Newport High School Parent/Student Handbook

Changes from previous version:

- Update all school years and dates
- Move Core Values, Accreditation Statement, Home-to-School Compact to before ToC
- Reorder sections to put general information first (update ToC to reflect changes)
- Remove reference to specific policy or other sections of Handbook
- Add direct link to policy sections named under headings
- Remove welcome letters
- Update Board member information
- Update staff
- Update calendar
- Update bell schedules
- Update Communications Protocol and add more contacts
- Swapped "principal" for "school administrator" (except with academics)
- Remove "Remote Learning/Meeting Attendance Expectations" heading and combine language with "Attendance Expectations"
- Add language regarding CTE students not earning certifications due to excessive absences
- Remove language about "third letter" for unexcused absences and change administrator meeting to nine days from fifteen (this was previous practice)
- Reword first section of "Absences: Notifying the school" so not redundant
- NEW Dress Code
- Update "SchoolMessenger" to "Apptegy Thrillshare" and its capabilities (Deanna A. to provide wording.)
- Update Open Campus, Late Entry/Early Release, Student Parking Privileges
- Update District Transportation and Conduct on Bus to align with policy
- Remove "COVID-19" from "Health & Safety Guidelines" heading and language about "Coronavirus Tab" on website
- Add Covid to list of what to do if student has specific infection
- Reorder "Academic Information" section and bring pieces from other sections to this one (ie. Address/Residency Change Verification)
- Move "Work Habits" to Academic Information section as it earns credit
- Add language to "Grade Progression" regarding CTE students being removed from course if grade too low to recover and earn credit at semester mark
- Remove 21C language
- Remove Jan. 15 deadline for Early Graduation Request (not enforced)
- Update Address/Residency Change language to include language that sending towns need to verify residency each year through sending town.
- Add "Homeschooling" language
- Rename "Remote Learning Information" as "Virtual Learning Courses"
- Rename "Remote Learner Course Schedule" & Remove heading "Remote Learning Classroom/Meeting Expectations" and combine as "Remote Learning"
- Rename "Workplace Education Opportunities" as ELO
    - Remove most language regarding how to get started
    - Refer students to Nancy Wilmot (school counseling office)

- Remove PACE section
- Rename "Student Services" section as "Student Resources"
- Move "Learning Commons" to this section
- Language change to "Office Phone Use"
- Remove "Parent Advisory Group"
- Update "Picture Day" company and date
- Remove free meals from "Cafe Services"
- Reference Life of a Tiger in Co-Curricular… Attendance section
- Reorder "School Safety" sections
- Remove some language from Evacuation section
- Add language to Security of Building section that states visitors are subject to background check
- Update entire "Behavior Expectations and Classifications" section
  - Organized by tier with definition of each tier, possible interventions for that tier, and examples of behaviors within tier
  - Add "Lunch Detention" to interventions
- Added "Work Habits Rubric" to Appendix