Lighthouse Academy South Campus

3330 36th St SE Grand Rapids, MI 49512

Enrollment Packet







Lighthouse Academy

MISSION

Lighthouse Academy is a safe harbor that provides innovative whole-child education and ensures success despite life's storms.

VISION

We empower students to achieve academic success by providing a learning community staffed by people who respect the students and are committed to their academic, social, and emotional growth.

VALUES

Each and every day, our Lighthouse Academy teams hold themselves responsible to living into the values of Respect, Inclusiveness, Integrity, Persistence, Growth Mindset, Teamwork/Collaboration and Excellence. To further define the way that these values are exemplified daily, each school has written their own statements for each of our seven values that speaks into the unique needs of their school and their students.

Lighthouse Academy Registration Form

Today's Date:
Grade to be Enrolled:

ST	TUDENT INFORMATION	[
Full Name:	Preferred Nam	ne:	
Home Address: Street # and Name	City	Zip	Township
City/State of Birth:	County of	Residence:	
Home Phone #:	Mobile Phone #:		
Sex: Bird	thdate:		
School Last Attended with Full Address:			
Resides with (check one): ☐ Both Parents ☐ M			
Second Mailing for Non-Custodial Parent (if app			
Ethnic Information (please check appropriate and Federal reports. SECONDARY ETHNIC CA	box for the PRIMARY ethnic c	category) - This	s information is used in State
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Has this student ever been placed in special ed	lucation classes?	NO	
If yes, please check: □EI □LD □SLI □CI	□OHI □ PI □ HI □ ASD □	Other	
Does your child/ward speak or understand a l			□ YES □ NO
If yes, what is that language? If yes, is that language the first one the	child/ward learned to speak or und	_ derstand?	□ YES □ NO
Is there a language other than English spoken regularly in the home or environment? If yes, what is the language?			
PAREN	T/GUARDIAN INFORMAT	ION	
Name of Father/Guardian:	Name of Mother	/Guardian:	
Occupation:			
Place of Employment:			
Working Hours:			
Business Phone/Cell Phone:	Business Phone/6	Cell Phone:	

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Please list friends or relatives that the school may contact in case of illness or emergency: Name______ Relationship_____ Phone_____ Name______ Phone_____ Name Relationship Phone I hereby authorize the school to administer appropriate emergency care if parents or guardians cannot be located. In case of emergency, what doctor should be called: Phone Number: If student needs to be sent home for any reason and parent/guardian or emergency contact(s) cannot be located is it okay to send child home using public transportation: YES or NO (please circle) (If student is sent home via ride share parent/guardian will be responsible for reimbursement of fare.) MEDICAL INFORMATION Does your child have any of the conditions listed below? YES NO Please explain any problems: Allergies/reactions (food, medication, other) Hay fever, asthma, or wheezing Eczema or frequent skin rashes Convulsions/Seizures Heart trouble Diabetes Frequent colds, sore throats, ear aches (4 or more per year) Shortness of breath Speech problems Menstrual problems Dental problems. Date of last examination: Other List any medications taken regularly or any health concerns Lighthouse Academy should know about:

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EDUCATION BENEFITS FORM SY 2025 - 2026

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Part C: HOUSEHOLD SIZE	Part D: ANNUAL HOU combined annual incortaxes)				
□ 1>	☐ At or below \$20,345	☐ Between	\$20,346 and \$28,9!	3 □ At or abo	ove \$28,954
□ 2>	☐ At or below \$27,495	Between	\$27,496 and \$39,1:	28 🖸 At or abo	ove \$39,129
□ 3 →	☐ At or below \$34,645		\$34,646 and \$49,30		ove \$49,304
□ 4 	☐ At or below \$41,795		\$41,796 and \$59,47		ove \$59,479
□ 5 →	☐ At or below \$48,945		\$48,946 and \$69,6!		ove \$69,654
□ 6 →	☐ At or below \$56,095		\$56,096 and \$79,82		ove \$79,829
□ 7 →	☐ At or below \$63,245		\$63,246 and \$90,00		ove \$90,004
□ 8 →	☐ At or below \$70,395		\$70,396 and \$100,		ove \$100,17
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Authorization for Release of Information Lighthouse Academy

l,	(client or custodial parent / guardian of client)	, Birth date/,
	(client or custodial parent / guardian of client)	
hereby	authorize the release, disclosure, and/or use of protected health information	ion contained in the records of
-	, Birth o	date/,
	(first / middle / last name of client)	
by Ligh	nthouse Academy, its director or designee, to the individual(s) or organiz	ation(s) listed below, and only under the conditions
listed b		
1.	Name and/or title of person(s) to whom disclosure is to be made:	
	Kentwood Police Department	
2.	Organization to whom disclosure is to be made:	
	Name:	
	Address:	
	Phone: FAX:	
3.	Extent or nature of information to be disclosed:	
	Other (please describe) PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION, AND BRIEF POLICE CONTACT. INFORMATION PERTAINING TO ILLEGAL	DESCRIPTION OF CIRCUMSTANCE LEADING TO ASSAULTIVE OR DESTRUCTIVE BEHAVIOR.
4.	The authorized purpose or need for such disclosure is:	
	☐ By request of the individual who is the subject of the record or his/h	ner personal representative;
	<u>Provision of appropriate services to a minor client demands notificates tructive behavior occurs.</u>	cation of authorities when illegal, assaultive, or
5.	Information may be released in the following ways: written	verbal electronic
6.	This information may be disclosed by:(Name of the person or entity, or class of persons that will disclose info	rmation.)
It is und	lerstood that information used or disclosed pursuant to this authorization may be re	e-disclosed by the recipient of the information. Most health
care pro organiza I unders already disclose authoriz	oviders and all health benefit plans must follow federal rules protecting the privacy	of health information. But those rules do not apply to other ocation of this authorization will not affect any information (name of Contact Person). Information reliance on the authorization, the person who relied on the omplete the work that began because the authorization was
EVENT	OR CONDITION:	EXPIRATION DATE:
	CLIENT OR CUSTODIAL PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURE	DATE
	WITNESS SIGNATURE	DATE

Request for Release of Information

Lighthouse Academy

South Campus

Attn: Megan Gritter

Email Address:

mgritter@lighthouseaca demyschool.org Address: 3330 36th St SE Grand Rapids, MI 49512

Phone: 616-600-6518

I hereby authorize	
(PREVIOUS SCHOOL/DIS	TRICT/AGENCY)
-	
(CITY/STATE)	
PHONE:	FAX:
To release the following information regarding:	
To release the following information regarding:	
STUDENT'S NAME	GRADE DOB
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Extent or nature of information to be disclosed:	
Cumulative File	WIDA goover MET vapouts IED (if annicella)
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Student Transcripts	Discipline Reports, Suspensions (if any)
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Expulsion Paperwork	Immunizations, Immigration Paperwork (if any)
No Parent Signature required for educationa	I records sent to another educational agency
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Megan Gritter	食工
Authorized Signature	LIGHTHOUSE
	ACADEMY
Date of Request	

It is understood that information used or disclosed pursuant to this authorization may be re-disclosed by the recipient of the information. Most health care providers and all health benefit plans must follow federal rules protecting the privacy of health information, but these rules do not apply to other organizations. I understand that this authorization may be withdrawn or revoked by me at any time. Revocation of this authorization will not affect any information already released. To revoke this authorization, a written request should be make to _______(name of contact person). Information disclosed before an authorization is revoked may not be retrieved. If action was taken in reliance on the authorization, the person who relied on the authorization may continue to use or disclose protected health information

as needed to complete the work that began because the authorization was given. If no express revocation is issued, this authorization will

Lighthouse Academy Medication Use Form

Student:	Date:	
Date of Birth:	(Grade:
**************************************	*******	***********
Name of Medication:		
Reason for Medication: (Optional)		
Form of Medication:		
Tablet/capsuleLiquidInhaler _	Nebulizer	Injection
Other (Describe)		·
Medication must be	kept in the schoo	l office.
Special Instructions		
Signature of Physician: (Required for ALL prescription medication for students)		Date:
Type/Print Name of Physician:		Phone:
No students are to have any medication with the over the counter medications please bring the m pick up all medications at the end of each schoo	edication to the scl	
Signed_ (Parent/Guardian)		Date
Phone Number for Parents: Home	Cell	Other

LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY FULL INTERNET ACCESS AUTHORIZATION FORM

This form is required to gain **full access** to the Internet. It is intended to make you ware of the policies in force at Lighthouse Academy regarding the use of the Internet. Please read the information here and sign at the bottom then have your Parent and Teacher indicate his/her approval by signing the form. This policy is includes in the Parent/Teacher Handbook.

Internet Usage Agreement

- The Internet connection is intended primarily to facilitate access to Internet based resources for school-related activities. Internet use at the Lighthouse Academy is a privilege, not a right.
- The Internet connection can handle a certain amount of traffic at one time. When someone uses the Internet they use up a portion of the available traffic space.
- Personal use of the Internet should not occur during normal school hours (7 AM to 3 PM).
- Students may not access sites or information that may be offensive to others at Lighthouse Academy or would reflect poorly on Lighthouse Academy's reputation.
- The system we use to access the Internet logs all activity by user name. These logs may also be use to identify misuse.
- The configuration for the Internet browser should not be changed. The home page selected by Lighthouse Academy should not be changed.
- Recreational downloading of music, video clips, and software is prohibited at all times.

I understand the content of this document and agree to abide by them:

Parent Signature:

• Violation of Lighthouse Academy policies may result in the suspension of Internet access and other disciplinary action up to, and include, expulsion.

Student Name:_____ Student Signature:_____

Lighthouse Academy

AUTHORIZATION FOR SEARCHES, CONFISCATION/DISPOSAL OF CONTRABAND AND LABORATORY TESTING FOR CHEMICAL USE

As the possession, use, or distribution of alcohol, alcoholic beverages, non-prescribed and/or non-prescription drugs is totally inconsistent with the expressed purpose of my admission, I agree to abstain from the possession, use, or distribution of these or other mind-altering substances. Should such substances be found, I further agree to their confiscation and disposal by Lighthouse Academy Staff. I am aware that I may be subject to expulsion for breaking this agreement.

I recognize that the school insists its students abstain from chemical use, except those legally prescribed and properly administered.

In order to assure a supportive environment conducive to successful education, tests of students' urine may be performed to verify that students are abstaining from drug use. I agree to participate in such testing when asked to do so and am aware that refusal to submit to requested testing or the revelation of the presence of any substance prohibited above may result in my expulsion from the school.

Student Signature	Date	
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date	

Lighthouse Academy

FIELD TRIP PERMISSION FORM

My child,, had class on walking field trips and/or field trips year.	as my permission to accompany his/her by van or bus during the coming school
If deemed necessary by the principal, an accompany the group. Prior to bus trips, a parents/guardians to alert them of a field tri	n explanation will be phoned or written to
If a student needs to be sent home for any contacted.	reason, the parent/guardian will be
For students under age thirteen: If parent/guardian cannot be located,	emergency contacts will be contacted.
For students age thirteen and above: If parent/guardian cannot be located, public transportation?	is it acceptable to send child home using
Please check the box: Yes	No
Student Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian Signature	 Date



3330 36th St SE Grand Rapids, MI 49512

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As described in the attached Parent Notification and Consent, school districts in Kent County have the opportunity to seek partial reimbursement from Medicaid for health-related services provided to special education students who are eligible for Medicaid.

In March 2013, the regulations regarding Medicaid parental consent for School-Based Services changed. Prior to accessing a child's public benefits or insurance, and annually thereafter, school districts must provide parents/guardians written notification.

Before Lighthouse Academy can access your child's public benefits or insurance in order to seek reimbursement, we must make sure you have received a copy of this notice and given your written consent to release information.

The following document is enclosed:

- Parent Notification and Consent for billing Medicaid School-Based Services

The Parent Notification and Consent is designed to answer any questions you may have about what giving consent means for you and your family.

If your student has special education needs, please complete and return the Parent Notification and Consent for Medicaid School-Based Services form.

If you have questions regarding the information contained in this letter or the attached document, please contact Heidi Cate at 616-949-2287.

Sincerely,

Heidi Cate Superintendent

Parent Notification And Consent To Treat And Bill

Student Name:	ledicald School-Based Services Birth Date:
Attending ISD: Kent County ISD	Birtii Date.
Noti	fication
(Individualized Education Program), IFSP (Individualized Education Program), IFSP (Individualized Education Program), IFSP (Individualized Program), 1FSP (apy, Physical Therapy, Social Work Services, tation and Mobility, Assistive Technology Services,
Billing the state Medicaid program for your your family's Medicaid insurance benefits, a future.	child's School-Based Services does NOT affect and is at NO cost to your family, now or in the
We are simply asking your permission to prointervention and claim funds reserved by the listed on your child's plan.	ovide medical and/or social-emotional se state to help schools provide the services
child. The information released could include d therapy, type of therapy, and progress reports. Services, you will receive annual notification ab with Procedural Safeguards. The annual notific	If your student receives Special Education out information released in the Parent Handbook ation is posted on our website for access by all not the state program since 1993, but now need
You have the right to refuse consent to bill the revoke consent at any time. If you check No be district will not receive funding from the state N	state Medicaid system, and you have the right to low, the district will still provide the services but the Medicaid system for these services.
Conser	nt To Treat
\square Yes, I consent to the provision of medical	ly necessary services.

is only applicable to Caring 4 Students, as informed consent from the parent/guardian for the initial

provision of special education and related services is obtained on the Initial IEP and informed consent for the initial provision of early intervention services is obtained on the Initial IFSP.

Consent To Bill	·	
☐ Yes, submit claims to Medicaid for reimbursement of School Based Services and use my child's school, date/type of therapy, progress reports, disability, gender, and date of birth to Michigan Medicaid and its billing agencies. I understand I may revoke this consent in writing at any time.		
\square No, I do not give permission to submit claims to Medicaid for reimbursement.		
Parent/Guardian/Student Signature:	Date:	



Dear Parents/Legal Guardians:

For the purpose of sharing with the community the exemplary work of Lighthouse Academy students, Lighthouse Academy publishes student work, photographs, and information (i.e. student name, grade, school, classroom, activities/clubs and similar information) in various forms of media. This media includes newsletters, various publications, multi-media, and on the district web site. We are asking permission for your child's work, photographs, and information to be published in various forms of media. If you give your permission, please sign below and return to the school.

Thank you,				
Heidi Cate, Superintendent				
I give my permission for my child to have his/her work, photographs and information published in various forms of media, as described in the District's notice. I release Lighthouse Academy from any and all liability and legal or equitable claims of any kind related to the publication of such work, photographs or information, including publication on the school's website. I understand that student work may be identified by my child's name.				
No, I would prefer not to have my child's w				
I understand that this election will remain in effect until either revoked, in writing by me, or superseded by a new election form.				
Student's Name	Parent/Guardian Signature			
School	Date			

Lighthouse Academy Standards of Conduct Contract

The Academies are schools dedicated to providing a quality education in a positive environment that encourages academic excellence, high moral standards and personal discipline. The following standards of conduct lay out the beliefs, attitudes, and values that the school deems essential to the fulfillment of its mission. Each student needs to read, agree to, and apply its contents. A student will not be allowed to be enrolled if a signed contract is not on file.

1.	I realize that bigotry and hatred is wrong no matter to whom it is directed. I agree not to engage in racism either by my actions or by my words while enrolled at the Academy.	
	Initials	
2.	I realize that the use of alcohol and drugs and non-prescription drugs will not be tolerated at the Academy. I agree not to use any drugs or alcohol before school, during school hours or at lunch, or at any other school events. I understand that if I do, I will be subject to immediate expulsion.	
	Initials	
3.	I realize that open displays of affection and sexually explicit language or innuendos are not conducive to creating a learning environment. I will refrain from such behavior while at the academy or while attending any school functions.	
	Initials	
4.	I will demonstrate respect to the faculty of the Academy as indicated by my non-hostile obedience to their directives and requests. I will show respect to my fellow students by not fighting, gossiping or forming exclusive cliques.	
	Initials	
5.	. I appreciate the organization that owns the school building and grounds in which I attend. I will not damage this property in any way. I understand that I am subject to disciplinary action and payment for damages if I do so.	
	Initials	
6.	I will sincerely attempt to change my language habits and reduce my profanity. I understand that the faculty will encourage me to use better language if I swear. I realize that I am subject to disciplinary action if I curse at a teacher or continually exhibit profanity.	
	Initials	
7.	I realize that consistent attendance is necessary for academic progress. Excessive tardiness (including all class periods throughout the day) or absences will require a conference with parents and/or possible disciplinary action.	
	Initials	
8.	I have a bright future. I do not want to jeopardize it by a rash or senseless act of violence . I realize that if I initiate or perpetuate a fight or other acts of violence, I am subject to expulsion. I also understand that bringing a firearm or other weapon to school will result in immediate expulsion.	
	Initials	

clothing or jewelry may be worn. Dress r	nust cover body, no see-through clothing, no bare midriffs, no ers wide). Shorts must be mid-thigh. I understand that I will be nines my dress to be inappropriate.
	Initials
10. I will exhibit proper classroom behavior possible opportunity to learn. I understan tolerated. If misbehavior continues, I will	in order to provide my fellow students and myself the best ad that disruptive and inappropriate behavior will not be I be subject to disciplinary measures. Initials
promptly. I will take notes as needed in c	eachers in all my classes. I will complete my homework class and study hard for all my tests. I understand that if I refuse and incomplete assignments, I will agree to counseling. If the isciplinary measures.
	Initials
They represent authority in the school secontract and the judgment of the facul	ucate, advocate, and encourage mature and thoughtful behavior. Iting. I understand that the contents and terms of this Ity in their interpretations are not negotiable. Initials ee to the provisions states and initialed. I enter freely into
the contract with the Academy.	med
Student Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian Signature	School Representative



Lighthouse Academy Discharge School Transfer Request Form

Date:		·
Student's First Name: _		
Student's Last Name: _		······································
Student's Date of Birth		
Last school/location	at Lighthouse Academy at	tended:
□ Eagle Village	☐ South Community/Anchor	☐ The Pier ☐ The Port
□ Eagle Village (Virtu	al)□ South Community (Virtual)	☐ Muskegon Community
□ Wedgwood	☐ South Community Harbor	□ Other:
	oll the student at a Lighth	ouse Academy school – Identify which
school/location?	☐ Yes	□ No
☐ Eagle Village (Virtual)	☐ South Community/Ancho	or South Community (Virtual)
☐ Muskegon Community	☐ The Port	☐ Other:
If you plan to enroll the and school:	student outside of the Light	thouse Academy district, please identify that distric
District:		School:
Parent/guardian (or s	tudent 18 years or older) (Contact Information and Signature:
Print Name:	Signal	ture:
Street Address:		
City, State, Zip Code:		£
Phone/Cell Number:		Email:
	Alternate Conf	tact Information
Print Name:	Signa	ture:
Street Address:		
City, State, Zip Code:		
Phone/Cell Number:		Email:



Lighthouse Academy – South 2025 - 2026 SCHOOL - PARENT COMPACT

Lighthouse Academy and the parents/guardians of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) agree that this compact outlines the shared responsibility for improved student academic achievement. The school staff, parents/guardians, and students will develop a partnership that will help the achievement of Michigan's high standards.

School Responsibilities

Lighthouse Academy will provide a high-quality curriculum and instruction in a safe, supportive and effective learning environment that enables and encourages learners to meet Michigan's academic achievement standards as follows:

- 1. Provide a safe, secure, and well-maintained facility that promotes a positive learning environment.
- 2. Hold conferences every trimester during the school year at which time this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual learner's achievement. If unable to attend conferences, parents/guardians may call the office to schedule an appointment.
- 3. Provide parents/guardians/students with reports on their learner's progress.
- 4. Progress reports are available as provided by PowerSchool, our online student database. Progress reports will also be provided at conferences.
- 5. Provide parents/guardians reasonable access to staff.
- 6. There are many opportunities for parents/guardians to volunteer. Parents/Guardians are invited to visit the office to fill out a volunteer form.

Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

We, as parent/guardians, will support our learner(s) in the following ways:
Require daily school attendanceEncourage positive attitudes about schoolAttend scheduled conferences and meetings with school staffParticipate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my student's educationPromote positive use of my learner's extracurricular timeServe, to the extent possible, on policy advisory groups such as being the Tit I, Part A parent/guardian representative on the School Improvement Team or participating in other school advisory or policy groups
Student Responsibilities
I, as the student, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement Specifically, I will:
Attend school dailyBe on time for classesFollow school expectations for behavior and academicsComplete my assignments in a timely fashionCooperate with parents/guardians and teachersRespect the personal rights and property of others
School Representative:
Parent/Guardian:
Student: Date

Online Learning Agreement

This agreement acknowledges acceptance of the identified roles and responsibilities for students and parents/guardians enrolling in online courses under Section 21f of the State School Aid Act.

Stude	nt Name	Grade
Paren	t/Guardian Name	
The b	est way to reach me isO em	nailO phone
Stude	 nt	
□ Iha	ave completed the <i>Online Learning Readiness Rubric</i> . I ne	eed support in the following areas:
□ la	gree to maintain a study schedule and spend at least	hours a week on each online course.
□la	gree to keep up with assignments, tests, and quizzes.	
□ lag	gree to communicate with my instructor regularly and wh	henever I have a problem.
	gree to communicate regularly with my mentor and when	•
□ Oth	ner	
Paren	t	
□ Му	child has access to a computer with internet connection	n at home.
□ I ca	an arrange for my child to have regular access to a comp ommunity center, or other location.	puter with internet connection at the local library,
	equest the school provide a computer or a place in schoo shool day because I do <u>not</u> have access to a computer fo	
□la	gree to support my child's success in online learning by	
	☐ Setting up a study space	
	☐ Monitoring their progress	
	☐ Helping maintain their study schedule	
	 Encouraging them to communicate with the mentor a problem. 	r and instructor whenever they have a question or
	cknowledge that we have reviewed this agreement togeth	•
Stude	ent	Date
Parer	nt	Date
School	ol Representative	Date

Michigan Department of Education Home Language Survey

Michigan welcomes families of all language backgrounds. Speaking more than one language is a valuable asset!

Please answer the questions below. If your response to either question is a language other than English, the school district will give an assessment to see if your student may benefit from English language support.

What language is used most at home?
What language is most used by the student?
Title III Immigrant Funding Identification Question
Was the student born outside of the US or Puerto Rico? Yes No If yes, when did the student enter the US schools?//
Month Day Year
World Language Credit Has the student attended school for at least one semester in a country other than the United States in which a language other than English was used to communicate (reading, writing, listening, and speaking)? Yes No If yes, what country and what language?
For every documented semester, please supply the office of the school with a copy of transcripts or report cards to verify successful completion of semesters in order to exempt students from applicable World Language requirements when he/she

reaches high school.



2025-2026 Meal Charge Policy

Our school participates in the National School Lunch Program under the Community Eligibility Provision and offers free meals to all students.

Meal Charge Policy

Hope Academy of West Michigan participates in the Community Eligibility Provision and therefore students are not charged for meals. Families are alerted of their student eligibility annually, and are aware that they will not need to pay if they do not qualify for free or reduced meals.

Student Pricing

Students who do not qualify for free or reduced price meals are covered by the school and no debt is accrued.

- Students will not be denied meals for any reason
- Students will be served reimbursable meals, not an alternative meal
- No student will be overtly identified as receiving free or reduced-price meal benefits

Dietary Needs

- Any students with food allergies must complete the dietary needs form accompanied by a physician's note, each school year. This form can be obtained through the office.

Notification of the Meal Charge Policy

The meal charge policy will be provided in writing to all families at the start of each school year and to families transferring to the school midyear. The meal charge policy will also be provided to all school or district-level staff responsible for policy enforcement.

Bad Debt

The Hope Academy of West Michigan may charge a fee for NSF checks. Students, staff, and parents will be given notice of the procedures.

Hope Academy of West Michigan operates the meal program under the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) and therefore, no funds are collected for meals and no student accounts go negative.

However, if an account could go negative, uncollected fund balances will not be carried over from one fiscal year to the next. Monies will be taken from non-public funds at the end of the year to cover the amount of the worthless checks. When payment is received, the funds will be deposited back into the non-public fund account.

USDA Nondiscrimination Statement

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its agencies, offices, employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the state or local agency that administers the program or contact USDA through the Telecommunications Relay Service at 711 (voice and TTY). Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, <u>AD-3027²³ (PDF)</u>, found online at How to File a Program Discrimination Complaint and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call 866-632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

1. mail:

U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Mail Stop 9410 Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

- 2. fax: 202-690-7442; or
- 3. email: <u>Program.Intake@usda.gov</u>.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



In order for a student to be enrolled at Lighthouse Academy, in addition to completing all the enrollment packet forms, the following three items need to be provided:

- (1) Student's Immunization Record that is current and complete.
- (2) **Proof of Residency** Parent/guardian must furnish one source of documentation to verify residency.
- Mortgage Documentation
- Current property tax statement
- Closing papers (within past 30 days
- Accepted Purchase Agreement signed by all parties with closing date indicated Current Lease for apartment/home rental or Landlord Affidavit
- One of the following documents dated within 30-60 days utility bill (gas, electric, phone, water, etc.) auto insurance or registration, bank statement, credit card statement, cable TV bill.
- (3) A Copy of Student's Birth Certificate Under the Missing Children's Act #84-1987, parent/guardian must provide a copy of the student's Birth Certificate or other reliable proof of the students' identity and age. If a copy of the Birth Certificate cannot be provided, the following items will be accepted:
- Baptismal Certificate indicating date and place of birth
- Court Records Governmental records (county, military, immigration)
- Doctor of Hospital Records with a sworn statement
- Family records (Bible or passport)
- Life Insurance Policy