Student Code of Conduct Summary

Academic Integrity

- Students have the responsibility to always uphold academic integrity and social responsibility in the school community.
- Students engaging in academic dishonesty will result in disciplinary action.

Attendance

- It is the expectation that students are present in classrooms during scheduled class periods under the supervision of staff to maximize learning and to maintain a safe environment.
- Students may only leave class with staff permission and must follow school protocols for passes and transitions. Students must be in designated areas for scheduled lunch breaks or school sponsored activities.
- Tardies and skipping will result in disciplinary action.
- Students with high numbers of unexcused absences may not attend school events, may get referred to YFA, and may have their driver's license suspended.

Cell Phone/ WCD Policy

- Students who bring Wireless Communication Devices/Cell Phones/Electronics to school must ensure that they remain on silent mode and completely out of view for the entire school day except for the student's lunch period in the cafeteria, or as expressly authorized by the classroom teacher for a specific instructional activity.
- If WCD/Cell phones/electronics are seen during class-time or passing, they will be confiscated, and consequences will be given.

Closed Campus & No Outside Food or Food Deliveries

- Students may not leave campus anytime without school and parent permission.
- Students are not allowed to have any outside restaurant food on campus or have any outside food delivered to them by any means during the school day.

Dress Code

- Clothing must fully cover front, back, sides, and all under-garments.
- Shirts must have sleeves or straps and extend to the waistband of pants/shorts/skirts.
- No hats, hoods, or head coverings
- Please see the Student Code of Conduct Rules of Dress and Appearance for the full list of what is allowed or not allowed for students to wear.

Interpersonal Interactions/ Respect and Civility

- Unacceptable interpersonal interactions will result in the corresponding levels of discipline according to the Discipline Matrix. These actions include but are not limited to:
 - o Inappropriate public display of affection

- Verbal altercation, instigating a fight, harassment of any kind, or unwanted teasing or taunting of others
- o Defiance, disobedience or disrespect towards any school personnel
- o Profane, obscene or provocative language or gestures
- o Fighting, physical confrontation, physical aggression
- o Intimidating school staff or students or threatening them with violence
- Sexual harassment or sexual acts of any kind
- All stakeholders (students/parents/guardians/staff members) must always interact with respect and civility for the good of the entire school community.
- Please see the Pasco County School District School Board Policy for details concerning Respect and Civility and the potential consequences for any violations.

Unauthorized Items

- Unauthorized items include but are not limited to:
 - o Tobacco products, cigars, cigarettes, vape pens, e-cigarettes, or look-alike items
 - o Matches, lighters, fireworks, smoke/stink bombs, laser pens, or similar items
 - o Medications that violate the Over the Counter (OTC) medication policy
 - Drugs, alcohol, controlled substances, drug related items, or substance represented to be a drug
 - Dangerous objects including razor blades, box cutters, common pocketknives, airsoft guns, mace/pepper spray, chemicals, live ammunition/bullets, imitation/look-alike weapons or similar items
 - Weapons or firearms of any kind
- In the interest of school safety, school authorities may search a student, their possessions, locker, property, vehicle, etc., with or without the student/parent consent, whenever they reasonably suspect that a violation of law or school rules has occurred or is occurring.

For the full 2024-25 Student Code of Conduct, please refer to this QR code:

