DISCIPLINE PLAN
Grades 5 - 8

ZERO TOLERANCE FOR PHYSICAL VIOLENCE

- If a child is intentionally physically violent (hitting, slapping, fighting, forceful pushing, etc.)
    - The student will be sent to the office immediately
    - The student may be sent home as determined by the principal or her delegate
    - Parents will be expected to pick them up as quickly as possible
    - A meeting will be arranged with the principal for re-admittance into the classroom

DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR:

Each teacher uses a behavior system daily that follows these general guidelines:

- Teachers will keep a notebook recording individual student behavior issues and the subsequent interactions with students and parents. These records may be entered into the students' permanent academic and behavior file with the office.
- Special incentive programs such as "Success Friday" or "8th Grade Privilege Day" can be affected by any disciplinary action.

CORRECTIVE STEPS:

- Students will be given a verbal warning by the teacher regarding the specific behavior that should stop. Each of the teachers has designed their own verbal warning signals or behavior log.
- Continued disruptive behavior will necessitate the teacher assigning a "Problem-Solving Form**". Three problem-solving forms will require serving a one-hour detention after school with the teacher.
    - *A one-hour automatic detention will be assigned if the form is not signed and returned to school the following school day.*
- Continued disruptive behavior may require being sent to the office where a student will spend a specific amount of time away from the classroom and academic work. The student is still responsible for the work they have missed. Some class work will be given to the student during the time they are in the school office.
- Continued disruptive behavior will require the teacher to call the parents and arrange for a parent conference. A student behavior contract may be initiated. In addition, a Saturday School may be assigned to a student who has accumulated 6 or more Disruption Forms.

Detention is available Monday through Thursday for 60 minutes after school. The student will serve the detention on the day following the infraction. If the student is unable to serve their detention due to scheduled appointments, the student will need to serve their detention on the next available school day. Each classroom teacher is in charge of detention for their students. The teacher will determine an age appropriate detention activity. If the student fails to serve their detention the principal will contact the family.

***<u>Problem-Solving Form</u>: This assignment is designed to assist the student to understand in a written and visual manner the importance of appropriate student behavior in the classroom during academic lessons. The form is to be taken home for parent signature. The written work and signed form must be returned the next school day to the teacher.*