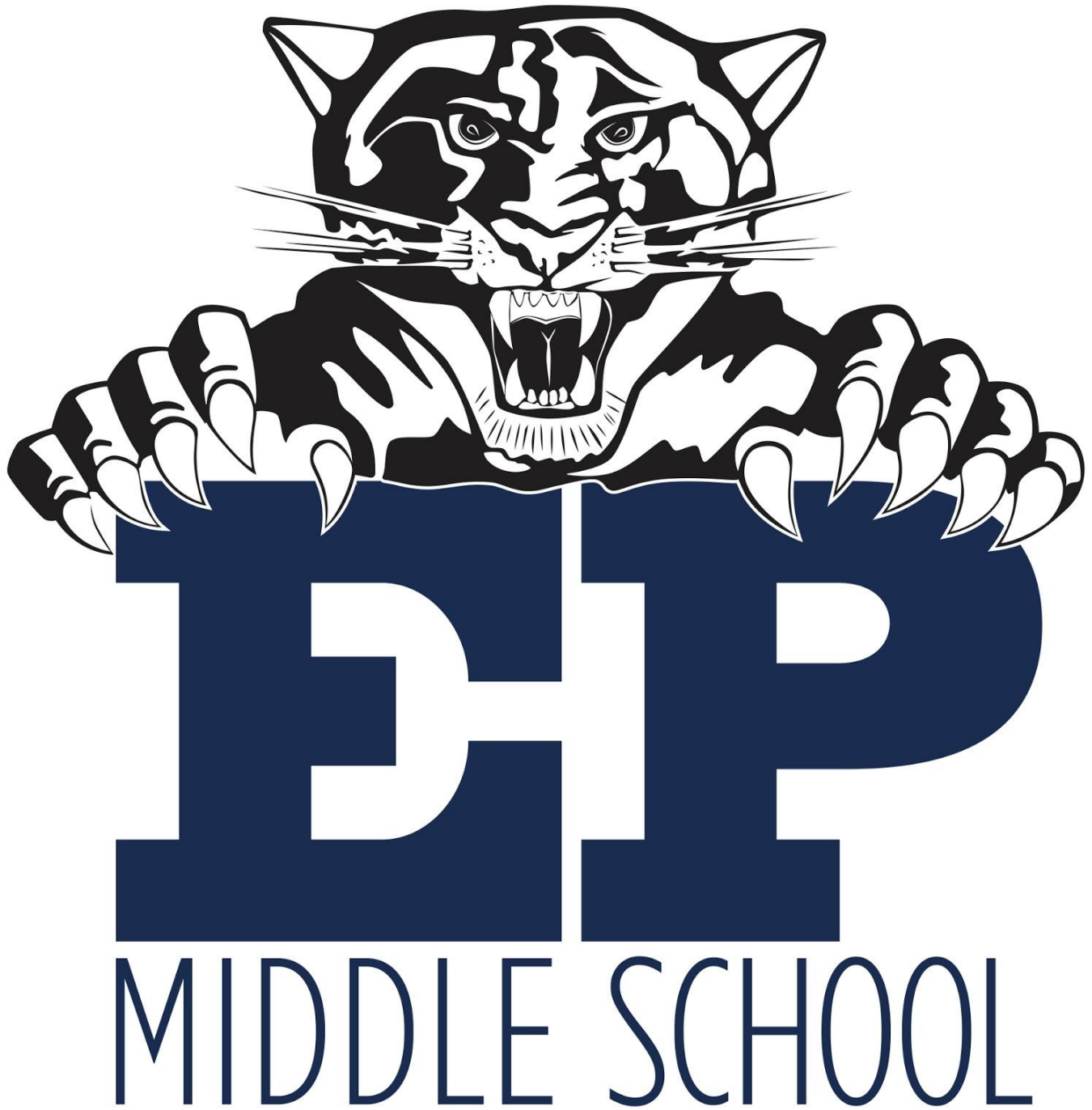


Eagle Point Middle School



Parent-Student Handbook

2023-2024

Home of Panther Pride!

Preface

Notice: full and complete legal notices are available online. See www.eaglepnt.k12.or.us and click on Parent/Student Legal Notices. Some of the legal notices in this handbook have been summarized in an effort to provide a user friendly format and availability in hard copy print.

Any information contained in this student handbook is subject to revision or elimination. Appropriate notification will be provided.

Eagle Point School District 9 prohibits discrimination and harassment on any basis protected by law, including but not limited to, an individual's perceived or actual race, religion, color, national or ethnic origin, mental or physical disability, marital status, sex, sexual orientation¹, age, pregnancy, familial status, economic status, veterans' status or genetic information in providing education or access to benefits of education services, activities and programs in accordance with Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act, Title IX of the Education Amendments, and other applicable civil rights or discrimination laws; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act; the Americans with Disabilities Act; the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act, and Title II of the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act.

The following person have been designated to coordinate compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act:

541-830-6609 Ryan Swearingen, HR Director

Procedure for filing a complaint can be found on the district's home page at www.eaglepnt.k12.or.us.

Parents and students must acknowledge receipt of the Student Code of Conduct and the consequences to students who violate district disciplinary policies.

Parents objecting to the release of directory information on their student must notify the district office within 15 days of receipt of the student handbook. Parents must also give their signed and dated written permission for the district to release personally identifiable information

September 2023

Welcome to Eagle Point Middle School ~ Home of Panther Pride!

Eagle Point Middle School is a terrific school! Academics are the focus at this school. We know that in order to be successful in life, skills and positive habits need to be taught and reinforced. Our staff works hard to do just that. We dedicate ourselves to assist every student to gain these skills so that they can go on and become the best that they can be.

A large part of life at EPMS happens outside of the classroom. We have a wide selection of activities and athletic programs that our students can be involved in. From football to track, volleyball to cross country, basketball to brain bowl – EPMS offers the gamut. Historically, EPMS has seen a large percentage of our student population participate in these offerings. We strongly encourage every student to become actively involved in the activities and athletics sponsored by our school.

The expectations at EPMS are simple and easy to remember. Strictly adhering to them makes life much easier for all and ensures a safe learning environment. We expect our students to:

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible

We look forward to a great school year together!

Yours in teaching and learning,

Mason Marshall
Principal

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EPSD9 Directory

Eagle Point Middle School

“Home of the Panthers”

Belief Statement







Eagle Point Middle School educators create an enriched learning environment. All students are viewed as individuals and provided with positive direction as they continue on the path of learning.

Eagle Point Middle School is dedicated to creating a positive learning environment to provide opportunities for all students to become lifelong learners and increase achievement.

EPMS Students will be safe, respectful, and responsible at all times.....

- Be on time to every class every day
- Leave backpacks in lockers during the school day.
- Bring required materials to class
- Respect all school property, clean up after yourself
- Respect all school personnel
- Demonstrate appropriate behavior at all times (No horseplay)
- Use appropriate language

2023-2024 Calendar

-  End of 9 weeks (school in session)
-  Teacher Work Day-NO SCHOOL
-  Professional Development - NO SCHOOL
-  School in Session
-  Parent Conf-NO SCHOOL
-  Holiday/Break - NO SCHOOL

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- September 5, 2023
- September 22, 2023
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- Dec 18, 2023-Jan. 1, 2024
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- February 16, 2024
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- April 5, 2024
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- April 19, 2024
- May 17, 2024
- May 27, 2024
- June 4, 2024
- June 7, 2024
- June 12, 2024
- June 13, 2024
- June 19, 2024

- FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**
- Professional Development - No School
- Indigenous People's Day
- Professional Development - No School
- End of 1st 9 weeks
- Teacher Work Day - No School
- Veterans' Day Holiday - No School
- Parent Conferences - No School
- Thanksgiving Holiday - No School
- Holiday Break
- SCHOOL RESUMES**
- Martin Luther King Day - No School
- Professional Development - No School
- End of 1st Semester
- Teacher Work Day - No School
- Professional Development - No School
- Presidents' Day - No School
- Parent Conferences - No School Mar 21 and 22
- Spring Break
- End of 3rd 9 weeks
- Teacher Work Day - No School
- Professional Development - No School
- Professional Development - No School
- Memorial Day - No School
- Last Day for Seniors
- E.P.H.S. Graduation 7:30 p.m.
- LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS** (End of 2nd semester)
- Teacher Work Day - No School
- Juneteenth

Eagle Point Middle School Staff Directory

477 Reese Creek Rd, Eagle Point, OR 97524

Office Open: 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM

School Office Number: 541-830-6030 Fax: 541-830-6086

www.eaglepnt.k12.or.us <https://www.facebook.com/epmspanthers/>

Staff Member	Room	Position	Phone Ext.
Apgar, Anastasia	Music RM 120	Band	6040
Batman, Jacqueline	106	7th Math	6048
Bolsta, Aharon		Full Time Guest Teacher	
Bucher, Stephanie	Cafeteria	Food Service Manager	6066
Callahan, Terri	205	SPED IA	6031
Cawthorne, Wendy	Music RM 120	Choir	6040
Cooper, Matthew	126	Gym	6078
Culver, Liesel	Media Center	Library Coordinator	6055
Davidson, Sean	211	Instructional Coach	6057
Erickson, Justine	Pathways	SPED IA Pathways	6076
Evans, Meghan	105	7th ELA	6062
Freude, Hannah	203	8th Math	6056
Goehring, Eugene		Plant Engineer	6041
Grimes, Amanda	206	6th, 7th, 8th Electives	6058
Hewko, Nicholas	109	7th Science	6045
James, Anna	209	6th ELA	6080
Kopp, Rebecca	201	8th Science	6082
Marshall, Mason	Office	Principal	6037
McKittrick, Michael	107	Math Lab	6069
McMahan, Tamara		SPED IA	6031
McVey, Lisa		SPED IA	6031
McWilliams, Randy	104	7th Social Studies	6036

Mook, Katie	208	6th Grade Science	6044
Newman, Carson	102	8th Social Studies	6047
Oliva, John	Gym	PE/Health	6050
Peters, Sarah	Art RM 132	Art	6072
Ramirez, Katy	Office #2	Disciplinarian	6053
Rogers, Martin	207	6th grade Social Studies	6049
Rosson, Sara		Girls Locker Room	6078
Ruth, Brian	101	8th ELA	6042
Saling, Linda	204	6th grade Math	6061
Sambrano, Brandon	Pathways	SPED IA Pathways	6076
Sked, Michelle	Office	Principal's Secretary	6030
Spangler, Nicole	202	STEAM / PLTW	6043
Staff Room			6079
TBD	Office #4	Speech/Language Therapist	6035
TBD	Office #5	School Psychologist	6059
Wilder, Ashley	Office	Admin Assistant	6031
Wilkinson, Tristen		Night Custodian	6041
Williams, Lacey	133	Pathways Teacher	6076
Williams, Leah	205	SPED Teacher	6046
Wolf, Erica	103	Success Room	6051

EPMS Bell Schedule

EPMS Regular Schedule		
Period 1 8:10-8:58		
Period 2 9:02-9:50		
Period 3 9:54-10:42		
Period 4 Den 10:46-11:06		
A Lunch 11:10-11:40	Period 5A 11:44-12:32	Period 6A 12:36-1:24
Period 5B 11:10-11:58	B Lunch 12:02-12:32	Period 6B 12:36-1:24
Period 5C 11:10-11:58	Period 6C 12:02-12:50	C Lunch 12:54-1:24
Period 7 1:28-2:16		
Period 8 2:20-3:08		

Section 2: Attendance and Absence Information

Assignment of Students to Classes

Students are assigned to classes based on the individual needs of the student and staffing, and scheduling considerations. Requests to change a student's assigned class must be directed to the building principal. Final decisions are the responsibility of the building principal or designee.

Assignment of Students to Schools

Students are required to attend the school in the attendance area in which they reside, unless otherwise provided by state and federal law. Exceptions may be allowed in certain circumstances. Contact the school office for additional information.

Attendance Policy - District 9

Eagle Point School District 9's attendance policy was established and is enforced so all students may achieve their full potential by attending school regularly.

It is the intent of the School Board, school administration, and school staff at all school sites that all students have maximum opportunities for academic growth and achievement. Absenteeism affects student performance and reduces a student's opportunity for success both academically and in the workforce.

All students between the ages of 6 and 18, who have not completed grade 12, are required to regularly attend a public full-time school, unless otherwise exempted by law. Persons having legal control of a child between the ages 6 and 18, who has not completed the 12th grade, are required to have the child attend and maintain the child in regular attendance during the entire school term.

All students five years of age who have been enrolled in a public school are required to attend regularly. Persons having legal control of a child, who is five years of age and has enrolled the child in a public school, are required to have the child attend and maintain the child in regular attendance during the school term.

Staff will monitor and report violations of the state compulsory attendance law.

A parent will be issued a notification, in writing and in the native language of the parent, and in accordance with law, the [superintendent] will schedule a conference with the non attending student and their parent(s) to discuss attendance requirements. At this time, the parent has the right to request an evaluation to determine if the student should have an individualized education program (IEP) or a review of the student's current IEP.

Any person having legal control of a student between the ages of 6 and 18, who has not completed the 12th grade, and who fails to send a student to school within three days of notification by the district that their student is not complying with compulsory attendance requirements may be issued a notice by the district for the student's failure to attend school.

Additionally, a parent or guardian, or other person lawfully charged with the care or custody of a student under 15 years of age, may be found by the courts to have committed the offense of failing to supervise a child who has not attended school as required. Failing to supervise a child may be a Class A violation.

Excused Absence: [ORS 339.065](#)

- Illness, including mental and behavioral health of the student;

- Illness of an immediate family member when the student's presence at home is necessary;
- Emergency situations that require the student's absence;
- Student is a dependent of a member of the U.S. Armed Forces who is on active duty or who is called to active duty. The student may be excused for up to seven days during the school year;
- Field trips and school-approved activities;
- Medical or dental appointments. Confirmation of appointments may be required;
- Other reasons deemed appropriate by the school administrator when satisfactory arrangements have been made in advance of the absence.

Physical Education Excused Absence

To be excused from participation in a physical education class activity due to health and/or injury, a student must bring a note from home stating the day or days to be missed, signature of parent/guardian, phone number and date. If a student is to be excused for more than three days from P.E., a doctor's excuse is required.

Pre-Arranged Absences: an absence that is arranged prior to the student's time away from school after deemed appropriate by the school's administrator and satisfactory arrangements have been made in advance of absence. (Pre-arranged/Extended Leave Absence forms are available in the front office.)

Unverified Absences: A student's absence was not verified by a parent/guardian as required. This includes:

- Not arriving at school as expected by parents and school authorities
- Arriving at school but not attending classes
- Leaving school without following the checkout procedure
- Missing any part or all of a scheduled class without authorization
- Obtaining permission to go to a campus location but not reporting there
- Being absent from class for any reason other than those reasons specifically authorized

As a district, we understand that sometimes absences are outside of our control. As part of our Attendance Initiative, "Creating a Culture of Showing Up" we will generate letters of attendance concerns at the following intervals: 4, 7, 10 and 14 days of absences. The intent of these communications is to create a proactive strategy to maximize student learning opportunities.

Tardy

Students are tardy if they are not in their assigned class when the tardy bell rings. Teachers may excuse tardiness if the student provides a written note or email from their previous teacher explaining their late arrival. Any students late to school should report to the office with an excused note from their parent/guardian, the Administrative Assistant will give the student a pass to class. Tardy time may accumulate and count towards a student's unexcused absences.

Truancy

A student who is absent from school or class without permission will be considered truant and will be subject to disciplinary action including detention, suspension and/or ineligibility to participate in athletics or activities.

Leaving School

A student is considered “at School” as soon as they arrive on campus. A student who must leave school during the day must bring a note to the office from his/her parent/guardian; the student will be given a pass to carry with them to their destination. A student who becomes ill during the school day should, with the teacher’s permission, report to the school office. The Administrative Assistant will complete a basic assessment and determine whether or not the student should be sent home and will notify the student’s parent/guardian, as appropriate. Parents/guardians must sign out students leaving school during the school day.

Student Responsibilities

- Arrive to each class on time, attend all classes, every day.
- Obtain a hall pass before leaving the classroom during instructional time.
- Exceptions to the above rule may occur due to emergency callouts from Administration, and/or office.
- Follow the established attendance policy for the school site.

Parent Responsibilities

- Ensure that your student is on time to school and attends all classes.
- If your student is late to school, send a note/call to excuse the tardy.
- Request homework if the student will be out more than 2 days from the front office.
- Send a note/call/email upon the student’s return to school.
- Call the attendance office to report a student absence each day the student is out. (24 hour timeline to excuse absences).

Call the EPMS Office to report a student absence **each day** the student is out. (24 hour timeline to excuse absences).
541-830-6031

Student Absences

Your child may be absent if they:

- are sick – 100.4 degree or higher temperature, vomiting or diarrhea (contagious). When an illness lasts more than a couple of days, you should take them to the doctor or call the school nurse to obtain a doctor’s note.
- are needed because of a family emergency (please call the school and let them know how long you expect to have your child out of school.) This does not include interpreting for other family members.
- has *live* lice – this must be taken care of quickly. Your child should not miss more than two (2) days of school. If you need help or advice, please call our school nurse or a public health nurse.
- if your child visits any medical provider, please get a note from the provider and turn it in to the front office. These absences will be recorded as a “doctor’s visit” and will not be counted in our Attendance Totals for Letters of Concern.

Your child may **NOT** miss school:

- for vacation
- because they do not want to go to school.
- because they slept in.
- for having lice for an extended period.
- to provide care for younger or ill siblings/family members.
- due to lack of school supplies, clothes or alarm clock.
- because they is afraid to go to school.
- to go with you to interpret during school hours.
- because of a family emergency that took place a long time ago.
- because parents overslept; get him/her to school immediately.

If you or your student needs assistance with resources to help find solutions, please contact our school.

Eagle Point Middle School

(541) 830-1250

Safety Calls

Eagle Point Middle School shall notify a parent/guardian by the end of the school day if their child has an unplanned absence. The notification will be either in person, by telephone or another method identified in writing by the parent/guardian. If the parent/guardian cannot be notified by the above methods, a message shall be left, if possible.

Our principal is available to assist you and your child with the resources necessary to maintain regular school attendance.

Student Illness

When a child is not feeling well at school, they should tell a school adult (e.g. classroom teacher, outside supervisor). The adult will help the child make decisions about why they are feeling that way, e.g. hungry for lunch, too hot from play outside, etc. If the child is not feeling better, they can go to the office for assistance.



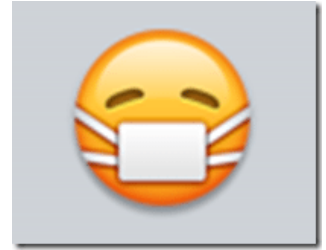
At the office, the secretary will assist your child. When appropriate, a temperature will be taken. If the child has a temperature of 100.4° or above, a parent contact is made immediately and a parent or caregiver shall come and pick up the child. If the temperature is normal, a student may rest in the “Health Room” for a few minutes. If a child comes to the “Health Room” twice in the same day, a decision is sometimes made to call and discuss the ailment with the parent.

Parent contact will also be made anytime a child has sustained a significant head injury (e/g. fall), or if a significant bruise or other mark is apparent. The office personnel and many other school adults have been trained in general First Aid, but you will be called in the event of any serious injury. Please be sure we have current phone numbers on file in the office!

Illness Guidelines

Here are some helpful guidelines in determining when a child may need to stay home because of illness:

- ☹️ Student requires more care than the school staff can provide (We do not have a nurse on staff at school.)
- ☹️ Illness or injury prevents student from participating in academic activities
- ☹️ Fever greater than 100.4°
- ☹️ Vomiting
- ☹️ Stiff neck or headache with fever
- ☹️ Irritating or distracting rash (e.g. extreme poison oak)
- ☹️ Behavior change: irritability, lethargy, sleepiness
- ☹️ Jaundice (yellow color to skin or eyes)
- ☹️ Diarrhea
- ☹️ Skin lesions that are “weepy” or pus filled
- ☹️ Colored drainage from eyes, nose and/or ears
- ☹️ Difficulty breathing



Immunization, Vision Screening and Dental Screening



Every student must be fully immunized against certain diseases or must present a certificate or statement that, for religious, philosophical beliefs and/or medical exemption, the student should not be immunized. **Proof of immunization** may be personal records from a licensed physician or public health clinic.

Any student not in compliance with Oregon statutes and rules related to immunization will be excluded from school until such time as they has met immunization requirements. The student’s parents or guardian will be notified of the reason for this exclusion. A hearing will be afforded upon request.

The parents or guardian of a student who is 6 years of age or younger and is beginning an education program with the district for the first time shall, within 120 days of beginning the education program, submit a certification that the student has received:

1. A **vision screening or eye examination**; and
2. Any further examination, treatments or assistance necessary.



The certification is not required if the parent or guardian provides a statement to the district that:

1. The student submitted a certification to a prior education provider; or
2. Submitted the Nonmedical Exemption statement that can be acquired from a health care practitioner or the vaccine educational module approved by the Oregon Health Authority.

The parent or guardian of a student who is 6 years of age or younger and is beginning an education program

with the district for the first time shall within 120 days of beginning the education program, submit a certification that the student has received a **dental screening** within the previous 12 months.

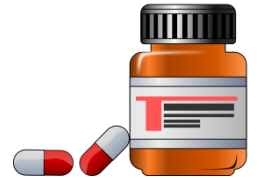
The certification is not required if the parent or guardian provides a statement to the district that:



1. The student submitted a certification to a prior education provider;
2. The dental screening is contrary to the religious beliefs of the student or the parents or guardian of the student; or the dental screening is a burden, as defined by the State Board of Education, for the student or the parent or guardian of the student.

Administering Medication at School

The district recognizes that administering a medication to a student and/or permitting a student to administer a medication to themselves, may be necessary when the failure to take such medication during school hours would prevent the student from attending school, and recognizes a need to ensure the health and well-being of a student who requires regular doses or injections of a medication as a result of experiencing a life-threatening allergic reaction or adrenal crisis¹, or a need to manage hypoglycemia, asthma, or diabetes.



Students may be permitted to take medication, and/or self-medicate at school, at school sponsored activities under the supervision of school personnel, and in transit to or from school or school-sponsored activities in accordance with Board policy, administrative regulations and the following.

Written instructions of the prescriber are required for all requests to administer prescription medication. Such instructions must include the following information: name of the student, name of the medication, dosage, method of administration, frequency of administration, any other special instructions and the signature of the prescriber. A prescription label prepared by a pharmacist at the direction of a prescriber meets the requirements for written instructions from the prescriber, if the information above is included.

Written instructions, which include the information above and the reason that the medication is necessary for the student to remain in school, are required for all requests to administer non-prescription medication.

All medication to be administered by the district is to be brought to school in its original container. Medication not picked up by the parent within 5 school days of the end of the medication period or at the end of the school year, whichever occurs first, will be disposed of by the district.

In situations when a licensed healthcare professional is not immediately available, trained personnel, designated by the district, may administer epinephrine, glucagon or other medications to a student as prescribed and/or allowed by Oregon law.

A premeasured dose of epinephrine may be administered by trained, designated personnel to any student or other individual on school premises who the personnel believe, in good faith, is experiencing a severe allergic reaction, regardless of whether the student or individual has a prescription for epinephrine.

Self-Medication

Students in grades K-12, who are able to demonstrate the ability, developmentally and behaviorally, to self-medicated, are permitted to self-medicate prescription and nonprescription medication upon:

1. Written request and permission of the parent or student, if the student is allowed to seek medical care without parental consent pursuant to ORS 109.610, 109.640 or 109.675; and
2. Permission from a building administrator, prescriber or registered nurse practicing in a school setting;

and

3. Compliance with age-appropriate guidelines.

In the case of prescription medication, permission from the prescriber is also required. Such permission may be indicated on the prescription label. The instruction for a student to self-medicate will include an assurance that the student has been instructed in the correct and responsible use of the medication from the prescriber.

A student permitted to self-administer medication may be monitored by designated personnel to monitor the student's response to the medication.

All medication must be kept in its appropriately-labeled, original container. The student's name is to be affixed to nonprescription medication.

A request to the district to administer or allow a student to self-administer nonprescription that is not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) shall include a written order from the student's prescriber that meets the requirements of law.

Students may have in their possession only the amount of medication needed for that school day. Except for manufacturer's packaging that contains multiple dosages, the student may carry one package. Sharing or borrowing non-prescription or prescription medication of any kind is strictly prohibited.

Permission to self medicate may be revoked if the student is found to be in violation of these requirements. Students may also be subject to disciplinary action.

Contact the school office for additional information and forms.



Head Lice

A student with a suspected case of lice shall be referred to the school nurse or administrator for an assessment. A student found with live lice or nits (lice eggs) will be excluded from school attendance. A student excluded from school will be readmitted after an assessment by designated personnel to confirm no live lice or nits are present, and may be subject to periodic checks.

Communicable Diseases

Parents of a student with a communicable or contagious disease are asked to telephone the principal or office so that other students who have been exposed to the disease can be alerted. A student with certain communicable diseases will not be allowed to come to school while the disease is contagious. These diseases include chicken pox, cholera, diphtheria, measles, meningitis, mumps, whooping cough, rubella, scabies, staph infections, strep infections, tuberculosis and pandemic flu. Parents with questions should contact the school office.

Section 3: Student Information

Athletics, \$20 a Year Per Student

Eagle Point Middle School offers a wide variety of activities for students to participate in.

All students, regardless of their ability levels, are encouraged to take part in extracurricular activities and the many worthwhile learning experiences that involvement in student leadership, student clubs, organizations, athletics and other activities has to offer.

Sports

Fall – Volleyball - 7th & 8th Graders

Football 7th & 8th Graders

Cross Country-6th, 7th & 8th Graders

Winter - Boys & Girls Basketball - 7th & 8th Graders

Wrestling - 6th, 7th & 8th Graders

Spring – Track & Field - 6th, 7th & 8th Graders



The values and lessons learned by students through participation in interscholastic athletics and co-curricular activities are numerous. The development of responsibility, sacrifice, good sportsmanship, and accepting victory and defeat graciously are just a few of the lessons our students learn while participating in sports. Along with the privilege of participating in interscholastic athletics comes the responsibility to attain the most important facet of education: academic and behavioral success. Therefore, the following regulations have been developed in order to provide students with the motivation, support, and encouragement needed to learn the many positive lessons of athletic competition while maintaining high academic standards.

Students at EPMS involved in athletics must:

- Remit a current Physical (good for 2 years)
- Remit a signed activities/athletic contract on file
- Remit Proof of Insurance
- Demonstrate regular school attendance
- Demonstrate good behavior and academic effort
- Pay annual \$20 Fee

A yearly fee of \$20 is required to play middle school sports for students attending Eagle Point Middle School, Shady Cove School, White Mountain Middle School, and homeschooled students. D9 resident students who attend charter schools are required to pay \$150 per sport.

Students must have 92% attendance or higher.

Eligibility policies and procedures will be only enforced based on SOMSAC sponsored events. Student athletes must be in good standing in all classes to maintain eligibility. An appeal to be reinstated prior to the beginning of a quarter may be submitted to the building principal and Athletic Coordinator to finish the season. All students will be eligible for participation in interscholastic athletic competition at the beginning of 6th grade. Eligibility for students who transfer from another school after the beginning of their 6th grade year will be determined by the Principal and Athletic Coordinator on a case-by-case basis.

See the athletic contract for how to remain eligible for athletics.

A student athlete must attend school all day on the day of the scheduled activity. If the student misses ANY class, on the day of a scheduled event, they will be INELIGIBLE to participate in the scheduled event. An exception may be made for a pre-arranged doctor's appointment if a doctor's note is provided.

A student who rides to an athletic contest or activity by district transportation may return with his/her own parent/guardian. The parent/guardian must sign their student out on the athletic/activity transportation waiver sheet and inform the head coach. Students will not be allowed to ride home with anyone other than their own parent/guardian.

Hazing or Bullying will not be tolerated in our athletic/activity programs and will result in suspension or dismissal from the team. An individual or group who engages in humiliation, intimidation, pressure to perform dangerous/harmful activities as a prerequisite to inclusion, excluding or singling out team members in a negative manner, and/or cyber bullying in connection with the team will be in violation.

If a student is suspended from school, they cannot participate in a practice, contest, or activity during the period of suspension. If a student is in in-school suspension or detention, the Administrator will determine eligibility for the next practice and/or contest or event.

Bicycles/Scooters/Roller Blades/Roller Skates/Skateboards at School



Students are encouraged to walk or ride their bike to and from school. For student safety, all bicycles and scooters are parked at the bicycle racks. Students are to walk their bikes and scooters to and from the bike racks once they enter the campus. Bike and scooter riding, skateboarding, rollerblading and roller skating are not allowed on the playground or in the school building. We cannot assume responsibility for damaged or stolen bicycles, scooters, skateboards, rollerblades and roller skates.

Students should always ride on the right side of the street and obey all traffic signs. **Bike helmets are required per state law. Students will lose the privilege of riding a bike or scooter to school for failure to comply with these rules of safety and responsibility.**

We reserve the right to impound a student's bicycle (or skateboard, scooter, roller blades or roller skates) for failure to obey the above expectations. The student's parent or guardian will

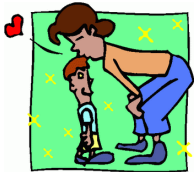


need to make arrangements with the school office to retrieve impounded items.

Closed Campus

All District 9 elementary and middle schools have a closed campus. Students are considered on campus when they arrive at school in the morning. This means students may not ride the bus or walk to school and then leave campus to go visit friends, go to the store, etc. Students are to remain on school grounds from the time they arrive in the morning until their regular dismissal time at the end of the school day and if they are bus riders, until they get on the bus. This includes before school and the lunch period.

Dropping Off Your Student in the Morning



The front of our building will be the “Kiss and Drop Off” area. Families need to stay in their vehicles. Students may not arrive at school before 7:45 AM. There is no supervision prior to 7:45 AM. Students shall enter through the student entrance.. All students will go directly to the cafeteria, black top area, or library. Teachers are preparing for instruction or on duty so students may not go to lockers and/or classrooms before the bell rings unless they have specific instruction by a staff member to do so. Due to safety protocols, parents will not be able to be on campus unless they have been cleared through our volunteer process or a visitor and have checked into the office .

Thank you for your understanding of these procedures. Safety will always be the first priority for all of our students. By helping us maintain these procedures, you help us keep all of our students safe.

Extreme Weather

Extreme weather or other emergency conditions may cause school to be canceled or to operate on a different schedule than usual. If a decision is made to cancel school or to change the starting time or to dismiss early due to extreme weather or other emergency conditions, the following radio and TV stations will be asked to announce the decision:

Radio:

KCMX KBOY KMED KCNA/KROG/KRTA

KSOR KTMT KRRM KLDR/KAJO

KAKT KYJC KZZE

KAPL KDOV KRWQ

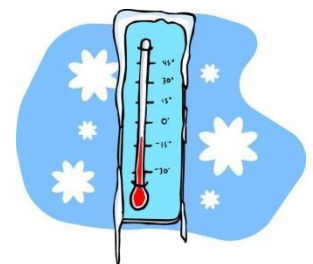
Television:

KDRV(12)

KOBI(5)

KTVL(10)

KMVU(26)



To be prepared, have childcare arrangements pre-planned. Staff will not be available at school to provide childcare—for their safety, they will be sent home too. Be certain our office staff has a working telephone

number so you can receive a message in case of an emergency early dismissal.

If we have an early dismissal, children will be sent to their usual after school destination. Every effort will be made to contact you via phone. If you want us to send your child to a different destination, please be certain we have that information on file.

Emergencies at School

Eagle Point Middle School is a safe school. Every precaution is made to keep children and school adults safe. Fire drills are practiced monthly. Earthquake drills and drills for other emergency situations (Safety Drill) are also practiced regularly.

If there were an emergency at school, the District Office would be the contact for information regarding the matter. The telephone number is 541-830-6551. It would be important to keep the school lines clear for emergency personnel access.

Fees, Fines and Charges

Materials that are part of the basic core educational program are provided without charge to a student. A student is expected to provide his/her own supplies of (e.g., pencils, paper, erasers and notebooks) and may be required to pay certain other fees or deposits, including:

Other fees and fines that may apply include:

- annual insurance coverage - \$25 (Optional, however, if you do not have insurance you would be responsible for damages or if it is lost or stolen.)
- Athletic Fee = \$20 (annually)
- Fees for certain extracurricular activities, club fees, security deposits
- Materials for a class project the student will keep in excess of minimum course requirements and at the option of the student
- Student accident insurance and insurance on school owned instruments, instrument rental and uniform maintenance
- Fees for damaged library books and school owned equipment
- Fees for lost or damaged locks (PE or hallway locker) \$5.00
- Field trips considered optional to the district's regular school program
- Fees for replacement - Student ID card \$5, replacement lanyard \$1, plastic sleeve for ID Card 50 cents, lost agenda \$5
- School pictures - price varies - optional

- Yearbook- prices announced in January - optional

No student will be denied an education because of an inability to pay supplementary fees.

A written notice will be provided to the student and his/her parent(s) of the district's intent to collect fees, fines and damages owed. Notice will include the reason the student owes money to the district, and itemization of fees, fines or damages owed and the right of the parent to request a hearing.

Debts not paid within 10 calendar days of the district's notice to the student and parent will result in possible restrictions and/or penalties, until the debt is paid, and possible referral of the debt to a private collection agency or other methods available to the district.

A request to waive the student's debt must be submitted in writing to the principal or designee if:

1. the district determines that the parent of the student is unable to pay the debt;
2. the payment of the debt could impact the health or safety of the student;
3. the creation of the notice of the debt owned would cost more than the potential total debt collected relating to the notice;
4. There are mitigating circumstances as determined by the principal or designee that preclude the collection of the debt.

Such requests must be received no later than 10 calendar days following the district's notice.

All such restrictions and/or penalties shall end upon payment of the amount owed.

Fund Raising and Selling



Only items of an approved fundraiser may be sold at school. Selling items for personal profit is not allowed. Student organizations, clubs or classes, athletic teams, outside organizations and/or parent groups may occasionally be permitted to conduct fundraising drives. An application for permission must be made to the principal at least ten days before the event.

All funds raised or collected by or for school approved student groups will be received, deposited and accounted for in accordance with Oregon law and applicable district policy and procedures. All such funds will be expended for the purpose of supporting the school's extracurricular activities program. The principal is responsible for administering student activity funds.

Annual Fundraiser



EPMS students may participate in our one and only fundraiser which is the Color Run. Students will collect pledges for the Color Run and the money they collect will be used for field trips, special assemblies, program celebrations, etc. Families will be notified in advance by EPMS when a fundraiser is planned. Students are not to go door to door to fundraise – this is unsafe.

Gifts



Although personal birthday gifts are fun to receive, flowers and balloons are disruptive to the learning environment. Please save these gifts for your family celebration. If delivered to school, the student may be asked to pick them up in the office at the end of the day.

Hall Passes

All students must have permission to leave class and they should have a note from the teacher or should have signed out in their class. Students will not be able to leave their classroom 10 minutes after a class has started. However, teachers may make exceptions in cases of emergencies. Use of hall passes is up to the teacher's permission.



Hallways

- In the halls students shall stay to the right, walk and keep the traffic moving in a safe and orderly manner.

NOTE: This is a safety issue; students who violate these rules will be disciplined.

Homework Requests

A parent/guardian may request homework for students with extended illnesses (three or more days) by contacting the school office. Teachers will be allowed 24 hours to gather/post materials. Students are responsible for completing assignments. Assignments may be posted on the teacher's Canvas page.

Lockers

Lockers are intended for students to store their personal property during the school day. Coats, purses, bags and backpacks must be kept in their locker during school hours (backpacks with wheels do not fit in lockers).

Lockers and other district storage areas provided for student use remain under the jurisdiction of the district even when assigned to an individual student. Lockers may be routinely inspected without prior notice to ensure no item which is prohibited on district premises is present, maintenance of proper sanitation, mechanical condition and safety, and to reclaim district property including instructional materials. Keep lockers clear of food or drink to prevent pest infestations.

A student has full responsibility for the security of the locker and is responsible for making certain it is locked and that the combination is not available to others. Valuables should never be stored in the student's locker. The district will not be responsible for the loss of, or damage to, personal property.

Lost and Found



Every year, coats, hats, gloves, sweatshirts and other personal items are left unclaimed by students. Permanently marking your child's clothing will assist us in finding the owner. You may check the Lost and Found at any time. Lost and Found items are bagged up and donated to local shelters.

Any articles found in the school or on district grounds should be turned into the school office. Unclaimed articles will be disposed of at the end of each semester.

Loss or suspected theft of personal or district property should be reported to the school office.

The district will not be responsible for the loss of, damage to, personal property.

Parent VUE

District 9 provides a unique opportunity for parents/guardians to view their student's school information via the internet. *ParentVUE* is a convenient home-to-school collaboration tool that allows parents to enhance their involvement by keeping track of their student's attendance, grades, schedules, assignments, immunization and more!

Parents or guardians are able to view their student's information through the *ParentVUE* web site after they have registered with the school and received a user ID and password.

To access *ParentVUE* information, go online to the district website at www.eaglepnt.k12.or.us. Click on the "ParentVUE" button near the top of the page. Follow the directions to log-on.

Soda Pop, Energy Drinks, Gum, Candy at School

For your child's health and safety, we request that you do not send pop, energy drinks, gum or candy to school with your child. They will not be allowed at school unless their teacher



provides one of these items as a special treat. Gum/candy will damage the floor. As well, soda pop and other carbonated beverages get shaken up, inadvertently, and make a sticky mess when opened. Your classroom teacher will inform you about appropriate snacks and lunch items.

Student ID Cards

All students are required to have their student ID card at all times. This is to promote school safety. Students may not cover or alter the photo ID. The purchase of a new card will be required if ID is altered or if it is lost. All students must show their ID card when attending a dance, movie night, etc...

Student Supplies

Students are expected to have their supplies with them and prepared for every class, every day.

P.E. uniforms are considered a supply for P.E. Middle School students are required to wear P.E. uniforms and/or P.E. attire as determined by the teacher, as well as the appropriate shoes during P.E. class everyday.

Toys and Cell Phones at School

Please help your child keep toys at home. Toys from home often become a distraction in the classroom and disrupt student learning. As well, we cannot be responsible for toys that might get lost, broken, traded, or stolen. Trading cards (e.g. Pokemon, Yugioh, and baseball cards, etc.) are prohibited at school. Play equipment is available for student play on the playground. Toys and equipment from home are not needed on the playground and should not be brought to school.



Students are prohibited from selling or purchasing items from other students while at school without prior principal permission.



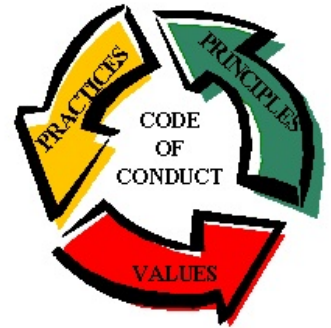
Cell phones and other electronics shall remain turned off and in lockers during school hours. If a student is using an electronic device when asked not to use it, it will be confiscated until the end of the day and may be picked up in the office. If there is a continual issue for a student it will be kept in the office until it can be picked up by the student's parent. It may also result in a referral and consequence. As with toys, we cannot be responsible for cell phones and other electronics that might get lost, broken or stolen.

The district/school will not be responsible for the loss, theft or damage to personal property.

Section 4: Code of Conduct

Code of Conduct

District 9 Schools expect all student conduct to contribute to a productive learning climate. Students shall comply with the school's and district's policies, administrative regulations, school and classroom written rules, pursue the prescribed course of study, submit to the lawful authority of teachers and school officials and conduct themselves in an orderly manner during the school day, at any school related activity, regardless of time or location and while being transported in district provided transportation. This *Student Code of Conduct* also applies to students as pedestrians or bicyclists on their way to and from school.



School Wide Expectations:

- **Be Safe**
- **Be Respectful**
- **Be Responsible**

These expectations are taught deliberately throughout the school year. Teachers will also be teaching social skills during class time . The emphasis is to help students develop problem solving skills.

When a student violates a rule, the first offense generally results in a warning with instruction to prevent a recurrence. The discipline matrix will be used to determine consequences. We also teach students how to positively resolve personal conflict. Parent calls and conferences are made when students continually choose to disregard the school standards.

EPMS expects student conduct to contribute to a productive learning climate. Students shall comply with the school's rules and district's policies, administrative regulations, school and classroom written rules, pursue the prescribed course of study, submit to the lawful authority of teachers and school officials and conduct themselves in an orderly manner during the school day and during school sponsored activities. This code of conduct also applies to students as pedestrians or bicyclists on their way to and from school.

The Administration will take reports and conduct a prompt investigation of any report of an act of harassment, intimidation or bullying, cyberbullying and teen dating violence. Any employee who has knowledge of conduct in violation of this policy shall immediately report his/her concerns to the principal or designee who has overall responsibility for all investigations. Any student who has knowledge of conduct in violation of this policy or feels they have been harassed, intimidated or bullied or has knowledge of any student being cyberbullied in violation of this policy is encouraged to immediately report his/her concerns to the principal or designee who

has overall responsibility for all investigations. This report may be made anonymously. A student may also report concerns to a teacher who will be responsible for notifying the appropriate district official.

It is easiest for children to learn when they feel safe and secure. This is the environment we try to provide at EPMS. Bullying, violent and/or threatening behavior will not be tolerated.

Student Code of Conduct

Students are responsible for conducting themselves properly, in accordance with the policies and administrative regulations of the district, school rules, and the lawful direction of staff. The district has the responsibility to afford students certain rights as guaranteed under federal and state law

The district has authority and control over a student at school during the regular school day, at any school or district-sponsored activity, regardless of time or location, and while being transported in district-provided transportation.

Students are subject to discipline for conduct while traveling to and from school, at the bus stop, at school- or district-sponsored events, while at other schools in the district, and while off campus, whenever such conduct causes a substantial and material disruption of the educational environment or the invasion of the rights of others.

Students will be subject to discipline including detention, suspension, expulsion, denial, and/or loss of awards and privileges, and/or may be referred to law enforcement officials or Oregon Department of Human Services for the following, including but not limited to:

1. [Assault;
2. Hazing, harassment, intimidation, bullying, menacing, cyberbullying or teen dating violence[, as prohibited by Board policy JFCF – [Hazing,]Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, [Menacing,] Cyberbullying, Teen Dating Violence or Domestic Violence - Student, and accompanying administrative regulation];
3. Coercion;
4. Suspected abuse of a child pursuant to Board policy JHFE/GBNAB - Suspected Abuse of a Child Reporting Requirements;
5. Violent behavior or threats of violence or harm [as prohibited by Board policy JFCM - Threats of Violence];
6. Disorderly conduct, false threats, and other activity causing disruption of the school environment;
7. Bringing, possessing, concealing, or using a weapon [as prohibited by Board policy JFCJ - Weapons in Schools];
8. Vandalism, malicious mischief, and theft, [as prohibited by Board policies ECAB – Vandalism, Malicious Mischief, or Theft and JFCB - Care of District Property by Students] including willful damage or destruction to district property; or to private property on district premises or at district-sponsored activities;
9. Sexual harassment [as prohibited by Board policy JBA/GBN - Sexual Harassment and accompanying administrative regulation];
10. Possession, distribution, or use of tobacco products, inhalant delivery systems, alcohol, drugs, or other controlled substances, including drug paraphernalia [as prohibited by Board policy(ies) [JFCG/JFCH/JFCI - Use of Tobacco Products, Alcohol, Drugs or Inhalant Delivery Systems];
11. Use or display of profane or obscene language;
12. Disruption of the school environment;

13. Open defiance of a teacher’s authority, including persistent failure to comply with the lawful directions of teachers or school officials;
14. Violation of district transportation rules;
15. Violation of law, Board policy, administrative regulation, school, or classroom rules.]

Additionally, regarding weapons, under state and federal law, expulsion from school is required for a period of not less than one year for any student who is determined to have brought, possessed, concealed, or used a firearm in violation of state or federal law. The superintendent may modify the expulsion requirement for a student on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the federal Gun-Free School Zone Act, possession, or discharge of a firearm in a school zone is prohibited. A “school zone” as defined by federal law means, in or on school grounds or within 1,000 feet of school grounds.

Any person under age 21 is prohibited from possessing tobacco, alcohol, and unlawful drugs or a tobacco product or inhalant delivery system. Unlawful manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance to a student or minor within 1,000 feet of district property may be a Class A felony, as provided by ORS 475.904.

Students are prohibited from making knowingly false statements or knowingly submitting false information in bad faith as part of a complaint or report, or associated with an investigation into misconduct.

The district prohibits student violence or threats of violence in any form. Student conduct that threatens or intimidates and disrupts the educational environment, whether on or off school property, will not be tolerated. A student may not verbally or physically threaten or intimidate another student, staff member, or third party on school property. A student may not use any electronic equipment to threaten, harass or intimidate another. Additionally, false threats to damage school property will not be tolerated. The use or display of the noose, swastika, or Confederate flag is prohibited except where used in teaching curriculum that is aligned with the Oregon State Standards (per ODE administrative rule).

Students in violation of the district’s Board policy JFCM - Threats of Violence will be subject to discipline up to and including expulsion, and may be subject to civil or criminal liability. The principal shall notify the parent or guardian when their student is in violation of this policy and the disciplinary action imposed.

The school shall notify the parents or guardians of a student who was subject to an act of harassment, intimidation, bullying or cyberbullying, and the parents or guardians of a student who may have conducted an act of harassment, intimidation, bullying or cyberbullying, unless an exception applies (see Board Policy JFCF and ORS 339.356).

Refer to School Board Policy [JFC](#) Student Conduct

Student Rights and Responsibilities

Student rights and responsibilities include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Civil rights – including the right to equal educational opportunity and freedom from discrimination, the responsibility not to discriminate against others;
2. The right to attend free public schools, the responsibility to attend school regularly and to observe school rules essential for permitting others to learn at school;
3. The right to due process of law with respect to suspension, expulsion, and decisions which the student

- believes injure their rights;
4. The right to free inquiry and expression, the responsibility to observe reasonable rules regarding these rights;
 5. The right to assemble informally, the responsibility to not disrupt the orderly operation of the educational process, nor infringe upon the rights of others;
 6. The right to privacy, which includes privacy in respect to the student's education records;
- The right to know the behavior standards expected, the responsibility to know the consequences of misbehavior.

Rude vs. Mean vs. Bullying: Defining the Differences

(Adapted from Signe Whitson, Author; Child and adolescent therapist)

Kids need to know how to get along with one another. We know that social skills are one of the leading indicators of future success. Kids need good role models, rules to follow, and kudos for kindness. But they are going to make mistakes. They are going to have mean moments. No parents want to admit that... but c'mon, admit it; you've said mean things too. Please understand, this is not a justification for being mean. There is no excuse for meanness, but there is a difference between a mean comment and ongoing harassment of an individual student. Both need to be dealt with, but perhaps differently.

The main distinction between "rude" and "mean" behavior has to do with intention; while rudeness is often unintentional. Mean behavior very much aims to hurt or depreciate someone. Kids are mean to each other when they criticize clothing, appearance, intelligence, coolness or just about anything else they can find to belittle others.

Meanness also sounds like words spoken in anger -- impulsive cruelty that is often regretted in short order. Very often, mean behavior in kids is motivated by angry feelings and/or the misguided goal of propping themselves up in comparison to the person they are putting down.

Rude = inadvertently saying or doing something that hurts someone else.

Mean = purposefully saying or doing something to hurt someone once (or maybe twice).

Make no mistake; mean behaviors can wound deeply. Adults can make a huge difference in the lives of young people when they hold kids accountable for being mean. Yet, meanness is different from bullying in important ways that should be understood and differentiated when it comes to intervention.

Experts agree that bullying entails three key elements: 1) an intent to harm, 2) a power of imbalance, and 3) repeated acts or threats of aggressive behavior. Kids who bully say or do something intentionally hurtful to others and they keep doing it, with no sense of regret or remorse -- even when targets of bullying show or express their hurt or tell the aggressors to stop.

Bullying = intentionally aggressive behavior, repeated over time, that involves an imbalance of power.

Bullying may be physical, verbal, relational (threat of taking friendship away) or carried out via technology:

All three issues need to be addressed. However, when we use a term repeatedly as a catch-all for behaviors, the actual issues are not addressed properly. It is important to distinguish between rude, mean, and bullying so that teachers, school administrators, police, youth workers, parents, and kids all know what to pay attention to, how and when to intervene.



Damage to District Property



A student who is found to have damaged district property will be held responsible for the reasonable cost of repairing or replacing that property. This includes damage to the district's network and other electronic systems. The district will notify students and parents of all such charges. If the amount due is not paid within 10 calendar days of receipt of the district's notice, the amount will become a debt owed and certain penalties and/or restrictions may be imposed. See Fees, Fines, and Charges.

Dress Code

Dressing appropriately is an important life skill. Student dress or hairstyles should not distract students or staff from the tasks of teaching and learning. As well, the weather in Oregon can change several times a day.

The district's dress code is established to promote appropriate grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and avoid safety hazards.

Students who represent the school in a voluntary activity may be required to meet additional dress and grooming standards approved by the principal and may be denied the opportunity to participate if those standards are not met.

Appropriate dress for school should follow these district standards:

<p><u>EPSD 9 Dress Code Policy Statement</u></p>	<p>Acceptable</p>	<p>Unacceptable</p>
<p>All clothing should cover underpants, midribs, buttocks and cleavage. See-through garments must be worn with appropriate coverage underneath that meet the minimum requirement of dress code.</p>		
<p>All students must wear shoes at all times and should be safe for the school environment. Shoes with attached wheels (Example: "Heelys") are not allowed at school.</p>		
<p>Clothing must cover areas from one armpit across to the other armpit. Shorts must be down to approximately 5 inches in length on the upper thighs. Tops must have shoulder straps.</p>		
<p>Headgear including hats, hoods, bandanas, ski mask and caps are not allowed on campus unless permitted for religious, medical, safety, or other reasons approved by school admin. Beanies are allowed in cold weather on playground areas. Sunglasses may not be worn inside the building.</p>		
<p>Any disruptive or distracting mode of clothing or appearance that substantially and adversely impacts the educational process is not acceptable. This includes, but is not limited to, material relating to drugs, alcohol, profanity, obscenity, nudity, racism, violent or criminal themes and gang activity.</p>		

* The administration at each school reserves the right to determine what constitutes appropriate dress and determine appropriate health reasons. Students who do not adhere to these guidelines will not be allowed to attend class. Parents will be called if appropriate clothing is not available or the student refuses dress-code appropriate clothing.

Fashion Infraction

If a student wears inappropriate clothing to school, a school adult will inform them that they need to change. If they don't have clothing to change into then they will be given loaner clothing to borrow in the office (must be returned) or be asked to call home and get appropriate clothing.

Students shall not argue or negotiate with the school adult who issues the Fashion Infraction. This will result in a referral and additional consequences. The student shall report to the office, change clothing quickly and return to class.



Drug, Alcohol, Tobacco and Nicotine Prevention

The possession, selling and/or use of illegal and harmful drugs, alcohol, tobacco, products and inhalant delivery systems, , marijuana (including medical marijuana) is strictly prohibited. This includes substance abuse and drug paraphernalia. This prohibition applies during the regular school day and/or at any district-related activity, regardless of time or location and while being transported on district-provided transportation. Students in violation of the district's drug, alcohol and tobacco policy will be subject to disciplinary action and referral to law enforcement officials, as appropriate, in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.



Drug, alcohol, tobacco and nicotine use is illegal for students and interferes with both effective learning and the healthy development of students, the district has a fundamental and ethical obligation to prevent drug, alcohol, tobacco and inhalant use and to maintain a drug-free educational environment.

Student possession, use, sale of, distribution of any tobacco product or inhalant delivery system on or near district property or grounds, including parking lots, or while participating in school-sponsored activities is strictly prohibited and will result in disciplinary action. Any form of promotion or advertisement related to any tobacco product or inhalant delivery system is also strictly prohibited. A student may be referred to law enforcement officials. Parents will be notified of their student's violation and subsequent action taken by the school.

"Tobacco product" is defined to include, but not limited to, any lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, bidi, clove cigarette and any other smoking product, spit tobacco also known as smokeless, dip, chew or snuff in any form. This does not include products that are USFDA-approved for sale as tobacco cessation products or for any other therapeutic purpose, if marketed and sold solely for the approved purpose.

"Inhalant delivery system" means a device that can be used to deliver nicotine or cannabinoids in the form of a vapor or aerosol to a person inhaling from the device; or a component of a device; or a substance in any form sold for the purpose of being vaporized or aerosolized by a device, whether the component or substance is sold or not sold separately. This does not include products that are USFDA-approved for sale as tobacco cessation products or for any other therapeutic purpose, if marketed and sold solely for the approved purpose.

Miscellaneous

- Bicycles should be locked and parked in the bicycle racks provided.
- Skateboards and scooters should be locked in the rack provided.
- Balloon and/or flower deliveries will be accepted in the office; they will be held for the student to pick up after school.
- Students shall keep restrooms neat and clean. Restrooms shall be used at lunch and break times; a hall pass is required at any other time.
- Aerosol cans are prohibited on school grounds, e.g. deodorant, cologne, and hairspray.
- Matches, lighters, and pepper spray are prohibited.
- Gambling is prohibited at school.
- Bicycles, skateboards and scooters are not to be ridden until off campus.



For the full text of this required notice regarding bicycles on campus, please refer to the EPSD 9 web page, www.eaglepnt.k12.or.us, Parent/Student Legal Notices (Vehicles on Campus)

Inappropriate Display of Affection

In order to maintain a mature and respectable atmosphere, students are reminded that any physical display of affection in an educational setting is considered unsuitable. The rules put in place serve as a way to encourage students to focus on their studies, which is the purpose of being in school in the first place. Students come to school to learn. Public displays of affection is a major distraction from studies and disrupts the learning environment for students and teachers alike.

Photography at School

Digital cameras (including camera phones or ipads) of any kind may not be used on campus or at school events except as part of an approved school program. Students must have permission to photograph audio or video and to post. Posting inappropriate or illegally obtained pictures or information on personal electronic devices or on the internet may result in disciplinary action and a referral to law enforcement.

Plagiarism

Cheating and/or plagiarism are regarded as very serious offenses. Copying or paraphrasing material/text from the work of another student, from published sources (i.e. Cliff Notes, Monarch Notes, books, magazines, newspapers, etc.) and/or from the internet without proper documentation is considered academic theft.

Cheating and/or plagiarism will result in disciplinary action as determined by the principal.

Off-Campus Student Behavior

Students are to go directly home unless participating in an authorized after school activity.

Eagle Point School District 9 is not responsible for the conduct or control of students who are not on school property or are not at a District-sponsored event under the care and management of District representatives. The District will not supervise students off-campus nor will the District be responsible for any student behavior or conduct once the student has removed him/herself from District property and/or the oversight of District representatives at a District-sponsored event.

However, if a student's off-campus behavior or actions impacts or interferes with the educational environment and/or safety on campus, or if there is a nexus between a student's off-campus behavior or actions and their conduct and compliance with school rules on campus, then the student may be disciplined in accordance with the disciplinary code set forth in the student handbook. For example, off-campus bullying or harassment may be disciplinable if, as a result, a hostile educational environment is created on campus.

These provisions in no way limit the scope of the decisions or actions the District may deem in good faith necessary to take to maintain a safe and secure environment on school property.

Release time for Religious Instruction

Students may be excused from school for religious instruction, not to exceed two hours for grades 1 through 8 and five hours for grades 9 through 12 in any school week.

Spitting

Students shall not spit in or around the building.

Discipline – Due Process

A student who violates the Student Code of Conduct shall be subject to disciplinary action. A student's due process rights will be observed in all such instances, including the right to appeal the discipline decisions of staff and administrator.

Discipline in the district is based upon a philosophy designed to produce behavioral changes that will enable students to develop the self-discipline necessary to remain in school and to function successfully in their educational and social environments.

Student disciplinary sanctions will offer corrective counseling and sanctions that are age appropriate, and to the extent practicable, that use approaches that are shown through research to be effective.

Disciplinary measures are applied depending on the nature of the offense and without bias. The age and past pattern of behavior of a student will be considered prior to any suspension or expulsion.

In addition, when a student commits substance abuse, drug, or drug paraphernalia, alcohol- and/or tobacco-related offenses, or any other criminal act, they may also be referred to law enforcement officials.

Violations of the district's weapons policy shall be reported to law enforcement when required by law. No student will be subjected to corporal punishment.

Detention

A student may be detained outside of school hours for disciplinary reasons, provided the parent has been notified of the detention and, in the case of bus students, arrangements have been made for the student's transportation home. In cases where transportation is required, 24-hour notice will be given so that transportation may be arranged.

Discipline of Students w/Disabilities

When a student being served by an individualized education program (IEP) engages in conduct which would warrant suspension of more than 10 days or expulsion for a nondisabled student, the student's parents will be notified immediately (within 24 hours) of the circumstances of the misbehavior and the time and location of the student's IEP team meeting addressing the infraction and its relationship to the disability.



The IEP team will determine whether the misconduct is a manifestation of the student's disability. Should the IEP team conclude the misconduct has no relationship to the student's disability; the student may be disciplined in the same manner as would other students. If the IEP team concludes the misconduct is a consequence of the student's disability, the team may review and revise the student's IEP and determine whether a change in placement is needed. The district may not suspend for more than 10 days or expel a disabled student or terminate educational services for any behavior which is a manifestation of the disability.

A student may be removed from the current educational placement to an appropriate interim alternative educational setting for the same amount of time that a student without a disability would be subject to discipline, but for not more than 45 calendar days in a school year for a drug or weapon violation as provided in district procedures. Additionally, the district may request an expedited due process hearing to obtain a hearing officer's order to remove a student to an interim alternative educational setting for not more than 45 days if the student is exhibiting injurious behavior. For the purpose of this request, "injurious behavior" is defined as behavior that is substantially likely to result in injury to the student or to others.

Suspension

A student whose conduct or condition is seriously detrimental to the school's best interests may be suspended for up to and including 10 school days. Students may be suspended for one or more of the following reasons: a) willful disobedience and violation of board policy, administrative regulations or school rules; b) willful conduct which materially and substantially disrupts the rights of others to an education; c) willful conduct which endangers the student, other student or staff members; or d) willful conduct which damages or injures district property.

The district may require a student to attend school during non-school hours as an alternative to suspension.

An opportunity for the student to present his/her view of the alleged misconduct will be given. Each suspension will include a specification of the reasons for the suspension, the length of the suspension, a plan for readmission and an opportunity to appeal the decision.

Every reasonable and prompt effort will be made to notify the parents of a suspended student.

While under suspension, a student may not attend after school activities and athletic events, be present on district property, nor participate in activities directed or sponsored by the district.

School work missed by a student while on suspension may be made up upon the student's return to school if the work missed reflects achievement over a greater period of time than the length of the suspension. For example, a student will be allowed to make up final, mid-term and unit examinations without an academic penalty.

Expulsion

Students may only be expelled for any of the following circumstances:

1. When a student's conduct poses a threat to the health or safety of students or employees;
2. When other strategies to change the student's behavior have been ineffective, except that expulsion may not be used to address truancy; or
3. When required by law.

The district shall consider the age of the student and the student's past pattern of behavior prior to imposing the expulsion. The use of out-of-school expulsion of a student in the fifth grade or below, is limited to:

- Non-accidental conduct causing serious physical harm to a student or employee;
- When a school administrator determines, based on the administration's observation or upon a report from an employee, the student's conduct poses a direct threat to the health or safety of students or employees; or
- When the expulsion is required by law.

No student may be expelled without a hearing unless the student's parent/guardian waives the right to a hearing, either in writing or by failure to appear at a scheduled hearing.

An expulsion shall not extend beyond one calendar year.

The district will provide appropriate expulsion notification including expulsion hearing procedures, student and parent rights and alternative education provisions as required by law as part of the expulsion process. See Alternative Education Programs and Alternative Education Programs Notice in Section on "Required Notices" of this handbook.

Weapons at School

Students shall not bring, possess, conceal or use a weapon and/or toys/replicas that look like a weapon on or at district property, activities under the jurisdiction of the district or interscholastic activities administered by a voluntary organization approved by the State Board of Education.



If a child brings a dangerous weapon or a weapon “look-alike” to school, a parent will be called immediately.

“Dangerous weapon” is defined by Oregon law as any weapon, device, instrument, material or substance which, under the circumstance in which it is used, attempted to be used or threatened to be used, is idly capable of causing death or serious physical injury.

Violation of this Oregon State law may result in expulsion from school and the Federal Gun Free Zone Act.

Possession or discharge of a firearm in a school zone is prohibited. A school zone as defined by federal law means in or on school grounds or within one thousand feet of school grounds

Students found to have brought, possessed, concealed or used a firearm in violation of this policy or state law shall be expelled for a period of not less than one year.

Refer to Board Policy [JFCJ](#) Weapons in the Schools

23-24 EPSD9 Behavior Definitions Matrix

THIS CONTINUUM IS TO BE USED AS A GUIDE. CIRCUMSTANCES WILL BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION. ADMINISTRATION HAS THE FINAL DETERMINATION. Decision Rules regarding consequences & interventions are based on FREQUENCY, DURATION & INTENSITY

Discipline Continuum	Staff Handled Infractions		Major Office Referral		
	Classroom Management	Minor Referral			
	Student conference. Reteach. Classroom Conseq.	Submit Minor referral AND contact parent. Assign consequence	Investigate, document, contact parents, assign consequences, and notate interventions. Refer to Progressive Discipline Matrix		
Bullying 8/29	Refer to harassment 8/29	Unwanted, ongoing aggressive behavior among school aged children that involves a real or perceived power imbalance 8/29	Repeated abuse, harassment-cruel, thoughtless hurtful comments, cyber, electronic, intimidation 8/29		
Cheating, plagiarism	Classroom handled	Classroom handled	Classroom handled	Classroom handled	Classroom handled
Defiance	Poor attitude/ non-compliance/ not working or participating in class	Back talking, rude comments or actions, arguing, failure to serve detention/ continued refusal to work in class	Willful refusal to follow directions, persistent arguing, refusal to serve detention, refusal to leave classroom/not working in class after repeated request	Continued refusal to follow directions	Law Enforcement may be contacted if disruption of the learning environment continues 8/29

Disrespect	Socially rude	Low intensity to adults & students	Willful disrespect 8/29	Elevated oppositional lack of respect; talking back, and/or ignoring adult requests	Repeated offense after repeated instruction becomes Major defiance
Disruptions	Talks out, off task, interrupting	Continual interruptions, distracting others	Disrupting other classes or Student Success Room	Disruptive during ISS	
Dress Code Violation	Change Clothes	Reoccurring offense becomes Minor defiance	Repeated offense after repeated instruction becomes Major defiance		
False statements or reporting 8/29	Student delivers message that is untrue. 8/29	Repeated false statements or reports 8/29	Student deliberately delivers message that is untrue. 8/29	False statements that allows self or others to avoid significant consequences after further investigation by staff.	False statements that results in a crime to be referred to School Resource Officer or Deputy for further investigation. Including false accusations against students/staff that have been investigated and proven unsubstantiated. 8/29
Forgery (remove plagiarism 8/29)	Reteach for naive offense	Repeated behavior or minor classroom/item/assignment/assessment	Behavior that is dishonest in order to gain an advantage in either classroom assignment and/or competition	Forgery - to use with/without owners knowledge or permission 8/29	
Gang Affiliation Display - Valava power point	Wearing clothing, flashing gang signs, student unaware of meaning 8/29	Repeatedly wearing clothing, flashing gang signs, student unaware of meaning (use of gang contract introduced)	Wearing clothing, displaying gang pictures, displaying gang signs, violation of gang contract 8/29	Uses gang clothing, signs, pictures to intimidate others, tagging, violation of gang contract 8/29	Gang Contract - Law Enforcement contacted
Harassment - Racial 8/29	Naive use of racist terms	Derogatory racially based comment, cyber, electronic, continuous comments, 8/29	Hate speech, abusive or threatening speech either verbal or written that expresses a prejudice	Threats of violence based upon race (threat assessment likely to occur), Escalated and ongoing/targeted imbalance of power, hate speech directed at individual, repeated prejudice or repeated hate speech	Race based attacks (threat assessment likely to occur),
Harassment Gender (identity) 8/29	Naive comments related to gender of student	Derogatory gender based comment, cyber, electronic, continuous comments, 8/29	Harassment based on gender or gender identity; gender based belittling or patronizing comments, derogatory gender specific nicknames, hate speech directed at individual	Threats of violence based upon race (threat assessment likely to occur), escalated and ongoing/targeted imbalance of power, hate speech directed at individual, repeated prejudice or repeated hate speech	Gender based attacks (threat assessment likely to occur),

Harassment Religious 8/29	Naive use of anti-religious terms.	Derogatory religious based comment, cyber, electronic, continuous comments, 8/29	Harassment based on religion; religious-based belittling or patronizing comments, derogatory religious specific nicknames, hate speech directed at individual	Threats of violence based upon religion (threat assessment likely to occur), Escalated and ongoing/targeted imbalance of power, repeated prejudice or repeated hate speech	Religious based attacks (threat assessment likely to occur),
Harassment Sexual 8/29	Naive sexual comments, boyfriend/girlfriend inappropriate mild comments	Derogatory sexual based comment, cyber, electronic, continuous comments, 8/29	Obscene gestures, cyber, electronic, unzipping or pulling down pants (self or others), inappropriate touching or kissing, sharing pictures/drawings of a sexual nature, hate speech directed at individual	Repeated sexual content, behaviors viewed as sexual harassment. Police involvement likely to occur, escalated and ongoing/targeted imbalance of power	Touching another person sexually. Exposing privates. Police involvement likely to occur.
Harassment Verbal Threats	Impulsive or naive statements	Derogatory verbal threats based comment, cyber, electronic, continuous comments, 8/29	Knowingly and willfully making threats of harm to others or to cause property damage that invoke fear. (May do a threat assessment)	Elevated level of concern where intent to harm is perceived or evident (School Psychologist and/or law enforcement may be involved), Escalated and ongoing/targeted imbalance of power	School Psychologist and law enforcement will conduct threat assessment protocol for level 2 threat team
Inappropriate display of affection	Inappropriate Hugging or Hand Holding	Repeated inappropriate hugging and/or kissing	Persistent kissing or hugging	Persistent kissing, grabbing private areas, both parties consenting	Sexual activity
Inappropriate or abusive Language or gestures	Mild language, for example: shut up, name calling	Repeated Disrespectful language - minor	Excessive swearing, abusive language directed to staff and others	Repeated abusive language	See harassment & bullying columns
Physical aggression			Student engages in actions involving serious physical contact, throwing object out of anger or the potential intent to harm 8/29	Repeated problems or causes injury, hitting, kicking.	Physical aggression that results in serious injury. 8/29
Physical contact	Not keeping hands, feet, and objects to self, horseplay	Repeated horseplay, pushing, shoving, kicking	Continued physical contact that results in injury 8/29 continued or excessive	Refer to physical aggression	
Property Misuse	Inappropriate use of an object, throwing object	Unsafe use of an object, throwing objects at others, inappropriate objects at school	8/29 See Damage/Vandalism		
Skip / cutting class	Lingers on the way back from other school-wide area	Returns late from break or repeatedly late to class	Leaves class without a pass, skips class, students leaving school grounds. Misuse of hall pass. 8/29		

	when student has a pass				
Tardies MAJOR REWRITE 8/29	Unexcused first bell tardy or elementary	Arrives after first bell a number of times (count based on student involved).	Repeated unexcused tardies, after contract and interventions (each situation addressed accordingly).		
Technology Electronics Violation 8/29	Naively or accidentally goes to inappropriate website or uses unacceptable search engine	Downloads information from an unauthorized website, no inappropriate content	Repeatedly downloads or accesses inappropriate content 8/29	Downloads inappropriate content from a website or causes breach of district network	Uses school district technology to commit a crime. Law Enforcement Involved.
Theft	Naive taking something without permission	Repeated behavior. Theft of misplaced property. (Lost and found.) 8/29	Theft is the act of stealing. Removing or taking someone else's personal property to deprive the rightful owner. This can include the involvement of an accomplice		Law Enforcement Involvement
Vandalism/Damage	Refer to property misuse 8/29	Refer to property misuse 8/29	8/29 Deliberate destruction of school or personal property. Deliberate defacing property. Deliberate tampering with devices		
NOTIFY SMT AND ADMIN IMMEDIATELY FOR INCIDENTS BELOW					
Arson			Intentional lighting of combustible materials		
Bomb Threat 8/29		Naive bomb threat	Delivering a message of possible explosive materials, in possession of possible combustibles and/or bomb paraphernalia; intentional false alarm		Law Enforcement involvement
Combustibles		Naïve possession of matches/combustible - self report	Intentional possession of matches/lighter, failure to self report	Displaying lighter or combustibles to peers or threat of use	Damage to property due to matchers, lighters (If necessary, involve Law Enforcement
Intoxicants		Naïve possession of intoxicants - self report	Use/possession/under the influence of (Follow Board Policy JFCG)		Distribution or intent to distribute - Law Enforcement Involved
False Alarm 8/29	Passive Aggressive false alarm	Purposeful false alarm without intention	Purposefully pulling fire alarm or making false alarm with intention		
Fighting Assault			Mutual participation involving physical violence hitting, kicking, choking, scratching, biting, other types of attacks.	Premeditated act of violence involving hitting, kicking, choking, scratching, biting, or other attacks	Law Enforcement will be contacted for assistance.
Threat of Violence	Refer to Harassment/Verbal threats	Refer to Harassment/Verbal threats	Threat to harm or kill. Follow board policy JFCM and complete Threat Assessment <i>Call the police for any threats involving guns, threats to harm or kill. Or for anything that has the potential to escalate on social media and they will get phone calls about.</i>		
Weapons		Naïve possession of pocket knife or similar - self report	Student shares with a peer that they have a dangerous object - failure to self report 8/29	In possession transports or uses a knife, firearm, or toxic material. Use of any object in a dangerous	Risk Assessment & Law Enforcement involved 8/29

Note: This is a recommended guideline for most discipline situations. Some incidents may result in an out of school suspension the first time, and there may be repeated in-school suspension, as necessary. We will investigate any situation that poses harm to any one of our students or staff.

Any student who has received an out of school suspension must have a re-entry meeting to discuss expectations. A behavior contract may or may not be considered. A student with repeated out of school suspensions should be referred to a Tier Two team.

ADMINISTRATION HAS FINAL DETERMINATION.

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23-24 EPSD Middle School Progressive Discipline Matrix for Referrals

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Problem Area	Developing Problem and/or Low Level of Intent Disciplinary Action Could Include: Lunch Detention, Loss of Privilege, After School Detention, or Suspension	Continuing Problem and/or More Serious Situation Disciplinary Action Could Include: Parent Student Conference, Loss of Privilege, Detention, In School or Out of School Suspension	Unresponsive to Corrections and/or Severe Situation Disciplinary Action Could include: In School or Out of School Suspension, or Expulsion
Combustibles including possession of Ammunition, Lighters, and/or Matches	Lunch Detention/Loss of privilege, 1-2 day suspension	3-5 day Suspension	10 day suspension/ possible expulsion
Arson			10 day suspension/possible expulsion
Bomb Threat		2-3 day out of school suspension.	Expulsion
Bullying	Lunch Detention	Wednesday School, after school detention, Loss of privilege	suspension 1-3 days
Defiance	Lunch Detention after school detention, loss of privilege,	1-3 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Disrespect	Lunch Detention/ Loss of Privilege	1-3 day suspension	3-5 day suspension

Disruptions	Loss of Privilege/ 1 day suspension	2-3 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Dress Code Violation	Lunch Detention after school detention, loss of privilege,	1-3 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Drugs, Alcohol, Tobacco and Vaping Including Use or Possession		Up to 5 day suspension	Up to 10 day suspension/ possible expulsion
Drugs, Alcohol, Tobacco and Vaping: Sale or Providing			Up to 10 day suspension/ possible expulsion
False Alarm		If a Fire Alarm is pulled, it is mandatory to call the Fire Marshall to visit with the child. 2-3 day out of school suspension	Possible expulsion
False Statement or Report	1 day ISS	1-3 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Fighting or Assault	1-2 day suspension	2-5 day suspension	Up to 10 day suspension/ possible expulsion
Forgery or Theft	Lunch Detention after school detention, loss of privilege,	1-3 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Gang Affiliation Display	Lunch Detention, Loss of privilege,	1-3 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Inappropriate or Abusive Language	Lunch Detention, Loss of privilege,	1-3 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Inappropriate Displays of Affection	Lunch Detention, Loss of privilege,	1-3 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Physical Aggression		1-3 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Physical Contact (Includes Horseplay and Pretend Fighting)	Lunch Detention, Loss of privilege,	1-3 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Harassment	1-2 day suspension	2-5 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Skipping and/or Cutting Class	Lunch Detention, Loss of privilege,	1-3 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Technology Electronic Violation	1-2 day suspension	2-5 day suspension	3-5 day suspension
Threat of Violence	Recess Detention, Lunch Detention, Loss of privilege, parent conference, 1-2 day suspension	3 -5 day suspension	Up to 10 day suspension/ possible expulsion
Property Mis Use	warning , lunch detention	1-3 day in school suspension	1-3 day suspension
Vandalism or damage	1-2 day suspension	2-5 day suspension	3-5 day suspension

Weapons. If the word "gun" is used in any threatening context, contact the police for your building to do a home check

[Refer to board policy](#)

POLICE INVOLVEMENT: Since these problems also violate state law, school officials may need to notify the appropriate police authorities and in cases of major violations, may press charges. If the police authorities are notified, legal guardians will be contacted. Any action taken by police authorities will be in addition to action by the school.

School officials, guided by district policies and procedures, will cooperate with police authorities during investigations.

Administration has the discretion to utilize in-school suspension in lieu of out of school suspension

ALL ACTIONS TAKEN ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF ADMINISTRATION AND DISCIPLINARIAN DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES AND PAST HISTORY.

SEVERE CLAUSE: Administration may find it necessary to move directly to more extensive disciplinary action, such as the behavior contract depending on the severity of the offense. Accumulation of different types of offenses will also lead to more severe discipline and may require immediate suspension with recommended expulsion.

* Violations of Alcohol and Tobacco policy will result in suspension from all school activities and athletic events for the same periods of time as the eligibility contract.

Section 5: District Programs

Meal Program

The district participates in the National School Lunch, School Breakfast, Special Milk and Commodity Programs and offers free meals based on a student's financial need. Additional information can be obtained in the office.



Breakfast and lunch are both served at EPMS. At breakfast, children can choose from bread, cereals, fruits, juice and milk. At lunch, children will always have a choice of main dishes and choices of fruit and vegetables.

Breakfast is available from 7:45 AM – 8:05 AM for students who wish to eat at school. Students should arrive at school no sooner than 7:45 AM for breakfast as there is no supervision.

- Breakfast and Lunch: FREE
- Milk sold separately is 65¢
- Adult Breakfast: \$2.05 (includes milk)
- Adult Lunch: \$3.65 (includes milk)



Please do not send anything that needs to be refrigerated or heated by microwave. You can imagine how time consuming this would be for 450 students. Also, please do not send soda pop or other carbonated beverages as they inadvertently get shook up and create a sticky mess when opened.

Any student requesting juice rather than milk must have a Doctor's note on file available from the Food Service Office, 541-830-6552. According to USDA, a parent note is no longer sufficient.

All food and drink must be consumed in the cafeteria. Students are not allowed to take food or drink from the cafeteria into the halls, classrooms, restrooms, lockers or outside. Soda, coffee, energy drinks, or other carbonated drinks are prohibited at school. Special consideration for classroom celebrations. Open food and drinks are never allowed in lockers.

Students are able to have water bottles filled with only water in classrooms, but this is in conjunction with the rules of each class.

Common Curriculum Goals

All District 9 students are taught common curriculum goals and standards as outlined by the Oregon Department of Education. District adopted curriculum is used with students at all District 9 schools. More info about curriculum standards can be found at www.ode.state.or.us.

Conferences and Report Cards

You are your child's first and most important teacher. We anticipate your active involvement in the education of your child. This year each family will have the formal opportunity to conference with teachers two times. However, you are invited and encouraged to request a conference with your child's teacher, the principal, speech therapist, etc. at any time.

Quarterly report cards and progress reports will be available through ParentVue and no paper copy will be provided unless verbally asked for in the office. Your student's progress reports can be checked online at any time by accessing ParentVue. Please do not hesitate to ask for assistance with ParentVue.



Check our school website calendar for dates that report cards and progress reports are posted.

Conference Schedule:

- Parent-Teacher-Student Conference: November 20-22
- Parent-Teacher-Student Conference: March 20-22



Media Access to Students

Media representatives may interview and photograph students involved in instructional programs and school activities, including athletic events. Information obtained directly from students does not require parental approval prior to publication.



Parents who do not want their student interviewed or photographed should direct their student accordingly.

District employees may release student information only in accordance with applicable provisions of the education records law and Board policies governing directory information and personally identifiable information.

Student Conduct on School Buses

The following regulations will govern student conduct on school buses and will be posted in a conspicuous place in all buses:

While riding a school bus:

- ✓ Students being transported are under authority of the bus driver; students will obey the driver at all times;
- ✓ Students will not throw objects;
- ✓ Students will not bring firearms, weapons or other potentially hazardous material on the bus;
- ✓ Fighting, wrestling or boisterous activity is prohibited on the bus;
- ✓ Students will not stand up and/or move from seats while the bus is in motion;



- ✓ Students will not extend their hands, arms or heads through bus windows or doors;
- ✓ Students will not possess matches or other incendiaries and concussion devices;
- ✓ Students will use the emergency door only in case of emergency as directed by the driver;
- ✓ Students will not damage school property or the personal property of others;
- ✓ Students will not threaten or physically harm the driver or other riders;
- ✓ Students will not do any disruptive activity which might cause the driver to stop in order to reestablish order;
- ✓ Students will not possess and/or use tobacco, alcohol or illegal drugs;
- ✓ Students will not carry glass containers or other glass objects;
- ✓ Students will not take onto the bus skateboards, musical instruments or other large objects which might pose safety risks or barriers to safe entry and exit from the bus;
- ✓ When necessary to cross the road, students shall cross in front of the bus or as specifically instructed by the bus driver;
- ✓ Students will be on time (five minutes before the scheduled pick up) for the bus both morning and evening;
- ✓ Students will not bring animals, except approved assistance guide animals, on the bus;
- ✓ Students will stay away from the bus when it is moving;
- ✓ Students may be assigned seats by the bus driver;
- ✓ Students will have written permission to leave the bus other than at home or school;
- ✓ Students will converse in normal tones. Loud or vulgar language or obscene gestures are prohibited; students will be respectful and not make obscene statements;
- ✓ Students will not open or close windows without the permission of the driver;
- ✓ Students will keep the bus clean and must refrain from damaging it; students shall not eat or chew gum;
- ✓ Students will be courteous to the driver, to fellow students and passersby;
- ✓ Students who refuse to promptly obey the directions of the driver or refuse to obey regulations may forfeit their privilege to ride on the bus;
- ✓ Students who are suspended from riding the bus for any reason or time period are restricted from riding any school bus during the time of suspension;

***These regulations, if broken, are SEVERE violations with severe consequences because of the threat to the safety of others.**

Section 6: Required Notices

Alternative Education Programs

Alternative education program options have been established and approved by the School Board to meet the individual needs of students. These programs will be made available to students who are unable to succeed in the regular programs because of erratic attendance or behavioral problems; for students who have not met or who have exceeded all of Oregon's academic content standards; when necessary to meet a student's educational needs and interests; to assist students in achieving district and state academic content standards; or when a public or private alternative program is not otherwise readily available or accessible. Such programs consist of instruction or instruction combined with counseling and may be public or private. Private programs must be registered with the Oregon Department of Education. Home schooling shall not be used as an alternative education program placement.

The district may, based on district criteria, provide alternative education programs for students expelled for violation of applicable state or federal weapons laws.

Examples of alternative education program options are not limited to, but include:

1. Evening classes
2. Tutorial instruction
3. Small group instruction
4. Professional technical programs
5. Work experience
6. Instructional activities provided by other accredited institutions
7. Community service
8. Independent study
9. Expanded Options Program
10. Others as approved by the district.

Parents may request additional in-district alternative education programs by submitting written requests to the principal.

"Alternative education program" means a school or separate class group designed to best serve students' educational needs and interests and assist students in achieving the academic standards of the district and the state.

Individual notification to students and parents regarding the availability of alternative education programs will be given semi-annually or when new programs become available under the following situations, as

appropriate:

1. When two or more severe disciplinary problems occur within a three-year period. [Severe disciplinary problems will be defined in the Student Code of Conduct;]
2. When attendance is so erratic the student is not benefitting from the educational program. "Erratic attendance" means the student is frequently absent to the degree that the student is not benefiting from the education program as determined by the district;
3. When an expulsion is being considered;
4. When a student is expelled;
5. When a student's parent or emancipated student applies for exemption from attendance on a semi-annual basis.

Individual notification shall be **hand-delivered** or sent by certified mail. Parents shall receive individual notification prior to an actual expulsion.

Notification shall include:

1. The student's action;
2. A list of alternative education programs for the student;
3. The program recommendation for the student based upon the student's learning styles and needs;
4. Procedures for enrolling the student in the recommended program.

The district may, based on district criteria] provide alternative education programs for students expelled from another district for a violation of applicable state or federal weapons laws.

Asbestos

The district has complied with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act by having buildings inspected by accredited inspectors and the development of a management plan for the control of this substance.

Distribution of Materials

All aspects of 6-8 school-sponsored publications, including web pages, newspapers and/or yearbooks, are completely under the supervision of the teacher and principal.

Written materials, handbills, photographs, pictures, petitions, films, tapes or other visual or auditory materials may not be sold, circulated or distributed on district property by a student or a non-student without the approval of the administration.

All materials requested for distribution require approval of the administration.

The district may designate the time, place, and manner for distribution.

If material is not approved within 48 hours of the time that it was submitted, it must be considered denied.

A denial may be appealed to the superintendent. If the material is not approved by the superintendent within three days it will not be considered approved. A decision reached by the superintendent may be appealed to the Board at its next regular meeting when the individual shall have a reasonable period of time to present

their viewpoint.

Public Complaints

Any member of the public who wishes to express a concern should discuss the matter with the school employee involved. The district's complaint procedure is on the district's website.

If the individual is unable to resolve a problem or concern with the employee, the individual may file a written, signed complaint with the [administrator][supervisor]. The [administrator][supervisor] shall evaluate the complaint and render a decision within [five] working days after receiving the complaint.

If the complaint is not resolved, within [10] working days of the meeting with the [administrator][supervisor], the complainant, if they wish to pursue the action, shall file a signed, written complaint with the superintendent or designee clearly stating the nature of the complaint and a suggested remedy. The superintendent or designee shall investigate the complaint, confer with the complainant and the parties involved and prepare a report of his/her findings and conclusion and provide the report in writing or in an electronic form to the complainant within [10] working days after receiving the written complaint.

If the complainant is dissatisfied with the superintendent or designee findings and conclusion, the complainant may appeal the decision to the Board within [five] working days of receiving the superintendent's decision. The Board may hold a hearing to review the findings and conclusion of the superintendent, to hear the complaint and to hear and evaluate any other evidence as it deems appropriate. All parties involved, including the school administration, may be asked to attend such hearings for the purposes of making further explanations and clarifying the issues. If the Board chooses not to hear the complaint, the superintendent's decision is final. The complainant shall be informed in writing or in electronic form of the Board's decision within [20] working days from the hearing of the appeal by the Board. The Board's decision will address each allegation in the complaint and contain reasons for the district's decision. The Board's decision will be final.

Complaints against the principal may be filed with the superintendent. Complaints against the superintendent should be referred to the Board chair on behalf of the Board. Complaints against the Board as a whole or individual Board members should be made to the Board chair on behalf of the Board.

[A complainant must file a complaint within the later of either time limit set below, in accordance with state law:

1. Within two years after the alleged violation or unlawful incident occurred or the complainant discovered the alleged violation or unlawful incident. For incidents that are continuing in nature, the time limitation must run from the date of the most recent incident; or
2. Within one year after the affected student has graduated from, moved away from, or otherwise left the district.]

If any complaint alleges a violation of Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) Chapter 581, Division 22 (Division 22 Standards), Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 339.285 to 339.383 or OAR 581-021-0550 to 581-021-0570 (Restraint and Seclusion) or ORS 659.852 (Retaliation), and the complaint is not resolved through the complaint process, the complainant, if a student, a parent or guardian of a student attending a school in the district, or a person who resides in the district, may appeal the district's final decision to the Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction under Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 581-002-0001 - 581-002-0023[(See KL-AR(2) - Appeal to the Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction)].

Refer to School Board Policy [KL](#) Public Complaints

Discrimination Complaints

A student and/or parent with a complaint regarding possible discrimination of a student on any basis protected by law should contact our principal.

The district's final decision may be appealed to the Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction under Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 581-002-0001 – 581-002-0023.

Bias Incident Complaints

All students are entitled to a high-quality educational experience, free from discrimination or harassment based on perceived race, color, religion, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability or national origin.

“Bias incident” means a person’s hostile expression of animus toward another person, relating to the other person’s perceived race, color, religion, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability or national origin, of which criminal investigation or prosecution is impossible or inappropriate. Bias incidents may include derogatory language or behavior.

“Symbol of hate” means nooses*, symbols of neo-Nazi ideology or the battle flag of the Confederacy.

The district prohibits the use or display of any symbols of hate on school property, or in an education program except where used in teaching curriculum that is aligned with state standards of education for public schools.

The complaint process is outlined in administrative regulation ACB-AR - Bias Incident Complaint Procedure.

* [The display of a noose on public property with the intent to intimidate may be a Class A Misdemeanor under Senate Bill 398 (2021)]

Emergency Drills - Fire, Earthquake & Safety Threats

Your child’s safety is our first priority! Instruction and practice on how to respond without confusion and panic to different situations is performed multiple times a year.

Instruction takes place at the beginning of the year and after extended breaks from school. (Winter & Spring Breaks)

At least one fire drill, which includes routes and methods of exiting the school building, will be conducted each month for students in grades K-12. The first fire drill will be conducted within the first 10 days of the school year.

A map/diagram of the fire escape route to be followed is posted near all classroom doorways and reviewed with students. When the fire alarm is sounded, students must follow the direction of staff quickly, quietly and in an orderly fashion.



At least two drills on earthquakes and two drills for safety threats (ALICE*) for students will be conducted each year for students in grades K-12. Drills and instructions for earthquake emergencies shall include the earthquake emergency response procedure of “drop, cover and hold on” during the earthquake. Drills and instruction on safety threats shall include procedures related to lockdown, lockout, shelter in place and

evacuation and other actions to take when there is a threat to safety.

***Alert**-Initial Alert: may be gunshot, Intercom Announcement, etc. (Don't use code words)

Lockdown-If Evacuation is not a safe option, barricade entry points. Prepare Evacuation or Counter if needed.

Inform-Communicate real time info on shooter location. Use clear and direct language using any communication means possible.

Counter-Create Noise, Movement, Distance and Distraction with the intent of reducing the shooters ability to shoot accurately. Counter is NOT fighting.

Evacuate-When safe to do so, remove yourself from the danger zone.

Refer to School Board Policy [EBCB](#) Emergency Drills

English Language Learners

The school provides special programs for ELL or emergent bilingual students. A student or parent with questions about these programs should contact our school principal.

Field Trips

Field trips may be scheduled for educational, cultural or other extracurricular purposes. All students are considered to be “in school” while participating in district-sponsored field trips. This means that students are subject to the school’s student conduct rules, applicable Board policies and other such rules as may be deemed appropriate by the field trip supervisor. If parents wish to chaperone on field trips, they must fill out a [volunteer background check](#) form available on the district website and be approved. This must be done in time to get the results back before the field trip.



Homeless Students

The district provides full and equal opportunity to students in homeless situations as required by law, including immediate enrollment. School records, medical records, proof of residence or other documents will not be required as a condition for admission. A homeless student will be admitted, in accordance with the student’s best interest, to the student’s school of origin or will be enrolled in a district school in the attendance area in which the homeless student is actually living, unless contrary to the request of the parent or unaccompanied student.

Transportation to the student’s school of origin will be provided in accordance with the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. For additional information concerning the rights of students and parents of students in homeless situations or assistance in accessing transportation services, contact **Mr. Eric Acosta, 830-6262**, the district’s liaison for homeless students.

In the event a dispute arises over school selection or enrollment of a student in a homeless situation, the student will be immediately admitted to the school in which enrollment is sought pending resolution of the dispute. The student/parent may appeal the school’s written decision in accordance with the McKinney-Vento

Act dispute resolution and appeal process, including final appeal to the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) State Coordinator. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the district's liaison for students in homeless situations.



Education Standards Complaints

Any resident of the district, or parent of a student attending district schools or a student attending a school in the district may make an appeal or complaint alleging violation of the district's compliance with an educational standard as provided by the State Board of Education. The complainant should first discuss the nature of the alleged violation with the individual involved.

If the complainant wishes to pursue the matter further, the complainant will be provided, upon request, a copy of all applicable district complaint procedures following the complaint process outlined in Board policy KL – Public Complaints and any accompanying administrative regulations.

After exhausting local procedures or if the district has not resolved the complaint within 90 days of the initial filing of a written complaint with the district (whichever occurs first), any complainant may make a direct appeal to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Refer to School Board Policy [IIA-AR](#) Instructional Materials Selection

Instructional Materials Complaints

Complaints by students or parents about instructional materials should be directed to the principal. Should the student or parent, following initial efforts at informal resolution of the complaint, desire to file a formal complaint, a "Challenge Request for Instructional Materials" may be requested from the school office. The principal will be available to assist in the completion of such forms as requested.

All Challenge Request forms must be signed by the complainant and filed with the superintendent. A review committee, in accordance with Board policy, will review the material and forward a recommendation to the superintendent for appropriate action and notification to the complainant. A copy of the committee's recommendation and justification will be forwarded to the complainant together with the superintendent's written decision.

The complainant may appeal the superintendent's decision to the Board, whose decision will be final.

Identification of Talented and Gifted Students

The district serves academically talented and gifted students in grades K-12.

This process of identification shall include at a minimum:

1. Use of evidence-based practices that include a variety of tools and procedures to determine if a student demonstrates a pattern of exceptional performance and/or achievement that is relevant to the

identification of TAG students under ORS 343.395.

2. Collection and use of multiple modes and methods of qualitative and quantitative evidence to allow appropriate members of a student's identification team to make a determination about the identification and eligibility of the students for TAG services, supports and/or programs; with no single test or piece of evidence eliminating a student from eligibility.
3. Use of methods and practices that minimize or seek to eliminate the effects of bias in assessment and identification of students from historically underrepresented populations including, but not limited to:
 - a. Students who are racially/ethnically diverse;
 - b. Students experiencing disability;
 - c. Students who are culturally and/or linguistically diverse;
 - d. Students experiencing poverty; and
 - e. Students experiencing high mobility.
4. Incorporate assessments, tools and procedures that will inform the development of an appropriate plan of instruction for students who are identified as TAG and describe how information from the assessments, tools and procedures used in the identification for TAG students will be used to support development of the plan of instruction.
5. Identify how the educational record under ORS 326.565 of the student being considered will document and reflect the record of the team's decision and the procedures and data used by the team to make the decision.

When a student is identified for TAG, the district shall inform parents of the programs and services available to their student and provide an opportunity for parents to provide input to, and discuss TAG instruction proposed for their student. The instruction provided shall be designed to accommodate the student's assessed levels of learning and accelerated rates of learning. Parents may request the withdrawal of their student from TAG at any time.

Appeals

If a parent is dissatisfied with the identification process or placement of their student, they may submit an appeal through [Board policy KL - Public Complaints and begin at [Step 2] with the superintendent [or designee]] [the accompanying administrative regulation, IGBBA-AR - Appeal Procedure for Talented and Gifted Student Identification and Placement**].

Refer to School Board Policy [IGBBA](#) Identification – Talented and Gifted Students for appeal process.

Infectious Disease Instruction

An age-appropriate plan of instruction about infections/diseases including AIDS, HIV, HBV and HCV has been included as an integral part of the district's health curriculum. The plan of instruction will include age-appropriate child sexual abuse prevention instruction for students in kindergarten through grade 12. Any parent may request that his/her student be excused from that portion of the instructional program required by Oregon law by contacting the principal for additional information and procedures.

*Refer to School Board Policy [IGA1](#) Human Sexuality, AIDS/HIV, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, Health Education***

INFECTION CONTROL/HIV, HBV AND AIDS**

Although HIV, AIDS, and HBV* are serious illnesses, the risk of contracting the disease in school is extremely

low and generally limited to situations where non-intact skin or mouth, eye or other mucous membranes would be exposed to blood or any body fluids contaminated with blood from an infected person. Since any risk is serious, however, the district requires that staff and students approach infection control using standard precautions. That is, each student and staff member is to assume all direct contact with human blood and body fluids is regarded as known to be infectious for HIV, AIDS, HBV, and/or other infectious diseases.

HIV, HBV, AIDS – Students

A student infected with HIV¹, HBV, or AIDS is entitled to remain in a regular classroom setting and eligible for all rights, privileges and services as provided by law and Board policy. The district recognizes that a student (parent) has no obligation to report an HIV, HBV, or AIDS condition diagnosis to the district.

If a student (parent) wishes to divulge such information and continues attending school, the district will meet with the student or representative to develop appropriate procedures.

Individuals with questions regarding these requirements of law or district procedures should contact the superintendent.

Oregon School Safety Hotline

The hotline is available to school age children and other members of the public for the purpose of reporting illegal, suspicious or other questionable activity on school grounds or at school sponsored activities. Accessible 24-hours a day, 7-days a week by toll free telephone call or via the Internet.

Toll-free Hotline: (866) 305-7745

Internet: www.oregonschoolsafety.com

Parental Rights

Parents of students may inspect any survey created by a third party before the survey is administered or distributed by the school to students. Parents may also inspect any survey administered or distributed by the district or school containing one or more of the following items:



1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent;
2. Mental or psychological problems of the student or the student's family;
3. Sex behavior or attitudes;
4. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating or demeaning behavior;
5. Critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships;
6. Legally-recognized privileged or analogous relationships such as those of lawyers, physicians or ministers;
7. Religious practices, affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parents;
8. Income, other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance.

A student's personal information (name, address, telephone number, social security number) will not be collected, disclosed or used for the purpose of marketing or for selling that information without prior notification, an opportunity to inspect any instrument used to collect such information and permission of the student's parent(s) or the student, if age 18 or older.

Instructional materials used as part of the school's curriculum may also be reviewed by the student's parent(s).

Requests to review materials or to excuse students from participation in these activities, including any nonemergency, invasive physical examination or screenings administered by the school and not otherwise permitted or required by state law should be directed to the office during regular school hours.

Private School Attendance

Children who are enrolled by their parents in private schools may participate in publicly funded special education and related services. Federal law allows school districts to limit the amount they spend for these services. If your child is to receive special education services under this provision, the school district will meet with you to develop a service plan describing the services to be provided to your child. Services may be provided on-site at the private school or at a public school. If the services are offered at a public school, the district must offer transportation for the child to access these services.

School districts are not required to pay for the cost of education, including special education and related services of a child with a disability at a private school or facility if the school district made a free appropriate public education available to the child and the parent chose instead to place the child in a private school or facility.



Program Exemptions

Students may be excused from a state-required program or learning activity for reasons of religion, disability or other reasons deemed appropriate by the district. Requests for excusal or accommodation must be in writing and must include the reasons for the request and a proposed alternative for an individualized learning activity which substitutes for the period of time exempt from the program and meets the goals of the learning activity or course being exempt. Requests may be filed by the student's parent or guardian, or by a student who is 18 years of age or older or who is an emancipated minor. Requests must be submitted to the teacher or principal.

Programs & Services Complaints

Individuals with complaints regarding the appropriateness of programs or services provided for TAG students should follow the complaint procedures outlined in Board Policy IGBB-AR Complaints Regarding the Talented and Gifted Program and/or Services KL – Public Complaints.

The complainant may file an appeal with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction if dissatisfied with the decision of the Board or 90 or more days have elapsed since the original filing of a written complaint alleging a violation of standards with the district. An appropriate copy of the OAR will be provided upon request.

School Library – Media Center



Students are invited to check out books from the school’s Media Center. When checking out books, it is the child’s responsibility to return the books the next week. Please assist us in teaching your child how important it is that books are returned in good condition and in a timely manner. You will be charged a replacement fee for lost library books. This price covers the cost of the lost book, processing and shipping and handling.

School Report Card

Each year the Oregon Department of Education evaluates the student performance, student attendance and participation rate of assessment of every public school and District.

More info about school performance can be found at www.ode.state.or.us.

State & District-Wide Assessment

The district’s assessment program shall be designed for the purpose of determining district and school program improvement and individual student needs including the requirements of the Oregon Administrative Rules. Assessments shall be used to measure the academic content standards and Essential Skills and to identify students who meet or exceed the performance standards and Essential Skills adopted by the State Board of Education.



Students may annually opt-out of taking the statewide summative assessments as provided by state law. The district shall provide the required notice and necessary forms for opting out of the statewide assessments to the student. The district shall provide supervised study time for students who are excused from participating in the assessment.

The act of student-initiated test impropriety is prohibited. A student that participates in an act of student-initiated test impropriety will be subject to discipline. “Student-initiated test impropriety” means student conduct that is inconsistent with the Test Administration Manual or accompanying guidance; or results in a score that is invalid.

Student Education Records



The information contained below shall serve as the district’s annual notice to parents of minors and eligible students (if 18 years of age or older) of their rights, the location and district official responsible for education records.

“Education records” are those records directly related to a student and maintained by the district. A student’s education records are confidential and protected from unauthorized inspection or use. All access and release of education records with and without parent and eligible student notice and consent will comply with all state and federal laws.

Directory information can be released in accordance with Board Policy JOB – Directory Information.

Information considered directory information is included under Directory Information Selection and Acknowledgement or Receipt of Handbook. Personally identifiable information shall not be disclosed without parent or eligible student authorization or as otherwise provided by Board policy and law.

Permanent records shall include:

1. Full legal name of student;
2. Name and address of educational agency or institution;
3. Student birth date and place of birth;
4. Name of parent/guardian;
5. Date of entry into school;
6. Name of school previously attended;
7. Course of study and marks received;
8. Data documenting a student's progress toward the achievement of state standards and must include a student's Oregon State Assessment results;
9. Credits earned;
10. Attendance;
11. Date of withdrawal from school[.];]
12. [Other information, i.e., psychological test information, anecdotal records, records of conversations, discipline records, IEP's, etc.]

Providing a student's social security number is voluntary and will be included as part of the student's permanent record only provided by the eligible student or parent. The district will notify the eligible student or parent as to the purposes a social security number will be used. At no point will a student's social security number or student identification number be considered directory information.

Memory aids and personal working notes of individual staff members are considered personal property and are not to be interpreted as part of the student's education records, provided they are in the sole possession of the maker.

Student Information Procedures

In accordance with state and federal regulations, School District 9 may be compelled to provide directory information to state agencies and others. "Directory information" is a legal term for data which may include the student's name, address, telephone listing, photograph, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in activities and sports, dates of attendance, awards and degrees earned and most recent school attended.

This information will be furnished at the request of interested parties. The District does not ordinarily supply telephone numbers or birth information, but regulations require that the District provide this information if requested unless parents have asked in writing that it not be given. In that case, the District is not allowed to release the student's name and other directory information for programs, honors or awards.



Parents wishing any of the information withheld must notify the school within 15 days of this annual public

notice. Parents of students enrolling at any other time of year shall be granted two weeks after enrollment to give the written notice if they wish to withhold any or all of the directory information from publications. In the past, this information has been requested by military recruiters, businesses and political groups.

A parent or student 18 years of age or an emancipated student, may not opt out of directory information to prevent the district from disclosing or requiring a student to disclose their name (identifier, institutional email address in a class in which the student is enrolled) or from requiring a student to disclose a student ID card or badge that exhibits information that has been properly designated directory information by the district in policy [JOA-Directory Information](#).

Searches/Questioning

District officials may search a student, their personal property and property assigned by the district for the student's use on district property or when the student is under the jurisdiction of the school when there is reasonable suspicion based upon specific and articulated facts to believe that the student personally poses or is possession of some item that poses an immediate risk or serious harm to the student, school officials and/or others at the school.



Searches shall be "reasonable in scope", that is, the measures used are reasonably related to the objectives of the search, the unique features of the official's responsibilities, and the area(s) which could contain the item(s) sought and will not be excessively intrusive in light of the age, sex, maturity of the student, and nature of the infraction. Strip searches are prohibited by the district.

District officials may seize any item which is evidence of a violation of law, Board policy, administrative regulation, or school rule, or which the possession or use of is prohibited by such law, policy, regulation, or rule.

District-owned storage areas assigned for student use, such as lockers and desks, may be routinely inspected at any time. Such inspections may be conducted to ensure maintenance of proper sanitation, to check mechanical conditions and safety and to reclaim overdue library books, texts or other instructional materials, property or equipment belonging to the district. The student will generally be permitted to be present during the inspection.

Items found which are evidence of a violation of law, policy, regulation or the Student Code of Conduct may be seized and turned over to law enforcement or returned to the rightful owner, as appropriate.



If law enforcement official is allowed to question or meet with students during the school day or during periods of extracurricular activities, the principal or designee will be present when possible. An effort will be made to notify the parent of the situation except as provided below.

Parents are advised that when an Oregon Department of Human Services or a law enforcement official is questioning a child whom the investigating agent believes may have been a victim of abuse of a child, the investigator may exclude district personnel from the investigation and may prohibit personnel from contacting parents.

Searches – Drug Dog

SAFETY is a job that takes all of us, working together in an ongoing effort, to ensure the safety of everyone. We must keep in mind that schools are the hub of our communities and at times can



serve as an oasis of safety and security for young people. As an integral part of creating an environment that is welcoming and safe for our students, we have every day procedures and protocols in place that were established to protect others. Sometimes, on a less frequent basis, we need to take precautionary measures and implement safety procedures that are purely preventative.

With the support of our local sheriff's department, we may have a dog trained to smell inappropriate substances on campus. We view this as a precautionary measure and want to educate students that any illegal or inappropriate substances will not be tolerated on campus.

As a part of this process our teachers are spending time addressing the issue with students and educating them on the use of the dog. Please know that at some random times this year, a dog may be on campus and will search our facility.

Parents/guardians are encouraged to speak with their student about the use of illegal or inappropriate substances. If you need assistance talking with your student about this, contact the school office.

Sexual Harassment

Sexual harassment is strictly prohibited and shall not be tolerated. This includes sexual harassment of students by staff members, other students or third parties; of staff members by students, other staff members, or third parties; and of third parties by staff members and students.

Direct complaints related to employment may be filed with the US Department of Labor, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries. Direct complaints related to educational programs and services may be made to the Regional Civil Rights Director, US Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, Region X, 915 2nd Ave, Room 3310, Seattle, WA 98174-1099. Additional information regarding filing of a complaint may be obtained through the principal, compliance officer or superintendent.

Refer to School Board Policy JBA/GBN Sexual Harassment

[Refer to Board Policy GBN/JBA-AR Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure](#)

Suspected Sexual Conduct with Students

Sexual conduct by district employees, contractors, agents, and volunteers is prohibited and will not be tolerated. All district employees, contractors, agents, and volunteers are subject to Board Policy JHFF/GBNAA-Reporting Requirements Regarding Suspected Sexual Conduct with Students.

Refer to School Board Policy JHFF/GBNAA

Student Acceptable Use of Technology

Electronic information resources are available to qualifying students in District 9. These resources include the use of the computer and access to the Local Area Network and Internet services. Our Internet System is being filtered by a proxy server. Student use of the Internet is monitored. Students who abuse acceptable



use, which includes, but is not limited to: copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material, pornography, gambling, chat rooms and inappropriate language will be subject to discipline.

To qualify for electronic information resource services, students must be willing to abide by the rules of acceptable use.

Acceptable use means that District 9 students will promise to use the computer and those special learning tools and programs, such as the Internet, with respect. Acceptable use means promising to abide by the school and district rules as outlined here and as will be taught to students by teachers and computer specialists at school. The use of these electronic teaching and learning tools are designed to support your child's education. If rules are broken, a student may lose his/her privilege in using the computer and the Internet.

When using the computer to write, send or to receive messages or information, always use kind and proper language and abide by the rules of friendliness. Treat others and equipment with respect. Anything written or received, using electronic machines may be viewed by others with or without their knowledge. Abuse or vandalism of the equipment will not be tolerated. Show respect for property, others and self. The computer and electronic resources belong to the school district. Do not do things on the computer that would be against the rules, the law, or may be looked upon as dishonest. Use the computer and the Internet for appropriate educational purposes only.



Eagle Point School District has provided iPads to all students for educational purposes. We highly encourage parents to participate in their child's learning by using the iPad in the home as well. An Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) is read and signed by all parents/guardians and students each year to indicate understanding of, and agreement with, the policies associated with the use of the iPads. We ask that students and parents/guardians do not share the device with anyone else who has not read and signed the AUP.

Students or volunteers may report cyber bullying anonymously. Remedial action shall not be based solely on an anonymous report.

It is advised that students not tell or show others any personal or family information over the Internet, such as: home address, phone numbers, passwords, personal photos when used with names, or Social Security numbers. Keep personal and electronic information, including your username and password, private.

A link to our website with more information can be [accessed here](#).

Student Insurance

The School District does not provide accident insurance for students. The District shall not be responsible for costs of treating injuries or assume liability for any costs associated with an injury. However, the School Board has recognized an economical student accident insurance package from Meyers-Stevens & Toohey & Company called a "MID Plan." Parents are responsible for paying premiums—if coverage is desired. More information about student accident insurance is available with registration/orientation materials.

Student Restraint and Seclusion

The district has developed a policy and administrative regulation to define the circumstances that must exist and the requirements that must be met prior to, during, and after the use of restraint or seclusion as an intervention with district students (see Board Policy JGAB – Use of Restraint or Seclusion and the accompanying administrative regulation)

If restraint or seclusion continues for more than 30 minutes the student must be provided with adequate access to bathroom and water every 30 minutes. If restraint or seclusion continues for more than 30 minutes, every 15 minutes after the first 30 minutes, an administrator for the district must provide written authorization for the continuation of the restraint or seclusion, including providing documentation for the reason the restraint or seclusion must be continued. If restraint or seclusion continues for more than 30 minutes, school staff will attempt to immediately notify parents or guardians verbally or electronically.

Following an incident involving the use of restraint or seclusion, school staff will provide parents or guardians of the student the following:

1. Verbal or electronic notice of the incident by the end of the school day when the incident occurred.
2. Written documentation of the incident within 24 hours that provides:
 - a. A description of the restraint or seclusion including:
 - (1) The date of the restraint or seclusion;
 - (2) The times the restraint or seclusion began and ended; and
 - (3) The location of the incident.
 - b. A description of the student's activity that prompted the use of restraint or seclusion;
 - c. The efforts used to de-escalate the situation and the alternatives to restraint or seclusion that were attempted;
 - d. The names of staff of the public charter school who administered the restraint or seclusion;
 - e. A description of the training status of the staff of the public charter school who administered the restraint or seclusion, including any information that may need to be provided to the parent or guardian; and
 - f. Timely notification of a debriefing meeting to be held and of the parent's or guardian's right to attend the meeting.
3. If the restraint or seclusion was administered by a person without training, the administrator will ensure written notice is issued to the parent or guardian of the student that includes the lack of

training, and the reason why a person without training administered the restraint or seclusion. The administrator will ensure written notice of the same to the superintendent.

An administrator will be notified as soon as practicable whenever restraint or seclusion has been used.

A district Restraint and/or Seclusion Incident Report Form must be completed and copies provided to those attending the debriefing meeting for review and comment.

A documented debriefing meeting must be held within two school days after the use of restraint or seclusion; staff members involved in the intervention must be included in the meeting. The debriefing team shall include an administrator. Written notes shall be taken and a copy of the written notes shall be provided to the parent or guardian of the student.

If serious bodily injury or death of a student occurs in relation to the use of restraint or seclusion, written notification of the incident must be provided to the Department of Human Services within 24 hours of the incident.

If serious bodily injury or death of a staff member occurs in relation to the use of restraint or seclusion, written notification of the incident must be provided to the superintendent within 24 hours of the incident, and to the union representative for the affected person, if applicable.

The district will maintain a record of each incident in which injuries or death occurs in relation to the use of restraint or seclusion.

The use of a seclusion cell is prohibited.

[Student Suicide Prevention-refer to board policy JHH](#)

Title IA Services

Eagle Point middle School provides special services for struggling pupils. Parents of eligible students are encouraged to become involved in the school's Title IA program efforts. Annual Title IA meetings will be held to inform parents of the school's participation in and requirements of Title IA.

All D9 Elementary School teachers and instructional assistants have met state qualifications and licensing criteria as per Every Student Succeeds Act legislation.

For Title IA information and parent notices, please visit our [webpage](#).

Transfer of Student

Requests that a student attend a district school other than the student's assigned school within his/her regular attendance boundary must be made by the parent/guardian and submitted electronically to the principal or designee of the school the student currently resides. Applications are available on the district website (www.eaglepnt.k12.or.us) and will be accepted from April 1 through May 31



for the following school year. Requests made after May 31 may be considered in unusual circumstances, at the principal's discretion.

Eagle Point School District 9 will not release students to attend a school in another district except under hardship status. Please visit our website (www.eaglepnt.k12.or.us) for detailed transfer information under Parents & Students.

School Board policies [JECF](#), [JECF-AR](#), [JECB-AR](#), [JECBB](#), [JECBB-AR](#) speak specifically to transfers and principals are to adhere to the guidelines described within.

Transportation of Students

A student being transported on district-provided transportation is required to comply with the Student Code of Conduct. Any student who fails to comply with the student code of conduct may be denied transportation services and shall be subject to disciplinary action.

Underage Drinking Hotline

If you see or know of underage drinking, contact the Party Dispersal Tipline; 973-7756 or 1-888-608-7632.



Visitors at School



Our classrooms are highly specialized teaching/learning environments. Parents are welcome to visit in support of their child's educational program when visits will not compromise the teaching and learning environment or schedule. Activities such as student testing, one-on-one tutoring and other specialized schedules or therapy generally are not appropriate times to visit. Because of the nature of our classrooms and our students, a strict protocol of confidentiality must be followed. Parents wishing to visit should inform the teacher/office and the reason for the visit. At this time all visitors must go through the district volunteer process. Go to <https://www.eaglepnt.k12.or.us/page/202> for more information.

1. Parents will need to check into the office first and receive a visitor's pass.
2. Parents will have opportunities to observe their child/children in the classroom.
3. Other students in the classroom will not be the focus of observation or focus of concern for a visiting parent.
4. Confidentiality will be maintained at all times, including outside the classroom and the school.
5. Parents will support the current individual learning plans which include IEP's, 504's and/or behavior plans, without alterations, while in the classrooms and throughout the school.
6. Other staff will not be addressed by visiting parents with the intent to alter any student's learning plan/ IEP, 504 and/or behavior plan.

7. The learning environment and culture of the classrooms will not be affected by visitors. If at any time the presence of a classroom visitor becomes distracting to the teaching/learning environment, the visit will need to end.
8. Parents wishing to discuss observations, questions, or concerns about their visit may make an appointment with the school administrator.
9. Visiting privileges may be suspended or terminated for any parent who is verbally abusive or inappropriate to staff or students, or whose presence causes disruption in the classroom.
10. Visits will be infrequent and of short duration, however longer observation periods may be arranged and approved by the administration on a case-by-case basis.
11. Visiting parents who have IEP, 504 and/or behavior plan questions or concerns may contact the IEP case manager and school administrator. (Office phone number [541-878-1400](tel:541-878-1400))

Volunteers at School

Volunteers and community partners play an important role in Eagle Point School District 9. Each day in every school, volunteers support and encourage staff and students, and take an active role in helping every student achieve. Through their contributions of time, energy, inspiration and expertise, volunteers often report they receive more than they give.

Anyone may apply to become a volunteer. Before taking part in a volunteer activity, applicants must go through the district volunteer process and be cleared. We will not be allowing visitors during school hours at this time.



If you would like to become a volunteer please apply online. [Click here](#) to go directly to the application.

The following is an outline of the procedure:

1. Anyone may apply to become a volunteer. Before taking part in a volunteer activity, applicants must complete a criminal background check.

Per state mandate, volunteers working in schools and interacting with students must be vaccinated or have an exception. During the application process a link will be provided to upload your Vaccine Card or Exception request.
2. Once an approval email is received, let your child's teacher know of your interest to volunteer.
3. The name of each volunteer will be added to the school-wide 'volunteer pool' list that will allow each individual to volunteer in classrooms or escort/attend field trips.
4. All volunteers, including field trip volunteers must check-in at the school office to sign-in and receive a volunteer pass.

Notes:

- This background check process takes one to two weeks to complete. Please do not wait until the day before (or even a few days before) a field trip to begin the process.
- If you completed a background check form during the previous 5 years and have not moved out of

Oregon, it may not be necessary to complete a new form.

- Younger siblings are not allowed to attend with the volunteer, and/or visit during instructional time, due to the potential for disruption of teaching and learning.
- Family pets are not allowed on field trips.

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School Board "Regular Meeting" Schedule

Jackson County School District 9 Board meetings begin at 6:30 PM at the Admin Board Room located at 11 N Royal, Eagle Point on the second Wednesday of each month. Please refer to www.eaglepnt.k12.or.us for more details.