

Cool Tools
North Tonawanda Middle School
Locker Responsibility

School wide expectation: Responsibility and Respect
Name of Skill: Correct Locker Manners
Location to teach: Classroom

PURPOSE OF LESSON:

- 1) To teach proper use and function of lockers and locks so students are on time to all classes.
- 2) To focus on respect and responsibility towards personal and school property.

TEACHING EXAMPLES:

- 1) You are at your locker and having trouble getting your lock open. You ask an adult or classmate for help so you are on time for class with your needed materials.
- 2) Your locker neighbor opens his locker door so wide that you are struck in the head while you are at your locker. You politely ask him to be more considerate.
- 3) You notice your locker smells. You remove any food and take your gym clothes home to launder.
- 4) You see students pushing other students into the lockers. You notify an adult.

TEACHING ACTIVITIES:

- 1) Point out that the lockers are brand new, after almost 50 years with the old ones! Discuss the expense and labor involved in their installation and the need to preserve them for future students' use.
- 2) Ask for student feedback on locker issues they have noticed and ways to resolve their concerns. 7th graders may need a brief lesson on how to open a combination lock.
- 3) Start a discussion on when and how to be more efficient with using a locker, including when to go and exchange materials and how to arrive at all classes on time and prepared. Allow students to give advice that has worked for them.
- 4) Display the following on an overhead or smartboard to reinforce the lesson.

L ock it!

O rganized, on-time

C lean locker and hallways

K eep combination secret

E lectronics off and stored

R espect personal space and property