# Valley Academy Inc. Public Board Meeting Agenda 

December 14, 2023 @ 6:00 pm
539 N 870 W, Hurricane, UT 84737

1. Welcome
2. Pledge of Allegiance and Mission Statement

At Valley Academy we are dedicated to achieving excellence in our education, our character, and our pathways* for the future.
3. Public Comment

The Board requests that you provide written notice to be heard for public comment so we can plan for the time required for this agenda item. Requests may be sent to miranda@valleyacademycharter.com. Please plan ahead for your comments to be 3 minutes or less. Due to open meeting regulations, please be aware that the board will not be able to formally discuss or take action on items brought up in this meeting's public comment period.
4. Monthly Training Topic: SEL by Daniela Stackhouse
5. Review and discussion of Annual Board Calendar
6. Review previous month's action items:
7. Student Council Report
8. Business Manager Monthly Report
9. Director's Monthly Report
10. Reports from Board Committees:
a. Finance/Audit
b. Policy
c. Charter Accountability
d. Executive
11. Approval of the November 9, 2023, meeting minutes.
12. Discussion and possible approval of the 2024-2025 school calendar.
13. Discussion and possible approval of the Student Council Disneyland trip
14. Discussion and possible approval of the Child Abuse Neglect and Reporting policy.
15. Discussion and possible approval of the updated Uniform Policy K-5th.
16. Discussion and possible approval to rename current policies to align with Utah State Code.
17. Discussion and possible approval of the fencing.
18. Discussion and possible approval of the travel for the following field trips:
a. Ski Club
b. Las Vegas Body Exhibit
c. Pipe Springs National Monument
19. Closed session, if needed. Utah Code 52-4-205(a).
20. Any action necessary from closed session
21. Recap and assignment of any action items needed from this meeting
22. Next proposed meeting is January 11, 2024.
23. Adjourn
as of November 30th, 2023

## 1000 Local

3000 State
4000 Federal
Total Revenue
Expenses
100 Salaries
200 Benefits
300 Prof \& Technical Services 400 Purchased Property Services 500 Other Purchase Services 600 Supplies and Materials 700 Property, Equipment 800 Debt Service and Misc Total Expenses

Net Income from Operations
Operating Margin

BUDGET REPORT

| $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { YTD } \\ \text { Actuals } \end{gathered}$ |  | Approved Budget |  | Forecast |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { \% of } \\ \text { Forcast } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 73 |  | 552 |  | 573 |  |
| \$ | 95,182 | \$ | 119,605 | \$ | 142,837 | 67\% |
| \$ | 2,454,729 | \$ | 5,470,845 | \$ | 5,730,698 | 43\% |
| \$ | 112,381 | \$ | 405,592 | \$ | 558,521 | 20\% |
| \$ | 2,662,292 | S | 5,996,042 | S | 6,432,057 | 41\% |
| \$ | 1,540,200 | \$ | 3,484,260 | \$ | 3,647,428 | 42\% |
| \$ | 397,354 | \$ | 886,481 | \$ | 898,171 | 44\% |
| \$ | 63,533 | \$ | 192,132 | \$ | 192,132 | 33\% |
| \$ | 255,253 | \$ | 587,595 | \$ | 587,595 | 43\% |
| \$ | 17,396 | \$ | 80,901 | \$ | 80,901 | 22\% |
| \$ | 263,010 | \$ | 461,982 | \$ | 477,775 | 55\% |
| \$ | 58,958 | \$ | 63,701 | \$ | 87,908 | 67\% |
| \$ | 9,702 | \$ | 45,000 | \$ | 25,000 | 39\% |
| \$ | 2,605,406 | \$ | 5,802,052 | \$ | 5,996,910 | 43\% |
| \$ | 56,887 | s | 193,991 | \$ | 435,146 |  |

2.1\%
$3.2 \%$

EXPENSES
RATIOS

|  | Actual | Goal |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Forecasted |  |  |
| Operating Margin | 6.8\% | 3\% |
| Debt Service Coverage | 2.10 | 1.25 |
| Days Cash on Hand | 120 | 60-90 |
| Building Payment \% | 18.0\% | 20\% |



CASH

| Building Set Aside | $\$$ | 210,588 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Restricted Cash Balance | Since Jan. 2018 |  |
| Ending Total Cash Balance (Restricted \& Unrest.) | $\$$ | $1,973,815$ | | Ending Total Cash Balance (Restricted \& Unrest.) | $\$$ | $1,973,214$ |
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Days Cash on Hand


RESERVES

|  | Actual Ytd |  |  | Forecast |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Last Year Reserve Balance | \$ | 1,603,798 | \$ | 1,603,798 |
| Reserves Added this Year | \$ | 56,887 | \$ | 435,146 |
| Expenses from Reserves |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | - | \$ | - |
|  | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| New Reserve Balance | \$ | 1,660,685 | \$ | 2,038,944 |

ENROLLMENT


| (531 Students) | (573 students) | (552 Students) |  | (573 Students) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Previous Yr's Actuals FY23 | Current Yr's <br> Actuals <br> FY24 | Approved Budget FY24 | Amount Changed | FY24 <br> Forecast | Actuals as a \% of Forecast |


| 1000 Local |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1510 Interest on Investments | \$ | 28,000 | \$ | 42,272 | \$ | 30,000 |
| 1610 Food Service | \$ | 50,000 | \$ | 24,378 | \$ | 34,184 |
| 1720 Yearbooks | \$ | 6,219 | \$ | 2,935 | \$ | 3,500 |
| 1720 Book Fair | \$ | - | \$ | 2,113 | \$ | - |
| 1720 Student Government | \$ | 3,616 | \$ | 1,905 | \$ | 2,284 |
| 1741 General Student Fees | \$ | 5,000 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 1743 Curricular Activity Fees | \$ | 4,700 | \$ | - | \$ | 4,700 |
| 1747 Extra Curricular Activity Fees | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 1747 Ski Trip | \$ | 1,957 | \$ | - | \$ | 1,900 |
| 1747 Disneyland Fees | \$ | 8,000 | \$ | - | \$ | 12,000 |
| 1910 Rental of Facility | \$ | 8,009 | \$ | 5,680 | \$ | 7,000 |
| 1920 Private Donations | \$ | 3,049 | \$ | 5,833 | \$ | 3,049 |
| 1920 Fundraisers (Spirit Shirts) | \$ | 10,526 | \$ | 8,496 | \$ | 9,888 |
| 1920 Disneyland Fundraiser (Dixie Direct) | \$ | 7,800 | \$ | 785 | \$ | 7,800 |
| 1920 PTO/PAC | \$ | 3,300 | \$ | - | \$ | 3,300 |
| 1930 Sale of Assets | \$ | 770 | \$ | 400 | \$ | - |
| 1990 Miscellaneous | \$ | - | \$ | 385 | \$ | - |
| Total 1000: | \$ | 140,946 | \$ | 95,182 | \$ | 119,605 |


| $\$$ | 30,000 | $\$$ | 60,000 | $70.5 \%$ |
| ---: | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 34,184 | $71.3 \%$ |
| $\$$ | $(565)$ | $\$$ | 2,935 | $100.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | 2,113 | $\$$ | 2,113 | $100.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 2,284 | $83.4 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | - | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | $(4,700)$ | $\$$ | - | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | - | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 1,900 | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | $(6,800)$ | $\$$ | 5,200 | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 7,000 | $81.1 \%$ |
| $\$$ | 2,784 | $\$$ | 5,833 | $100.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 9,888 | $85.9 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 7,800 | $10.1 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 3,300 | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | 400 | $\$$ | 400 | $100.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | - | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | 23,232 | $\$$ | 142,837 | $66.6 \%$ |
| $\$$ |  |  |  |  |


| 3000 State |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.3005 Regular School Prgm K | \$ | 160,499 | \$ | 119,403 | \$ | 290,826 |
| 0.3010 Regular School Prgm 1-12 | \$ | 1,689,944 | \$ | 799,092 | \$ | 1,857,242 |
| 0.3020 Professional Staff | \$ | 130,635 | \$ | 57,943 | \$ | 140,292 |
| 31.1205 Special Education -- Add-On | \$ | 394,186 | \$ | 159,932 | \$ | 394,186 |
| 31.1210 Special Education -- Self-Contained | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 31.1220 Special Education-- Extended Year | \$ | 2,259 | \$ | 941 | \$ | 2,259 |
| 31.1225 Special Education -- Impact Aid | \$ | 6,907 | \$ | 2,746 | \$ | 6,907 |
| 31.1278 Special Education -- Extended Year Stipend | \$ | 2,012 | \$ | 1,118 | \$ | - |
| 31.5201 Class Size Reduction - K-8 | \$ | 199,159 | \$ | 94,350 | \$ | 213,883 |
| 31.5344 Enhancement for At-Risk Students | \$ | 92,379 | \$ | 60,098 | \$ | 99,209 |
| 32.0500 Charter School Base Fund | \$ | 50,089 | \$ | 27,456 | \$ | 63,480 |
| 32.5310 Flexible Allocation | \$ | - | \$ | 565 | \$ | - |
| 32.5619 Charter School Local Replacement | \$ | 1,566,337 | \$ | 745,882 | \$ | 1,696,848 |
| 32.5651 Educator Professional Time | \$ | 56,694 | \$ | 45,357 | \$ | 56,694 |
| 32.5653 Public Ed Capital \& Tech Fund | \$ | 74,117 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 33.5641 Early Intervention OEK Grant | \$ | 90,000 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 33.5805 Early Literacy Prgm K-3 | \$ | 20,747 | \$ | 10,926 | \$ | 22,281 |
| 34.5807 TSSP | \$ | 2,678 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 34.5868 Classroom Supplies \& Materials | \$ | 4,304 | \$ | 3,446 | \$ | 4,622 |
| 34.5876 Educator Salary Adjustment | \$ | 149,133 | \$ | 159,943 | \$ | 299,506 |
| 34.5911 English Language Learner Software | \$ | 5,445 | \$ | - | \$ | 5,445 |
| 35.5420 School Land Trust Program | \$ | 69,408 | \$ | 76,828 | \$ | 76,480 |
| 35.5666 Professional Learning Grant | \$ | 4,968 | \$ | 2,039 | \$ | 4,968 |
| 35.5677 Computer Science Grant | \$ | 20,000 | \$ | - | \$ | 20,000 |
| 35.5678 Teacher \& Student Success Act Program | \$ | 106,243 | \$ | 55,280 | \$ | 132,674 |
| 35.5679 School Based Mental Health Grant | \$ | 40,402 | \$ | - | \$ | 40,402 |
| 35.5810 Library Books \& Electronic Res | \$ | 624 | \$ | - | \$ | 670 |
| 38.5644 STEM Endorsement Incentive | \$ | 700 | \$ | - | \$ | 700 |
| 38.5654 Period Products | \$ | 1,271 | \$ | - | \$ | 1,271 |
| 38.5673 E-Cig \& Nicotine Prevention | \$ | 4,000 | \$ | 4,000 | \$ | 4,000 |
| 38.5674 Suicide Prevention | \$ | 1,000 | \$ | 1,000 | \$ | 1,000 |
| 38.5697 LETRS Professional Development | \$ | 6,081 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 38.8070 State Liquor Tax (Lunch Program) | \$ | 38,000 | \$ | 26,384 | \$ | 35,000 |
| Total 3000: | \$ | 4,990,220 | \$ | 2,454,729 | \$ | 5,470,845 |


| \$ | $(4,259)$ | \$ | 286,567 | 41.7\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ | 60,578 | \$ | 1,917,820 | 41.7\% |
| \$ | $(1,229)$ | \$ | 139,063 | 41.7\% |
| \$ | $(39,627)$ | \$ | 354,559 | 45.1\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | - | 0.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 2,259 | 41.7\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 6,907 | 39.8\% |
| \$ | 1,118 | \$ | 1,118 | 100.0\% |
| \$ | 12,558 | \$ | 226,441 | 41.7\% |
| \$ | 45,027 | \$ | 144,236 | 41.7\% |
| \$ | 2,415 | \$ | 65,895 | 41.7\% |
| \$ | 1,357 | \$ | 1,357 | 41.7\% |
| \$ | 93,268 | \$ | 1,790,116 | 41.7\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 56,694 | 80.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | - | 0.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | - | 0.0\% |
| \$ | 3,942 | \$ | 26,223 | 41.7\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | - | 0.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 4,622 | 74.6\% |
| \$ | 84,357 | \$ | 383,863 | 41.7\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 5,445 | 0.0\% |
| \$ | 348 | \$ | 76,828 | 100.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 4,968 | 41.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 20,000 | 0.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 132,674 | 41.7\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 40,402 | 0.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 670 | 0.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 700 | 0.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 1,271 | 0.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 4,000 | 100.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 1,000 | 100.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | - | 0.0\% |
| \$ | - | \$ | 35,000 | 75.4\% |
| \$ | 259,853 | \$ | 5,730,698 | 42.8\% |


| 4000 Federal |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 42.7210 ESSER Cares | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 42.7215 ESSER II CARES | \$ | 66,841 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 42.7225 ESSER III - ARP | \$ | 279,471 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 42.7230 GEERS Funding | \$ | 36,592 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 45.4522 IDEA Pre-School | \$ | 1,994 | \$ | - | \$ | 2,127 |
| 45.7525 IDEA ARP | \$ | 5,606 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 45.4524 IDEA Part-B | \$ | 89,479 | \$ | - | \$ | 90,029 |
| 45.4526 MTSS Grant | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 45.8071 National School Lunch Prgm | \$ | 46,929 | \$ | 8,994 | \$ | 40,000 |
| 45.8072 Free \& Reduced Reimbursement | \$ | 105,500 | \$ | 41,381 | \$ | 102,387 |
| 45.8074 Breakfast | \$ | 32,825 | \$ | 11,711 | \$ | 26,793 |
| 45.8080 Pandemic EBT Flow Through | \$ | 628 | \$ | 653 | \$ | 628 |
| 45.8081 Emergency Operating Fund - NSLP | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| 48.7801 Title IA | \$ | 69,384 | \$ | - | \$ | 77,124 |
| 48.7860 Title IIA | \$ | 8,204 | \$ | - | \$ | 12,600 |
| 48.7905 Title IV | \$ | 10,000 | \$ | - | \$ | 10,000 |
| REAP Grant | \$ | 43,905 | \$ | 49,642 | \$ | 43,905 |
| Total 4000: | \$ | 797,358 | \$ | 112,381 | \$ | 405,592 |
| Total Revenue: | \$ | 5,928,524 | \$ | 2,662,292 | \$ | 5,996,042 |


| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | - | $0.0 \%$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | - | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | 133,032 | $\$$ | 133,032 | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | - | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 2,127 | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | 14,135 | $\$$ | 14,135 | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 90,029 | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | - | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 40,000 | $22.5 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 102,387 | $40.4 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 26,793 | $43.7 \%$ |
| $\$$ | 25 | $\$$ | 653 | $100.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | - | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 77,124 | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 12,600 | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | - | $\$$ | 10,000 | $0.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | 5,737 | $\$$ | 49,642 | $100.0 \%$ |
| $\$$ | 152,929 | $\$$ | 558,521 | $20.1 \%$ |
| $\$$ |  |  |  |  |
| $\$$ | 436,014 | $\$$ | $6,432,057$ | $41.4 \%$ |




Valley Academy Charter School
2024-2025
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| Weekly Schedule | Regular School Day | Fridays \& Min. Days | Last Day of School | 1st \& Last Day |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Monday-Thursday | 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM |  | 12:45 PM | SLCs Minimum Day |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Friday |  | 8:30 AM - 12:45 PM |  | NO SCHOOL |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Schedule at a Glance |  |  |  | Teacher In-Service Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August 6-9th, 2024 | Teacher PD and Prep days |  |  | Minimum Davs |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August 9, 2024 | Back-To-School Open House 1-3 PM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August 12, 2024 | First Day of School Kinder-8th grades (Minimum Day) |  |  |  | January |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Picture Day |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| August 29, 2024 |  |  |  | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| September 2, 2024 | Labor Day-No School |  |  | 12 | ${ }^{13}$ | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
|  | Fall Break (No School) |  |  | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |  |
| October 17-21, 2024 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October 21, 2024 | Teacher In-Service Day (No School for Students) |  |  | February |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October 23-25 | Student Lead Conferences (SLCs)(Minimum Days) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| November 1, 2024 | Teacher In-Service Day (No School for Students) |  |  | ${ }^{9}$ | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 5 |
|  | Thanksgiving Break- No School |  |  | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |  |
| November 27-Dec 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2, 2024 | Teacher In-Service Day (No School for Students) |  |  | March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec. 21 - Jan 3rd | Winter Break- No School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| January 3, 2025 | Teacher In-Service Day (No School for Students) |  |  | 16 | 17 | 18 | 12 | ${ }^{13}$ | 14 | 15 |
| January 20, 2025 | Martin Luther King Jr. Day- No School |  |  | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
|  |  |  |  | 30 | 31 |  |  |  |  |  |



| February 17, 2025 | Pr |
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| March 10-17, 2025 | Sp |


| March 10-17, 2025 | Spring Break (No School) |
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| March 17, 2025 | Teacher In-Service Day |


| March 17, 2025 |
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| March 19-21, 2025 |

March 28, $2025 \quad$ Spring Fling/Lottery

| April 18-21, 2025 | Easter Break (No School) |
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| May 19, 2025 | Kindergarten Open House 3-5 PM |  |  |
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| May 22, 2025 | Kinder-8th Last Day of School |  |  |
| 180 DAYS | 990 HOURS |  |  |
| End of 1st Quarter | End of 2nd Quarter | End of 3rd Quarter | End of 4th Quarter |
| $10 / 16 / 2024$ | $12 / 20 / 2024$ | $3 / 7 / 2025$ | $5 / 22 / 2025$ |



| May |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| S | M | T | W | T | F | S |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |
| Drafted |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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11/28/2023

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## Valley Academy Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Policy

## I. Purpose:

To clearly identify responsibility for reporting and responding to allegations of child abuse and neglect.
II. Policy:

It is the policy of the Valley Academy Board of Directors that any school employee who in the course of the duties as an employee knows or has reason to believe that a child's health or welfare has been or appears to have been harmed as a result of sexual or physical abuse or neglect, or who observes a child being subjected to conditions or circumstances which would reasonably result in sexual abuse, physical abuse, or neglect, shall report or cause reports to be made in accordance with the law, policies and rules and procedures of the District.
III. Definitions:
a. "Child abuse or neglect" means causing harm or threatened harm to a child's health or welfare.
b. "Harm or threatened harm" means damage or threatened damage to the physical or emotional health and welfare of a child through neglect or abuse, and includes causing nonaccidental physical or mental injury, incest, sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, molestation, or repeated negligent treatment or maltreatment.
c. Neglect means:
i. abandonment of a child,
ii. subjecting a child to mistreatment or abuse,
iii. lack of proper parental care by reason of the fault or habits of the parent, guardian, or custodian
iv. failure or refusal of a parent, guardian, or custodian to provide proper or necessary subsistence, education, or medical care, including surgery or psychiatric services when required, or any other care necessary for his health, safety, morals, or well-being; or
v. a child at risk of being neglected or abused because another child in the same home is neglected or abused.
d. The aspect of neglect relating to education, described in section III-c-iv means that:
i. after receiving notice that a child has been frequently absent from school (ten consecutive days or more than $1 / 16$ th of the applicable school term) without good cause, or
ii. that the child has failed to cooperate with school authorities in a reasonable manner, or
iii. a parent or guardian fails to make a good faith effort to ensure that the child receives an appropriate education.
e. An allegation of educational neglect may not be sustained, based solely on a child's absence from school. In addition to frequent absence from school, the child must be two or more years behind local public school's age group expectations in one or more basic skills, and not be receiving special educational services or systematic remediation efforts designed to correct the problem.
f. "Subject" or "subject of the report" means any person reported, including, but not limited to, a child, parent, guardian, or other person responsible for a child's care.
g. Prior to holding a student after school on a particular day, notice shall be given to the parents or guardian of the student. Exceptions to the notice provision will be permitted if detention is necessary for the student's health or safety (House Bill 56, 1988, Utah State Legislature). (6-14-88)
h. Questioning of Students by Law Enforcement Officers:
i. In accordance with court decisions and administrative consideration, the following procedures will be followed when law enforcement officers wish to question students unless otherwise authorized by the Superintendent.

1. It is not permissible to question a student on school property unless a teacher or principal is present.
2. The student may not be taken from school for questioning unless the officer has a warrant for the arrest of the student, or has the permission of the student's parent or guardian.
ii. The same procedures will apply to visitation by parole, probation, or juvenile officers.

## IV. Responsibility:

a. School employees are immune from any civil and/or criminal liability when reporting in good faith, suspected child abuse or neglect.
b. Failure on the part of any school employee to report may result in legal and/or disciplinary action begin brought against the employee
c. If a school employee knows or reasonably suspects that a child's health or welfare has been or appears to have been harmed as a result of physical abuse, sexual abuse or neglect, he/she shall immediately make an oral report to the Division of Child and Family Services, nearest peace officer, or law enforcement agency as required by state law.

* Within 24 hours, the employee should make an oral report to the school principal or his/her designee concerning the alleged abuse or neglect.
d. It is not the responsibility of the school employee to:
i. Prove that the child has been abused or neglected.
ii. Determine whether the child is in need of protection, i.e., conduct his/her own investigation.
e. Investigations are the responsibility of the Division of Family Services. The Division of Family Services feels that the fewer times a child is questioned about suspected abuse or neglect the more effective the results of their investigation.
f. School employees shall not contact the parents, relatives, friends, neighbors, etc. for the purpose of determining the cause of the injury and/or apparent neglect. Contact with the parents shall be handled by the Division of Family Services or the police department, not by the school.
g. School personnel should refer to the possible signs and symptoms of abuse or neglect in Rules and Procedures Section 5 for help in determining if the child may have been physically or sexually abused or neglected.
h. Division workers or other child protection team members have authority to enter upon public or private premises, using appropriate legal processes, to investigate reports of
alleged child abuse or neglect. Schools may provide an effective neutral setting where children may be interviewed.
i. A child being interviewed has the right, if he/she chooses, to select a support person to be present in the interview. The support person is there only to provide support to the child. They are not to take part in the questioning or to coach the child's answers.
ii. It is not mandatory for a support person to be present but may be if the child wishes.
i. It is the responsibility of the investigating officer or worker to inform the parents of what is taking place.
i. As a courtesy, the division is to provide the school with a record of investigations which have been conducted at their school.
ii. Any documents shared with the school regarding an investigation are to be kept as confidential as School Record Policy permits, and are to be kept in a locked file.


## V. Indicators:

The following indicators should be referred to as a help for determining if a child may have been physically or sexually abused or neglected.
a. Child shows evidence of repeated injury--signs of new injuries appear before old injuries have healed.
b. Child is apprehensive about physical contact with adults or shows knowledge of, interest in, or concern about sexual matters not commensurate with the child's age.
c. History is not consistent with injuries--the way the child states receiving the injury is not consistent with the type of injury.
d. Child complains of abdominal pain.
e. Child has injuries on more than one plane of his/her body.
f. Child shows evidence of injury or other problems such as:
i. bruises
ii. welts
iii. wounds, cuts or puncture
iv. scalding
v. caustic burns
vi. frostbite
vii. other burns, especially apparent cigarette burns on the back of the head, neck
and extremities--these are seldom self-inflicted
viii. is inappropriately dressed for the weather
ix. wears torn, tattered or unwashed clothing
$x$. is unbathed
xi. has poor skin hygiene
xii. is rejected by other children because of offensive body odor
xiii. is undernourished
xiv. comes to school without breakfast, goes without lunch
xv. begs for food
xvi. is lethargic or listless
xvii. is frequently absent for flimsy reasons and lame excuses
xviii. comes to school much too early
xix. hangs around after school is dismissed
$x x$. is unusually aggressive, disruptive or destructive
xxi. is unusually shy, withdrawn, passive, or complains excessively
xxii. is unusually apprehensive when other children cry
xxiii. is unusually apprehensive when adults approach a crying child
xxiv. is consistently on the alert for danger
xxv. is subject to frequent and severe mood changes.

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## Uniform Policy (K-5)

## I. Purpose and Philosophy

Valley Academy has chosen to adopt a uniform dress code in order to create a positive atmosphere where students can feel safe and comfortable. Uniforms minimize visual socioeconomic differences between students and create an environment where clothing and fashion are not a distraction to the daily educational process.
II. Policy

Students are required to wear the Valley Academy uniform daily while on school property during normal school hours, during after-school activities and on all field trips, unless otherwise specified. Dress code violations will be addressed with parents.
III. Special Accommodations
a. Accommodations regarding the dress code may be made for students and families who have the following challenges.
i. Are financially unable to provide the uniform. They may meet with a school administrator to discuss the options available.
ii. Medical reasons. A doctor's note to the school administrator explaining the necessary modifications to the dress code and the length of time the modification must be held will be necessary.
iii. Items of clothing or jewelry that have previously been identified for religious reasons.
b. Valley Academy administration reserves the right to be the ultimate authority in deciding what constitutes appropriate school attire.

## IV. Procedure of Policy

a. This policy applies to all learning environments, including online.
b. Uniforms will be plain, simple, and conservative. All clothing worn during school hours must be solid colors; no prints, patterns, or logos are allowed, except for the school logo clothing.
c. Clothing should fit properly and should be clean and in good condition.
d. Tops
i. Acceptable tops are Valley Academy spirit shirts or polo-style shirts in any solid color and polo-style dresses in either short or long sleeves. No logos are allowed on tops
except for the school logo.
ii. Long sleeve undershirts must be a solid color.
iii. Any outerwear that has school-appropriate content is permitted. Hoods are not allowed to be pulled over the head inside the buildings.

## Bottoms

iv. All pants, shorts, skorts, skirts, and jumpers may be any solid color. Jeans/denim are allowed, but they must not have holes, tears, or rips.
v. Shorts, skirts, skorts, jumpers, and dresses must be no shorter than 4 inches above the knee in length.
vi. All bottoms must fit properly. The following are not allowed as a part of the normal daily uniform: athletic wear, sweatpants, pajama pants, leggings, or jeggings.
vii. Children will be active throughout the day, therefore, if skirts, jumpers, and dresses do not have built-in shorts, appropriate apparel must be worn underneath.
e. Shoes and Socks
i. Shoes must have a closed toe and back.
ii. Wheels are not allowed.
iii. Any color of socks is allowed but must be worn under the pants.
f. Valley Academy administration reserves the right to be the ultimate authority in deciding what constitutes appropriate school attire.

