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Any situation not covered in this handbook will be dealt with by a member of the administrative staff.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As principal of Terrebonne High School, I would like to welcome everyone back to school for the 2023-2024 school year. August is an exciting time of year, with the halls and classrooms being filled once again with students decorating the halls in anticipation of the new school year as well as the extracurricular programs who are on campus preparing for the upcoming year. I encourage everyone to become involved in Terrebonne High School in a positive way so that we can make our school the best it can be.

At Terrebonne, we have great teachers who will challenge students with a rigorous academic curriculum. We believe that all students should graduate from high school with the tools necessary to become a productive citizen by gaining meaningful employment, joining the military, or continuing your education at a postsecondary institution. Once again, welcome back, and I am looking forward to a great year! Sincerely,

Richard Starr
Principal
Terrebonne High School

OUR SCHOOL

In existence since 1908, Terrebonne High School is the second oldest accredited high school in Louisiana. The Southern Association of Colleges awarded the accreditation in 1914. The class of 1908 graduated one student and has steadily grown since that time. The school building site has changed four times, and the class of 1941 was the first to graduate from the present facility. For a complete history of Terrebonne High School, its curriculum, programs, and other information, log on to our website

MISSION STATEMENT

Terrebonne High School is committed to providing a diversified, high-quality education in a safe environment; fostering community pride; and developing each student, academically and socially, to become college or career ready in a global society.

2023-2024 CALENDAR

August 7 Students' First Day of School
September 4 Labor Day Holiday
September 7 Progress Reports
October 9 First Nine Weeks Ends
October 12-13 Fall Break
October 16 Staff Development Day
October 18 Report Cards
November 10 Progress Reports
November 20-24 Thanksgiving Holidays
December 19 Second Nine Weeks Ends
December 20-January 2 Christmas Holidays
January 3 Students Return to School
January 8 Report Cards
January 15 ML King Day Holiday
January 16 Staff Development Day
February 5 Progress Reports
February 12-16 Mardi Gras Holidays
March 13 Third Nine Weeks Ends
March 19 Report Cards
March 29- April 5 Easter Holidays
April 22 Progress Reports
May 23 Last Day for Students
May 24 Records Day/Report Cards

For the 2023-2024 school year, all schools will add 10 instructional minutes to each day so that 5 days can be banked. The following schedule will be followed for make-up days.

Banked days used	Student end date	Teacher end date
0	May 16, 2024	May 17, 2024
1	May 17, 2024	May 20, 2024
2	May 20, 2024	May 21, 2024
3	May 21, 2024	May 22, 2024
4	May 22, 2024	May 23, 2024
5	May 23, 2024	May 24, 2024

If more than 5 banked days are used, we will use the following: Fall make-up days will be Oct. 12, 2023, Oct. 13, 2023, and/or Nov. 20, 2023. If needed, Spring make-up days will be Feb. 15, 2024, and/or Feb. 16, 2024.

THS BELL SCHEDULE 2023-2024

Move to Homeroom	7:10AM	7:16AM
Homeroom	7:16AM	7:20AM
1st Period	7:20AM	8:12AM
Move to 2nd Period	8:12AM	8:16AM
2nd Period	8:16AM	9:08AM
Move to 3rd Period	9:08AM	9:12AM
3rd Period	9:12AM	10:04AM
Move to 4th Period	10:04AM	10:08AM
4th Period	10:08AM	11:00AM
Lunch A	11:00AM	11:30AM
5 th Period Lunch B	11:04AM	11:56AM
5 th Period Lunch A	11:34AM	12:26PM
Lunch B	11:56AM	12:26PM
Move to 6th Period	12:26PM	12:30PM
6th Period	12:26PM	1:22PM
Move to 7th Period	1:22PM	1:26PM
7th Period	1:26PM	2:20PM
Bus Dismissal	2:20PM	2:30PM

GRADING SCALE

Regular classes		Honors classes	
A- 93-100	D- 67-74	A- 90-100	D- 60-69
B- 85-92	F- Below 67	B- 80-89	F- Below 60
C- 75-84		C- 70-79	

ALMA MATER

The praises of Terrebonne High School sing.
Our voices raise on high.
Her glorious name to the breezes fling,
‘Til echoes rend the sky.
For noble deeds, for honor bright,
For truth’s unbroken sway.
For victories won in virtue’s fight.
We herald her fame today.

ATHLETICS

ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY

Student-athletes must have earned at least 6 credits the preceding year, must have a 1.5 GPA for the previous semester or year, have a signed parental consent form, and must have a physical exam. All LHSAA rules will apply. Log on to our website for more information.

CONDUCT AT ATHLETIC EVENTS

Any student/fan who demonstrates unsportsmanlike conduct at any extra-curricular activity will be disciplined and banned from all activities. This includes but is not limited to derogatory comments and profanity or gestures directed to officials, the opponent’s team, fans, or support groups such as cheerleaders, dance groups, or band. For further information, contact the Athletic Director.

GENERAL INFORMATION

COUNSELING CENTER

The guidance counselors provide a variety of services to students, parents, and teachers which include counseling, academic and occupational information, orientation, education and work placement. The guidance office is open before school and during lunch with a counselor available at all times. In order to talk to a counselor during a

class period, a student must obtain a permission slip from the teacher and bring this permit to the guidance office. Each student is assigned to a specific counselor and will be monitored during his/her entire academic career at THS.

LIBRARY

Students may come to the library to browse for books, read, work on assignments, or do research before school (6:55 AM) or during lunch. Students must conduct themselves in a very orderly manner at all times in the library. Talking, eating, or drinking will not be allowed without permission. All debts must be cleared before checking out new items. .

EMERGENCY DRILLS

Emergency drills and fire drills will be held throughout the school year and monitored under the THS Crisis Plan/Committee. During an emergency drill, students **must quietly follow the instructions of the teacher.**

DRUG TESTING

Beginning with the 1999-2000 school year, the Terrebonne Parish School Board passed a plan that allows for the random drug testing of all students involved in extracurricular activities.

MEDICATION

According to school board policy, students cannot take, have in their possession, or be given non-prescription medication such as Tylenol, aspirin, cold medications, ointments, etc. by school personnel during school hours. Students also may not possess prescription medication. If prescription medicine must be taken during school hours, written parental consent, and a completed doctor's form must be on file in the Main Office. It is the student's responsibility to report at the proper time for medication. A parent or guardian must bring all medicine/medications to school. Students in possession of any medication (prescription or over-the-counter) will be subject to disciplinary action. Contact the Main Office for more information.

BULLYING/SEXUAL HARASSMENT/HAZING

The Terrebonne Parish School Board states that intimidation, harassment, hazing, and bullying (physical, verbal, relational, and cyber bullying) are

not acceptable. Use of social media for bullying/harassment/hazing will be addressed by administration when reported. THS encourages students/parents to report any bullying/harassment/hazing. Sex and gender discrimination is unlawful. State criminal law such as laws against child abuse prohibits sexual harassment.

DEBTS OWED TO SCHOOL

If a student owes a debt of any kind to the school which is not paid in a timely manner, that student will not be allowed to participate in any extra-curricular activity sponsored by the school. Debts carry over from year-to-year, and they also carry from school-to-school. Once the debt is cleared or an acceptable payment plan is agreed upon and implemented, then the student will be restored to all privileges accorded to all students in good standing. The Terrebonne Parish School Board has entered into an agreement with Envision, Inc. for the collection of all returned (NSF) checks issued to schools. Envision will contact you in order to collect the face amount of the worthless check plus the state allowed collection fee which is currently \$25.00. The following information is required on all checks written to school: Full name, Street address (not P.O. Box), Phone number where you may be contacted, and Child's name on Memo line.

CARE OF TEXTBOOKS

Students are responsible for textbooks issued to them. Students not returning textbooks at the end of each semester and at the end of a school year (or upon withdrawal from school) will be charged full textbook replacement costs. The student's name and amount owed will be placed on the textbook debt list until cleared.

STUDENT PICK-UP/DROP-OFF RULES

Students may be dropped off or picked up only in front of the school on Main Street. Students may not arrive prior to 6:55 AM.

STUDENT VEHICLES/REGISTRATION

Each student must register the vehicle he/she drives to school. Parking permits cost \$10.00 and will be available in the Main Office. The permit should be visible on the rear windshield corner and be easily seen. Each student registering a vehicle will receive a copy of the driving and

parking regulations. Violation of driving and parking regulations will result in loss of parking privileges.

VISITORS

All visitors must report to the Main Office immediately upon arrival. Students are required to direct visitors to the Main Office. Students are not allowed to have visitors during school hours. No fast food, plate lunches, flowers, food, balloons, gifts, etc. will be delivered to students during school hours. Such deliveries will be turned away at the office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements are read to all students over the intercom each morning, through School broadcasts, or posted online. Students are accountable for all information announced or posted.

DISCIPLINE STUDENT CONDUCT CODE- RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Students have the right to pursue through study and self-application, a quality education at public expense and to attain personal goals through participation in the entire school program. In order to obtain a quality education, students are expected to consistently practice our school maxim, **THS: Take Responsibility, Have Respect, Show Leadership**. It is the goal of this administration, faculty, and staff to provide each student with a quality education and to see that these students grow in a mature and responsible fashion.

HONOR SYSTEM

For those students not abiding by the honor system in examinations, the following guidelines will be used:

1. A student who is guilty of cheating on a daily quiz, weekly assignment, major test, or semester/final examination will receive a grade of “F” on the test or assignment and will receive a grade of “F” in conduct for the grading period.
2. Testing irregularities and plagiarizing: A student who fails to follow teacher-prescribed testing procedures (e.g. silence, facing forward, not having test notes or study sheets in the testing areas, etc.) shall be given a grade of “F” and shall not be permitted a further

evaluation on the same material. Turning in the copied work of another or plagiarizing will be dealt with in the same manner.

3. The consequence may also include removal from an office or position of responsibility, loss of eligibility for scholarship consideration or for special awards or recognition, and possible disciplinary action.

ZERO “0” TOLERANCE VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM

Violence: Once a physical fight takes place as determined by the principal/designee/SRO, the City Police/Sheriff’s Office will be called if deemed necessary. Each participant in the fight will be arrested, if deemed necessary, handcuffed, and taken into custody, unless it can be established that one or more students were the sole aggressor(s), and the other involved student(s) acted only in self-defense.

Firearms/Weapons: A student who possesses, sells, distributes, displays, transfers, or uses any firearm/explosive/weapon of any type, including a look-alike, shall be suspended, and the principal shall recommend expulsion.

Alcohol/Drugs: A student who possesses, sells, distributes, transfers, uses, or is under the influence of alcohol, a controlled substance, a legal substance to attain a mood-altering effect, and any equipment or device for preparing or taking drugs shall be immediately suspended from school, and the principal shall recommend expulsion. Full details on the prohibition of firearms/weapons and alcohol and drugs are provided in the Terrebonne Parish School Board Code of Student Conduct.

SEARCH AND SEIZURE

School officials are empowered to conduct reasonable searches of a particular student and school property when there is reasonable suspicion that the student may be in possession of drugs, alcohol, weapons, or other materials in violation of school policy or state law. Property (cars, lockers, book bags, purses, pockets, etc.) shall remain under the control of school officials and shall be subject to search. Students are responsible for all items found on their person or in their possession including in cars, lockers, book bags, purses, pockets, etc.

STUDENT BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

1. Students are obliged to follow instructions from any teacher at any time. Teachers will not make unreasonable requests of students.
2. Maintain a free flow of traffic (stay on the right side) in the halls, stairs, and walkways.

3. Excessive or loud noise is prohibited on campus.
4. Students are to leave campus in an orderly manner at the designated time. Only students directly supervised by a teacher may remain in the halls.
5. Students are not to go to their cars during the school day unless permission is given by an administrator (including lunch recess). Students may not remain in their cars upon arrival to campus.
6. Upon arrival on campus, students may not leave campus without checking out through the Main Office. Even if the 7:10 AM bell has not rang, you must check out prior to leaving campus.
7. Students should report to the Student Circle when arriving at school. In the event of bad weather, they will report to the designated gym bleachers. They are to stay off the playing floor. No food or drinks are allowed in the gym.
8. Use or possession of tobacco products or vapes is prohibited.
9. Altering or forging of any official school document such as doctor's excuses, teacher notes, etc. is prohibited and will result in disciplinary action.
10. No student shall use, possess, or operate any electronic telecommunication, gaming, audio or video device in any classroom in accordance with the Cell Phone Usage Guidelines.
11. Any threat, verbal or written, will be taken seriously.
12. Obscenities/inappropriate material of any kind, verbal or written, will result in disciplinary action.
13. State law prohibits students from carrying firearms, knives, or other implements which can be used as weapons. This regulation includes sharp combs, manicuring devices, game items, jewelry, etc.
14. Non-compliance with any rule, verbal or written, will result in disciplinary action.
15. Exterior building doors may not be propped open and must be closed in a secured manner at all times.
16. Students may not purchase any vending machine products during class time.

GENERAL COURTESY RULES

Stairwells/Hallways: Walk to the right and keep moving; have hall pass during class time; respect others' space; talk quietly; use appropriate, non-offensive language or gestures.

Main Office: Be respectful; follow dress code, including shirt tucked, ID on; sit in designated areas and wait your turn; follow all directives.

Classrooms: Be in your seat when the tardy bell rings; be respectful of teacher, fellow students, and visitors; be prepared for class with materials; be attentive and participate from bell to bell; use appropriate language at all times; remain seated until the bell rings; follow dress code including shirt tucked, ID on.

Alternate Classes: Sit in assigned seat; no food or drinks allowed; follow directions and procedures; work only on specific assignments.

Bus loading: Respect duty teachers and bus drivers; walk in designated areas; refrain from horseplay; board the bus in an orderly fashion; obey all bus rules.

Restrooms: Keep walls and floors clean; be respectful; be polite and flush; wash hands with soap before exiting, dress for success before exiting.

CAFETERIA GENERAL RULES

1. Students who are in line are to stay in single file and not cut the line. The line dividers are not to be touched or rearranged by students.
2. Once students leave the serving area, they may not return to the serving area.
3. Students will walk to and from the cafeteria in an orderly manner, staying in line.
4. Students must wear an ID to eat or will be placed at the end of the line.
5. Students are to stay seated until they are finished eating, and then leave the cafeteria after clearing their table and floor in their area.
6. Food, drinks, straws, utensils, etc. may **not** be taken from the cafeteria.
7. Place paper goods, food, tray, and utensils in the proper area.
8. No change will be given. All extra money goes into the student's account.

ASSEMBLES

Assemblies and special programs are held throughout the year. Students are expected to be courteous to other students, teachers, and guests. Students will follow this procedure: (1) Enter the auditorium through your assigned door and take your seat quietly in your assigned area. (2) Talk as little as possible. (3) Applaud when appropriate, but do not whistle, boo, or stomp your feet. (4) Always give courteous attention to

the speaker. (5) Failure to follow procedure will result in exclusion from future assemblies and disciplinary action.

HALL PASSES

In order to leave class for any reason, students must have their Student Agenda with the hall pass filled out stating name, date, time, teachers' initials, and specific destination. Students are allowed out of class only during the last 20 minutes of the class period. Students out of class without their hall pass will be disciplined.

DRESS CODE POLICY

All students attending Terrebonne Parish Schools are required to adhere to the Board's mandatory uniform policy. New students to the parish will be given two weeks from the date of enrollment to obtain the required uniform.

Uniforms shall be worn as follows:

Boys: Solid White or Crimson collared shirt, khaki or black pants, shorts, or joggers.

Girls: Solid White or Crimson collared blouse, khaki or black pants, pleated or straight skirt, shorts, skorts, or jumper.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Uniform Style Pants: Uniform khaki pants must be black or khaki in color (no white allowed). No jean material will be acceptable. Pants may have partial or full elastic at the waist (joggers are allowed). Pants must have straight legs. Jumpsuits, overalls, or coveralls are not allowed. Pants may be pleated/not pleated, cuffed/not cuffed. If pants have a belt loop, a belt must be worn. Shorts, Capri or full-length pants will be allowed. Shorts or skirts must conform to regulations and must be no shorter than five inches (5") from the knee when standing. The small discreet brand name will be permitted.

Turtlenecks: Must be worn under a uniform shirt and/or uniform jumper.

Sweatshirts/Sweaters: Pullover hooded sweatshirts, long sleeve with ribbed collar, wrist, and waist, sweaters that are black, white, navy, khaki, gray, or the designated school color, possessing no labels, logos, print, or embroidering except for the official school logo will be permitted. THS or regular sweatshirts with hoods (no logos other than THS) are allowed.

Cumbersome: Heavy or large items which may cause a safety problem to the wearer or create a visual or auditory distraction.

Jean Material: Denim or corduroy material.

Ornate: More than one bracelet/necklace. More than two rings per hand. More than two earrings per ear. Large, dangling, or bright objects that are distracting or noisy.

Oversized Uniform: More than one size larger.

Straight Legged Pants: The measurement of the cuff from seam to seam is less than or equal to the measurement from seam to seam at the knee.

Body armor: shall mean bullet-resistant metal or other material intended to provide protection from weapons or bodily injury.

DRESS CODE REGULATIONS

1. All students will wear the designated school uniform clothing as outlined in the uniform policy. All clothing must be worn as designed by the manufacturer. (No tying outerwear around the neck). The wearing of uniforms which are oversized, baggy, sagging, torn, or extremely tight fitting is prohibited. *Waistbands should be worn on the waist.* Cut off shorts are not acceptable.
2. Pants must be hemmed, and side slits are not permitted.
3. Belts may not be more than one size larger than the waist.
4. Shirts must be worn tucked in at all times. Undergarments must not be visible. Blouses must be buttoned/worn so as not to reveal cleavage.
5. Uniform shirt collars must be visible when wearing a hooded sweatshirt/sweatshirt/sweater.
6. **Shorts, skirts, and jumpers may be worn not shorter than five inches (5") from the knee when standing.**
7. Footwear must be worn to school, and students are encouraged to wear socks. When socks, leggings, or stockings are worn, they may be any color, and have stripes or logos as long as they are not distracting, doesn't contain offensive language or graphics, and is a solid material with no holes.
8. **Footwear must have a closed front, fully closed back, and possess a hard bottom sole. Slippers, slides, sandals, backless shoes, flip-flops, and crocs are not acceptable.**
9. Body piercing (except for ears) that is visible will be prohibited. (Ex. nose, lips, tongue, eyebrows, etc.) Students may be asked to

remove Band-Aids if there is suspicion that it covers a piercing. Jewelry will be confiscated. Clear savers are allowed.

10. Students will not be allowed to wear ornate or cumbersome jewelry. Earrings larger than a quarter are not acceptable.
11. Optional: The name and/or logo of the school may be professionally sewn/printed on the shirt, sweatshirt, or sweater.
12. Student's hair must be groomed in such a manner that it will not draw undue attention. **Only naturally occurring hair colors are allowed.**
13. Male hair length must be of even distribution. The hair must be clean, well-groomed and neat at all times
14. Caps, hats, chains, headwear of any kind, and non-prescribed glasses are not permitted and will be confiscated.
15. Students may not wear body armor.

*The principal may exercise discretionary authority in the interpretation of the aforementioned rules and anything which necessitates judgment as to what is appropriate.

UNIFORM VIOLATIONS CONSEQUENCES:

(i.e. no belt, wrong shirt color, inappropriate shoes, facial rings etc.)

First Offense: Record in Grade book, warned (student will call home to correct the infraction). Office referral is not necessary.

Second Offense: Record in Grade book, warned (student will call home to correct the infraction). Office referral is not necessary.

Third Offense: Office referral, parent notification, In-School Detention, and correction of infraction.

Fourth Offense: Office referral, parent notification, In-School Detention, and correction of infraction.

Fifth Offense: Office referral, parent notification, In-School Detention, and correction of the infraction.

Sixth Offense: Office referral, parent notification, In-School Suspension. Student will not be allowed to return to school until it is established that he/she will adhere to the uniform regulations.

GROOM AND DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS CONSEQUENCES:

(i.e. untucked shirt, sagging pants, etc.)

(To be addressed by teachers inside/outside the classroom)

First Offense: Student warned.

Second Offense: Student warned.

Third Offense: In-School Detention.

Fourth Offense: In-School Detention x2.

Fifth Offense: In-School Detention x3.

Sixth Offense and any Subsequent Offenses: In-School Suspension.

STUDENT I.D. CARDS

IDs are the property of the school and shall be presented upon request.

Students who walk away from a teacher attempting to get their name for any reason will be suspended. Any student who refuses to give a teacher their name will be issued an in-school suspension. Students will be required to wear their I.D. cards displayed **face up** over the upper chest area in a visible manner while at school. I.D. cards must be worn throughout the school day at all times while on campus beginning at 6:50am. IDs must be surrendered upon demand to a teacher. No student may use another student's ID for any reason. IDs defaced in any way will result in disciplinary action. The following consequences will be in effect for not wearing the student I.D. card:

First Offense: The student is warned, issued a temporary card, and the offense is recorded by the teacher.

Second Offense: The student will be issued a temporary card by the teacher, and the conduct grade will be lowered one letter grade.

Third Offense: The student will be issued a temporary card by the teacher, referred to the office, and assigned In-School Detention.

Fourth Offense: The student will be issued a temporary card by the teacher, referred to the office, and assigned In-School Detention.

Fifth Offense: The student will be referred to the office and receive an In-School Suspension.

NOTE:

1. I.D. code violations will be accumulated by term (fall and spring).
2. If an I.D. is lost or stolen, the student will be responsible to pay a fee of \$5.00 for a permanent replacement. A \$1 temporary ID may be purchased in the library before school and is only valid for the specified date.
3. I.D. code violations outside of the classroom should be referred to the office.

ATTENDANCE TARDY POLICY

Unexcused or unsubstantiated tardiness to class will be handled on a semester basis for discipline reasons. Unexcused or unsubstantiated tardiness to school will be handled on a yearly basis for truancy reasons. The consequences are listed below:

First Offense: Record in grade book, warning issued.

Second Offense: Warned and recorded.

Third Offense: Student is referred to the office and assigned to In-School Detention.

Fourth Offense: Student referred to office and assigned to In-School Detention.

Fifth Offense: Student referred to the office and issued an In-School Suspension thereafter for each tardy (1 day).

*Tardies to homeroom accumulate per semester.

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

- I. Students are expected to attend school every day. The school system does not condone skip-out days.
- II. Excused Absence: Doctor's excuse, Court, death in the family, extreme emergency (flooding, fire, hurricane, etc.) – allows make-up work and does not count against state required attendance.
- III. Procedures for makeup work:
 - a. Present written documentation with the reason for the absence to school officials within three days of returning to school.
 - b. Arrangements must be made with the classroom teacher the first day of return to school to make up for work missed within five (5) days of return to school. Extended periods of absence will be handled on an individual basis. Work not made up will result in an automatic "F" on all work missed.
- IV. Absences Due to Suspensions: Students missing school as a result of any suspension shall be counted as absent, but makeup work is allowed.
- V. Minimum Attendance Requirements
 - a. A secondary student can miss no more than five (5) days in a ½ unit course or ten (10) days in a 1 unit course and still be eligible to receive credit.

- b. Excused absences shall not be included in the five (5) day or ten (10) day limitation of absences per class.

VI. Exceptions to Minimum Attendance Requirements

- a. Any exceptions to the above policy shall be made only after a review by the School Administrator.
- b. Exceptions will be granted only if one or more of the following conditions are in evidence:
 - 1. Extended personal physical or emotional illness in which a student is absent for three or more consecutive school days as verified by a physician or nurse practitioner licensed in the state.
 - 2. Extended hospital stay in which a student is absent for three or more consecutive school days as verified by a physician or dentist.
 - 3. Extended recuperation from an accident in which a student is absent for three or more consecutive school days as verified by a physician, dentist, or nurse practitioner licensed in the state.
 - 4. Extended contagious disease within a family in which a student is absent for three or more consecutive school days as verified by a physician or dentist licensed in the state.
 - 5. Observance of special and recognized holidays of the student's own faith.

TRUANT POLICY

The Truancy Policy now includes Tardy. Tardy, for the purpose of notification, shall include but not be limited to being late to school or leaving or checking out of school unexcused prior to the regularly scheduled dismissal time at the end of the school day. However, it shall not include reporting late to class when transferring from one class to another during the school day. If a student checks out unexcused prior to dismissal, he/she is tardy unexcused.

ATTENDANCE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PARENTS

Your child is sick: Call the main office at (985) 879-3377, or write a note with reason and dates of absence on the day of return.

Your child has a medical/dental appointment: Contact the high school office by phone or note with time and date of appointment.

You are planning a family trip: First, rethink it; then, if the educational value still outweighs the vacation value, then call or write a note communicating dates and whom the student is traveling with to the high school office at least one week prior to your trip so that your student may get school work and test information prior to leaving.

Your child is an athlete and doesn't feel well: An athlete must be present for 50% or more of the student's scheduled class periods to be eligible to participate for that day in practice or competition.

HOMEWORK DURING ABSENCE

Students absent for three consecutive days should request homework. All homework requests should be made before 10am to the Guidance Office, (985) 879-2337.

CHECK OUT POLICY

Students must officially Check Out of school by officially signing out in the main office with a parent/guardian or permissible person.

- Any parent/guardian or approved person checking out a student must furnish a picture ID before checking a student out.
- Persons listed on a student's information sheet may check out a student but must be at least 18 years old and not currently enrolled as a student.
- Student information sheets must be signed and dated by a guardian before taking effect.
- No verbal or telephone approval will be accepted for any check outs.
- Students will not be allowed to check out after 2:00.
- Student Self-Check Out is allowed for students 17 years or older with a self-check out form completed, signed by guardian, and approved by administration.

TECHNOLOGY

Cell Phone Usage Guidelines

The following guidelines apply to all electronic communication devices including but not limited to cell phones, tablets, communication features of smart watches, etc.

1. Use will **ONLY** be allowed in the **outdoor circle and gyms**.
 - Before 7:10

- During assigned lunch break
 - After 2:20
2. Devices must remain on **silent** (not vibrate) at all times other than those indicated in #1.
 3. Use of devices is **prohibited in classrooms**.
 4. Use of devices is **prohibited in the cafeteria**.
 5. Use of devices is **prohibited in private areas** (i.e. restrooms, locker rooms, etc.).
 6. Use of devices is **prohibited during the exchange of classes**.
 7. Use of devices is **prohibited during tests/exams**.
 - **Electronic devices found to be powered on, in sight, or in use during an exam will result in an office referral, and the student will be automatically granted an F for cheating.**
 8. Headphones/earbuds will be allowed for **personal use only** during times indicated in #1.
 - Use of device's built-in speakers or external speakers of any kind are prohibited.
 9. Electronic bullying/harassment will not be tolerated and will be subject to disciplinary consequences as outlined in TPSD Code of Conduct.
 10. Use of devices for distribution of drugs or contraband is prohibited.
 11. Recording of sound or visual images is prohibited without the consent of the person being recorded or photographed.
 12. The school and district assume no liability for loss, damage, or theft of any electronic device brought onto campus for any purpose.
 13. The school and district are not responsible for data usage incurred during school hours.
 14. Students must **check out through the office**. Students cannot just call/text home and leave.
 15. Any student who violates the TPSD Acceptable Use Policy (see TPSD Code of Conduct) will be subject to disciplinary consequences.
 16. Use of devices is a privilege, not a right. If abused, privilege may be revoked by administration.

17. Failure to follow procedures set forth will result in disciplinary consequences as outlined in the TPSD Code of Conduct Electronic and Telecommunication Devices Policy.

Use of devices in prohibited areas and/or during prohibited times will result in the following consequences:

First Offense: The phone/electronic device will be confiscated. Parent(s)/Legal guardian(s) will be called to pick up the phone. Warned and recorded. Parent-Student Contract will be issued.

Second Offense: The phone/electronic device will be confiscated. Parent(s)/Legal guardian(s) will be called to pick up the phone. Parent-Student Contract will be issued.

Third Offense: The phone/electronic device will be confiscated. An In-School Suspension (1 day) will be assigned. Parent-Student Contract will be issued.

Fourth Offense and subsequent offenses: The phone/electronic device will be confiscated. An In-School Suspension (2 days) will be assigned.

Failure to turn in the device when requested will result in an office referral and in-school suspension.

Phones submitted to the office are never returned to the student. A parent or guardian must pick up the phone.

SCHOOL TELEPHONE USE

School telephones are to be used for official business only. Students will always be called to the phone in case of an emergency. The office phone is available for students to use in case of a personal emergency.

COMPUTER USE RULES

All THS internet services are filtered for student use in the classrooms. Students are responsible for good behavior on computers at school. Computer files, including e-mail, are not private. The use of the school's computer and networks, software, data files, and intellectual property is a privilege and is intended for educational purposes only. The privilege

may be revoked or other disciplinary action taken for violations of any of the following rules.

Students May Not:

1. Share computer account IDs and passwords except when authorized.
2. Create, copy, receive, or use data, language, or graphics which are obscene, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate.
3. Access, change, or delete intellectual property belonging to others, including programs or data files not owned by the user, without their expressed permission.
4. Steal or destroy the school's computer hardware or peripherals (printer, mouse, monitor, etc.)
5. Steal or destroy computer software, data files, or intellectual property owned by the school or other persons.
6. Violate or attempt to violate the security of the computer/network system.
7. Take unauthorized action which deny access to, disrupt, or destroy the service of the computer/network system.
8. Make unauthorized or unlawful installation of personal computer software on the school's computer or networks, including, but not limited to, games, virus programs, and applications software. Student-provided software must be used only in accordance with the license agreement.
9. Use computers, networks, or peripherals, to commit a forgery or to create a forged instrument.
10. Use the computer, networks, software, and data files or intellectual property in any unauthorized way.

Hall Pass - Fall Semester

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Hall Pass – Spring Semester

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