



Lake Nona Middle School

2023-2024

Grade Level Assembly
August 2023

Administrative Team

(Discipline)

- 6th grade Dean.....Mr. Powers
- 7th grade Dean.....Ms. Munich
- 8th grade Dean.....Mr. Rodriguez
- Safe Coordinator.....Mrs. Sella
- AP over Discipline.....Mr. Berson

Our Job is to...

- **Create and maintain a safe and effective learning environment.**
- **Create and maintain a positive climate amongst students.**
- **Build relationships with students.**
- **Help students solve problems including issues between students.**
- **Hold students accountable for their actions**
- **Establish expectations and provide fair and consistent consequences for students**



Student Code of Conduct

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Safe Harbor

- If a student discovers illegal objects such as drugs, weapons, or other contraband on school property, including on a school bus, the student may approach a school official and report the item(s).
- A student may not be in violation of the COC by making a report, if the school has *not* started an investigation. School officials shall adhere to policies and procedures concerning further investigation of the report.

Bullying

- If you **SEE** something **SAY** something.
- Be kind to one another! (words/social media posts do hurt)
- Request a restorative circle meeting.
- Report any issues you have with other students to your grade level dean.
- Teasing others is NOT okay and will lead to a consequence

Serious Misconduct of a Sexual Nature

- Saying sexually inappropriate things to someone.
- Sexually harassing or touching someone:
 - EXAMPLES: *kissing, hugging, touching the wrong body parts, etc....*
- Posting sexually inappropriate comments, pictures or videos on social media, ESPECIALLY w/o their permission.
- Sharing or continuing to share inappropriate comments, pictures, or videos on social media.

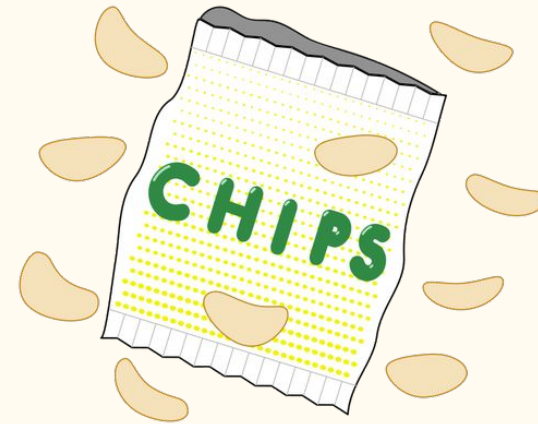
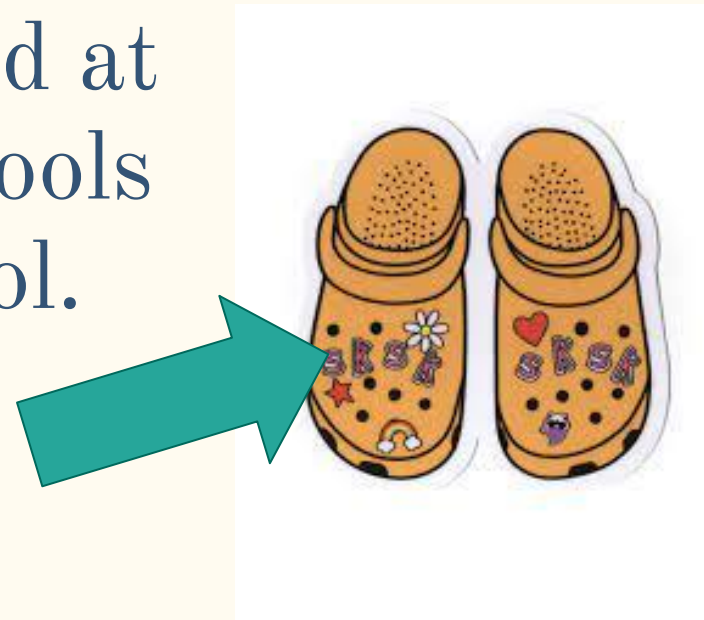
KEEP YOUR HANDS TO YOURSELF!

Sending inappropriate messages/pictures

- Any student caught sending inappropriate messages, comments, pictures, or videos through email or any social media will be investigated and consequences applied according to the COC. **ESPECIALLY FIGHTS!**
- **Remember:** Anything you post or send stays on the internet. Stays on the internet **FOREVER!**

Buying & Selling Items on Campus

Unless you are involved in a school-sponsored fundraiser, **BUYING** or **SELLING** ANY type of item is **NOT** allowed at Orange County Public Schools & Lake Nona Middle School.



Threats or False Statements

(Level 4 Offense)

- Threats will NOT be taken LIGHTLY!
- Any threat made verbally or through social media will be investigated and consequences applied according to the COC.
- Threats made to students, staff or to the school will result in a Level 4 infraction and referred to law enforcement.

Weapons/Drugs/Alcohol/Vape Pens (Level 4 Offenses)

Any student caught using or in possession of a weapon, marijuana, pills, or alcohol will be investigated and consequences applied according to the COC. Expulsion from school may happen

Cell Phone/Headphones

- Technology policy in schools is **STATE LAW!**
- Students may use cell phones/smartwatches before and after school ONLY! (**Before 9:20 and After 4:05**)
- At 9:20 am, ALL technology must be SILENCED and CONCEALED. This means, kept in bookbag during the entire school day. (**9:20-4:05**)
- If you are caught with your technology (cell phone/earbud etc..) out or in your hand (or pocket), or using a smart watch it will be confiscated and tracked in Hero.
- Parents will be contacted. You will need to pick up your technology at the end of the day in the front office. More severe consequences will take place if misconduct is repeated
- If you get defensive and disrespectful about it, it then escalates to a discipline issue instead.

**this includes using smartwatches to get on the internet*

Electronic Devices

- Ear-buds, headphones, Smart Watches must be stored in a bookbag throughout the school day.
- Speakers used with electronic devices are not allowed at school or on the bus.



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TECHNOLOGY



While on Campus, Cell Phones and Headphones/Ear Buds...

- Must be **SILENCED & CONCEALED*** at ALL times.
- Concealed = Must **NOT** be visible at ALL during school day. Stored in backpack or purse.
- School day = Arrival to School until Dismissal.

***CANNOT BE OBSCURED or CONCEALED BY HAIR.**

Visit School Website for Student Code of Conduct and Cell Phone/Technology Policy.

Classroom Expectations

- BE PREPARED! (*Laptops charged, pen/pencil and paper available*)
- Laptops are to be used for school purposes **ONLY**.
- Follow **ALL** Classroom Rules.
- **NO EATING FOOD, CANDY, GUM, etc.. IN THE CLASSROOM*.**
- Water is the only liquid you may drink outside the cafeteria. If you have any issues in class, speak with the teacher privately.
- Build a relationship with all your teachers, it will help you in the long run.

If you have a teacher who gives you candy in class, you must **NOT walk out that room eating that candy. You will asked to throw it away.*

Tardy to Class/School

- Be on time, **NO EXCUSES!**
- 4-minutes between each class
- Tardies to school and class will result in increasing disciplinary action.
- Random unannounced tardy sweeps.



Hallway Expectations

- **NO EATING FOOD, CANDY, GUM, etc.. in the HALLWAY.**
- When using the stairwell, please stay to the right!*
- Keep your hands and feet to yourself.
- **DO NOT** throw objects in the halls or down the stairs!
- Please follow all directions, your **SAFETY** depends on it.

The stairwell by grade level offices will be used **ONLY for those students going to the 1, 2, or 3rd floor during **TRANSITIONS**. Cannot exit through those doors to go to PE or the Portables. During **TRANSITIONS** only.*

Drills Expectations

- Remain completely silent during drills
- Follow all teacher instructions
- Take drills seriously
- Consequences will be delivered through Hero for misbehaving during drills. **There are no warnings, you will be called into the dean's office and your parents will be called. Consequences will follow.**

IN AN EMERGENCY *TAKE ACTION!*



HOLD!



SECURE!



LOCKDOWN!



EVACUATE!



SHELTER!



Bathroom Expectations

- Bathrooms should be used for emergency reasons only.
- Bathroom breaks will be limited and determined by teacher.
- Make sure to wash or sanitize your hands before and after using the restroom.
- Anyone caught vandalizing the bathroom will receive a consequence.
(*Vandalism like writing/smearing things on the walls, breaking property, etc...*)
- *Abuse of bathroom privileges will result in consequences and parent being notified.*
- **Hallways are continuously monitored by cameras.**

Bus Expectation

- Follow **ALL** bus rules. It is considered an extension of the school.
- **WALK** to and from the bus.
- Be respectful to the driver/monitor.
- **Remember: The cameras on the bus work.**

I.D. Badges

Safe School!
Safe Students!

SAFETY FIRST

IDs will be needed to board the school bus very soon.



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**SCHOOL
I.D.
BADGE
MUST BE
WORN
AT ALL
TIMES.**



What is the purpose of the hero platform?



- Reward positive behaviors (**MANY**) - students cash in points
- Deans will track the following negative behaviors:
 - Tardies
 - Technology Policy Violations
 - Dress Code

Dress Code Overview

- NO open-back shoes OR house slippers.
- NO headgear/hats/hoodies/bandanas allowed.
- ALL shorts/skirts/dresses MUST reach mid-thigh (fingertip rule). Including biking shorts.
- Clothing MUST fully cover the body from armpit to armpit and to at least the mid-thigh.
- Absolutely NO camis are to be worn or ANY undergarments showing.
- NO crop tops showing midriffs (no bellies or backs showing) allowed.
- NO low cut tops allowed. **NO PAJAMAS ARE TO BE WORN TO SCHOOL!**
- NO male/undergarment tanks are to be worn alone w/o appropriate covering.
- NO tank sports jerseys w/o t-shirts underneath allowed.
- NO holes in jeans above mid-thigh w/o leg coverings underneath.
- NO sagging pants allowed.

Dress Code Policy

Visit school website for further details on the OCPS Student Code of Conduct p26)

- Clothes shall be worn as they are designed.
- **Headgear:** shall NOT be worn on campus unless it's approved by principal.
- **Tops/Shirts/Blouses:** **MUST** have broad straps, **NOT** be revealing, or expose undergarments.
- **Bottom/Pants:** Rips, holes, or tears in clothing must be at or below mid-thigh.
NO pajama tops or bottoms EVER!
- Undergarments/underwear must not be visible.

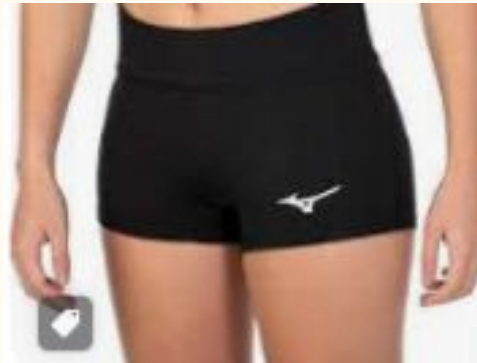
Dress Code Cont.

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- **See-through, revealing**, or mesh garments must not be worn without appropriate coverage underneath that meet the minimum requirements of this dress code.
- Clothing must not state, imply, or depict hate speech or imagery targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, or any other protected class.
- **Gang** paraphernalia, garments and/or jewelry, tattoos, or other insignias, which display or **suggest sexual, vulgar, drug, alcohol, or tobacco-related wording/graphics or may tend to provoke violence** or disruption in school shall not be worn.
- Clothing and accessories that endanger students or staff shall not be worn.
- **Be mindful of inappropriate Croc charms.**

Dress Code Policy

If you come to school like this, you will be sent to the Grade Level Office,
Parents Called and Consequences Issued.





Skirts/Dresses/Shorts

Length MUST be mid-thigh or longer

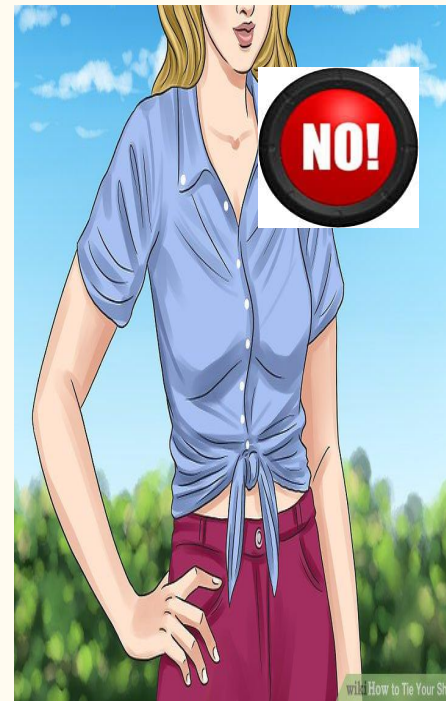
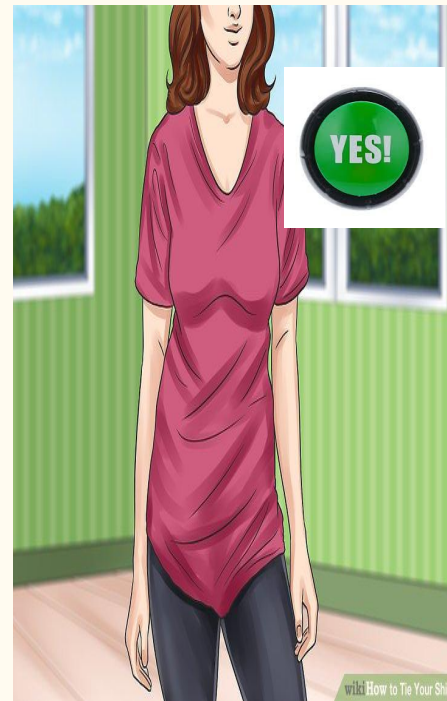
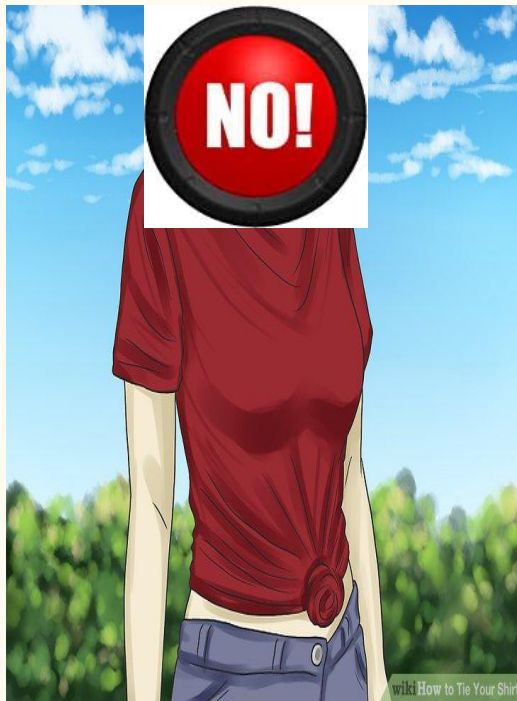
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Dress Code Tip: Clothing must reach at or below mid-thigh/middle finger rule.

Short Shirts/Knotted Shirts/Sweaters

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Shirts/Blouses/Tops NOT Allowed

REVEALING Tops:

- Strapless
- See through/mesh/lace tops
- Crop Tops
- Tube Tops
- Razor-back/T-back Tanks
- Camisoles/spaghetti straps
- Men's undershirt as a top
- Any top that **SHOWS** body parts you should not be showing. Especially when bending over.



Visit school website for further details on the OCPS Dress Code Policy

Jeans with holes, torn/frayed

(holes must be at or below mid-thigh)



Visit school website for further details on the LNMS Dress Code Policy.

Pajama pants and house slippers are NOT permitted!



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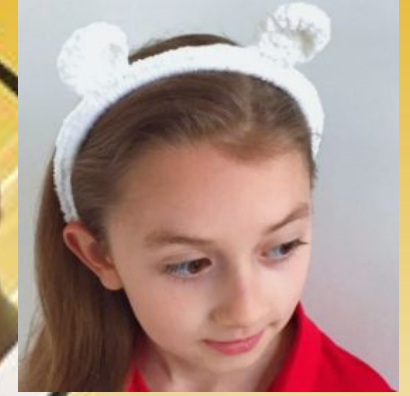
Dangerous Clothing and Accessories

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- Clothing and accessories that endanger students or staff shall not be worn.



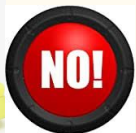
Hats, caps, visors, sunglasses, bandanas, or headbands are not to be worn on campus during the school day.



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Footwear

SAFE and Appropriate Footwear Must be Worn as Designed



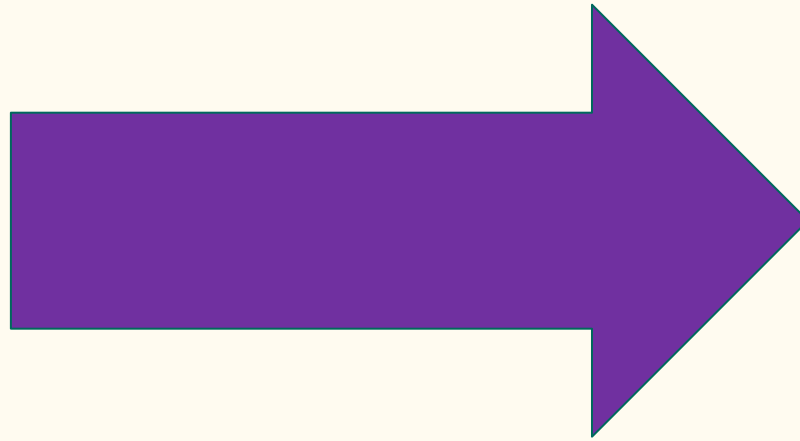
1. High heels or Stilettos
2. Flip Flops (*fully open back shoes/sandals*)
3. Cleated shoes
4. House/Bedroom Slippers*
5. Heelies (*sneakers w/ wheels*)
6. Slides
7. Crocs in Sports Mode is Safest
8. Inappropriate Croc charms

*any fuzzy/furry/comfy footwear designed to be used at home



Visit school website for further details on the OCPS Student Code of Conduct.

Daily Reminder



Dress Code posters visible throughout the school for you.



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DRESS CODE At-a-Glance

Visit school website for further details on dress code in the Student Code of Conduct.

YES

- *decorative headband intended to hold hair in place



- *crop tops w/shirt underneath covering stomach/back extend past waist/hip
- must have straps



- *yoga, leggings, athletic pants, tights may be worn w/appropriate loose fitting top extending to mid-thigh (front/back)



- *cutouts, mesh, lace permissible with appropriate apparel underneath
- down to mid-thigh



- *biking shorts w/top to mid-thigh
- shorts below mid-thigh
- skirts, skorts below mid-thigh
- rips, holes, tears below mid-thigh



- *Crocs permissible in Sports Mode ONLY (strap behind the heel at all times)



NO

- hats of any kind
- sunglasses indoors
- hoodies & bandanas
- scarves, costume headgear/wigs
- headbands*

- pajamas, tube, camis/ spaghetti straps, see-through, strapless, revealing mesh/lace
- revealing knotted tops
- T-back/razor back tanks
- visible undergarments
- revealing crop tops*

- pajamas, sagging pants
- rips/holes above mid-thigh
- visible undergarments
- yoga pants, leggings, athletic pants, tights*

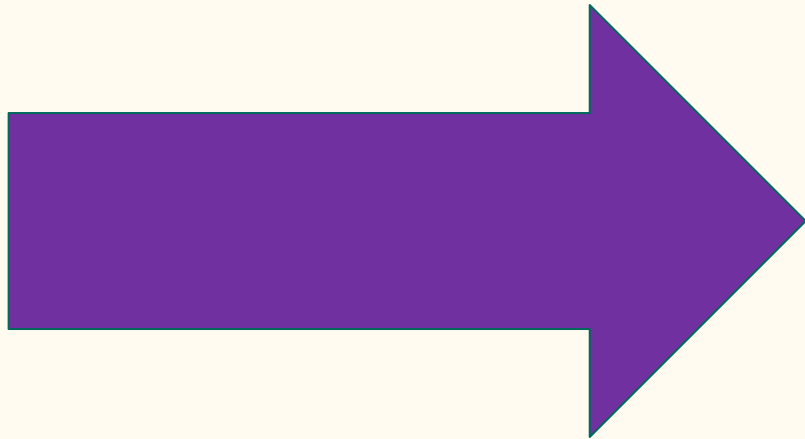
- tight, form-fitting, revealing
- visible undergarments
- length above mid-thigh
- rips, holes, tears
- cutouts, mesh, lace*

- pajamas, sagging pants
- rips/holes above mid-thigh
- length above mid-thigh
- visible undergarments
- biking shorts*

- high heels/stilettos
- flip flops, open-back shoes/sandals, slides
- cleated shoes
- house slippers
- Heelies
- Crocs* in Relax Mode

Violations of dress policy will be subject to disciplinary action in accordance to Sections IV and V of the Code, Section 1006.07(2)(d), Florida Statutes.

Quick & Easy Guide

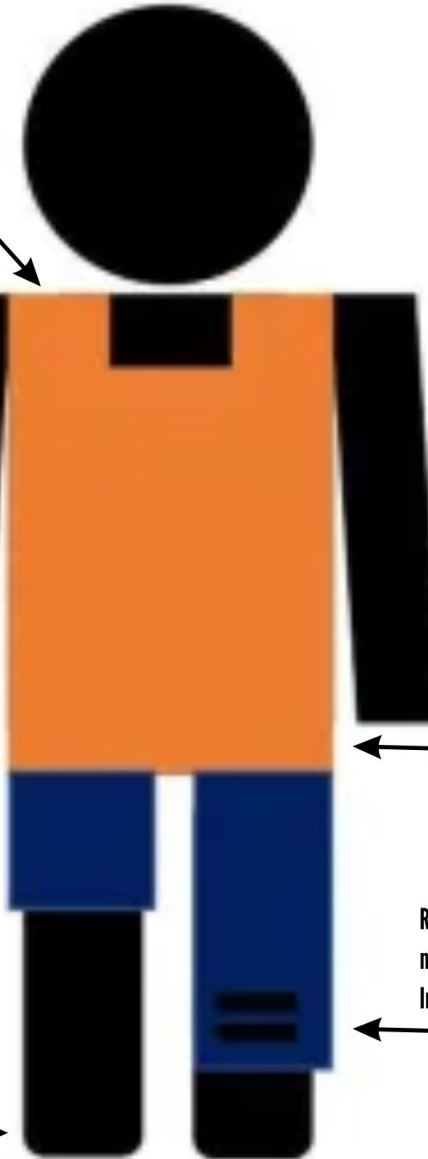


OCPS Student Dress Code Expectations

Tops must have straps wide enough to fully cover undergarments and must cover the body from one armpit across to the other armpit. No undergarments like camisoles/spaghetti straps allowed.

Clothing like shorts, must come down to mid-thigh. This includes biking shorts/leggings/track shorts. Undergarments MUST never be visible.

Shoes safe for the school environment shall be worn. Open back, slides, stilettos, house slippers, Heelies, cleats not allowed.



Tops must cover the body & fully cover midriff area. Revealing garments must not be worn without appropriate coverage. Appropriate coverage refers to a top reaching approximately mid-thigh when wearing leggings/biking shorts/athletic pants.

Rips, hole, tears in clothing must be below mid-thigh. Including shorts.



If it doesn't reach mid-thigh, you must say good-bye!



It's not cool, to show off your bellies at school.



This is not the right climate to expose your privates.

*See “Dress for School
Success” presentation in
Student Body course for
fashionable alternatives.
Participate to earn HERO
points.*

School Policy for Beverages

- Outside beverages are ***NOT*** permitted in the academic halls nor in the classrooms during the school day.
- **ONLY WATER!**
- Please do not share drinks with others!





**Now that every student receives
FREE breakfast and lunch
BEGINNING MONDAY,
AUGUST 21**

**LNMS will not be accepting food drop off
for students unless specific food
restrictions are documented with the
School Nurse**

**Thank you for helping us maintain a
safe campus!**

Detentions

- Lunch detention: held during your lunch time
- Wednesday detention: **report to front office (3-4 pm)**
- Thursday detention: **report to front office (4:05-5:05pm)**
- Saturday detention: **Cafeteria: 9am- 11am**



When in Doubt. Ask Before you Act.

Start Strong! Finish Strong!



- WELCOME BACK!!
- Let's finish the year strong!
- Lead by example.
- Any questions, see your Deans:

6th- *Mr. Powers*, 7th- *Ms. Munich*, or 8th -*Mr. Rodriguez*