# Student Handbook



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# **CCHS Culture**

Present Positive

Productive

Reflective

**CCHS Mission Statement** 

To provide a safe, supportive environment that fosters positive behavior, personal responsibility, and academic growth, while addressing individual student needs.

# **Self-Directed Learners**

A successful student at CCHS learns to be a <u>self-directed</u>, confident advocate for themselves. They are present, positive, and productive, and have a plan for their future... tomorrow, next week, next month, and beyond graduation.

# How to be Successful at Cache Creek High School

# **Being Present**

Fact: Students who graduate on time or early have an attendance rate of 90% or higher.

Fact: Students who do not graduate have an attendance rate of <70%.

Pledge: I will have an attendance rate of 90% or higher.

# **Being Positive**

**Fact:** Students who are successful at CCHS build relationships with their teachers, and follow staff directions without defiance or disrespect.

**Fact:** Students who are habitually defiant and disrespectful earn at least 35% less credits and struggle to meet graduation requirements.

Pledge: I will have a positive attitude and act with dignity, honor and respect.

# **Being Productive**

Fact: Students must earn 20 credits per quarter to graduate on time.

**Fact:** Students who earn less than 10 credits per quarter struggle to meet graduation requirements by the end of their senior year.

**Pledge:** I will work with my teachers to ensure I earn at least 20 credits per quarter.

# **Being Reflective**

Fact: Students who set goals and make adjustments to meet those goals graduate on time.

**Fact:** Students who reflect on their learning progress and how to be more successful graduate on time..

Pledge: I will reflect on my progress continuously and make adjustments to meet my goals.

# **School Goals**

At CCHS, we believe in being very intentional in teaching all students how to be successful, both personally and professionally. It is crucial that students create patterns of behavior now that will lead to success at school and beyond. We ask our students to internalize our three goals for being **present, positive, productive, and reflective.** 

# **Present**

# Successful students choose to:

- be at school every day and have an attendance rate of at least 90%.
- be on time to school every day.
- be mentally present, undistracted from external factors.

# **Positive**

# Successful students choose to:

- demonstrate positive character traits of being honest, respectful, responsible and self-directed.
- use appropriate and positive language, avoiding the use of profanity.
- treat others with respect and acknowledge the appropriate climate and culture for the school

# **Productive**

# Successful students choose to:

- complete assignments on time and earning at least 20 credits per quarter.
- be appropriately self-directed.
- track weekly progress through self-directed progress checks.

# Reflective

# Successful students choose to:

- use reflective listening, speaking, and writing strategies.
- set personal educational goals and reflect on achieving those goals.
- acknowledge and take responsibility for their actions.
- constantly reflect on how to be more successful in school and life.

Proper conduct and regular attendance are emphasized and supported through a system of shared values and clear and consistent behavioral expectations. A variety of social services are available to accommodate the diverse personal and social needs of continuation high school students.

# Free/Reduced meals

Applications for free and reduced meals will be given to all students as part of the registration process, and during the first two weeks of school. After an application has been submitted, please allow one week for processing.

- Reduced breakfast cost \$.30, reduced lunch cost \$.40.
- Full price breakfast cost \$1.75, lunch cost \$3.00.

# **Nurse's Office**

If student should become ill during the day, they need to get a pass from their teacher and report to the front office. The nurse, if on campus and available, can assess the situation and make the necessary arrangement for the student to either stay at school or go home. If the nurse is not on campus, a staff member will assess and take appropriate actions.

## **Communicare**

- **Teen Clinic:** CommuniCare provides a Teen Clinic on campus every other Tuesday. These services are available to all students at Cache Creek High. Sign up in the front office if you would like to be seen.
- **Drug & Alcohol:** CommuniCare drug & alcohol counseling sessions are held regularly. These services are available to all students based on staff or parent referral. Additionally, students may be required to attend in lieu of first suspension for drug or alcohol use.
- **Socio-emotional:** CommuniCare social-emotional counseling is provided based on staff or parent referral and student need.

## **Internet/Online Publication of Photos**

Students and/or their families may "opt out" of having internet access and/or having a student's picture posted on the school or district website. Opt Out forms are provided as needed from the front office.

#### Library

The library will be open for student use before school and during break. It is also available for classroom use during the instructional day. Students will not be allowed in the library during instructional time without a pass from their teacher.

## <u>Laptops, Textbooks, Library Books and Other School Property</u>

Students may checkout out laptops and books from the library. Appropriate forms must be completed, signed and return to the librarian in order to check out a laptop. Laptops, books, and other materials or equipment used by students remain the property of the school district. All materials and equipment must be returned in good condition. **Students will be required to pay for the cost of repair or replacement for damaged or lost items. (AR 5125.2)** 

#### **Work Permits**

Work permits are issued through the main office. In order to be issued a work permit, students should pick up and fill out a work permit application form. Work permits may be revoked at any time for excessive absences and or excessive suspensions. **Students are not to attend work when they are absent or suspended from school.** Prior to issuing a work permit the administration reserves the right to re- quire positive regular attendance and behavior.

# **Emergency Evacuation Drills**

When the alarm is sounded, students need to follow the instructions given by the teacher and evacuate the building to their designated destination. When the all-clear signal is sounded, students need to return to their classrooms. If student is out of class when the alarm sounds, he/she needs to proceed to the closest evacuation route. One of our highest priorities is your student's safety. Emergency drills are in place to practice effective plans to keep all students safe.

## **Seniors and Graduation Requirements**

CCHS graduation requirements are noted on page 9. These are the minimum requirements for earning a high school diploma from CCHS. Senior graduation status is tracked closely, providing students, families and staff a clear understanding of what a student needs to accomplish in order to earn a high school diploma.

While the CCHS academic program offers students numerous options to earn <u>at least 20 credits per quarter</u>, students must be present, positive, productive and reflective to graduate on time. Students who need more than 40 credits at the beginning of their final semester in January, are in serious danger of not meeting the CCHS graduation requirements. CCHS staff will make sure all students have a clear understanding of what they need to accomplish in order to graduate on time.

At the end of the third quarter in March, seniors who have made little progress toward meeting the CCHS graduation requirements will be invited to attend WJUSD's Adult Education informational meetings. WJUSD Adult Education provides students the opportunity to earn a high school diploma with more flexibility in attendance. Seniors who do not have a track record of earning at least 20 credits per quarter will be encouraged to consider the WJUSD Adult Education option prior to the end of the school year.

Seniors who do not have 90% attendance, maintain a positive attitude with no suspensions, and earn at least 20 credits in both the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters are <u>not eligible for a 5<sup>th</sup> year at CCHS</u>. All 5<sup>th</sup> year seniors who meet these requirements must be approved by the staff before being eligible to return to CCHS as a super senior. Any senior invited to return as a super senior must complete at least 10 credits during the summer or they will not be admitted as a super senior.

## **Student Drivers**

We strongly encourage students to ride the bus. Cache Creek does not have a student parking lot. Students who drive to school must park on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in front of the school. **Students are not permitted to park in the staff parking lot.** Student arrivals and departures must be in accordance with California laws. Irresponsible drivers who drive recklessly, over the speed limit, engage in exhibitions of speed, or play music louder that permitted by California law, will be suspended from school and may be cited by local law enforcement. Again, we strongly encourage students to ride a bus to school.

Students are not allowed to visit cars without staff permission. Any student who visits a car without staff permission will be determined to be off campus without permission.

#### Skateboards

All skateboards must be checked into the office before school, and cannot be retrieved until the final bell. Skateboard use on campus is a safety issue that requires school officials to make no exceptions to the school's skateboard policy.

# **Emergency Procedures**

In the event of some type of school emergency, an administrator will announce that the school is in one of three different "codes" - Code Yellow, Code Red, or Code Blue. The following is an explanation of each of these codes. Expectations of teachers and students are also delineated.

# **CODE YELLOW (Caution—Lock-down)**

When a potentially dangerous situation exists on or near campus, the school will be initiating a preventive lockdown and high alert status. Teachers will remain teaching in their class- rooms. Students will not change classes.

#### **TEACHER GUIDELINES**

- Admit refuge-seeking students from other classes immediately after the Code Yellow signal is heard.
- Once the hallway is clear of students seeking refuge, teachers should lock their classroom doors. Further admittance is limited to staff members, law enforcement officers, or emergency responders.
- Notify office of suspicious activities near room.
- Brief students
- Continue teaching
- Obtain authorization from office before allowing a student to leave the room.
- A Code Green signal will be given when the lockdown has ended.

#### STUDENT GUIDELINES

- If you are out of the regular classroom, enter and remain in the nearest supervised location.
- Continue working on class work.
- Wait for further instructions from the teacher in charge.

# **CODE RED (Lock-down)**

Signals an actual crisis situation is occurring or has already occurred. The school will be in a full lock- down. Teachers will remain teaching in their classrooms. Students will not change classes.

## **TEACHER GUIDELINES**

- Admit refuge-seeking students from other classes immediately after the code red signal is heard.
- Once the hallway is clear of students seeking refuge, teacher should lock their classroom doors. Further admittance is limited to staff members, law enforcement officers, or emergency responders.
- Notify office of suspicious activities near room.
- Have students sit on the floor in a safe location within the room away from doors and windows.
- Close blinds and cover window on door is possible.
- Wait for further instructions from the office. Do not allow students to leave room without administrative or law enforcement permission
- A Code Green signal will be given when the lockdown has ended

#### **STUDENT GUIDELINES**

- If you are out of your regular classroom, enter and remain in the nearest supervised location at once!
- Wait for further instructions from the teacher in charge.
- Remain calm and act quickly.

## **CODE BLUE (MEDICAL)**

Signals a medical emergency on campus. Teachers will remain teaching in their classrooms. Students will not change classes an "all clear" has been announced.

# **TEACHER GUIDELINES**

- Continue to teach your class.
- Keep all students in the classroom until the code protocol is changed.
- Obtain authorization from the office before allowing a student to leave the room.
- A Code Green signal will be given when the lockdown has ended.

# **STUDENT GUIDELINES**

- If you are out of your regular classroom, enter and remain in the nearest supervised location.
- Continue working in your class work.
- Wait for further instructions from the teacher in charge.

### **Attendance**

Regular attendance is critical. The single greatest cause for failing classes is poor attendance. Students who have a 90% or greater attendance typically earn 20+ credits per quarter while students who have a 70% attendance or less typically earn fewer than 10 credits per quarter and struggle to graduate. CCHS has an automated system that contacts all phone numbers available to us on the day the students has missed one or more classes. Parents are responsible to call the school office or send a note when the student is absent. A note should contain the following:

- The return-to-school date
- The date of absence/s
- Parent/guardian signature
- Reason for the absence
- A contact phone number

We encourage the parent/guardian to telephone beforehand, if they know that their student will be absent, or on the day of the absence. A phone call made by the legal parent or guardian to the school office will make a written note unnecessary. A phone call or note must be received in order to clear an absence. All absences must be cleared within 3 days. After 3 days of the absence, they become unexcused and cannot be changed. Students that are 18 years of age and older may write their own notes, however, we reserve the right to confirm the absence with a parent and/or agency.

# **Student Attendance Review Board (SARB)**

After the 3<sup>rd</sup> absence, the district will automatically generate an attendance letter. After the 3<sup>rd</sup> attendance letter, the district initiates the Student Attendance Review Board (SARB) process. The SARB process includes the Woodland District Attorney's Office.

After the tenth day of absence, <u>excused or unexcused</u>, the school may require a doctor's note to excuse any future absences.

#### **Appointments**

If a student has an appointment during the day and needs to leave campus, he/she must bring a note to the office, or phone call from parent, <u>prior</u> to the start of the school day. The permit will be issued when the student comes to the office to check out. Attendance is very important for student success in school, CCHS encourages routine medical or dental appointments be made after school hours.

## **Changes in personal information**

It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian/education legal rights holder to inform the school of any changes in address or phone numbers. It is critical to have correct information in case of an emergency.

# **Bell Schedules**

Regular Day		<b>Advisory Minimum Day</b>		Testing Schedule	
Warning Bell	8:53	Warning Bell	8:53	Warning Bell	8:53
Advisory (1st)	8:55 - 9:45	Advisory 1	8:55 - 10:35	Advisory (1st)	8:55 - 10:35
2 <sup>nd</sup> Period	9:45 - 10:35	Lunch	10:35 - 11:03	Lunch	10:35 - 11:03
Lunch	10:35 - 11:03	Advisory 2	11:05 - 11:55	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period	11:05 - 11:42
3 <sup>rd</sup> Period	11:05 - 11:55			3 <sup>rd</sup> Period	11:42 - 12:19
4 <sup>th</sup> Period	11:55 - 12:45			4 <sup>th</sup> Period	12:19 - 12:56
5 <sup>th</sup> Period	12:45 - 1:35			5 <sup>th</sup> Period	12:56 - 1:35

# **Tardy Policy**

There are no passing periods at CCHS. Students move directly from class to class immediately when the bell rings. Punctuality is a trait valued by schools and the workplace alike. Students that are not in their assigned classroom and prepared for class before the tardy bell rings are late.

# **Procedures:**

- 1. All students who arrive after the 1<sup>st</sup> period tardy bell, regardless of when they arrive throughout the day, must go to the front office and sign in before going to class.
- 2. The following are interventions for chronic tardiness:
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Tardy warning from Principal
  - 4th Tardy placed on "No Pass List"
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Tardy Detention, parent notification
  - 10<sup>th</sup> Tardy Truancy Conference, referral to Student Attendance Review Board

# **Transportation**

Bus transportation to CCHS is provided based on student's official home address. This process requires completion of a WJUSD transportation application. Students will be notified when they are assigned to a bus route and will only be permitted to ride on their assigned bus. Bus stops are determined by the WJUSD transportation department. Families will be notified of their student's bus stop with as much advance notice as possible.

Bus transportation is a privilege extended only to students who display good conduct while preparing to ride, riding, or leaving the bus. Continued disorderly conduct or persistent refusal to submit to the authority of the driver shall be sufficient reason to be denied transportation. (WJUSD AR 5131.1)

# **Graduation Requirements**

A minimum of **200 credits** must be earned in grades 9-12 in the following required courses. Courses at CCHS are not A-G, which means that while **the CCHS diploma** is a **regular high school diploma**, the courses do not meet the requirements for acceptance into the University of California or California State University. Students from CCHS typically attend a community college before attending a four-year university.

40	English
10	World History
10	U.S. History
10	American Government/Economics
20	Mathematics (including 10 credits of Algebra 1)
20	Science (including 10 in Physical and 10 in Biology)
20	Physical Education
10	Fine Arts or World Languages
5	Health
55	Electives

# **CCHS Credit System**

Students come to CCHS in order to graduate from high school. In order to make that happen, students need to earn credits to meet the graduation requirements noted above. Credit is earned on a variable credit system, which means students take specific classes for as long as necessary to earn the credit they need for that specific class. While grades are issued on report cards, <u>it is the credits earned by a student that is most important.</u> During the course of a quarter (approximately 9-10 weeks), students have sufficient time to earn at least 20 credits.

# **Curriculum**

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Part of our program is helping students learn how to be self-directed, becoming advocates for their own learning. While at CCHS students may choose to earn credits in several ways to meet their graduation requirements. Depending on the course, a student may earn credits through a traditional teacher led classroom, an online learning platform, Odysseyware (OW), or a blend of both. OW courses are online high school courses that are an approved alternative to a traditional classroom. Students still go to a specific class, but they may be enrolled in one or more OW courses and **progress at their own pace.** A schedule change may be required if a student doesn't show progress in OW.

# **Earning Credits**

The expectation is that all CCHS students earn at least 20 credits per quarter. Credits are awarded by the teacher and may be based on points, assignment completion, or a combination of both. In general, 60 points equals one credit, and students who are present, positive, productive, and reflective should earn at least ½ credit per class each week. At the discretion of the teacher and as appropriate, students may also earn credits by passing Odysseyware unit exams.

**Note:** Overall, points for work in OW are based on appropriate student progress. However, at the discretion of the teacher, students who do not use OW as it was intended may have the minimum passing score changed, advancement blocked, alternative assignments provided, or be encouraged to challenge a unit by exam.

# **CCHS Credit System**

Other opportunities to Earn Credits – See counselor for details.

**Physical Education:** Students may choose to earn PE credits by taking an OW Physical Education Course. Students who belong to a gym may be able to earn credits for working out at a gym. Students complete a form and attach an electronic log of their work. Every 15-workout hours equals one credit. Alternatively, students may enroll in the CCHS STEPS program to earn credits by walking. Students earn points based on the following:

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3,000 – 5,999 steps = 3 points
6,000 – 9,999 steps = 6 points
10,000+ steps = 8 points
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**Community Service:** Students who have pre-approved community service opportunities may earn elective credits for their community service work. Every 15-community service hours equals one credit.

**Work Experience:** Students who have completed paperwork and are approved for Work Experience may earn elective credits while on the job. Every 36 hours of Work Experience equals on credit.

# **Cell Phones**

It is highly probable that we may regard the cell phone as an object of easy addiction for vulnerable, addictive, or problematic personalities while allowing for problematic and compulsory use in specific situations and contexts.

- Cell-Phone Addiction: A Review; Gutierrez, et al; Frontiers in Psychiatry, 2016.

Cell phone usage by students has become one of the single largest factors impeding student success. Many of the characteristics of adolescent cell phone use mimic gambling and substance abuse criteria. Examples include:

- Problematic and conscious use in dangerous situations
- Social and familial conflicts and confrontations
- Loss of interest in other activities
- Continuation of behavior despite negative consequences
- Preference for cell phone over personal contact
- Frequent and constant consultation
- Insomnia and sleep disturbances
- Excessive use, urgency, dependence, difficulty controlling, craving, anxiety

Students are encouraged to be self-directed learners and use of cell phones is at teachers' discretion. Cell Phone lockers are provided in every classroom for Advisory teachers to track and award credit. If cell phone usage is determined to be a primary factor in a student's lack of production, parent notification will be made. Parents are encouraged to examine their child's cell phone usage and determine an appropriate course of action.

# Cache Creek High School Behavior Management Guidelines Present – Positive – Productive – Reflective

Teachers have the obligation, right, and need to teach their students and students must have the opportunity, right and need to learn from their teachers.

CCHS is using **Positive Behavior and Interventions Support** (PBIS) to define the climate and culture of our school. PBIS is a school-wide program that focuses on intentionally and explicitly training our students on CCHS expectations. We model expected behaviors and provide numerous incentives for supporting students with **present, positive, productive, and reflective** behaviors. However, should positive reinforcement fail to support a positive learning environment, the staff at CCHS have developed progressive behavioral interventions to support positive behaviors.

# **Progressive Behavioral Interventions**



### Step 1

- Discuss with student
- Model appropriate behavior

# Step 2

- Discuss with student
- Model appropriate behavior

# Step 3

- Model appropriate behavior
- · Contact family member

### Step 4

 Referral to SSC or administration

# Classroom Managed Behaviors

- Classroom Disruption
  - Minor
  - Isolated
  - Student is compliant
  - Class remains on task
- Non-Compliance
  - Minor
  - Isolated
  - Student is compliant
  - Class remains on task
- Lack of Production
  - Not working on task
  - Not disrupting others
  - Isolated
- Inappropriate
   Language
  - Not directed at
  - Not directed at student
  - Isolated
  - Student is compliant
  - Class remains on task
- Electronic Device
  - Minor
  - Isolated
  - Student compliant
  - Class remains on task

# Office Managed Behaviors

- Classroom Disruption
  - Chronic
  - Student NOT compliant
  - Class becomes off task
- Non-Compliance
  - Chronic
  - Student NOT compliant
  - Class becomes off task
- Lack of Production
  - Repeatedly not working on task
  - Repeatedly disrupting others
- Inappropriate Language
  - Directed at teacher
  - Directed at student in anger
  - Student NOT compliant
  - Class becomes off task
- Fighting
- Harassment/Bullying
  - Harsh looks
  - Intimidation
  - Gang display
- Theft
- Drug/Alcohol/Tobacco
- Weapon



## Step 1

- Discuss with student
- Model appropriate behavior
- Assign all day SSC
- Contact family member

#### Step 2

- Discuss with student
- Model appropriate behavior
- Assign all day SSC
- Contact family member and alert to possible home suspension

## Step 3

• Home Suspension

**Note:** CA Ed Code and WJUSD Board Policy will guide student disciplinary actions.



# **Examples of Behavioral Interventions/Consequences**

# **Present**

# Tardy – 1<sup>st</sup> Period (or to school)

• 3 Tardies: Warning from Principal

• 4 Tardies: No Pass List

• 7 Tardies: Detention and Letter to Parent

• 10 Tardies: Referral to Student Attendance Review Board

# Tardy – 2<sup>nd</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> Periods

• Less than 2 minutes: marked tardy by teacher

Greater than 2 minutes: get pass from office, marked tardy by teacher

# Out of class without permission

• 1 – 3 times: Sent to SSC, put on no pass list

Greater than 3 times: In-School Suspension, remain on no pass list

Greater than 5 times: Home suspension, remain on no pass list

# Off campus without permission

• 1 – 3 times: In-School Suspension, put on no pass list

• Greater than 3 times: Home suspension, remain on no pass list

Note: Students cannot leave campus without permission after being dropped off by bus, or car, or arriving on bike or foot.

# <u>Positive</u>

## **Classroom Disruption**

- Minor/isolated: teacher manages interventions, including up to two days of class suspension
- Chronic/pervasive: admin manages interventions, including all day SSC and home suspension (EC 48900(k))

## **Inappropriate Language**

- Minor/isolated/not directed at staff: teacher managed, including up to two days of class suspension.
- Chronic/pervasive and/or directed at staff: admin manages interventions including all day in-school or home suspension (EC 48900(k), 48900(i), 48900(a)(1), 48900.4, 48900.7)

#### **Electronic Device**

- Failure to follow teacher directions: teacher manages interventions, including up to two days of classroom suspension
- Chronic failure to follow teacher/ administrator directions: admin manages interventions, including all day in-school or home suspension (EC 48900(K))

# **Examples of Behavioral Interventions/Consequences**

#### **Dress Code Violation**

• Gang Attire: Admin manages interventions including removal of inappropriate clothing, being placed on the no-red/no-blue list, and home suspension (EC 48900(k), 48900.4, 48900.7)

# **Productive**

# **Not Working in Class**

- Minor/isolated: teacher manages interventions, including phone call to family, referral to academic counselor, MTSS Tier II referral
- Chronic/pervasive: admin manages interventions, including phone call to family, MTSS Tier II referral, recommendation for placement change

Note: A teacher may suspend a student from their class for two days if student is sufficiently defiant or disruptive. (ED Code 48910, WJUSD AR 5144.1)

Students suspended from class will be sent to the Student Support Center and will be asked to continue working on assignments. Students suspended from 2 classes in a day, or 3 or more classes in a week will be assigned and all day in-school suspension by the principal. After 3 days of in-school suspension, students will be assigned a home suspension.

The most important role of progressive behavioral management at CCHS is to create a safe and comfortable learning environment that minimizes interruptions for all members of the school community. It is an expectation that all students are **present, positive and productive** every day. Communication between the home and school concerning discipline matters and academic progress is paramount in creating a safe environment conducive to learning.

As noted in the progressive behavioral interventions on the previous page, students who exhibit inappropriate behavior are given consequences increasing in severity, which include conferences, referral to the Student Support Center (SSC), In-School Suspension (ISS), home suspension ranging from one to five days, and, if necessary, expulsion from the district. Consequences will be based California Education Code, WJUSD Student Discipline Code, and on the severity or chronic nature of the offending behavior.

It should be noted that, although our discipline policy affords a framework for dealing with inappropriate student behavior in a comprehensive and consistent manner, each disciplinary issue will be reviewed within the context of its unique circumstances and the educational needs of the student. Alternative means of correction are a priority. We want to help your students learn to make good decisions and become a successful in school.

# Teacher's Role in Discipline

Teachers will follow the progressive behavioral interventions process:

- Step 1: Discuss behavior with student, model appropriate behavior
- Step 2: Model appropriate behavior
- Step 3: Model appropriate behavior, contact family member
- Step 4: Referral to the Student Support Center

If, in the opinion of the classroom teacher, a student's behavior warrants immediate removal from the classroom, the student may be suspended from class and sent directly to the Student Support Center or administration. Teachers have the obligation, right, and need to teach their students and students must have the opportunity, right and need to learn from their teachers. A teacher may suspend any student from his/her class for the remainder of their class and for their class the following day for classroom disruption and/or willful defiance and/or repeatedly refusing to follow instructions. (Education Code 48910; Board Policy 5144.1)

# **Student Support Center (SSC)**

A teacher may suspend a student from his/her class for unacceptable behavior with the following conditions:

- A teacher may refer a student to the Student Support Center for maximum of two days in a row.
- The student who is suspended from class is to report immediately to Student Support Center
- Any student who receives two referrals in one day will be assigned to the Student Support Center for one day of In-School Suspension (ISS) or receive a home suspension (1-5 days) depending on the chronic and pervasive nature of an individual student's behavior.
- Any student who receives three referrals in one week will be assigned to the Student Support Center for one day of In-School Suspension (ISS) or receive a home suspension (1-5 days) depending on the chronic and pervasive nature of an individual student's behavior.
- Failure to report directly to the SSC will result in a full day of In-school or home suspension.

CCHS culture is based on restorative practices which encourage students to reflect on their behavior. While in the Student Support Center, students may be asked to complete an OWL (Own it, Work on it, Learn from it) reflection. Students will have the opportunity to earn points by being **present**, **positive**, **and productive** in the Student Support Center. Students assigned to the SSC for In-School Suspension (ISS) are required to complete a minimum of three assignments during the school day and will be required to turn-in their cell phone for the day. Refusal to turn-in cell phone will result in a home suspension. The Intervention Coordinator will assist students with all assignments.

## **Graffiti and Vandalism**

Damaging, defacing or destroying school property is against the law. Students guilty of such acts will receive consequences to the full extent that the California Education Code, the California Penal Code and district policies allow. Parents are responsible and financially liable for acts of vandalism committed by their student.

#### Hall Passes

Students, must have a pass to be out of class, including coming to the office for any reason. Students are to go directly to and from the designated destination on the pass. Students out of class without a pass, and/or without permission, and/or beyond a reasonable time to go to the restroom, will be sent directly to the Student Support Center and placed on the "no-pass" list.

#### **Off Limit Areas**

Students will be searched and receive disciplinary consequences if found unsupervised in the following areas during the school day. Repeated violations will result in ISS or home suspension.

- Faculty parking lot
- Athletic fields
- Behind classrooms 1,2,7,8,10, 11, library, student restrooms, or staff kitchen

#### Harassment

The district is committed to providing an educational environment free of unlawful harassment. Unlawful harassment because of sex, sexual orientation, race, ancestry, physical or mental disability, age, or any other protected basis includes, but is not limited to:

- Verbal conducts such as epithets, derogatory comments, slurs or unwanted sexual advances, invitations or comments.
- Visual conduct such as derogatory posters, photos, cartoons, drawings, or gestures.
- Physical conduct such as assault, unwanted touching, blocking normal movement or interfering with academic performance or progress directed at a student because of sex or race or any other protected basis.
- Retaliation for having reported or threatened to report harassment.
- Harassment conducted through any written form, including email.

#### EC 48900.4:

In addition to the grounds specified in Sections 48900 and 48900.2, a pupil enrolled in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive, may be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion if the superintendent or the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines that the pupil has intentionally engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation, directed against school district personnel or pupils, that is sufficiently severe or pervasive to have the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting classwork, creating substantial disorder, and invading the rights of either school personnel or pupils by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment.

Note: Any discussion/conversation of sexual activities or actions on campus <u>invades the rights of others</u>. Refusal to abide by this section of Ed Code will lead to suspension.

Note: Students being harassed must report incidents to a school official immediately.

#### **Continued Defiance or Harassment of Staff**

CCHS staff members have expectations regarding their classroom or workspace. Students are expected to comply with staff member directions. Aggressive and/or chronic defiance of a teacher's directions through repeated refusal to follow directions, loud and/or hostile tone, profanity, close proximity, gestures and/or aggressive movements is harassment. This type of behavior will result in progressive discipline, up to and including suspension or expulsion under EC 48900.4.

# Personal Electronic Devices (cell phones, etc.)

Students are encouraged to be self-directed learners and use of personal electronic devices (cell phones, etc.) is at teachers' discretion. Cell Phone lockers are provided in every classroom with teacher providing incentives for student use. If cell phone usage is determined to be a primary factor in a student's lack of production, parent notification will be made. Parents are encouraged to examine their child's cell phone usage and determine an appropriate course of action. If electronic device usage becomes a disruption to the class, further disciplinary actions up to and including home suspension may be warranted.

### Other prohibited items

Other items prohibited include, but are not limited to: permanent markers, laser pointers, aerosol containers, spikes and water pistols. These items will be confiscated and will not be returned.

# Fighting/Dispersing from a Fight

A fight or intent to fight will result in a 3 to 5 day home suspension. Student(s) may be cited by a Woodland Police Officer, and may be transported to juvenile hall. The administration may pursue expulsion from the WJUSD if serious injury results or if there is a second fight in the same year. Students who encourage, observe and/or fail to disperse from the scene of a fight may also face disciplinary action.

Students must seek help from an adult on campus if they are being harassed, intimidated or are threatened in any way.

# **Possession of weapons**

Possession of weapons such as firearms, knives, explosives or any dangerous objects are not permitted on any school campus. Possession of a weapon will result in a recommendation for expulsion. Knives of any size are considered a dangerous weapon and are not permitted on campus.

## **Skateboards, Bicycles and Scooters**

The use of skateboards, bicycles and scooters are prohibited on campus. These items will be confiscated if observed being used. Students may leave these items in the office for safekeeping during the school day. **Skateboards** <u>must</u> be in a duffle bag/backpack in order to bring them on the school bus. Failure to do so, will result in a citation.

## **Profanity/Vulgarity**

Intimidation and harassment (see EC 48900.4 above) does not require the intent of the accused. Profanity and vulgarity, especially if deemed by others to be intimidation or harassment, will not be tolerated. Staff will intervene when necessary. Defiance of staff and/or profanity or vulgarity being directed toward any staff member will result in a home suspension. **Profanity and vulgarity in the classroom is not acceptable and will result in consequences ranging from a warning to a home suspension.** 

# **Public Displays of Affection**

Each student has the right to feel comfortable in the school environment. Public displays of affection, beyond holding hands, can be offensive to both staff and students. This includes touching, body rubbing, petting, kissing, or any other contact that may be considered sexual in nature. Staff will offer a warning first. Subsequent violations may result in disciplinary consequences deemed appropriate by the school principal.

# **Student Parking**

Students must park on street and may not go to their cars during school hours. Inappropriate conduct, such "engine revving" and "exhibitions of speed" and/or unsafe driving are subject to school disciplinary action and law enforcement citation. The school and district are not responsible for theft or damage to a student's vehicle or theft of the contents inside the vehicle. Students who visit a parked or passing car during school hours are acting suspiciously and are subject to a search at the principal's discretion.

# **Closed Campus**

Cache Creek High School is a closed campus. Students must remain on campus during regular school hours. Students who need to leave school must first report to the office and request permission to leave. **Students** <u>must</u> <u>have written permission or a phone call from a parent or guardian to leave campus.</u> It is against school rules for any student to jump any fence on campus.

### **Campus Visitors**

All visitors, including parents, must check in with the office. Students may not have a guest at school at any time.

## **Personal Items**

CCHS assumes no responsibility for the loss or theft of personal property. Cell phones, iPods/MP3 players and electronic toys are all considered personal property. Students are strongly encouraged to leave all such items at home. Lost and found is located in the main office. Efforts will be made to return identified items.

## **Delivery of items to Students**

Balloons, flowers or other gifts should not be ordered for delivery at school. If deliveries arrive, they will be held in the main office until the end of the school day.

## **Debts**

Debts incurred by students at CCHS or any other WJUSD school must be paid in a timely manner. Some of the ways students incur debts are listed here, but this list is by no means complete.

- Lost or damaged textbooks or library books
- Vandalism to school property

Debts can be paid in the main office or at the school where the debt was incurred. All debts must be paid for prior to enrolling at CCHS. Failure to pay student debts can lead to the following:

- Diploma will be held.
- Participation in school activities may be denied.

#### **Questioning by Outside Authority**

Any law enforcement agent, with appropriate identification, has the authority and right to question students while at school.

#### **Drug-Free Tobacco-Free Zone**

Cache Creek High School, as with all WJUSD property, is a drug-free, tobacco-free zone. Use, possession or sale of drugs, alcohol or any other controlled substance is not permitted on campus. This applies at all times on campus, including school activities that are held after school hours (Penal Code §308). **Consequences enforced will range from suspension to Expulsion.** 

### **Display of Drug Culture**

It is not appropriate for students to display, in words, actions, appearance, and presence, the patterns of usage, socialization, language, social hierarchy, and the buying/selling of drugs. Examples include <u>smelling like marijuana</u>, <u>usage of illegal drugs at school, discussions of the illegal transaction and use of drugs, and/or wearing close that are symbols of drug culture (e.g. <u>marijuana leaf)</u>. Displays of drug culture disrupts the orderly conduct of school activities and threatens those who are not part of the drug culture. Additionally, some individuals have a physical response to the smell of marijuana. Responses to displays of drug culture may include the following:</u>

- Warning (Example: "Don't come to school smelling like marijuana.")
- Phone call home (Example: "Your student came to school smelling like marijuana.")
- Suspension (Contraband Ed Code 48900(c)(j); Disruption/defiance Ed Code 48900(k))
- Expulsion (Selling controlled substance 48915(c)(3))

# **Dress Code**

All students are expected to wear clothing that is appropriate for school. Clothes shall be sufficient to conceal undergarments at all times, and should not expose a student's chest or stomach. Clothing that is sheer, revealing, or resembles an undergarment should not be worn to school. Pants and shorts must cover undergarments at all times. Students will wear appropriate clothing. **NO clothing that references sex, drugs, alcohol, tobacco or weapons will be allowed.** 

No gang attire: Gang related apparel is not permitted and may not be worn or displayed. Students known to be affiliated with a gang or act in a manner that supports an affiliation with a gang will be placed on the "NO-RED/NO-BLUE" list. Determination is at the discretion of the principal. Any student determined to be attempting to display, support, or acknowledge a gang affiliation will also be strictly prohibited from wearing ANY red or blue apparel. This applies to shirts, pants, shoes, shoelaces, hats, belts and/or any other item that can be deemed to be gang related. Any apparel, jewelry, accessory, school materials or manner of grooming denoting membership in a gang is prohibited (CA Ed. Code §35183). Tattoos that are obviously gang related, such as the name of a gang, gang language, or reference to a gang are forbidden, and will have to be covered while atschool.

Additionally, continued displays or actions which can be seen as gang affiliations will lead to disciplinary action under Ed Code 48900.4:

...a pupil enrolled in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive, may be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion if the superintendent or the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines that the pupil has intentionally engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation, directed against school district personnel or pupils, that is sufficiently severe or pervasive to have the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting classwork, creating substantial disorder, and invading the rights of either school personnel or pupils by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment.

For student safety, the principal may determine that all students must adhere to the NO RED/NO BLUE policy. At the start of the school year and until further notice is given by the principal, students must adhere to the NO RED/NO BLUE policy. CCHS discourages any clothing that is predominantly red or blue on campus, or at any school events off campus. The principal has the authority to determine if a garment is inappropriate, and, if so, may direct a student to change that garment.

# **Dress Code Violation**

Students who are not appropriately dressed for school will be given an opportunity to call home for a change of clothing. When possible loaner shirts may be available in the office for the day. If we are unable to reach a parent or guardian the student will remain in the office for the day or in the Student Support Center. Please take care to see that your student is appropriately dressed when they leave for school. <u>Individual students who do not follow the direction of the principal in this matter will be put on the NO-RED/NO-BLUE list.</u> Students who continue to display red or blue, will be suspended for intimidation, harassment, and defiance. (EC 48900.4 and EC 48900k)

# Checking out of your current school

While the CCHS staff has accepted you to our school, you cannot enroll at CCHS unless you have checked out of your current school. If you are currently enrolled at another school, it is your responsibility to check out of that school. Here's what you need to do:

- Go to current school registrar
- Turn in all books
- Pay all fees
- Complete a checkout form
- Bring checkout form to your first day of school.

Keep in mind that all fines for lost or damaged books or equipment will followyou. Note:

# Administrative Regulation 5125.2: Grades, Diplomas or Transcripts

The district may withhold grades, diplomas or transcripts from the student and parents for lost or damaged school property.

Thank you for reviewing our handbook with us. We encourage you and your student to review it at home, as you are held responsible for the information covered in this handbook. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact the school at any time.

Weappreciate your interest in your student's education. Welook forward to working with you and your student to achieve their academic goals. Wewill do our best to help prepare them for a productive future.

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# **Cache Creek High School Handbook Contract and Acknowledgement**

# **Being Present: Attendance**

- Students must come to school every day and are not tardy to classes
- Students may not be out of class without permission
- Students may not leave campus without permission
- Students are considered on campus when they step off the bus, out of a car, or after arriving by bike or on foot

# **Being Positive: Satisfactory Behavior**

- No days (Zero) of home suspension for gang related behavior, fighting or threatening to fight.
- No gang related behavior or attire (Determination is at the discretion of the principal.)
  - Gang related apparel is not permitted and may not be worn or displayed.
  - Students known to be affiliated with a gang or act in a manner that supports an affiliation with a gang will be placed on the "No Red/No Blue" list.
  - Any student determined to be attempting to, or displaying, supporting, or acknowledging a gang
    affiliation is strictly prohibited. Student will be suspended for intimidation (Ed Code 48900.4) and
    prohibited from wearing red or blue.
- The principal has the authority to determine if a garment is inappropriate, and, if so, may direct a student to change that garment immediately. **Failure to comply will result in a home suspension.**
- Classroom use of electronic devices is at the discretion of the teacher. Follow teacher directions on the use of electronic devices.
- Use of external speakers is not permitted.
- Inappropriate language, especially when chronic and habitual, will result progressive disciplinary actions
- Follow classroom rules and teacher instructions and comply with any staff member's directions.
- Classroom disruptions will result in progressive disciplinary actions

# Being Productive: Academic/Grade Record

- Student must satisfactorily earn points in every class, every day.
- Students must make satisfactory progress toward graduation from high school

In the event that any student is involved in any violation of any school rule, or commits a violation of the Education Code, he/ she will be subject to consequences such as removal from class, In School Suspension (ISS), home suspension or expulsion based on the District Progressive DisciplineStandards.

I have received the school rules and behavior expectations and understand that I am responsible for knowing and following all school rules. I also understand that I am subject to disciplinary action if I choose to disregard them.

Student Date Parent/Guardian Date