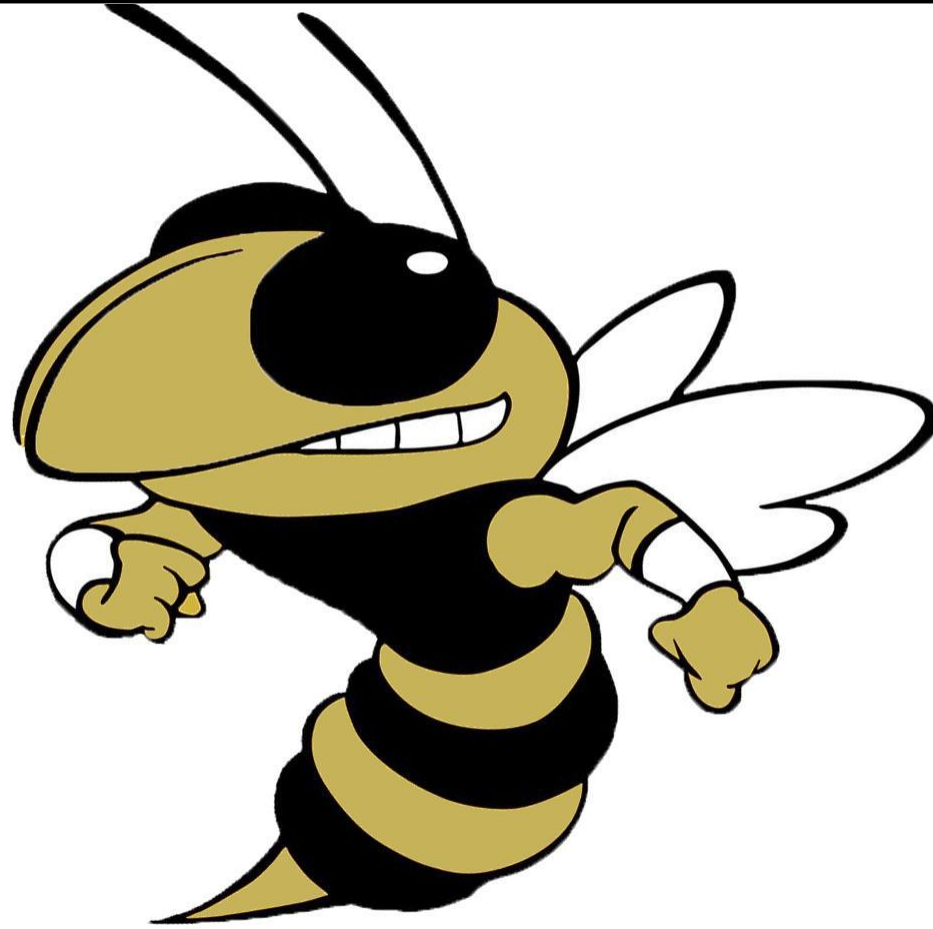


Welcome



McCants Policies

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- **Additional Policies are located in the Student Code of Conduct. You can also access information using Registration Gateway.**
 - **Your individual teachers will also have additional policies and guidelines for their classroom.**

Arrival

- **Students should not arrive at school prior to 7:30 am.**
- **All students (bus, car, walker) will report to cafeteria from 7:30 to 7:50.**
- **All bus riders that would like to eat breakfast between 7:50 - 8 will do so in the cafeteria.**
- **Bus students that arrive after 8 am and wish to get school breakfast must use the breakfast cart, instead of cafeteria.**
- **Car riders that would like to eat breakfast must do so before 7:50.**
- **After 8 am bus riders may get breakfast from the cart to be eaten on the way to homeroom. Bus riders may not take food or drink from cafeteria into homeroom.**
- **Arrival after 8:10 am must report to office first, must sign in and report to class asap.**

Dismissal

- **Announcements start at 3:25 and walkers will be released.**
- **Bus riders released at 3:30.**
- **Car riders released at 3:35.**
- **All remaining bus students escorted to cafeteria at 3:45.**

After School Activities

- **If you stay after school for any activity (sports, arts, clubs, detention, etc.), you must be picked up at the designated time.**
- **If you stay after school with a teacher, you should remain with your teacher until your parent/guardian arrives.**
- **Only students participating in the activity may stay on campus. Siblings, Friends, Relatives may not stay after school with you or stay to watch the activity.**

No Food or Drink

Only drink allowed
at MMS is
WATER!

(exception lunchtime in lunch room)

Hall Passes

- **Students must have a hall pass to travel anywhere on campus during class time.**
- **Hall passes must have your name at the top and have the details completed along with a teacher signature.**
- **A sign in/out form will be provided by your teacher.**
- **Students may only be in approved areas on campus.**
- **If you are in an unauthorized area or without a signed hall pass, you will receive an office referral for being out of area.**

Seating Chart

- **Each classroom will have an assigned seating chart.**
- **Locate your name and quietly have a seat.**
- **You are required to enter the room quietly and sit only in your assigned seat.**
- **Students are not allowed to sit on top of the desks at anytime during the day.**

Warm-Up Assignment

- The Warm-Up assignment will be on the board each day (or where your individual teacher has designated.)
- Upon arriving to class, you should go directly to your seat and begin the Warm-Up assignment.
- The Warm-Up allows the teacher time to take attendance and retrieve materials for students who were absent earlier in the week. Consequently, there should be *no talking* as you enter the classroom.
- Talking during the Warm-Up is considered classroom interference.

Warm-Up Assignment

- If you have a question upon arriving to the classroom, wait until the Warm-Up is completed.
- Typically the Warm-Up will take two to five minutes.
- When you finish the Warm-Up, you may read any chapter in your textbook or activity/ procedure as directed from your teacher.

Absences

- **Students are responsible for making up missed work within five days.**
- **Students are responsible for meeting with teacher to discuss/obtain missing work.**
- **Students need to bring a written excuse from home and / or medical professional and give to their homeroom teacher or main office.**

Tardies

Students must be responsible for arriving to school and to each class ON TIME.

- **School starts at 8:10 am.**
- **Arrive in time to prepare for your day.**
- **You must be in your HR seat ready to start at the 8:10 bell.**
- **If you arrive late, you must report to the office for a tardy pass.**
- **You must be in your seat ready to work in each class by tardy bell.**

Tardies

Students must be responsible for arriving to school and to each class ON TIME.

Tardy Policy:

- **5th Tardy – Warning**
- **10th Tardy – Lunch detention in ISS, Parent Conference**

Dress Code

Dress Code is strictly enforced!

Boys: Sagging Pants

Girls: Cleavage and length of shirt, dress, skirt etc.

- **When wearing leggings, the shirt/top must cover crotch and rear end.**

Review Dress Code Policy in Your Code of Conduct booklet.

Sign and return Dress Code Contract!

Dress Code

Dress Code is strictly enforced!

- **1st Violation** - student will receive a warning. If student is unable to remedy the problem, the student will be placed into ISS. Student completes Dress Code Violation form.
- **2nd , 3rd , 4th Violation** – Administrative Referral , Dress Code Violation Form.
- **5th Violation** - Administrative Referral , Dress Code Violation Form, Parent Conference.
- **Subsequent Violations** may result in OSS or Expulsion.

Buses

- **All school rules apply on the bus.**
- **The transportation handbook has additional rules for your safety and the safety of others.**
- **Riding the bus is a privilege that may be revoked if students do not adhere to the bus and school rules.**
- **Permission to Ride forms are available in the main office. You must get these each day BEFORE 3:00 pm. Parents or guardians must be called for verification so it is not possible after 3 pm.**

Mobile Devices

- **May only connect to internet through Anderson School District Five Server. No cellular or data services**
- **Device should be kept securely put away in backpack or purse at all times.**
- **If a teacher or staff member sees a phone it will be turned into the main office for pickup.**
- **First offense student may pick up device during announcement time.**
- **Second offense and after must have parent or guardian pick up phone.**

Mobile Devices

- Must be in silent mode or turned off while on school campuses.
- May not be used to cheat on assignments or tests, or for non-instructional purposes (such as making personal phone calls and text/instant messaging).
- May not be used to record, transmit, or post photographic images or video of a person, or persons on campus during school activities and/or hours.
- May only be used to access files on device, network, or internet sites which are relevant to the classroom curriculum and under the direct supervision of a teacher or school employee.

Mobile Devices

Mobile Devices should not be seen or heard during the school day.

1st Offense– Device confiscated, and student retrieves at the end of the day.

2nd Offense– Device confiscated, and parent/guardian (not friends, cousins, neighbors, etc.) can retrieve cell phone.

3rd Offense– Device confiscated, and parent/guardian can retrieve cell phone student receives afterschool detention.

4th Offense– Device confiscated, and parent/guardian can retrieve cell phone student receives one (1) day ISS.

Mobile Devices

Refusal to give the device to a McCants staff member upon request will result in ISS or OSS.

This is considered insubordination.

IDs

- Students will be given ids.
- IDs do not have to be worn.
- Students will need ids to check out books from media center.

Rights

Everyone has the right to:

Attend McCants Middle School in a positive, safe environment that is free from interference.

Limits

No one has the right to:

- **Physically injure themselves, injure others, or threaten injury**
- **Discriminate against others**
- **Damage or destroy materials**
- **Steal from others**
- **Impose on others**
- **Misrepresent to others**
- **Interfere with others**

Discriminate

No one has the right to:

Discriminate against others.

Examples:

- Making fun of someone because of the way they dress, speak, read, or walk
- Making fun of someone because of their religion, race, gender, or economic status
- Trying to make someone else look or feel inferior to you

Violations May Result in Office Referral.

Damage or Destroy

No one has the right to:

Damage or destroy materials (ours, others, or schools.)

Examples:

- Writing in or bending issued textbooks
- Throwing textbooks
- Writing graffiti (bathroom, desks, walls etc.)

Violations May Result in Office Referral.

Damage or Destroy

No one has the right to:

Damage or destroy materials (ours, others, or schools.)

Examples:

- Removing objects from computers (keys, mice etc.)
- Slamming down iPads, Chrome books, etc.
- Altering the appearance of anything issued to you by the school

Violations May Result in Office Referral.

Steal from Others

No one has the right to:

Steal from others, including school property.

Examples:

- Cheating on a test
- Copying someone's homework
- Taking something from someone's person or belongings (purse, backpack) without their permission (No playing around either)
- Taking school property

Violations May Result in Office Referral.

Impose on Others

No one has the right to:

Impose our will on others.

Examples:

- Forcing someone to do something for you (pass a note, clean etc.)
- Violate someone's personal space (feet on someone's desk etc.)
- Taking off shoes, emitting gas, etc.

Violations May Result in Office Referral.

Misrepresent

No one has the right to:

Lie, Cheat, or Falsify

Examples:

- Gossiping – Especially lies.
- Lying – Outright or by omission.
- Forging signature of parent.

Violations May Result in Office Referral.

Interference

No one has the right to:

Interfere with others .

Definition – Anything that disrupts the learning environment for yourself or others.

Most Common Discipline Issue in School

Violations Result in Warning, Action Plan and Office Referrals

Interference

Examples:

Pounding or tapping pen/pencil on the desk (some people find this annoying.)

Exaggerated yawn, sneeze, cough.

Crumbling-up paper in such a way that it disrupts the learning environment.

Yelling out answers or questions without permission-- This prevents others from contributing to class participation and impedes upon their learning.

Humming, singing, rapping, tapping, or any noise that disrupts learning.

Sharpening pencils during class time can be interfering as some students continue to sharpen their pencil until it annoys everyone in the classroom.

Violations Result in Warning, Action Plan and Office Referrals

Interference

Examples:

Slamming the door when you enter or leave disrupts the learning environment.

Entering the classroom late and yelling out.

Constantly giggling.

Making strange noises – gun noises, voices, talking to yourself, etc.

Passing notes.

Rolling fingers loudly on desk.

Popping knuckles.

Violations Result in Warning, Action Plan and Office Referrals

Interference

Examples:

Moving around in your desk in a manner which creates a noise.

Clapping hands (when it is not in proper context.)

Violations Result in Warning, Action Plan and Office Referrals

Interference

Violations For Interfering With Others Will Result in Progressive Discipline Actions - Warning, Action Plan and Office Referrals

First time a student interferes in a class:

Student receives a warning, and his or her name is recorded by the teacher.

Second time a student interferes in the same class:

Student receives a check next to his or her recorded name and receives a teacher detention. This detention may be scheduled before or after school or lunch. The teacher calls parent that day and student serves the detention on the designated day. While serving detention, the student completes an “Action Plan.” The student must be reflective in their writing, use complete sentences, and be respectful and accountable in their responses. The teacher will turn in action plan to assistant principal.

Third time a student interferes in the same class:

Teacher buzzes office for an interference referral. A staff member comes to classroom to remove student. Teacher will complete a referral to be dealt with by admin asap.

Interference

Action Plan for Classroom Interference

1. **What did you do or were you accused of doing?**
(May not respond “nothing.”)
2. **Why did you do that?**
3. **List three other actions you could have chosen to do instead:**
4. **What will happen to you next time?**

Interference

Violations For Interfering With Others Will Result in Progressive Discipline Actions - Warning, Action Plan and Office Referrals

Habitual Offenders:

When a student has interrupted instruction four times on multiple days a referral will be written.

If a student serves four (4) detentions for interference with the same teacher, a **Parent Conference** will be required. Once a student has reached that limit - they will receive a referral after first warning.

The teacher will ask an administrator to attend this conference.

The 3 Rs of MMS

Respectful

Responsible

Ready

