



"Let Your Light Shine"

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Hello Parents and Guardians;

In alignment with our Safe and Caring mandate, we ask that the following guidelines are respected in regards to Halloween costumes.

1. Avoid Hidden Identities:

'No person is allowed to disguise their identity in any fashion on school property without prior permission of school staff.'

Staff members are required to stop any person entering school property that they do not recognize and ask them to reveal their identity, what their name is and the purpose of their visit. Any suspicious behavior is to be reported to the office immediately. Failure to comply with these requests will be reported to the office and police may be called.

2. Avoid Offensive or Disturbing Costumes: Costumes that are viewed as offensive, indecent, satanic or disturbing by school administration will be removed. Weapons, plastic or otherwise, of any kind are not permitted at school. Homeroom teachers and faculty advisors are to ask if they are unsure about a student's costume. Failure to comply may result in further disciplinary action.

Examples of Offensive or Disturbing Costumes:

Offensive: KKK costumes, nuns in short skirts, satanic based

Indecent: costumes that are too revealing, costumes of genital parts

Disturbing: Excessive blood or mangled body parts

I appreciate your support in keeping our students safe and cared for. Let's have fun on this secular Halloween day without negatively impacting those around us. If you have questions, please feel free to contact your homeroom teacher or Faculty Advisor.

Sincerely,

Kari Davidson

Acting Principal