

# Grade Level Assemblies- September 2018

## 1. **Introduction and Welcome**

### Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of students:

- To attend all scheduled classes.
- To advise their teachers when they know in advance that they will be absent from classes. It's very difficult to make up lost time. Take care of yourselves by eating and sleeping well.
- To complete all work that was assigned during the absences and reschedule exams if appropriate.

## 2. **Attendance**

Have parents phone in your absence.

After excessive absences there will be a meeting with parents, and possibly an attendance contract.

Regular attendance is mandatory for school success and we want to figure out if there are any barriers to your attendance.

## 3. **Lates**

When the bell goes, that is when teaching begins.

Please be in your class by the time the bell goes, ready to learn.

If you are late arriving to school please go to the office and let Mrs. Pietsch know that you are here. You will require a late slip to return to class. The late slip will have the arrival time on it, so that your teacher can ensure that you went straight to class.

On the 6th late students will be asked to meet with Mrs. Rudnisky our attendance liaison. Following that, next steps will include a letter home and an individual plan for improving timely arrival to class.

## 4. **Counselling**

Mrs. Richardson and Ms. Footz are available for timetable changes, post-secondary information, and personal support/counselling.

To make an appointment please fill out a request slip and leave it in their mailbox.

## 5. **PowerSchool** – student information system

Parents and students should all have access. Includes attendance/lates/marks, etc. If you need help accessing your PowerSchool, Mrs. Pietsch has info in the office.

## 6. **Lockers**

Please keep lockers clean and tidy. We have three locker clean ups a year. Lockers are rented to you. Lockers are the property of EIPS. If admin has reason to suspect storage of harmful items, it can be searched.

Do not share your locker combinations!

## 7. **Cafeteria**

Remember to tidy up after yourself (outside too). A reminder to push in chairs, listen to supervisor requests, and use the garbage and recycling cans that are provided. If you spill something in the microwaves, please use a paper towel to wipe it up. Be respectful to our supervisors. If requests are not followed you may need to find an alternate spot to eat lunch.

8. **Boundaries**

Junior high students are not permitted to be off of school grounds. This includes the front of the building, the store, the elementary school side, and beyond the football field. Junior high students are welcome to eat lunch in the back courtyard, the intramural field and can participate in planned activities outside. Junior high students are not to leave school grounds with a high school student. If a sibling is driving a student to an appointment, please have a parent phone that in to the school office.

We encourage all students to work on developing healthy relationships with same-age peers. For our high school students and our junior high students there is often a different focus academically as well as socially. As such, we expect that for the most part students are spending time with friends and peers that are in the same division (junior high or senior high). Through mentorship and peer leadership activities there are many opportunities for our senior and junior high students to work together in a way that encourages healthy development.

9. **Respectful Behaviour**

Hallway – please be respectful, no swearing, and no running.

Physical aggression – can include horseplay, pushing, shoving etc. Even if the intention was not to hurt another students, accidents can happen. Please avoid any form of interaction that may be seen as aggressive.

Cyberbullyng – can include text messaging, posting, YouTube, etc. Our school resource officer (RCMP) will likely be involved.

All students have the right to come to school in a safe and healthy environment.

All of the school expectations carry over to student transportation. Students are expected to conduct themselves in the same way on busses as they do at school. This also applies to field trips. You are representatives of Ardrossan Junior/Senior, we expect you to represent us well.

10. **Dress Code**

The school is a place of work, as such appropriate office dress (not beach dress) is expected. Students may be asked to wear a shirt inside out, wear a school shirt, or have someone bring them a change of clothes. (No cut off shirts, short skirts etc.)

We ask that student do not wear hats in the hallways. Hats should be kept in lockers, unless a teacher allows it within their classroom. Staff Meeting Day (first Wednesday of every month) is the exception to this. Please be respectful of requests to remove your hat. If hats are still being worn after requests are made, they may be confiscated.

11. **Cell Phone, Technology Use (in particular photos)**

Cell phones should not be used during instructional time. It is expected that teacher requests to put away a cell phone are followed. Grade 7, 8 and 9 should leave phones in their locker or place in the classroom bin or pouch.

Computers are to be used under teacher guidance and in a way that is respectful.

Permission is required to take photos at any school-related activities.

12. **Smoking/Vaping- hanging and meeting in or near washrooms**

No smoking anywhere around school. Automatic suspension if we suspect smoking/vaping. Items will also be confiscated.

13. **Alcohol and Drugs**

Zero tolerance. Consequences as outlined in the student handbook, including lengthy suspension, involvement with RCMP, and/or loss of grad privileges and removal from school.

14. **Vandalism**  
This is our building and we should all take pride in it and take care of it. Vandalism is closely monitored and there are cameras installed inside and outside the school. Students who are caught vandalizing will have consequences and be responsible for restitution.
15. **Parking**  
Soon to be finished!! All students will be parking behind the school. Please keep in mind that there is one entrance in and out of the parking lot. There is going to be a one-way flow of traffic. Traffic will be monitored for safe entrance and exit. Grade 12 students will get the existing grade 12 spots and the former staff stalls that have plug-ins, on a first come/first serve basis. The exception to this is that there are three marked, staff stalls. Those need to be left available for staff members.
16. **Busses**  
For those of you who ride the bus. We have extended our lunch hour which has caused a change to our bell schedule. Classes start a couple minutes early before in the morning and end a few minutes later at the end of the day. It is important that you get out to busses quickly and get directly onto the bus. In years past, a horn has sounded when it is time for the busses to depart. This is no longer the case. If you do not get on the bus right away, there is a good chance you could miss your bus.
17. **School Constable (SRO) – Rick Green**
18. **Mental Health Capacity Building Program** (formerly known as KEYS)- Karen Haugen
19. **Extra-curricular activities**  
Lots of things to do. Lots of teams to try out (27 different sport teams). Get involved. Being involved in your school only enhances your junior high and high school experience.

Thank you for getting involved. Welcome Week. Clubs- Students Council/Leadership  
Football game –Next Thursday September 13th, 7:30 p.m. Riel Park!!  
Tri-City Volleyball Friday, September 14 and Saturday, September 15  
Come out and cheer on our team