The Switzerland Point Standards

BE RESPECTFUL

✓ Recognize the worth of a person and his/her belongings.

BE RESPONSIBLE

Choose for oneself between right and wrong and accept both the positive and negative resulting consequences.

BE SAFE

✓ Free from harm or risk.

Arrival

School begins each day at 7:40 a.m. and ends at 2:05 p.m. Supervision of students from 7:15 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. is in the Media Center. Students arriving after 7:40 a.m. must report directly to the front office to sign in.

Attendance

Students are required by Florida State Law to attend school every day. Regular attendance plays a very important part in determining success at school.

In accordance with the Florida Compulsory School Attendance Law, F.S. 232.17, the St. Johns County School District will enforce the following attendance policy:

- When a student has a total of ten (10) absences (excused or unexcused) the parent will receive written notice by mail regarding the absences.
- When a student has a total of fifteen (15) absences (excused or unexcused) the parent will receive written notice by mail regarding the absences.
- After fifteen (15) total absences (excused or unexcused) a student must have a doctor's verification for all subsequent absences due to illness. If a parent writes a note after fifteen (15) total days of absences it will be recorded as "unexcused with note."

A student is deemed truant after five (5) unexcused absences within a calendar month or ten (10) unexcused absences within a ninety (90) calendarday period. The parent will receive written notice by mail regarding the unexcused absences and the consequences if the truancy continues.

In the event of an absence, a note signed by a parent/guardian is required within 48 hours of return,

stating the date of absence, the specific reason for the absence and a parent/guardian's signature. The excuse note must be brought to the attendance office before or during homeroom. Upon return from an absence, it is the student's responsibility to communicate with teachers about any make-up assignments.

MODEL EXCUSE NOTE:

Dated

To the Principal or Teacher:

Please excuse John Smith's absence on Thursday, September 7. He had a sore throat.

Yours truly,

Mrs. C. Smith

Parents may expect a computer generated phone call as a courtesy notification of each absence; however, a written note signed by a parent/guardian is still required within 48 hours of returning to school.

The following reasons for absences are valid and will be excused: illness, serious illness or death in the immediate family, health related appointments, emergency medical or dental attention, authorized religious holidays, and absences approved in advance by the administration.

The following are not excusable absences in accordance with state attendance laws: vacations, truancy, <u>out-of-school suspension (OSS)</u>, missing the school bus, trips not approved in advance, shopping, hunting, fishing, and attendance at sports events, birthday or other celebrations.

Any student arriving after 10:30 a.m. or checked out of school before 10:30 a.m. will be considered absent for the day.

The fact that the student's parent had knowledge of the absence does not, in and of itself, require school personnel to record the absence as an excused absence.

The form to request a pre-approved absence may be found on the Switzerland Point website: http://www-raider.stjohns.k12.fl.us

Please be certain to carefully read the St. Johns County School District Student Code of Conduct concerning student attendance for further explanation.

Assembly Conduct

Various assemblies will be scheduled throughout the school year. Students are expected to follow

established guidelines. All students are expected to walk to the assembly with their teachers and sit quietly in the designated areas. Students are expected to behave in a mature manner during the assembly, and to extend the proper courtesies to the performers or guests. Inappropriate behavior will result in appropriate consequences. *Be respectful*.

Bicycles

Students may ride bikes to school under two very important conditions: (1) all bikes must be parked and locked in the racks provided. (2) students may never ride bicycles through the bus loading area, parent pick-up area, or on campus. Everyone is required by law to wear a bike helmet when riding bikes. *Be safe.*

Book Bags

Students may only bring book bags to and from school. During the school day, book bags will be stored in student lockers. Students may only use a drawstring bag throughout the day to carry needed materials from class to class. Drawstring bags are not intended to carry school books or folders. They are only for small items such as pens and pencils. Students are expected to carry textbooks with their hands. Book bags and/or satchels are not permitted from class to class.

The PTSO and PE department will have approved draw string bags available for purchase.

Buses

Students must ride their assigned bus each day. Courtesy rides on a different bus are not available. Bus drivers are authorized to issue referrals for rule infractions which could result in disciplinary action including a bus suspension. Parent requests or complaints regarding bus service should be directed to the director of transportation: 547-7810.

Cafeteria

Lunch is available in the cafeteria on a daily basis. All food and drink must be consumed in the cafeteria. At no time is food or drink to leave the cafeteria with the exception of water in a clear plastic bottle. Students are not allowed to leave campus for lunch. Free or reduced price lunches are available to eligible students. Free/Reduced lunch applications may be found in the Guidance Department.

Cell Phones

The St. Johns County School District permits cell phones to be brought to school. These must be

turned off and stored in a backpack, purse or locker during school hours.

No phone calls, texting, or emailing from a cell phone is permitted on campus during school hours.

The first violation will result in a demerit being issued and the phone will be confiscated until the end of the school day. The second violation will result in a demerit being issued and the phone will be confiscated and will only be released to a parent. The third violation, and each subsequent violation will result in immediate placement in ISD and the phone will only be released to a parent.

When there is reasonable suspicion that a student has used a cell phone in violation of the Code of Conduct or other school rules, or for an unlawful purpose, the school administration or its designee may review the phone's call log, voice messages, text messages, emails, Facebook, instagram and photographs in furtherance of its investigation of the suspected violation.

In the case of an emergency, parents are asked to call the front office, **not a student's cell phone**.

Clinic/First Aid

The clinic is for temporary first aid only. Prior to going to the clinic, students must ask the teacher for a hall pass to go to the clinic. Students should not go to the clinic in between classes unless it is an emergency. They are to report to the next class and request permission from the teacher. Students who are ill may not remain in the restroom. They must report to the clinic or send for assistance.

Students who have a temperature of 100 degrees or more, diarrhea or vomiting must be picked up from school. Switzerland Point follows the St. Johns County Health Department recommendation that students need to stay home until they are fever free for 24 hours without intervention from fever reducing medications.

Students at Switzerland Point are allowed to carry over-the-counter medications as long as a parent brings in the medication in the original container the first time and has a completed over-the-counter form. Prescription medications that need to be administered at school must be brought in by an adult and have a St. Johns County prescription form filled out by the doctor. Both the over-the-counter form and the prescription form may be found on the SPMS website (http://www-raider.stjohns.k12.fl.us)

or may be obtained from the clinic. No baggies of pills will be accepted or administered. When possible, the clinic will notify the parent that a medication is low.

If at any point during the school year your contact information changes, please notify SPMS of the change in the case of an emergency.

When checking out a student, please be prepared to show your current driver's license or state issued ID to the front office staff. This information will be verified on the student emergency card and in the computer.

Code of Conduct

We expect all students to behave in a manner that contributes to a positive school environment. Students should be proud of themselves and be proud of their school. We expect students to behave on the buses, in the classrooms, in the cafeteria, in the halls, on the school grounds, and at all school functions including field trips. When students do not behave, consequences will result. Please understand that students are responsible for the choices they make. We will provide students with a copy of the St. Johns County School District Code of Conduct which supports our goal for excellence at Switzerland Point Middle School. Students are required to read this code carefully and share it with their parents. Be responsible.

Conferences

When parent and/or student concerns cannot be resolved through emails or phone calls, face to face conferences can be arranged. These should be arranged directly through the teachers. Conferences are held between 2:15 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday or Thursday or between 7:00 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. for those teachers who are able to meet before school begins. When parents arrive for a scheduled conference, they are to sign in at the front office.

Contraband

Radios, IPODS, MP3 players, CD players, tape recorders, toys, laser pointers, video games, cameras, trading cards, beepers, TV's, and skateboards are considered examples of contraband and are not to be brought to school for any reason. No animals are allowed at any time unless approved by the principal. If approved, the animal may not be transported by bus.

Communication

Communication is vital between school and home. Our electronic newsletter, the Raider Rap, is

available through email and will be archived on our website. We encourage all parents to sign up for our Raider Rap, updated each Friday with current activities and Switzerland Point Middle School news. To sign up for the Raider Rap or to view the most recent edition, please visit our website at: http://www-raider.stjohns.k12.fl.us/

Dances

Dances will be held during the school year. Only students currently enrolled at Switzerland Point Middle School may attend. Any student involved in the fraudulent admission of a person not currently enrolled at Switzerland Point Middle School will be subject to suspension. Any student who is suspended or absent from school on the day of a dance, will not be allowed to attend. Students intending to attend a dance will not be allowed an early dismissal the day of the dance. Parent pick-up at the end of a dance is in the back of the school inside the bus loop. Students will be dismissed to their ride as the vehicle completes the circle in the loop.

Discipline

Every faculty and staff member is equally dedicated to making Switzerland Point a safe, respectful and responsible campus. We encourage all students to make good choices!

Switzerland Point employs a progressive disciplinary system outlined below:

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<u>3rd demerit</u>-Reteach expectations (teacher contacts parent)

4th demerit-Dean Intervention (Dean contacts parent)

5th demerit or more-Dean Intervention (Dean contacts parent)

Demerits will be wiped clean at the end of each semester. Students who require a second Dean Intervention or serve OSS will lose their privilege to participate in the end of semester reward activity.

Gum is not allowed at Switzerland Point. Students who chew gum will be assigned a day of ISD. No warnings will be issued. The second violation will result in placement in ISD for one day and loss of the privilege to participate in the end of semester reward activity.

Dress Code

Students should be proud of the way they dress. Cleanliness, good grooming, neatness, and modesty are important standards of appearance. following may not be worn to Switzerland Point Middle School: sleeveless clothing, muscle shirts. tank-tops, spaghetti strap tops, midriff or cleavage revealing clothing, backless dresses or tops, lace or see through dresses or tops, or mini-skirts. Shirts with profanity or inappropriate slogans advertising alcohol, drugs, sex, weapons, racial and/or ethnic slurs, sadistic or violent themes, underwear worn as outer wear, pajamas, yoga pants, excessive arm clothing, break away sports clothing, cut offs, P.E. clothes to class, flip flops, slippers or backless shoes, steel-toed boots, platform shoes, roller skate shoes, spandex shorts, sunglasses, bandannas, dog collars, heavy chains worn as jewelry or on other clothing, rings with sharp points or rings that cover more than one finger, and facial piercings are not Students are not allowed to apply acceptable. glitter, place stickers on their bodies, write with permanent marker or have any writing on their bodies at any time. No extreme hair color that may be a distraction to the learning environment. All dresses, skirts and shorts must be worn no more than four (4) inches above the knee. Pants with holes, tears, or rips may not expose any skin located more than four (4) inches above the knee. All pants must be worn at the waist. Belts, overalls, and suspender straps must be fastened and tucked away at all times. Leggings, tights, and 100% spandex garments must be covered by an approved outer garment that covers the area from the waist to no more than four (4) inches above the knee. Hats, caps, visors, or other headgear are not to be worn inside the school building. Each violation of the dress code will result in the following consequences:

- Immediate parent contact.
- Appropriate clothing will be provided and must be returned after the item has been laundered.
- A demerit will be issued.

Nothing in this section shall be constituted to preempt the authority of the principal to act contrary to statements contained herein in specific cases when, in her opinion, a student is attempting to use this code to disrupt the educational process or the order and discipline of this school. *Be responsible*.

Drugs & Alcohol Abuse

Drugs and alcohol will not be tolerated at SPMS. Please refer to section 3 of the St. Johns County School District Student Code of Conduct.

Early Checkout Procedure

As a safety precaution, students will only be released to the parent/guardian or the Emergency Contact listed on the Emergency Card. A current driver's license or state issued ID must be presented in the front office to check a student out early. The following procedure will be strictly enforced: NO student may be signed out after 1:35 p.m. every day except Wednesday. The latest early checkout on Wednesday is 12:35 p.m. Parents must arrive in the front office no later than 1:30 p.m. (or 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday) in order to sign their child out early.

Students who check out during the school day due to illness are not eligible to return to the school that same evening for any activities as a participant or a member of the audience.

Evacuation Procedures

Several times during the school year we will evacuate the building. Evacuation charts are posted in each room. Teachers will instruct students when and how to leave the building. When evacuating the building, please pass quickly, quietly, and in an orderly fashion. Students must stay with their class at all times during an evacuation procedure. Any student who is out of class during an evacuation should fall in line with the nearest class and notify that teacher after exiting the building. *Be safe*.

Guidance

The guidance program at Switzerland Point Middle School is designed to promote the formation of productive and responsible citizens by ensuring the academic, career, and personal/social development of all students. The guidance counselors focus on student developmental needs, interests, and concerns. They recognize the unique changes, behaviors and attitudes associated with middle school age level and are available to counsel with students, and consult with teachers and parents as needed. Any students desiring to see the guidance counselor must first secure a pass from their classroom teacher.

Hall Pass

Students must have a hall pass in order to be out of class during a scheduled class period. It is the student's responsibility to have a hall pass. Teachers will have a hall pass available in their classrooms.

Home Access Center

Home Access Center (HAC) is a web-based application that will allow parents to view their child's

educational information. Parents using HAC will be able to view:

- Students' schedule of classes.
- Grades for all assignments.
- Current progress in each class.
- Detailed attendance information.
- Emergency contacts, along with primary and secondary alert phone numbers on file.
- Non-school days for the year to assist when planning vacations.
- Important messages from teachers and administration.

Parents are encouraged to read the Home Access Center FAQ's and instruction guide on the St. Johns County School District website at: http://www.st.johns.k12.fl.us

Honor Code

Switzerland Point Middle School is an institution in which learning for a purpose takes place on a daily basis. Useful and lasting learning does not occur unless the process students go through to learn is an honest process which reflects their true abilities as measured by their own efforts. Progress which is based on unsound learning, as is the case with cheating or copying another's work, is not a genuine process. Cheating prepares a student for failure, not success. Dishonesty serves to undermine the academic and intellectual integrity of the school. By establishing the honor code, the faculty and administration of Switzerland Point indicate their commitment to work to eliminate such acts.

Cheating involves one or more of the following:

- 1. Using the work of another person as one's own.
- 2. Copying from or providing information to another student on a test or quiz.
- 3. Copying from or providing information to another student on classwork or homework.
- Preparing for cheating in advance. Such action involves:
 - A. Possessing a copy of a test to be given or that has been given by a teacher before you take it:
 - B. Possessing and using previously prepared answers to a test or quiz (this includes information written directly upon any part of the body or clothing);
 - C. Unauthorized use of text or notes during a test or examination.
 - Asking for or giving information to another student during the test or quiz.

It is not our intent to place students in a position where they can easily, and without intent, violate the honor code. Therefore, teachers will be careful to communicate to their respective classes what they expect of them in completing homework and other assignments.

Plagiarism means using another person's ideas, expressions, or work without giving the original author credit. Plagiarism will be dealt with by the individual teacher on an individual basis. Students found to be in violation of the honor code will receive a referral to the dean. *Be respectful*.

Horseplay

Behavior toward and with another student can be misinterpreted and/or cause an injury. Even if students believe they are joking or playing around, an unfortunate situation may occur. Switzerland Point Middle School does not allow horseplay of any kind while on campus, on a school bus, at the bus stop, or on a field trip. Horseplay that results in the injury of another student will result in an Out-of-School Suspension. Be respectful.

Internet Acceptable Use Policy

Students will be given a St. Johns County School District Internet Acceptable Use Policy form at the beginning of the school year. Each student will be required to read, understand, and sign the policy. Violation of this policy is unethical and may result in Internet access privileges being revoked, district disciplinary action, and/or appropriate legal action.

Interscholastic Sports Program

Switzerland Point Middle School will participate in the Interscholastic Sports Program offered by the St. Johns County School District. The sports in this program are girls' and boys' basketball and volleyball. This program emphasizes sportsmanship and fair competition through organized practice and game play. We will abide by the rules stated in the Florida High School Athletic Association. These rules state that athletes must maintain an overall 2.0 GPA to be eligible to play on the team. Furthermore, we have included that athletes at Switzerland Point Middle School must be passing ALL classes to be eligible for participation.

Late Homework and Deliveries

Beginning at 7:50am each day, the front office is unable to deliver late or forgotten homework, books, projects, band instruments or PE uniforms to students. This policy is in effect at all times during the school day. We respectfully request that students and parents honor this policy.

Lockers

Each student will be assigned a locker for their convenience; however, lockers are school property, and the administration reserves the right to inspect the contents of a locker. Although the school will investigate any reports of stolen property, it cannot be held responsible for items lost or taken from a locker. The school will provide a combination lock for all lockers. Lockers should be securely locked at all times. A \$5.00 deposit will be charged for the use of a school lock. If, at anytime, private locks are placed on a locker, they will be cut off without notice. Lockers may not be changed at any time. Students will also be provided a lock for their PE locker. Replacement costs are \$5.00. A refund date for deposits will be scheduled for the end of the school year. The refund can be waived and the fee will be donated to the school. The donated fee will be used for both equipment maintenance and the purchase of new equipment.

All lockers are subject to search.

Lost & Found

Lost and found items may be claimed in the front office. Each quarter, unclaimed items will be donated to charity. Frequent reminders from the morning announcements, Raider Rap and outside marquee are given to the students to pick up their lost items. Lunchboxes and clothing with names will be returned to the student before they are given to charity. Please keep up with all belongings and make every effort to recover lost items. Be responsible

Media Center

The Media Center is here to help students with their school needs. The Media Center is open from 7:15 a.m. until 2:45 p.m. Students are required to have a pass when visiting the Media Center. Students who need to use a computer should ask at the front circulation desk. Students may check out 3 books at a time for up to 2 weeks. Overdue fines are 5 cents per day; in the event that a book is damaged a replacement fee will charged. Failure to return items or pay fines will result in the loss of Media Center privileges and may result in suspension from participation in extracurricular activities received. It is a privilege to visit the SPMS Media Center. Please remember to talk quietly so as not to disturb others—no eating, drinking, or chewing gum. We look forward to serving all library needs.

Messages

We are unable to deliver messages to students, except in cases of an emergency. We understand

that parents may feel the need to get in touch with students during the school day, but we cannot stop the instruction of the other students in the class for any reason other than an emergency. The nature of the emergency must be specified to a school official before classroom activities will be interrupted. Under normal circumstances, emergencies exist when conditions arise that make it impossible or impractical to delay the message until later. Arrangements for routine matters such as rides to and from school, car and house key delivery and pickup, meeting places, etc. should be made before students arrive at school.

Parent Volunteers

Switzerland Point Middle School encourages parent volunteers. We appreciate volunteer time spent, and we know all volunteers will be afforded the same courtesy and respect as our faculty and staff. We ask that volunteers make arrangements for supervision of younger children. Anyone wishing to join this dedicated group is encouraged to call the school today.

Parent Visitation

Parents are always welcome at Switzerland Point Middle School, but for security reasons are obligated to go directly to the school office upon entering campus. Any parent interested in visiting their child's classroom during an instructional period may request permission from Administration for an appointed time. Parents may not ever visit a classroom without a prior scheduled appointment. Under no circumstance may a parent or visitor go directly to a classroom either before or after school hours without first reporting to the school office. All visitors will receive a visitor's badge which must be worn in a visible location at all times.

Profanity

Profanity is not acceptable at Switzerland Point Middle School. This includes slang or racial slurs. The use of profanity will result in disciplinary action. *Be respectful.*

Promotion

In accordance with the State of Florida, the criterion for promotion is based on the Pupil Progression Plan set forth by the St. Johns County School Board. To be promoted the student must demonstrate mastery of the grade level expectations for all of the four core academic areas: Language Arts: Mathematics: Science and Social Studies.

The grading scale, adopted by the State of Florida is as follows:

A 100 – 90 excellent B 89 – 80 good C 79 – 70 average

D 69 – 60 needs improvement

F 59 – 50 failure

Public Displays of Affection

Switzerland Point Middle School does not allow any public displays of affection. This includes but is not limited to: holding hands, hugging, and kissing. All public displays of affection will result in disciplinary action.

Pupil Detention, Search, and Seizure

The principal, teacher, or any other member of the staff is authorized to temporarily detain and question a student when circumstances indicate that such student has committed, is committing, or is about to commit, a violation of law or a regulation of the school board.

- 1. If at any time reasonable suspicion arises that the student is unlawfully concealing any stolen or illegal property, an alcoholic beverage, illegal drugs, or any weapon as prohibited in these regulations, a member of the instructional staff may search for the presence of the items.
- If a search of a student or his/her locker or other property reveals stolen or illegal items as prohibited by law or school board regulations, such item or items may be seized and such action taken as provided for by law or school board regulations.

Raider Bucks

Students have the opportunity each day to earn "Raider Bucks" from any staff member. "Raider Bucks" are awarded randomly to students who display trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring or good citizenship. It is up to each adult to choose when to award a "Raider Buck". Students may not request one. There will be multiple opportunities throughout the school year for students to use "Raider Bucks" to purchase special treats or pay for admission to special events. "Raider Bucks" must have a student name and adult signature on them in order to be used. "Raider Bucks" expire at the end of each school year.

Report Cards

As a measure of student progress, report cards are issued four times during the school year, as shown on the master calendar. Students will be given their report card at the end of each quarter. It then becomes the responsibility of the student to get these reports home on the same day they are

issued. Parents are encouraged to call our guidance department if there are questions regarding these reports.

Interim Reports are no longer printed and sent home. Parents are encouraged to access their child's grades through Home Access Center on a regular basis.

Responsibilities, Choices, Consequences

At the middle school level, we hold each student responsible for the choices they make. We also expect each student to understand there is a consequence for every choice that is made. The consequences can be good or bad. The choices and consequences are those of the students! Be responsible.

School Safety

Switzerland Point Middle School is committed to having a safe, violence-free, drug-free educational environment. We participate and support the statewide "Silence Hurts" campaign designed to address school climate and culture. The message is simple . . . It is the responsibility of every student, parent, teacher, administrator and community member to share information that will keep our school safe. If at anytime students are aware of any situation that could result in the disruption of a safe, violence-free, drug-free school environment, they are encouraged and expected to notify a school official immediately. Names will not be shared or released when following through on the information provided. Remember, SILENCE HURTS!

Standards for *ALL* Written Work

Name Teacher Name/Period Date

- 1. Name, Teacher/Period & Date at the top right.
- 2. Title of the assignment on the first line.
- 3. Indent the first line of every paragraph five spaces or one "tab" to include written short answers to questions. Do not write in the left margin.
- 4. If paper is typed, size 12 font. If paper is handwritten, you must use blue or black ink.
- 5. All final graded papers are on white paper only. For classwork and homework, use standard notebook paper, not paper taken out of spiral notebooks with jagged edges.
- 6. All papers must be neat, clean, and legible. Do not fold or crumple papers.
- 7. Write in complete sentences always. Restate the question the question if answering short answer questions. Use proper grammar, punctuation, and

spelling on all papers at all times.

- 8. Avoid the use of contractions, slang, and abbreviations. Consider all graded written assignments as formal writing.
- 9. Take pride in the appearance, quality, and content of all written work.

Student Accident Coverage

The St. Johns County School Board does not provide student accident coverage for students while they are in attendance during the regular school day.

Student Use of Telephone

Students may request to use the telephone in the main office for the following three reasons:

- 1. Students may use the telephone to call home when they are ill.
- 2. Students may use the telephone to call home for lunch or lunch money.
- 3. Students may use the telephone if an after school activity has been cancelled.

<u>Under no circumstance are students allowed to use a personal cell phone to contact a parent during the school day.</u>

Suspension

The principal or a designated representative may suspend a student from school for misconduct. Examples may include, but are not limited to: violent behavior; possession or being under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco, defiance, disrespect, or repeated misconduct of a less serious nature. The suspension shall be reported immediately to the parent/guardian of the student. Suspended students are not allowed on any St. Johns County School District campus during the suspension unless approved by administration.

Tardy to Class

It is important that students report to each class on time. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action. On the third (3rd) tardy to class, a lunch detention will be issued by the Dean. Two lunch detentions will be issued by the Dean for the fourth (4th) tardy. ISD will be issued by the Dean for each subsequent tardy. Be responsible.

Tardy to School

Students must be at school by 7:50 a.m. If students arrive late to school, they must check in through the front office. Failure to bring notes with an acceptable excuse will result in an unexcused tardy. An acceptable excused tardy includes illness or illness of a member of the immediate family.

Oversleeping, excessive traffic, or missing the bus is not considered an excused tardy.

The following tardy policy is in effect for all students in all grade levels: Three (3) unexcused tardies in a semester will result in a lunch detention issued by the Dean. A fourth (4th) unexcused tardy will result in two lunch detentions issued by the Dean. ISD will be issued by the Dean for each subsequent tardy.

Textbooks

Students will receive a textbook in appropriate subjects. These books are school property and we expect students to take proper care of them and return them at the end of the year. Fines will be charged for damaged books and students are responsible for paying for a lost or stolen book. If books are lost or stolen, a second copy will be furnished, if available, upon payment of the missing book. Failure to pay fines may result in the suspension from participation in extra-curricular activities until payment is received. Please take good care of all books!

Tobacco Products

The use or possession of tobacco products, cigarettes, snuff, chewing tobacco, etc. will not be tolerated at Switzerland Point Middle School. Students found with these items are subject to disciplinary action.

Website - http://www-raider.stjohns.k12.fl.us/

Our website contains a tremendous amount of valuable information. Please refer to the many links at any time for school and classroom updates.

Withdrawal from School

In the event that a student must be withdrawn from Switzerland Point Middle School, the parent or legal guardian must notify the school in advance either in person or in writing.

The Gaines Alternative School

The administration is committed to a safe, violence-free, drug-free educational environment. Any student involved in continuous acts of a violent nature, drugs, theft, vandalism, serious or continuous acts of defiance, or disruptive behavior will be subject to placement in The Gaines Alternative School in St. Augustine. Be respectful. Be responsible. Be safe.