handbook was developed to communicate important information to students and parents regarding the rules and procedures of Lakeview-Fort Oglethorpe High School. We ask that you read it and thoroughly discuss the contents with your child.

I have read and understand the LFO Handbook

Signature of parent/guardian_____

Signature of student_____

Date_____

**RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR FIRST BLOCK
TEACHER BY SEPTEMBER 14, 2012.**

**FIRST BLOCK TEACHERS ALPHABETIZE THESE
SIGNED FORMS AND TURN THEM IN TO THE
ATTENDANCE OFFICE.**

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CLASS OF 2013-2016

AREAS OF STUDY	REQUIREMENTS
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS	4 UNITS 1 UNIT MUST BE IN 9 TH GRADE LIT/COMP AND 1 UNIT MUST BE IN AMERICAN LITERATURE
MATHEMATICS	4 UNITS – MUST INCLUDE MATHEMATICS I,II, III OR THEIR EQUIVALENT
SCIENCE	4 UNITS – MUST INCLUDE 1 UNIT IN BIOLOGY I, 1 UNIT OF PHYSICAL SCIENCE OR PHYSICS, 1 UNIT OF CHEMISTRY, EARTH SYSTEMS, ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE OR AN AP/IB COURSE, AND ONE ADDITIONAL SCIENCE UNIT*
SOCIAL STUDIES	4 UNITS - 1 UNIT EACH OF AMERICAN GOVERNMENT, WORLD HISTORY, US HISTORY AND ECONOMICS
CAREER TECHNICAL AND AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION (CTAE), AND/OR FOREIGN LANGUAGE, OR FINE ARTS	AT LEAST 3 UNITS – STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SELECT COURSES IN FOCUSED AREA OF INTEREST**
HEALTH/ PERSONAL FITNESS	1 UNIT (0.5 IN PERSONAL FITNESS, 0.5 IN HEALTH) 3 UNITS OF JROTC MAY BE USED TO SATISFY THIS REQUIREMENT
FOREIGN LANGUAGE	HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA STUDENTS PLANNING TO ATTEND UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA MUST HAVE 2 UNITS OF THE SAME LANGUAGE
COMPUTER APPLICATIONS	1 UNIT MAY COUNT AS ONE OF THE CTAE UNITS
ELECTIVES OR CAREER PATHWAY CREDITS	7 UNITS
TOTAL UNITS REQUIRED***	28

*Students should consult with their advisor or counselor for more information on the fourth science requirement. **Students may earn three units of credit in a coherent sequence of CTAE courses through a self-selected pathway leading to college readiness and a career readiness certificate endorsed by related industries. ***Beginning with the class of 2007, Board policy states that to be considered for graduation with distinction, a student must have taken at least 6 Honors/AP Courses and have a cumulative GPA in the core classes of 90 or higher (the HOPE Scholarship courses are the core classes).

Graduation Requirements**CATOOSA COUNTY SCHOOLS**

All potential graduates must complete a minimum of 8 semesters of coursework, pass the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHSWT) and earn a minimum of 28 credits including the courses required by State and local school board. The classes of 2013 and 2014 must pass one each End Of Course Test (EOCT) of the four content areas or pass the corresponding subject test of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT). The classes of 2015 and 2016 must take one each EOCT of the four content areas which will count as 20% of the final exam in the content area.

Local school board requirements to graduate include the following:

1 Credit in Computer Applications.

Community Service opportunities outside of school hours may also be pursued for a credit. To earn a credit 135 hours of documented/verified service must be completed. If 200 hours or more are earned, the student will qualify to wear an honor cord at graduation.

Students may earn 3 units in a coherent sequence of Career Technical Agricultural Education (CTAE) courses through a self-elected pathway leading to college readiness certificate endorsed by related industries.

Beginning with the class of 2007, Board Policy states that to be considered for graduation with distinction, a student must have taken at least 6 Honors/AP Courses and have a cumulative GPA in the core classes of 90 or higher (the HOPE Scholarship courses are the core classes).

Students are NOT promoted until the end of the 2nd semester of the school year.

Students will not be moved to a higher classification during the school year. In order to be promoted to the next grade, students must earn the following credits:

10th Grade Credits must total 6

11th Grade Credits must total 12


12th Grade Credits must total 20


Total Required Credits to Graduate 28


Further details on all graduation requirements may be obtained through the guidance counselors.

CATOOSA COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM
SCHOOL CALENDAR
2012-2013

NO SCHOOL OR
HOLIDAY


IN-SERVICE
TEACHERS ONLY


END OF 9 WEEKS


1st Day of School


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