

# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Code of Conduct and Expectations

## 2017-2018

It is the expectation of all students to do what is necessary to achieve their highest personal potential academically while at school. This Code of Student Conduct (CSC) is designed not to be punitive but rather to help in changing behaviors that might otherwise prevent a student from achieving their highest academic potential. The CSC is in place in order to help promote and foster the health, safety, social and emotional well-being of all students. Students are expected to act respectfully towards all school stakeholders at all times.

It is also an expectation of all students that their attendance in school be a priority and that days missed be limited to illness, death in the family, court appearances, religious holidays, suspension from school or any other reasons that come with written approval from the principal. It is only through attendance in school that a student can maximize their academic potential by receiving the high quality instruction of the classroom setting.

### Violations and Consequences

#### **Level One**

- Food/drink problems
- Cheating/Lying
- Lunch Room Misbehavior
- Class Disruptions/Expectations
- Pestering/Teasing
- Profanity/Vulgarity/Swearing
- Improper use of school materials
- Misbehavior in Restrooms
- Tardy to class/Loitering

#### **Consequences**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Offense  
Teacher/Student  
Conference during lunch
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense  
Parent Contact and  
Lunch Detention
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Offense & Beyond  
White Slip & consequences  
according to BMS policy

#### **Level Two**

- Pestering/Teasing/Bullying
- Vandalism/Stealing
- Cutting Class/Out of area
- Fighting
- Inappropriate use of computer

#### **Consequences**

- Automatic White Slip  
(Possible Admin. Referral)

#### **Level Three**

- Physical Endangerment of Others
- Smoking/Possession
- Use/sale of weapons/drugs/alcohol
- False Fire Alarm/Arson
- Repeated offenses of levels 1 and 2
- Theft/possession of stolen property

#### **Consequences**

- Automatic  
Administrative  
Referral

\*Dress Code violations will be determined by administration

### Hallway Expectations

- All students will wait along the wall in a line beside the teacher's door until they are greeted and welcomed inside.
- Students will talk at a reasonable level (no screaming, shouting, etc.) while traveling to another location and waiting to be greeted.
- Students will remain silent while walking to lunch with their teacher
- Students will remain in a single file line and walk quietly when traveling.

### Lunch Expectations

- All students will come to the back hall to line up on the right side of the hallway for lunch with ID in hand.
- Lunch Box carriers will line up on the right side of the ramp coming down the side hall.
- Students going outside will line up at the doors beside the bathroom
- Students going through the lunch line will line up at the doors leading outside beside Mr. Roper's room.
- Students serving in ZAP will remain in the classroom during lunch the entire time in order to complete their work.

### Gym and Assembly Expectations

- Students will sit in their designated homeroom location, filling in from the top to the bottom, while waiting for their teacher each morning.
- Students will be on their best behavior and follow all instructions during assemblies (no talking, etc.)
- Students will line up girls in the front and boys in the back and fill in the seats from the top to the bottom.

### Recess Expectations

- Lunchbox eaters will sit at tables outside to eat. No food from the cafeteria will come outside. All trash must be disposed of properly.
- Recess equipment will only be used on the blacktop and collected by the students prior to coming inside or they will not be brought back out
- Students are not permitted in or beside the woods, hanging on trees, or roughhousing (jumping over each other, etc.) and are only to play on the blacktop.
- If students are not playing, they must be sitting at the tables or on the curb

### Pass Expectations

- Students will have two passes in the agenda to use per day for the restroom, office, nurse, guidance, cafeteria, etc.
- Once these passes are used, there is no more traveling.
- If students are in the hall without a pass, they will receive an automatic lunch detention

### Chromebook, Devices and Materials

- Students will have all materials for class each day.
- Students will come to school with their Chromebook charged.
- Students will be allowed to charge during lunch.
- Students will not have phones, mp3 players, or any other device out at any time other than at lunch and must abide by school policies regarding social media and texting at that time.
- Students must have earbuds and/or headphones every day.

### Attendance, Tardies, and Announcements

- Students will be on time to school each morning (homeroom starts at 7:50am).
- Students will be completely silent during all announcements over the intercom.
- Students will be in class when the bell rings ready to begin work or receive appropriate consequence.
- Students will miss no more than 10 days to receive credit.
- Students will be dismissed by the teacher and not the bell

### 30 Day Challenge

- If the entire grade can go 30 days without a physical altercation, rewards will be given to the entire grade.
- If an altercation occurs, the 30 day challenge will continue with the loss of that reward for that cycle and start over at the end of that cycle.
- Rewards in the past have included breakfast from Bojangles, pizza, a cookout, and bounce houses!