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Dear Families,

We wanted to take a moment to introduce our behavioral expectations for our common areas (lunchroom, playground, hallways). The mission of James I. Gibson E.S. is to create a caring community of lifelong learners and leaders. We have developed the following guidelines for behavior to keep all students safe - we call them the "Gibson Golden Rules":

- I am Safe
- I am Kind
- I am Respectful
- I am Responsible

The students will be taught the Gibson Golden Rules in their classrooms. The rules will be defined so that all students understand the expectations for behavior in the classroom, hallways, bathrooms, lunchroom, playground and all other common areas in the school. Student safety is a priority and it is important for all students to follow the Gibson Golden Rules while at school.

Lunchroom/Recess Safety Plan

Over the past few years we have been collecting behavior data at our school and have found a behavior trend that most of our office referrals for behavior happen while students are at lunch and/or recess during their unstructured time. In an effort to maintain safety during lunch/recess we are implementing a program this year called the "Gibson Reflection Recess". This will be instituted for all students, first through fifth grade, excluding kindergarteners.

During the first few weeks of school, students will be explicitly taught the rules and expectations for behavior in the lunchroom and on the playground. Coach Hallett will teach all students the rules/expectations for playground games. If a student chooses to misbehave during lunch/recess the student will be given a Reflection Ticket. A copy of the Reflection Ticket will be sent home to the parent. A phone call will also be made to the parent to inform you of the Reflection Ticket. Receiving a Reflection Ticket is a notice that the student will attend the alternate Reflection Recess for the following day.

The Reflection Recess is an alternate lunch/recess and will be supervised by Gibson Staff. The student(s) will have an opportunity to review the Gibson Golden Rules and reflect on their behavior and make a plan to change their behavior in the future. The student(s) will have an opportunity to practice playing by the rules through role play with Gibson staff. Receiving a Reflection Ticket is considered a "minor" discipline offense. This minor offense will not stay on a student's permanent record.

We thank you for supporting our school's mission of creating a safe and caring environment where all students can learn.

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