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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Each year our discipline team meets with students to discuss items that may never be brought to school. Our team met with grade-levels the week of September 20, 2021. During these meetings, a PowerPoint is shared and we talk about the danger of the items and what to do if those items are found in or around our school. We also talk about what will happen if the items are found in a student's book bag or pockets. We will reiterate to students the importance of "keeping all hands, feet, objects and all unkind words to themselves" and the idea that we never use our hands to hurt others or use objects to hurt others or create a sense of fear, we want our students to feel safe at school.

The following items are in my "brown bag" and are **not allowed at** Michelle Obama School of Technology and the Arts per the parent/student handbook page 46-57.



















Please review the items I've listed above and talk to your child about the seriousness of bringing these items to school. Toy guns or anything that looks like a gun or weapon, incendiary devices (lighters, matches, or fireworks), or weapons of any kind are not allowed at school, medicine bottles or any type of drugs. Consequences will be issued to the student if these items are brought to school. Consequences may include suspension or expulsion. Our goal for all students is a safe and nurturing environment. We appreciate your support in ensuring school safety.

Additionally, parents, please talk to your children about how to use social media appropriately. We have encountered occasions where children have made inappropriate comments, shared inappropriate pictures, communicated threats and bullying to students, staff and schools. These actions could result in serious disciplinary measures up to and including expulsion and criminal charges.

Sincerely,

Dr. Timothy Craddock, Principal Mrs. Kristin Foster, Principal of Climate, Culture, and the Arts Mr. TJ Lee, Assistant Principal