

TIMBERWOLF CODE OF CONDUCT

For the Good of the Pack

Northwood High School students are expected to follow the NHS Code of Conduct at all times in order to best represent themselves, their families, their community, and their school. Students will demonstrate the NHS Core Values of Integrity, Mutual Respect, and Compassion. Institutions of higher learning, scholarships, and internship programs in and outside of IUSD are interested in the academic achievement, extracurricular accomplishments, and personal qualities of their applicants. Any violation of the Code of Conduct may be shared with these groups via the Secondary School Report.

All students sign the Timberwolf Code of Conduct as part of the Data Confirmation process each year.

ATTENDANCE

Northwood High School students attend all classes every day. Regular attendance supports academic and social/emotional growth. Expected attendance expectations are outlined below.

1. Students will be on time for all classes or provide a pass on arrival. Consequences for tardies are outlined in the teachers' course expectations. Excessive tardies may result in referral to the Assistant Principal.
2. Students will attend all classes. All absences must be verified within three days of the absence. One period of detention will be assigned for each period of truancy or an unverified absence. Additional truanancies/unverified absences will result in a referral to the SARB.
3. Students will serve detentions. Unserved detentions will prohibit students from participating in school activities and may result in referral to an assistant principal.
4. Students will remain on campus during the school day unless they have an off campus lunch pass or early dismissal approved through the attendance office. Students will not enter adjacent avocado groves. Failure to attend class will result in the student being marked as a Cut and will result in a detention.
5. Parking lots are off limits during class time and tutorial. Consequences include attendance being marked as a Cut, detentions, and parent notification.
6. Only parents/legal guardians may write notes or phone in absences. Consequences for forged notes or fraudulent phone calls will include detentions, reflection assignments, and parent notification.

ACADEMIC HONESTY (IUSD Administrative Regulation - 5131.9)

Northwood High School students demonstrate honesty, integrity and the ability to produce their own work. Sharing work with other students for submittal can be considered a violation of the academic honesty policy. Faculty encourages and expects students to submit original work that reflects their individual effort and ability. Behavior that can be defined as a violation of the academic honesty policy represents a violation of NHS Core Values. Examples of violating the academic honesty policy include, but are not limited to:

1. Cheating on Tests - Any use of external assistance relating to an examination, test, or quiz without expressed permission of the teacher. This includes looking at another student's paper, sharing answers, possession of materials, copying another student's paper.
2. Fabrication - Any intentional falsification or invention of data, citation, or other authority in an academic exercise.
3. Unauthorized Collaboration - Collaboration on an assignment or assessment between a student and another person, if such collaboration is not expressly directed or permitted by the teacher. This includes copying another student's work, allowing work to be copied or completing assignments for others, giving or "passing" any assignments/assessments to other students for the following year, or receiving any assignments/assessments from other students.

4. Plagiarism - Any representation of another's ideas, words, or work as one's own, including AI generated work. Plagiarism includes the misuse of published material, electronic material, and/or the work of other students. The original writer who intentionally shares his/her paper or assignment for another to copy, without the permission of the teacher, has also engaged in plagiarism.
5. Alteration of Materials - Any intentional and unauthorized alteration of student, teacher, or library instructional or assessment materials. This may include changing answers after the fact.
6. Theft - Any unauthorized taking, concealment, or alteration of student or teacher instructional or assessment materials or equipment, including, but not limited to, the district data network, internet, and other online resources.
7. Transfer or Use of Unauthorized Materials - includes the use of unapproved translation devices, or any giving or selling of unauthorized materials.
8. Digital Citizenship Violations - Per Board Policy: 6163.4 Technology Resources Acceptable Use Policy, students should refrain from using technological resources for violations that involve academic dishonesty. These include using technology to copy, plagiarize, collaborate inappropriately, sending or receiving test questions, accessing another's account, or hacking into computer systems.
9. Artificial Intelligence - The use of any Artificial Intelligence tool or uncited outside resource to complete work without the explicit instruction of your teacher may result in an academic honesty violation. See course syllabi for specific acceptable use policies.

Consequences for violating the academic honesty policy include, but are not limited to, a reflective assignment, meeting with an assistant principal, and potential communication with colleges. See course syllabi for specific remediation opportunities. *If a student engages in egregious Academic Honesty Violations, other consequences will be considered by the Northwood High School Administration.* Please [click here](#) to view the full IUSD Academic Honesty Policy.

STUDENT BEHAVIOR

Northwood High School students act with integrity, compassion, and mutual respect so that the school community is safe and welcoming for all. Expected behaviors are outlined below.

1. Students will follow directions of teachers, campus and adult supervisors, and administration. Consequences include a student conference, a phone call home, and potential referral to an assistant principal.
2. Students will use tutorial time for meeting with teachers, working on class assignments, working on homework, working on group projects or reading. Students are expected to stay in designated tutorial areas. The consequence for not using tutorial time appropriately is a warning. Consequences for repeated offenses include detention, parking privileges being revoked, and referral to an assistant principal.
3. The Education and Administrative Codes of the State of California and the policy of the Board of Education of the Irvine Unified School District permits pupils the right to exercise free expression, except that expression shall be prohibited which is obscene, libelous or slanderous. Also prohibited shall be expressions which so incite students as to create a danger of the commission of unlawful acts, or the violation of school regulations, or the disruption of the orderly operation of the school.
4. Students will not use language that may be considered derogatory, discriminatory, or demeaning. This includes, but is not limited to, race, sexual orientation, religion, and gender identity.
5. All students of the Irvine Unified School District shall attend school and school activities dressed in a manner that is conducive to and promotes a positive learning environment. Appropriate school dress and personal appearance are clean, are not hazardous to student safety, and do not disrupt instruction. To create a safe and appropriate learning environment, students shall not wear any clothing, attire or accessory that by its manner of appearance, arrangement, trademark, fit or any other attribute, is unsafe, disruptive, unhealthful, obscene, profane, ethnically, racially or sexually degrading, libelous or slanderous. Clothing should not expose student undergarments, nor be provocative or revealing, contain sexual innuendos, or advocate unlawful behavior or illegal substances.

6. Students will lock up helmets, skateboards, and bicycles in the areas designated with bicycle and skateboard racks. Skateboards and bicycles are not to be ridden, carried around, or locked anywhere else on school property. The consequence for a first offense is a warning. Consequences for repeated offenses include the parent/guardian to pick up the bike or skateboard and referral to an assistant principal.
7. Students will only park on campus with a valid NHS permit. The consequence for a first offense is a warning. The consequences for a second offense is a car boot and two weeks of revoked parking permit or two detentions (for students without a parking permit) and referral to an assistant principal. The consequences for a third offense is a car boot, \$50 fine, and a revoked permit. Consequences for further offenses include car towing and inability to obtain a future parking permit.
8. Students will only enter campus through authorized access points. Students may not access campus by climbing over/under fences. Students may not enter adjacent avocado groves or surrounding private property.

SUSPENDABLE OFFENSES (IUSD Administrative Regulation - 5144)

Northwood High School students will act in accordance with the California Education Code. The behaviors listed below represent violations of the California Education Code. Consequences could include a one to five day suspension, parent conference with administration, and possible police intervention.

The principal or the principal's designee may suspend a student, including a foster youth, from school or recommend a student, including a foster youth, for expulsion pursuant to Education Code Section 48900 and 48915 if the principal or principal's designee determines that the student has committed any of the following acts:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person; willfully used force or violence upon another person, except in self-defense. A student who aids or abets the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury on another person, as defined in Penal Code 31, may be suspended, but not expelled. However, a student may be suspended or expelled pursuant to Education Code 48900(a) once the student has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider or abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great or serious bodily injury. (Education Code 48900 (a) and (t)) Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object, unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the principal or designee's concurrence. (Education Code 48900(b))
2. Unlawfully possessed, used, sold, or otherwise furnished, or been under the influence of any controlled substance listed in Health and Safety Code 11053-11059, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind. (Education Code 48900(c))
3. Unlawfully offered, arranged or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code 11053-11059, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind, and then either sold, delivered, or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid, substance, or material and represented the liquid, substance, or material as a controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant. (Education Code 48900(d))
4. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion. (Education Code 48900(e))
5. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property. School property includes, but is not limited to, electronic files and databases. (Education Code 48900(f) and (u))
6. Stolen or attempted to steal school property or private property. School property includes, but is not limited to, electronic files and databases. (Education Code 48900(g) and (u))
7. Possessed or used tobacco, or any products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets, and betel. However, this section does not prohibit use or possession by a student of their own prescription products. (Education Code 48900(h))

8. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity. (Education Code 48900(ii))
9. Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Section 11014.5 of the Health and Safety Code. (Education Code 48900(j))
10. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property. School property includes, but is not limited to, electronic files and databases (Education Code 48900(l) and (u))
11. Possessed an imitation firearm. As used in this section, "imitation firearm" means a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm. (Education Code 48900(m))
12. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code 261, 266c, 286, 287, 288, 288a, or 289, or committed a sexual battery as defined in Penal Code 243.4. (Education Code 48900(n))
13. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of either preventing that student from being a witness or retaliating against that student for being a witness, or both. (Education Code 48900(o))
14. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma. (Education Code 48900(p))
15. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in, hazing as defined in Education Code 48900(q) and IUSD AR 5145.9.
16. Engaged in an act of bullying, as defined in Education Code 48900 (r) and Administrative Regulation 5131.2.
17. Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property. A terroristic threat includes any written or oral statement that is intended to be taken as a threat, is so specific and immediate that it causes the person threatened to be in sustained fear, or threatens to commit a crime that could result in death, serious injury, or property damage over \$1,000. (Education Code 48900.7)

Students in grades 4 through 12 are also subject to suspension or recommendation for expulsion for any of the acts listed below:

18. Committed sexual harassment as defined in Education Code 212.5. (Education Code 48900.2)
19. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence as defined in Education Code 233 and 48900.3.
20. Intentionally engaged in harassment, threats or intimidation directed against district personnel or a student or group of students, that is sufficiently severe or pervasive to have the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading the rights of school personnel or students by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. (Education Code 48900.4)
21. The Superintendent, principal, or principal's designee may use their discretion to provide alternatives to suspension or expulsion for a student, including a foster youth, subject to discipline under this regulation, using a research-based framework with strategies that improve behavioral or academic outcomes, that are age appropriate and designed to address and correct the student's specific misbehavior as specified in Education Code Section 48900.5. (Education Code 48900(v))
22. For students, including foster youth, who are truant, tardy, or otherwise absent from assigned school activities, all reasonably available alternatives to suspension or expulsion are to be implemented. The Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS), which includes restorative practices, trauma-informed practices, social emotional learning, and schoolwide positive behavior interventions and support, may be used to help students gain critical social emotional skills, receive support to help transform trauma-related responses, understand the impact of their actions, and develop meaningful methods for repairing harm to the school community. (Education Code 48900 (w) (1)(2))

A student, including a foster youth, may be suspended or expelled for any of the acts listed above if the act is related to a school activity or school attendance occurring at any district school or within any other school district, including, but not limited to, the following circumstances: (Education Code 48900)

1. While on school grounds;
2. While going to or coming from school;
3. During the lunch period, whether on or off the campus; or
4. During, or while going to or coming from, a school sponsored activity.

The following violations are in accordance with Irvine Unified School District Policies and will result in immediate SUSPENSION and a possible recommendation for EXPULSION from the Irvine Unified School District.

Mandatory Recommendation for Expulsion

Unless the principal, superintendent, or superintendent's designee finds that expulsion is inappropriate due to particular circumstances, the principal, superintendent or designee shall recommend a student's expulsion for any of the following acts: (Education Code 48915(a)(1))

1. Causing serious physical injury to another person, except in self-defense.
2. Possession of any knife as defined in Education Code 48915(g), explosive or other dangerous object of no reasonable use to the student.
3. Unlawful possession of any controlled substance, as listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, except for the first offense for the possession of not more than one avoirdupois ounce of marijuana, other than concentrated cannabis. (Education Code 48916.5)
4. Robbery or extortion.
5. Assault or battery, as defined in Penal Code 240 and 242, upon any school employee.

Mandatory Recommendation and Mandatory Expulsion

The principal, superintendent or superintendent's designee shall recommend that the Board of Education expel any student, including a foster youth, found at school or at a school activity to be: (Education Code 48915(c))

1. Possessing, as verified by a district employee, or selling or otherwise furnishing a firearm, unless the student had obtained prior written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the principal or designee's concurrence.
2. Brandishing a knife as defined in Education Code 48915(g) at another person.
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance listed in Health and Safety Code 11053-11058.
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery as defined in Penal Code 243.4.
5. Possessing an explosive as defined in 18 USC 921.

BULLYING/CYBER BULLYING (IUSD Board Policy - 5131.2)

“The Board of Education recognizes the harmful effects of bullying on student learning and school attendance and desires to provide safe school environments that protect students from physical and emotional harm. District employees shall establish student safety as a high priority and shall not tolerate bullying of any student.”

Northwood High School prioritizes student safety and well-being in accordance with IUSD’s Board Policy on Cyberbullying/Bullying. For complete details, please visit <https://iusd.org/about/board-education/board-policies/bullying-cyber-bullying>.

NONDISCRIMINATION/HARASSMENT (IUSD Board Policy - 5145.3)

“This policy shall apply to all acts constituting unlawful discrimination or harassment related to school activity or to school attendance occurring within a District school, to acts which occur off campus or outside of school-related or school-sponsored activities but which may have an impact or create a hostile environment at school, and to all acts of the Board of Education and the Superintendent in enacting policies and procedures that govern the District. (Education Code 234.1)

The Board of Education desires to provide a welcoming, safe, and supportive school environment to ensure equal access to and opportunities for all students in the District's educational programs, guidance and counseling programs, athletic programs, testing procedures, and other activities. District programs and activities shall be free from unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, and bullying of any student based on the student's actual or perceived race or ethnicity, color, ancestry, national origin, nationality, ethnic group identification, immigration status, age, religion, actual or potential parental, family, or marital status, pregnancy, childbirth, termination of pregnancy or lactation, including related medical conditions or recovery, physical or mental disability, sex, sex stereotypes, sex characteristics, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, or genetic information; the perception of one or more of such characteristics; or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.”

At Northwood High School, we believe every student deserves equal access to educational opportunities in an environment free from discrimination and harassment. We implement IUSD’s policy to protect all students and ensure their success. View the complete policy here: <https://iusd.org/about/board-education/board-policies/nondiscrimination-harassment>.

SEX DISCRIMINATION AND SEX-BASED HARASSMENT - STUDENTS (IUSD Board Policy- 5145.7)

“The Board of Education is committed to maintaining a safe school environment that is free from harassment and discrimination. At school or at school-sponsored or school-related activities, sex discrimination and sex-based harassment targeted at any student, based on the student’s actual perceived sex; sex stereotypes; sex characteristics; sexual orientation; gender; gender identity; gender expression; pregnancy, childbirth, termination of pregnancy or lactation, including related medical conditions or recovery; and, parental, marital, and family status is prohibited.

Additionally, retaliatory behavior or action against any person who complains, reports, or testifies about conduct, or who supports a Complainant in alleging sex discrimination, including sex-based harassment is prohibited. Retaliatory behavior or action against any person who refuses to participate in the complaint process established for the purpose of this policy is also prohibited. (Education Code 220.1; 34 CFR 106.71)”

At Northwood High School, every student has the right to an educational environment free from sex discrimination and sex-based harassment. Learn more about your rights and reporting options here: <https://iusd.org/about/board-education/board-policies/sexual-harassment-students>.

HATE MOTIVATED BEHAVIOR (IUSD Board Policy - 5145.6)

“All students and employees of the district have the right to work, to attend school, and to participate in the educational process in a safe environment that is free from hate-motivated behavior. Every effort shall be made to promote mutual respect among students and staff and between and among students to encourage safe and harmonious relations that support human dignity and equality.

Behavior or statements that degrade, intimidate, and/or harm an individual on the basis of his/her race, ethnicity, culture, heritage, immigration status, gender, sexual orientation, physical/mental attributes, religious beliefs or practices shall not be tolerated. Bullying in any form or platform, repeatedly picking fights with, or repeatedly taunting another person shall not be tolerated.”

Northwood High School is committed to fostering a school community built on compassion, integrity, and mutual respect. We actively work to prevent and address any behavior that targets individuals based on their identity or beliefs. For complete policy information, visit: (<https://iusd.org/about/board-education/board-policies/hate-motivated-behavior>).