

MAJORS AND MINORS

INAPPROPRIATE LANGUAGE

Major

- Profane language
 - Directed toward others
 - In abusive manner
- Sexual words, innuendo

Minor

- Use of mild inappropriate words (shut-up, crap, sucks, damn)
- Profanity that is not directed at others but “slips out”
- Unintended hurtful words; shows remorse
- “3x” rule

FIGHTING AND PHYSICAL AGGRESSION

Major

- Hitting (closed fist, slapping kicking, biting)
- Assault that leaves a mark or injury
- Threatening gesture with a dangerous object (bat, large stick)
- Students engaging in “minor” fighting/physical aggression and continue to do so after being redirected / asked to stop

Minor

- Pushing in line / pushing back toward someone who initiated contact
- Bumping into another intentionally / invading personal space intentionally
- “Play fighting” / wrestling/ rough housing
- Throwing small objects with no intended purpose
- Student engages in non-serious, but inappropriate physical contact
- Consensual contact deemed inappropriate by staff
- “3x” rule

LYING – CHEATING – THEFT

Major

- Taking another’s property (significant sentimental/monetary value)
- Student delivers a message that is untrue or deliberately violates rules or harms others
- Student is in possession of, having passed on, or being responsible for removing someone’s else property or has signed a persona name without that person’s permission
- Stealing test
- Defamation of character

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Minor

- Forging a parent's signature
- Not telling the truth when it involves someone's personal safety or property damage
- Plagiarism
- Taking another's property (minor value)
- Refusing to return a "borrowed" item
- Cheating on a test (comment left in Power School, results in "o")
- "3x" rule

DEFIANCE - DISRESPECT - NONCOMPLIANCE

Major

- Unresponsive to teacher directions after a cool-down, and the student refuses to process
- Arguing inappropriately with an adult / walks away / leaves without permission / socially rude interactions

Minor

- Student engages in brief or acute failure to respond to adult requests
- Making noises but stopping after teacher intervenes
- Disrespect directed at others
- Refusing to comply with adult requests
- Not having supplies
- Hiding under furniture, not being in appropriate area
- "3x" rule

POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED ITEM - HANDBOOK P. 12

Major

- Possession of gun, knife, or other weapon which is obviously a toy (miniature, water pistol, charm, rubber plastic, clay)
- Possession of or drawing a gun, knife, other weapon, matches, lighters, combustible items or any item capable of bodily harm or property damage.
- Possession of drug paraphernalia, alcohol, tobacco, or drugs
- Possession of pornographic (xxx, adult only, x-rated) material
- Possession of a formerly combustible or dangerous item that is no longer capable of causing bodily harm or property damage (empty book of matches, lighter with no fluid, empty alcohol container, spent cartridge)

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BULLYING - HANDBOOK P. 13

Major

- Sustained actions or comments used to have power over another person.
- Any hurtful, negative behavior that is done deliberately and is repeated even after the victim has asked the bully to stop.
- Includes verbal, physical, indirect/emotional, spreading rumors, exclusion, and cyber bullying.
- Student delivers disrespectful messages (verbal, gesture, technology) to another person that includes threats and intimidation, obscene gestures, pictures, or written notes

Minor

- Name calling, insults, put-downs, disrespectful comments; all of which cease when asked to stop once or twice.
- "3x" rule

DISRUPTION

Major

- Student engages in behavior causing an interruption in a class or activity that sustained for a period of time (ongoing behavior)
- Unresponsive to teacher directions after a cool-down, and the student refuses to process

Minor

- Student engages in acute but inappropriate disruption
- Walking around classroom
- Blurting out
- Random / inappropriate comments
- Throwing objects (indirect)
- "3x" rule

DRESS CODE VIOLATION - HANDBOOK P. 14

Major

- Student refuses to remedy dress code violation

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- Student is in violation of the dress code, but complies with teacher request to change/cover up inappropriate clothing

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PROPERTY MISUSE
Major
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Property damage / vandalism○ Student participates in an activity that results in destruction or disfigurement of school / personal property
Minor
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Not using school property / supplies for intended purpose○ Writing on a table○ Putting gum under seat / table○ “3x” rule

TARDY
Per Handbook: The office keeps track of first period tardies. Teachers will keep track of tardies in all classes other than first period class and notify the office when three tardies are reached in their class by any student. If a tardy is more than 20 minutes, it is counted as an unexcused absence.
Major
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ A tardy of more than 20 minutes is an unexcused absence○ Failure to serve a detention○ Late to school (1st period) three times
Minor
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Student arrives at class/school after the bell○ 3 tardies to a single class within a single semester results in a Major

PUBLIC AFFECTION
Major
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Student engages in inappropriate consensual verbal and/or physical gestures/contact, of a sexual nature to another student/adult○ Consensual verbal and/or physical gestures/contact that are not sexual in nature and are not ended upon staff request
Minor
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Consensual verbal and/or physical gestures/contact that are not sexual in nature and are ended upon staff request○ Hand holding / arms around shoulder / back / waist○ Kissing or other actions involving saliva

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TECHNOLOGY VIOLATION

Per Handbook: Cell phones will be allowed to be used in the “multi-purpose” room during the student’s lunch period, and only in this location and only during this time. Also, cell phones (and other electronic devices) are not to be used or seen in rest rooms, locker rooms, or classrooms. Teachers will confiscate the offensive item and bring it to the office when they are seen or heard during school hours. With permission, cell phones may be used in the office area during the school day. *Consequences for violations are as follows:*

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- Not turning in the device to the office at the start of specified days (see third offense)
- **Fifth offense**

Minor

- **First offense:** the device is confiscated from the student and they may pick up the device in the office at the end of the day
- **Second offense:** 30 minute detention and parent/guardian must pick up the device from the office
- **Third/fourth offense:** student must turn in the device to the office at the start of each day for 15 consecutive school days

When does chronic classroom-managed behavior become office-managed?

- Complete refusal to follow class rules and directions.
- The behavior continues after three attempts of the following:
 - Teacher has redirected the behavior
 - Teacher has allowed for a short time-out in class but away from the group; or in other teachers class and / or
 - Teacher re-teaches and the refusal continues after three attempts by the teacher to change.

We refer any behavior that is disruptive and not safe