

Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the beginning of another successful year here at Plainfield North High School! At the end of each year, our leadership team takes time to reflect on the previous year and adjust where needed. I would like to take a moment to revisit several policies and practices that would be beneficial for you to discuss with your son/daughter over the summer, so that we can all start the new year on the same page.

**Arrival:** Students are given three late arrivals per **semester** before any consequence is issued. These warnings are built in for typical life issues like a car not starting, student oversleeping on a rare occasion, early morning illness, etc. Daily, we take traffic patterns and weather conditions into account when making the decision of whether additional time will be given to students in the morning. Please plan accordingly and do not assume that extra time will be provided for inclement weather (drizzle, light rain, snow, etc.). Therefore, a student that comes in late, (after 7:05 a.m.) will receive a HERO slip. A parent phone call will not excuse a student's tardiness unless it is accompanied by written documentation (i.e, doctor, orthodontist, court). The count will reset after the semester giving students a fresh set of three warnings. Daily attendance is extremely important for overall student success. Therefore, students who miss an excessive number of days may face academic consequences.

**Tardy to Class:** Students are provided with a set amount of time between periods. If a student isn't seated in their next class before the bell rings, they will be sent to receive a HERO slip in front of the media center. After 3 warnings consequences will be issued.

**Dress Code Policy:** The attitude and behavior of the students are influenced by dress and grooming. With the cooperation of the parents, the school will continue to encourage all students to dress in a fashion that reflects good taste and a style appropriate for a school. If a style of dress and grooming appears to be disruptive to the educational process or could constitute a threat to the safety or health of students, it will not be permitted in school. The following rules apply to dress:

- Clothing is to be worn as intended.
- Outerwear is not to be worn in school.
- *Undergarments must not be visible.*
- Extremely short or tight shorts or skirts will not be allowed.
- Clothing exposing mid-bodies, clothing which is "see-through" in nature without appropriate undergarments, or other clothing which is deemed immodest or distracting by the school administration are not to be worn.
- Head coverings such as hats, hoods, bandanas, etc. are not to be worn or carried in the building during school hours unless required for medical or religious reasons.

**Car Riders:** It is our expectation that when dropping off and picking up your student that you pull completely around the circle drive leading to the main entrance so that we can fit in as many cars as quickly as possible. I understand that it may seem convenient for parents to drop off and pick up their child near the N and X doors, however, student and staff safety is a priority and attempting to navigate those areas before and after school can compromise that goal. Therefore, we are requesting that **ALL** parents enter off 248<sup>th</sup> Ave. directly behind the football stadium and **NOT** by the marquee. We would strongly recommend that you give yourself additional time for travel when dropping off and picking up your child.

If you have any questions regarding the content of this letter, please email me at [dweather@psd202.org](mailto:dweather@psd202.org).

Sincerely,

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