### **SECTION 12**

# **General Information**

#### Awards and Recognitions (Elementary)

- Honor Roll: Students in grades 1-8 are eligible for honor roll. A student who makes all A's and B's in Math,
  Science/Health, Reading, Spelling, Language, Phonics, and Social Studies/Arkansas History on grade level will be listed on the honor roll every nine weeks.
- Citizenship Award: A citizenship award will be presented to students (K-5) who exhibit good citizenship throughout the year.
- Principal Award: An award may be presented to the student who shows outstanding improvement each year.
- Academic Excellence: This award is given to a student in each classroom who has the highest yearly average. (grade point average)
- Physical Fitness Award

An awards assembly will be held at the end of the school year. Parents, family, and friends are invited to attend.

## Awards (High School/Middle School)

An award assembly will be held near the end of the school year to honor students in the areas of academics, service, attendance, and other areas of high achievement. Parents, family, and friends are encouraged to attend.

#### **Pictures**

School pictures will be taken at the beginning of each school year for the yearbook. Pictures may be purchased at that time. In elementary, spring pictures and kindergarten will be made in the spring for purchase.

### **Guidance Counselor**

The guidance program at Nemo Vista School is designed to enhance and support the education, career, social, and emotional development needs of all students. The focus of the guidance program is to enable the student to be successful, not only in school settings, but in social, home, and work areas with concern and interest to the student.

### College Day

Each senior will be allowed to attend a college day program to review programs at colleges, vocational schools, and business colleges and to discuss financial aid, admission requirements, and the curriculum of various schools. Each senior will be given a two-day excuse, if the second day is needed to complete the enrollment procedure or if the student wishes to visit a second college. An additional day may be granted by the principal if additional time is needed to complete the requirements for admission. A senior must get permission from the high school counselor and principal for each college day. The high school counselor will call the college and arrange for a college representative to meet with the senior. College days meeting these criteria will not count against a student for semester test exemptions. Students may request college days in 11<sup>th</sup> and/or 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **Dance Policy (High School)**

Nemo Vista School Board hereby established that the Nemo Vista High School students may have three (3) dances a year, one of which is the junior and Senior Prom.

The following rules will be in effect at all the dances:

- 1. Two (2) certified personnel present as sponsors.
- 2. Four (4) adult chaperons present.
- 3. Once students have entered the premises they must remain inside, not going in or out until they leave the premises.
- 4. A deputy will be on duty at each function if available.
- 5. A time limit not to exceed midnight will be in effect.

- 6. The Board must approve the use of a band at these functions.
- 7. Attendance will be limited to grades 9 through 12.

#### **School Calendar**

A school calendar listing important activities, holidays, tests, and other important events will be published in the local paper and school website before the beginning of the school year. A copy of the calendar may be found on page 3 of the student handbook.

## **Amending Student Handbook**

# School Board Policy – 4.42 Student Handbook

The faculty, administration, and school board reserve the right to change, alter, or amend the Student Handbook in order to meet the needs and growth of the school system.

It shall be the policy of the Nemo Vista School District that the most recently adopted version of the Student Handbook be incorporated by reference into the policies of this district. If there is a conflict between the student handbook and a general board policy or policies, the more recently adopted language will be considered binding and controlling on the matter provided the parent(s) of the student, or the student if eighteen (18) years of age or older have acknowledged receipt of the controlling language.

Principals shall review all changes to student policies and ensure that such changes are provided to students and parents, either in the Handbook or, if changes are made after the handbook is printed, as an addendum to the handbook.

Principals and counselors shall also review Policies 4.45.1----SMART CORE CURRICULUM AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS and the current DESE Standards for Accreditation Rules to ensure that there is no conflict. If a conflict exists, the Principal and/or Counselor shall notify the Superintendent and Curriculum Coordinator immediately, so that corrections may be made and notice of the requirements given to students and parents.

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