

MPHS Vision

To inspire all students to experience success

MPHS Mission

MPHS exists to inspire in its students a passion for learning and a commitment to personal integrity and academic excellence. Students will be empowered to become self confident, creative, socially responsible and globally aware..

MPHS Policies

Headgear-

NO headgear (Hats, Hoodies, Do-Rags, Bandanas, Scarf's, ETC.) is to be worn inside the buildings AT ANY TIME by males or females. Bandanas and Do-rags are not allowed on campus at anytime.

Disruption-

MPHS adheres to a simple philosophy regarding student behavior. Students and teachers have a right to learn and teach. Any student who infringes on this right loses his\her privilege to be in class. Classroom disruption from rude, unruly students will not be tolerated.

Refusal to Comply with School Personnel-

Students are expected to comply with any reasonable request of school personnel. Those who choose not to comply will suffer consequences based on administrative decision.

Truancy-

Students shall be regular and punctual in attendance at school and in all classes. Truancy results in disciplinary action taken by administrators.

Fighting or Physical Violence-

Fighting and physical violence presents a serious threat to the safety of the students and faculty. The administration is committed to providing a safe environment for all students. MPHS will not tolerate any violent behavior. If students use violence in school the following will take place.

- A warrant will be taken under the provisions of State Law for Disorderly Conduct.
- Out of School Suspension for ten (10) days.
- Recommendation for exclusion
- Due Process Hearing

Inappropriate Dress-

Student dress should reflect positively on the student and school. Students shall dress in a manner that is not distracting to themselves, to other students and does not interfere with the orderly process of instruction.

The school administration exercises reasonable judgment in determining appropriate student dress. Inappropriate dress includes, but is not limited to short shorts, short mini-skirts, pants hanging below the hips, low -cut shirts, sleeveless shirts/dresses (including: tank tops, spaghetti strap tops, etc.) clothes exposing the midriff, distracting tight clothing, offensive symbols/language on clothing, exposed underwear and bedroom slippers. Students will be sent home to change clothes.

- First offense: Student will correct improper dress.
- Repeated offenses: Detention or suspension.

Distribution of Literature-

No pamphlets, poster or literature of any kind may be distributed on school grounds without prior approval of the principal.

Card Playing-

No card playing or gambling is allowed at school.

Cell Phones-

Cell phones are disruptive in the school setting. Any cell phone that is seen or heard between 7:15 am and 2:15 pm will be confiscated. Cell phones will be returned after 3 days for first offense and 7 days for second offense. A parent or guardian will need to pickup up the phone. Refusal to surrender the cell phone upon request will result in a suspension from school.

Electronics and Electronic Games-

The possession of radios, CD's, CD players, cassette players, cameras, video games, or beepers is not allowed on school grounds. Such items will be confiscated and can be returned to the student after three days.

School Based Consequences

Lockout

Lockout is a classroom setting in which students that are late to the class utilize as a study hall. Students may not enter into a classroom late without an excused pass signed by a teacher. Multiple visits to lockout are dealt with by an administrator and may result in a suspension from school. Lockout visits are recorded on a semester basis.

Lockout Consequences

IF A STUDENT REPORTS TO LOCKOUT TWO TIMES IN ONE DAY, the student is assigned 1 day of OSS.

After School Detention

After School Detention (ASD) is for more serious infractions that interfere with the learning process. Administrators will assign after school detention as a consequence for disciplinary and code of conduct infractions. ASD will be held in SC 15 Monday – Thursday 2:15 – 4:15. Tardiness to ASD is considered failure to accept detention. Failure to attend will result in a two day out of school suspension.

Saturday School

Saturday School is for more serious infractions that interfere with the learning process of students. Administrators will assign Saturday School as a consequence for disciplinary and code of conduct infractions. Saturday School will be held in the lockout classroom on Saturday from 9:00am – 12:00noon. Tardiness to Saturday School is considered failure to accept an alternative disciplinary action. Failure to attend will result in a two day out of school suspension. Transportation will not be provided.

In-School Suspension (ISS)

In-school suspension (ISS) is a therapeutic disciplinary measure used to establish and maintain an orderly school atmosphere, which is conducive to learning. It is regarded as a severe measure to deal with exception rather than common misbehaviors.

Students are required to spend the designated number of days in the program, and absences from school will not reduce that time. Student's regular academic work is to continue. The ISS Coordinator will assist students in the completion of their assignments from their regular teachers.

Out-Of-School Suspension (OSS)

The Board of Education has established that an educational opportunity is the right of every student and that the school system will seek to provide an atmosphere conducive to the orderly pursuit of this right. Principals attempt to foster the learning process for every child through reasonable means; however, there are occasions when principals must take extreme measures to deal with behaviors that are not acceptable at school.

Out-of-school suspension is a measure taken for the protection of the students and his/her peers and to help the student deal with his/her problem. Principals are required to follow certain steps before suspending a student which include investigating the situation, conferencing with the pupil's parent/guardian and providing written notice of the suspension. The principal determines the number of days for suspension.