General Playground Rules

Students may use the area east of the elementary building that has been approved for play. They should not be on the west side of the elementary or auditorium buildings and should not cross any streets without permission from the playground teacher on duty

During outdoor before school recess (8-8:15) and lunch recess (11:25-12:00) grades K-3 must play on the blacktop area and playground while grades 4-6 may play on the field and basketball courts. During morning and afternoon recess grades K-4 may play in any area of the playground.

During indoor before school recess grades K-2 may play on the carpet while grades 3-4 play on half court and 5-6 play on the other half court. During lunch recess K-3 go to the gym at 11:25 to play on the basketball courts (K-1 and 2-3 on each side). At 11:40 K-2 will be transitioned to the carpet and 3-6 will split the court (3-4 and 5-6).

Students must receive permission to use restrooms from the playground teacher.

Students should report any problems to the playground teacher, but they should refrain from bringing problems to this person that could best be worked out them self.

Balls that are smaller than a tennis ball or balls harder than a tennis ball are not allowed.

Because of traffic on the sidewalks and in the halls, roller shoes, skateboards, roller skates, and roller blades are not allowed during school hours.

Students are not to play with balls of any sort in the area next to the elementary building (these windows are very expensive).

Footballs are only to be used for catch, not tackle or two hand touch.

Students are not allowed to kick balls at the sides of the auxiliary gym.

Playground Safety

In order to keep playground activities safe and fun we will . . .

1. Use playground equipment in a proper and safe manner.

Swings: Seated forward and backward swinging only

One person to a swing

Slide: Sit with feet forward

Climb ladders only

Keep toys, rocks, or other objects off the slide

Balls: Use balls safely and appropriately

Keep balls away from windows and off of building

Tell the duty teacher if a ball leaves the playground area

Other: Toys from home are not allowed- due to loss and damage

2. Take part only in play that is not harmful to self or others.

Some of the unsafe activities that will not be allowed are: throwing snowballs or other harmful objects, sliding on ice, wrestling or tackling, playing unsafe games (King of the Mountain, Crack the whip, etc.)

3. Respect others while on the playground and when leaving or entering the school building.

Use appropriate language and gestures.

Include all children in group play.

Line up promptly when the bell rings keeping hands, feet, and other objects to yourself. Retrieve all balls that were taken out. Enter the building quietly and safely.

The school rules for playground are to be followed at all times.

Failure to follow playground rules can result in time out during recess or an office referral.