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Code of Conduct

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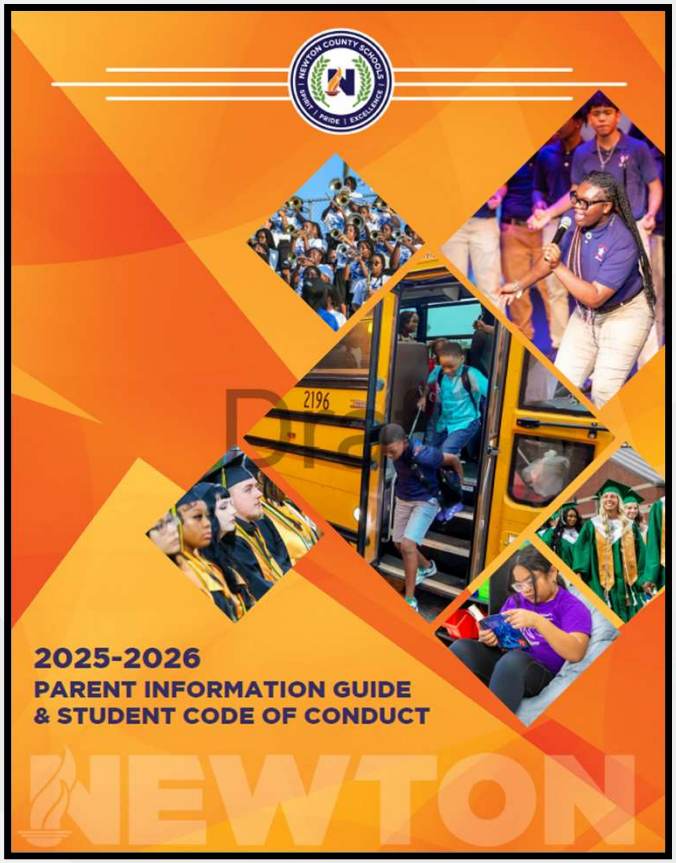
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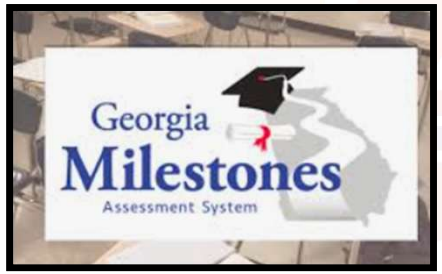
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Assessment Information

- Include smart glasses as an electronic device that cannot be brought into the testing environment.
- Remove References to Georgia Writing Assessment; Cognitive Abilities Test, and Iowa Assessment
- Update names of Course Titles



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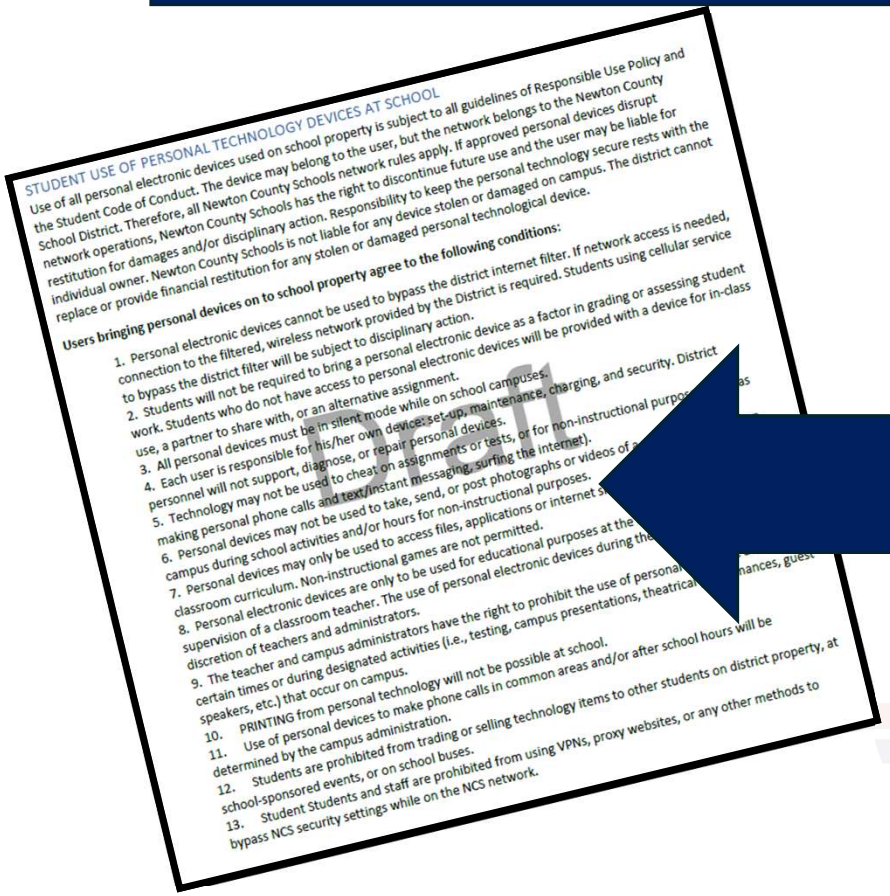
- Senate Bill 48 - The Georgia Dyslexia Bill (SB48) assessment requirements for K – 3

Assessment Information

Updates for how grades will be given in grades K – 5.

Standards-based grades are given in grades 1-3: Reading, Language Arts, Spelling, Mathematics, Science/Health, and Social Studies	Standards-based grades are given in grades K-2: English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies
Numerical grades are given in grades 4-5: Reading, Language Arts, Spelling, Mathematics, Science/Health, and Social Studies	Numerical grades are given in grades 3-5: Reading, Language Arts, Spelling, Mathematics, Science/Health, and Social Studies

Technology Updates



STUDENT USE OF PERSONAL TECHNOLOGY DEVICES AT SCHOOL

Use of all personal electronic devices used on school property is subject to all guidelines of Responsible Use Policy and the Student Code of Conduct. The device may belong to the user, but the network belongs to the Newton County School District. Therefore, all Newton County Schools network rules apply. If approved personal devices disrupt network operations, Newton County Schools has the right to discontinue future use and the user may be liable for restitution for damages and/or disciplinary action. Responsibility to keep the personal technology secure rests with the individual owner. Newton County Schools is not liable for any device stolen or damaged on campus. The district cannot replace or provide financial restitution for any stolen or damaged personal technological device.

Users bringing personal devices on to school property agree to the following conditions:

1. Personal electronic devices cannot be used to bypass the district internet filter. If network access is needed, connection to the filtered, wireless network provided by the District is required. Students using cellular service to bypass the district filter will be subject to disciplinary action.
2. Students will not be required to bring a personal electronic device as a factor in grading or assessing student work. Students who do not have access to personal electronic devices will be provided with a device for in-class use, a partner to share with, or an alternative assignment.
3. All personal devices must be in silent mode while on school campuses.
4. Each user is responsible for his/her own device: set-up, maintenance, charging, and security. District personnel will not support, diagnose, or repair personal devices.
5. Technology may not be used to cheat on assignments or tests, or for non-instructional purposes.
6. Personal devices may not be used to take, send, or post photographs or videos of
7. Personal devices may only be used to access files, applications or internet
8. Personal electronic devices are only to be used for educational purposes at the discretion of teachers and administrators.
9. The teacher and campus administrators have the right to prohibit the use of personal
10. PRINTING from personal technology will not be possible at school.
11. Use of personal devices to make phone calls in common areas and/or after school hours will be determined by the campus administration.
12. Students are prohibited from trading or selling technology items to other students on district property, at school-sponsored events, or on school buses.
13. Student Students and staff are prohibited from using VPNs, proxy websites, or any other methods to bypass NCS security settings while on the NCS network.

Safeguarding the Network - Students and staff are prohibited from using VPNs, proxy websites, or any other methods to bypass NCS security settings while on the NCS network.

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- Bullying definition updated to include cyberbullying
- Rule 41 – Obscenity
- Graduated School Bus Discipline

Graduated Discipline Plan (Secondary)

First Offense

- The school bus driver and zone supervisor (or designee) will speak privately with the student on school property. The parents will be contacted by phone or by email. Suspension may be increased at the discretion of the administrator.

Second Offense

- A referral will be submitted for a 3- 5 Day school bus suspension. Suspension may be increased at the discretion of the administrator.

Third Offense

- A referral will be submitted for a 5-10 Day school bus suspension. Suspension may be increased at the discretion of the administrator.

Fourth Offense

- A referral will be submitted for a 10+ Day school bus suspension. Suspension may be increased at the discretion of the administrator.

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Graduated School Bus Discipline Plan (ELEMENTARY SCHOOL)

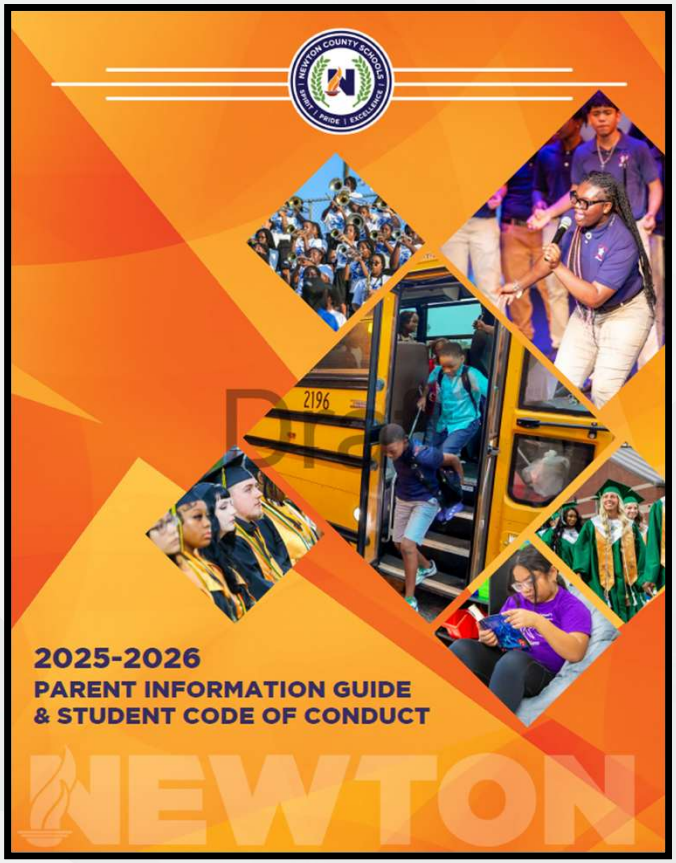
First Offense	•The school bus driver and zone supervisor (or designee) will speak privately with the student on school property. The parents will be contacted by phone or by email. Suspension may be imposed at the discretion of the administrator.
Second Offense	•A referral will be submitted for a 1- 3 Day school bus suspension. Suspension may be increased at the discretion of the administrator.
Third Offense	•A referral will be submitted for a 3- 5 Day school bus suspension. Suspension may be increased at the discretion of the administrator.
Fourth Offense	•A referral will be submitted for a 5- 10 Day school bus suspension. Suspension may be increased at the discretion of the administrator.
Fifth Offense	•A referral will be submitted for a 10+ Day school bus suspension. Suspension may be increased at the discretion of the administrator.

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