

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

CLASS MEETINGS

August 2009

Brief Outline

- Introductions
- School rules
- Important credit, graduation, and testing information
- Class sponsors
- Activities and Athletics

Why are we teaching the rules?

- We are teaching the rules because:
 - A student can't follow rules they don't understand or know
 - Some of the rules are new and not in your student handbook
 - You need to know what is and isn't acceptable
 - You need to understand that if rules are broken there are natural consequences
 - We now place the responsibility on you to make wise choices

HANDBOOKS

- You will receive your handbooks on September 1st during your 3rd period class.
- Your teachers will briefly go over some additional rules.
- You will sign for your handbook. Your signature indicates that you understand the rules and the natural consequences if you break them.

ID's

- You must wear them!
 - If an adult doesn't see you with an ID, they will ask to see it and ask that you to put it on.
 - Please put your ID on.
 - We won't write a referral, we just want it on.
 - If you refuse or run away, then natural consequences are given.

Attendance

- You must be in class and be on time.
- We have gone to automated HSAP (high school attendance program).
 - That means that if you are tardy or skip a class, once your teacher marks you absent it is automatically recorded.
 - If you are tardy or skip a class, you get 4 chances to change your behavior before you lose credit
 - If you are more than 5 minutes tardy, you are considered truant.

DRESS CODE

- Students must wear appropriate clothing.
- Clothing/attire must not disrupt the learning environment.
- Student need to be fully covered from shoulders to mid-thigh (p.43)
 - We shouldn't see your underwear.
 - We will ask you to wear a PE shirt and/or bottoms if we think you are not dressed appropriately.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES (new rule)

- Students may use I-pods and MP3 players anywhere in the building, provided they are used responsibly.
 - If I can hear the music, it is too loud. You will be asked politely to turn the music down.
- Teachers have the right to restrict use of these devices in their classrooms.
- You have to honor your teacher's classroom rules.

CELL PHONES (new rule)

- Beginning Monday, August 31st, Students may use their cell phones during periods 4, 5, 6, & 7 in Cafeterias A, B, & C (green zone) ONLY, provided they are used responsibly.
 - Ring tones must be vibrate or silent.
 - Any misuse causes loss of privilege.

SEXTING

- Sexting is prohibited by law and will be punished by the law.

ADDED PRIVILEGES

- With added privileges comes added responsibility.
- If you break the rules, natural consequences will occur.
 - If you use your cell phone out of the green zone, it will be taken away.
 - If you participate in sexting, you will be arrested.

LUNCH TIME

- Back packs, coats, and hoodies cannot be worn in the lunch line. They must be placed along the wall.
- You cannot talk on your cell phone while going through the lunch line. Once you enter the food alcove, your phone must be in your pocket or the lunch ladies can refuse to serve you.

QUESTIONS?

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