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RULES AND REGULATIONS

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> All test papers must be signed by a parent or guardian and returned the next school day. Your signature serves as verification that you have seen the form—please do not refuse to sign because the school must have confirmation that you are aware of what the student is or is not doing on a daily basis. All Progress Reports and Report Cards must be signed and returned within three school days. Current immunization records or any other pertinent medical information, educational, psychological, or medical evaluation must be submitted before the beginning of the school year, and school must be kept apprised of any new information. Children are to arrive at school between 8:00 and 8:30 A.M. (unless the child is brought to before-school care, which begins at 6:30 A.M.). Parents are <u>not</u> to bring children to the classroom. Any student arriving after the 8:30 A.M. bell is tardy. Tardy students must receive a tardy slip from the office before they report to class. Tardy students will be excused with an original dated and signed doctor's excuse. Hardback textbooks must be covered at all times. Proper-fitting book covers (no cloth covers) are to be used. Parents must write a note upon the student's return to school after an absence. An absence of three days or more requires a note from the doctor. Students absent from school will receive assignments on Canvas. Excessive absenteeism (more than ten days per school year as per Louisiana state policy) may result in the student repeating a grade. A student's medical condition may warrant exception as determined by the principal. A medical affidavit will exonerate a pupil from Physical Education. Running is allowed <u>only</u> during the <u>Physical Education</u> period. All students must perform their <u>own</u> preparation for class—only with the principal's permission will parental intervention be condoned. Questions in reference to a student's academic or disciplinary format must first be directed to the teacher or teachers in question. Do not direct a question to administration without first addressing the student's teacher. There is to be no gum or gum chewing on school property. Any deviation from the normal routine for dismissal must be made in writing and directed to the teacher's attention. The teacher will notify the office of the dismissal change. <u>Parents should not call the office for dismissal changes unless it is an emergency or a doctor's appointment.</u> Early check-outs will be recorded on students' report cards and permanent transcripts. There will be no classroom parties in the upper elementary—the one exception being Christmas. Both lower and upper elementary students can celebrate their birthdays in school at lunchtime with cupcakes or individual treats sent to their homeroom that morning. No full cakes should be sent to school. Animals and toys are not to be brought to school. Students may not have electronic devices (including cell phones, cameras, iPods, smart watches, etc.) at school. Cell phones brought to school for after-school activities or events verified by parents MUST be turned off and placed in the homeroom Cell Phone Containers in labeled plastic bags upon arrival. Students will be allowed to obtain their cell phones after school when they leave. Inasmuch as Internet access is unavailable to the students at school, parents are fully responsible for any Internet issues involving their children, and Lake Castle School shall not be brought into ANY negative matter involving the Internet, text messaging, e-mailing, posting, or other related communication. Parents are to meet with a teacher during the teacher's off period <u>by appointment only</u>. Parents are not allowed to leave their vehicle unattended while the engine is operating. This is a serious danger with children on campus. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> THE FULL UNIFORM, INCLUDING PROPER SHOES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS, MUST BE WORN BY EVERYONE EVERY SCHOOL DAY (follow the LAKE CASTLE SCHOOL UNIFORM RULES). <u>Boys' hair must be short—no hair over ears, eyebrows, or shirt collar.</u> Boys' hair must have a gradual tapering. Boys' and girls' hair must be <u>their natural color and their natural hair</u>. Students attending Lake Castle must adhere to the rules. THIS ALSO APPLIES TO ANY HAIR STYLE VIOLATING THE SPIRIT OF THE RULE - ONE SIDE LONGER THAN THE OTHER, ABRUPT CHANGES IN HAIR LENGTH, USE OF HAIR LIGHTENING OR COLOR PRODUCTS, ETC. NO HAIR GEL. No excessive or large accessories, headbands, or bows (larger than five inches) may be worn. Only Lake Castle school colors may be worn. Holiday or eighth grader exceptions may be announced. Fingernails must be natural and short. Sculptured nails and fingernail polish are not allowed. No student may be dropped off for any school function (ex. Fun Fest, athletic events, chess tournaments, etc.) and remain unsupervised. A parent MUST accompany the student at any school function. This rule does not include students who are participating in an after-school activity and are being coached or moderated by designated adults. This rule DOES include spectators and siblings of participants. More than three detentions per Progress Report period will result in a parent/principal or parent/assistant principal conference. At the principal's discretion, the student may be suspended (parent shall immediately pick up the student from school and the student is not allowed to return to school until a time designated by the principal), or permanently dismissed (parent shall immediately pick up the student from school and the student is not allowed to return to school) from Lake Castle. After-school detentions take place in the after-care room. They may last until 4 PM, 5 PM, or 6 PM. Before-school detentions take place in the study hall room. They begin promptly at 7 AM and last until 8 AM. Any student who is late for a before-school detention must serve another one the following day. Students may be given detentions for the following reasons: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Misbehavior Incomplete homework or no homework Tardy three or more times in one quarter Doubled after-care charges will apply for detention time. Acts of aggression will not be tolerated. Only emergency calls will be delivered to students. Students may not call from school for books and assignments. Any and all medications (either prescription or over-the-counter, including throat lozenges, cough drops, eye drops, etc.) must be brought to the office or teacher BY THE PARENT and never at any time is the medication to be in the child's possession. A "Request for Administering Medication at School and Release from Liability" form (completed and signed) must accompany ANY medication (this form can be obtained from the school office). Student's pictures and name may be published, and Lake Castle may use your child's picture or name on the Lake Castle website unless a refusal form (which may be obtained in the office) is completed by the parent/guardian. <p>FINAL DECISIONS ON ANY DISCIPLINE QUESTIONS OR ANY SCHOOL MATTERS, INCLUDING THE ABOVE RULES AND REGULATIONS, WILL BE AT THE PRINCIPAL'S DISCRETION.</p>
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SCHOOL UNIFORMS 2025-2026 Uniforms may be procured at the following stores:	Bayeux School Uniforms 604-A Robert Blvd. Slidell, LA 726-7269	School Time 12 St. Ann Drive Mandeville, LA 626-7335
	Shoe Carnival 69330 LA 21 Covington, LA 70433 893-0112	Embroidery: <i>School Time, Bayeux, and Southern Blues</i> 2136 Front St. Slidell, LA 643-1626

Orders should be placed as soon as possible to insure delivery on time. The FULL school uniform must be worn from day one through the last day of school. **NO STUDENT WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THE FULL UNIFORM.** Failure to adhere to full uniform requirement will result in disciplinary action. Scouts are the only exception.

Boys' FULL UNIFORM consists of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SHOES: Regular black oxford shoes or <u>solid black leather</u> tennis shoes—no high tops, no writing; lace up (ONLY Pre-K and K students may wear Velcro-tie shoes). 2. SOCKS: White crew socks. No ankle socks. 3. PANTS: Navy blue long pants—cannot be baggy cut and should maintain their navy blue color. No Dockers. Pants must be worn at the natural waist. 4. SHORTS: Pre-K through 3rd grade may wear knee length navy blue uniform shorts on warm weather days (except on days when the class picture is taken). 5. BELT: Black or navy blue belt; must be visible. 6. SHIRT: Official Lake Castle shirt with school logo. <u>SOLID WHITE</u> t-shirt may be worn under the uniform shirt. On cold weather days, a solid white long sleeve shirt may be worn under the uniform shirt. 7. OVERWEAR: Overwear (sweatshirts or sweaters) can be worn <u>in class</u> and can only be SOLID (no writing or pictures) navy blue or white, or navy blue with Lake Castle school logo. No other colors allowed. 8. COAT/JACKET: A coat or jacket can be worn to/from school. No jean (denim) jackets, no Starter jackets, no playground or other school jackets are to be worn. Color not restricted. 9. LAKE CASTLE team/club sweatshirts and/or jackets may be worn by the team/club member only. 10. JEWELRY: Boys are not allowed to wear jewelry except for a watch and a small religious medal. School club pins may be worn. 	Girls' FULL UNIFORM consists of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SHOES: Either a solid navy blue oxford (tie-up) or standard blue and white or black and white oxford. They may be purchased at any shoe store as well as those aforementioned. (ONLY Pre-K and K students may wear Velcro-tie shoes). 2. SOCKS: White crew socks. No ankle socks. Cold weather ONLY—white or navy blue stockings or tights (no sweatpants or leggings) with socks. <u>Exception:</u> Pre-K/K may wear navy blue leggings. 3. SKIRT: Knee length plaid skirt for 4th through 8th grade. 4. JUMPER: Knee length plaid jumper for Pre-K through 3rd grade. 5. SHORTS/PANTS: Pre-K through 3rd grade may wear knee length plaid uniform shorts on warm weather days (except on days when the class picture is taken), or plaid uniform pants on cooler days. 6. BLOUSE/SHIRT: White pique polo or white blouse—pointed collar or round collar acceptable; no gathered, puffed sleeves. The school logo must be on the shirt or blouse (these may be embroidered on the front left of the blouse from the uniform supplier). All t-shirts and undergarments worn under the uniform shirt must be white. On cold weather days, a solid white long sleeve shirt may be worn under the uniform shirt. 7. OVERWEAR: Overwear (sweatshirts or sweaters) can be worn <u>in class</u> and can only be SOLID (no writing or pictures) navy blue or white, or navy blue with Lake Castle school logo. No other colors allowed. 8. COAT/JACKET: A coat or jacket can be worn to/from school. No jean (denim) jackets or other playground jackets are to be worn. Color not restricted. 9. LAKE CASTLE team/club sweatshirts and/or jackets may be worn by the team/club member only. 10. JEWELRY: Earrings cannot be larger than the earlobe or dangling. The earrings must be studs—no loops. Only one pair of earrings may be worn at a time. “Smart watches” are not allowed. Only one watch, one ring that is not showy or gaudy, one appropriate bracelet, and a small religious medal may be worn. School club pins may be worn. No other jewelry may be worn. 11. MAKEUP/POLISH: Absolutely NO MAKEUP OR FINGERNAIL POLISH allowed.
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Fingernails shall be short, natural (no polish), and well-groomed. Absolutely no hair dyeing allowed (including SUN-IN).
FINAL DECISIONS ON ANY UNIFORM OR APPEARANCE QUESTIONS WILL BE AT THE PRINCIPAL'S DISCRETION.

Procedure for Administering Medication at School

It is our foremost recommendation that any medication be administered by a parent at home, or that a parent comes to school to administer medication to his/her child. In extraordinary circumstances, medication may need to be administered at school. In that case, our procedure is as follows:

1. No medication shall be administered without an order from a licensed physician, dentist, or other authorized prescriber. The “**Request for Administering Medication at School and Release from Liability**” form shall accompany the order.
2. Our administration will administer ONLY what a parent has brought directly to the office clearly marked with the child's name and specific instructions. These instructions are to be distinctly set forth on the school's “**Request for Administering Medication at School and Release from Liability**” form, which is to be completed, signed, and dated by the parent or guardian of the child, and by the child's physician. This form can be obtained from the school office. **No over-the-counter medication will be administered by the office without a physician's specific authorization set forth on the form.**
3. At NO time shall any child be allowed to have in his/her possession ANY medication whatsoever. This includes throat lozenges, cough drops, eye drops, etc.
4. If a child has any medical condition that arises while at school, such as headache, cramping, earache, itchy skin, etc., the parent will be called and the parent may either pick up the child or come to school to administer the medication.
5. Unless otherwise indicated on the medication form, all medication will be destroyed if it is not picked up within two weeks of the date of the form.