

- o Receive Excessive Excused Notice
- **10 Excused Absences / Tardies / Early Release**
 - o Receive Excessive Excused Notice – Subject to summons to appear to the Student Attendance Review Board (SARB)

Dress Code: A dress code promotes a more serious school atmosphere which emphasizes academics and promotes good behavior. Having dress codes have proven to increase student achievement by encouraging students to concentrate more on their studies and less on their wardrobe. As opposed to uniforms, dress codes still allow students to wear what they want which leaves students with a sense of choice and expression.

Our main concern is providing for the health and safety of our students while providing an appropriate learning environment. Therefore, students may not wear clothing that poses a health, safety, or modesty concern, clothing, or hairstyles that may cause distractions in the classroom. We ask hair color to be natural shades and no distracting haircuts (mohawks, etc). For safety no sandals or open-toed/heel shoes may be worn, they are a hazard and unsafe footwear for P.E. activities. Tank tops must have full straps (not thin or spaghetti straps) and cover the torso. Shorts may be worn if they are mid-thigh in length (finger length). Hats may not be worn indoors and must be worn facing forward. Clothing or items with alcohol/ tobacco advertisements, weapons, and other such messages do not present positive role models may not be worn to school.

Gang Symbols: The Governing Board desires to keep the district, school, and students free from the threats of harmful influence of any groups or gangs, which advocate drug use or disruptive behavior. The Board therefore prohibits the presence of any apparel, jewelry, accessory, notebook or manner of grooming which, by virtue of its color, arrangement, trademark or any other attribute, denotes membership in such a group. This policy shall be applied at the principal's discretion as the need for it arises at individual school sites.

Items Not Appropriate At School: A student shall not bring personal property items to school without specific

permission from the teacher or principal. This includes, but is not limited to: toys, make-up, perfumes/body sprays, games, animals, skateboards, etc.

Cell phones must remain powered off and stored in backpacks at ALL times while students are on campus, on the bus, and during field trips. Discovery School staff can give specific, limited, supervised permission to students to use cell phones (e.g. to call a parent/guardian after returning from a field trip after school hours, etc.) Discovery is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged cell phones.

Conferences: Parent/Teacher conferences are held twice a year, the first in October and the second in March. Parents wishing to have a conference with a teacher, other than those scheduled during Parent Conference week, should contact the teacher directly via phone or email to set up a time to meet. Any concerns or questions regarding an individual class should be first directed to that staff member. If the concern cannot be resolved, you can contact the principal to discuss any concerns.

Library: For Success in reading, students need many opportunities to interact with good books by reading them and hearing them read aloud both at school and at home. It is for this reason we would like all K-6th grade students to be able to take home their borrowed library books. In order to permit this we will need your help in making sure that the books are kept in good condition and are returned to the library on time. Parents may be asked to pay the replacement price for any lost or unrepairable book to help keep our library filled with books. A new book may be brought in for a replacement.