



Venado Middle School

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VENADO MISSION STATEMENT

“To lead each student to recognize their greatest gifts and to reach their highest potential.”

ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

Students are expected to demonstrate honesty and integrity while at Venado Middle School. Each student is expected to do his/her own work, including homework, test-taking, class and computer based assignments, and the creation of essays and compositions. **There is no distinction between giving or receiving unauthorized help; the one who helps to cheat will be held as accountable as the one who benefits from the cheating.**

The following actions may be considered cheating:

1. Claiming credit for work that is not the product of one's own effort.
2. The lending, copying or giving of answers or information on any assignment or test to acquire credit.
3. Forging or falsifying of any school/teacher records or forms.
4. Behaviors like talking, looking at a peer's paper, or any action that gives the appearance of dishonest behavior during a testing situation.

Students who cheat should expect to be confronted and held accountable by Venado staff and will be held subject to the following consequences:

1. Zero/no credit on the test/assignment
2. Notification of parent/guardian
3. Lower citizenship/work habits marks
4. Referral to the office and completion of a Behavior Document

ATTENDANCE

Attendance will be taken daily and reported to the office. When a student is going to be absent, the parent/guardian must phone the 24-hour Attendance Line at 949-936-6801 and leave a message by 8:15 AM each day of the absence. When calling, please give the student's full legal name, reason for absence and date(s), the caller's name and relationship to the student. Absences not cleared by a phone call or note will be marked unexcused/cut and the student is considered truant by the State. **As defined by the State of**

California, an absence is considered excused for the following reasons only: illness, death in the family, religious holiday, doctor/dental appointment or student's appearance in court. To excuse an absence for a medical appointment, a note from a medical professional is due within 3 school days of a student's return to school.

A doctor's note is required to excuse a student's absence for a medical appointment.

Whenever possible, parents/guardians are encouraged to make doctor or dental appointments after school hours, on Minimum or Late Start days.



If you miss school...miss out!

In the event of excessive absences due to illness, a doctor's note or other verification may be requested to excuse an absence per State and District Guidelines. Habitual absences will ultimately result in a referral to School Attendance Review Board (SARB).

Independent Study Contracts

An Independent Study Contract is available for out-of-town trips of five or more school days. The Attendance Clerk must be notified of the trip at least 5 school days prior to the trip. The contract must be taken by the student to each of his/her teachers to have it signed and to have work assigned before the trip begins. To receive credit, the work must be completed and submitted with the contract to the Attendance Clerk on the day the student returns to school. Credit will not be issued if the paperwork is submitted late. Independent Study Contracts are not available during the last month of school.

Tardies

Students are responsible for being on-time to school and to each class period with all materials and assignments required. **Only a dental or doctor's appointment will excuse a student's tardiness to school.** Students must provide a note from the medical professional on the day they return from the appointment. An unexcused tardy of 30 minutes or longer counts as a full day of absence and will be marked unexcused. When students are detained by a staff member, the student should obtain a written pass from that staff mem-

ber BEFORE GOING TO THE NEXT CLASS. Unannounced tardy sweeps are conducted throughout the year. Students who are “swept” up frequently will be referred to the office for disciplinary action.

Tardy Policy

- ⌚ **Tardy #1** = No consequence
- ⌚ **Tardy #2** = Verbal warning
- ⌚ **Tardy #3** = Behavior Document, parent contact & detention
- ⌚ **Tardy #4** = Behavior Documentation, parent contact, community service on school grounds or other consequence and a “N” (needs improvement) in citizenship in the class to which the student is tardy
- ⌚ **Tardy #5+** = Progressive discipline, until behavior has been improved

Leaving School Early

If a student needs to leave school before the end of the school day, a parent/guardian must come into the front office and sign him/her out. Students will be released only to those listed on the Emergency Card who are at least eighteen years of age. Identification may be required.

BEGINNING AND ENDING OF SCHOOL

The school day begins every day, except on Late Start Fridays, with the first bell ringing at 7:53 AM and the tardy bell ringing at 7:58 AM. On Late Start Fridays, the first bell rings at 9:10 AM and the tardy bell rings at 9:15 AM. All students need to be seated in class when the tardy bell rings, or they will be marked tardy. School ends at 2:32 PM every day (including Late Start Fridays). Students may not arrive at school more than 20 minutes early and should leave campus within 20 minutes of the final bell. Adult supervision is not provided beyond these times. Seventh period PE meets from 2:35 PM to 3:25 PM.

BEHAVIOR AND DISCIPLINE

Venado Middle School has established a school-wide Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) plan. This plan focuses on setting high expectations for student behavior, recognizing students for their positive behavior, and holding students accountable for inappropriate behavior. Students are expected to contribute to a positive learning environment, as well as maintain safety and a “hands off” policy on campus. Over the two years being spent at Venado, we hope to instill in all students the qualities of the Venado Honor Code.

Suspension and Expulsion

The Irvine Unified School District enforces a ZERO TOLERANCE policy. This means that students found to be in possession of any firearm, brandishing a knife, or involved in the sale of a controlled substance will be immediately suspended and subsequently recommended for expulsion from the district. The following acts occurring at school, going to or from school or at any school activity are considered to be violations of a section (§) of the California Ed. Code and may lead to suspension and/or expulsion:

- Caused or attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person. §48900(a)(1)
- Possessed, sold or furnished a firearm, knife, explosive, or other

dangerous weapon or replica. §48900(b)

- Possessed, used, sold or furnished, or been under the influence of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant. §48900(c)
- Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion. §48900(e)
- Caused or attempted to cause damage to school or private property. §48900(f)
- Stolen or attempted to steal school or private property. §48900(g)
- Possessed or used tobacco or any products containing tobacco... §48900(h)
- Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity. §48900(i)
- Possessed, offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell drug paraphernalia. §48900(j)
- Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of teachers, administrators, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties. §48900(k)
- Knowingly received stolen school or private property §48900(l)
- Committed sexual harassment... §48900.2

A complete list of the California Ed. Code pertaining to suspension and expulsions can be found at <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

BICYCLES

Bicycle riding is prohibited on campus, sidewalks, parking lot, and/or bus loading zone. Students must park and lock bicycles in the provided area and assume all risk of theft or damage. Bicycle racks are out of bounds during the school day, including at lunch.



California Code requires all minors to wear a helmet when riding a bike and all bicycles, including “Fixies” (fixed gear bicycles), must have brakes. Be sure to obey all traffic regulations when riding to and from school.

Students may NOT ride skateboards, rollerblades, or scooters to school.

CLOSED CAMPUS POLICY

Venado is a closed campus. This means that students are not allowed to leave campus during the school day unless their parent/guardian comes to school to check them out. This policy includes the lunch period. A closed campus also means that non-Venado students, e.g., high school friends, relatives, or students from other schools, are not permitted to visit the school.

COMMUNICATION

It is important that parents/guardians receive information regarding school activities; therefore, it is the students’ responsibility to take all notices and bulletins home to their parents/guardians. Often bulletins will be e-mailed home, so please keep your e-mail address up-to-date. Also, check the website www.venadoms.org for calendar information, announcements, and daily homework.

The Parent Portal (<https://my.iusd.org>) is a source of information on daily attendance and grades. As many teachers post

grades to assignments, tests, and quizzes on the Parent Portal, it is an important way to monitor student achievement.

Parent/Guardian Messages

To keep interruptions to a minimum and to protect the instructional integrity of the classroom, parents/guardians may not leave phone messages for their children with office staff.

Please remember that student cell phones are to be turned off during the school day. Please do not call or send your child a text message during school hours. If there is an emergency, office staff will be happy to take and deliver a message to your child.

DANCE SOCIALS

ASB/Leadership sponsors several dance/socials during the school year. All dances will be held in the Venado Commons. Parents/guardians and teachers act as chaperones. Students who do not abide by school and dance rules may be excluded from the present or future dances, lose privileges or be suspended from school. In addition, students who are ineligible are not allowed to attend a dance. See Eligibility heading for detailed information.



Dance passes may be purchased at the beginning of the school year. These passes will be noted on the students' ID card. For students who do not purchase a dance pass, tickets will be sold at the door. Students **MUST HAVE A PERMISSION SLIP** with a phone number and parent/guardian signature in order to buy a dance ticket.

Day dances begin at 3:00 PM and end at 5:00 PM. Students will not be admitted to a dance if they arrive later than 30 minutes after the dance begins.

1. Dances are for Venado students only.
2. Students must attend school the full day of the dance in order to attend.
3. Students must show their Venado ID card to enter the dance.
4. Using cell phones and cameras at school dances/socials is not permitted.
5. Students must enter the dance boundaries through appropriate entrances upon arrival and remain within the dance boundaries until the end of the dance; students may leave early **ONLY** if their parents/guardians pick them up.
6. Parents/guardians are to pick students up promptly at the end of the dance.
7. Students must demonstrate behavior appropriate to the dance and abide by all school rules.
8. Students must have an adult available by telephone during dance hours.

DRESS CODE

The students' dress and grooming habits are primarily determined by the parents/guardians with the following guidelines: Students are expected to be neat, clean and wear shoes that are appropriate to the learning environment.

Clothing that is hazardous, obscene, disruptive, or makes refer-

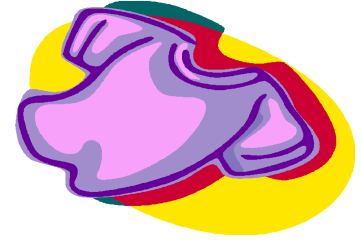
ences to substances illegal for school age students is prohibited. Excessively torn, baggy or sagging clothes, exposed undergarments or articles of clothing that emulates any "gang" type appearance (including bandanas) are not permitted. Any apparel, jewelry, accessories, notebooks, or manners of grooming which disrupt school operations or are associated with a group that advocates or commits unlawful acts are also prohibited.

Skirts, dresses and shorts, must be at least finger tip length

(Tip: Put your hands to your side, if you feel material you're within the dress code, if not, you need to choose something else to wear).

Low cut clothing or halter tops, midriffs, tanks with straps with less than two inches wide **(Tip: measure**

the width of 3-4 fingers at the knuckles), exposed undergarments, or clothing which is revealing or provocative is not permitted. Hoods, hats, visors, or beanies are not to be worn at school. Additionally, students may not wear pajamas or slippers to school.



ELIGIBILITY

Activities are provided as incentives for all students that are performing academically and behaviorally at Venado Middle School including clubs, dances, field trips, after school and end of the year activities. The following are requirements to remain eligible:

1. **Grade Point Average (GPA)** - GPA of 2.0 or better without multiple F's in core academic classes (Math, Science, Language Arts and Social Science) for the previous trimester. *All students are eligible for the first trimester. Eligibility is re-evaluated after each trimester report card for all students. Eligibility for end-of-the-year activities is based on the third trimester progress report*.*
2. **Citizenship Marks** - Maintaining no marks of "U" (unsatisfactory) or multiple "Ns" (needs improvement) in Citizenship for the previous trimester. *Eligibility for end-of-the-year activities will be based on marks on the third trimester progress report*.*
3. **Proper Conduct** - No egregious behavior and/or suspensions for the previous trimester (or the current trimester for end-of-the-year activities).
4. **Regular Attendance** - Less than 3 unexcused absences (3 unexcused absences or more will result in loss of eligibility status).
5. **Punctuality** - Less than 4 tardies per trimester (4 tardies or more will result in loss of eligibility status).

* Ineligible students will be given the opportunity to have an end-of-the-year progress sheet completed to update their current grades, GPA and citizenship status for eligibility.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Current emergency information, including names, employment, and home and work phone numbers must be provided by parents/guardians. If this information changes during the school year, please contact the office at (949) 936-6800 with the up-

dated information or go to the Parent Portal (<https://my.iusd.org>) to make the change. By California Educational Code, in the event of an emergency (natural disaster, physical injury or illness), we can release your child only to those identified on the Release Screen.

FORGOTTEN ITEMS

In order to promote greater responsibility, self-reliance, to minimize interruptions of the instructional environment and to prepare students for high school and beyond, office staff will NOT accept forgotten items, e.g., homework, projects, library books, musical instruments, etc. If a student forgets to bring his/her lunch to school, a parent/guardian may place the lunch in the "Forgot Lunch Box" in the office; however, office staff will not be responsible for the delivery of the lunch. It is the student's responsibility to check the box during passing periods, break or lunch. Unclaimed lunches will be discarded at 4 PM the same day.

HEALTH SERVICES

Students with a temperature of less than 100 degrees may attend school; those with a temperature of 100 degrees or higher will need to be picked up by a parent/guardian or remain at home. Office personnel provide minor first aid, while paramedics respond to serious emergencies.

Students are not to have any medication in their possession, including over-the-counter medications. If it is necessary to take medication during school hours, please obtain, complete and return the proper forms from the Health Office. All medications must be in the prescription bottle and will be administered according to the physician's directions by the School Nurse, Health Clerk or an office staff member. Parents/guardians should notify the School Nurse or Health clerk of any change in medical status or medication change without delay.

HOMEWORK

Homework is an important part of the learning process. The purpose of homework is to reinforce classroom learning and to prepare for the next day's class and new learning. Students are expected to use this Student Planner to record their daily assignments in order to support development of organizational and time management skills. To support students, parents/guardians are



asked to check their child's Student Planner daily for information about assignments and due dates.

Homework is assigned on a regular basis for Math, Language Arts, Social Science, Science and Foreign Language. Students are responsible for completing their homework within the time given and are expected to turn it in on-time. Students who have been absent are responsible for making up all the homework, tests, and assignments missed during the absence. To assist in supporting parents/guardians and students in the timely completion of homework, a daily listing of homework is available on the Venado website: www.venadoms.org

Homework Requests

Parents/guardians may request assignments for students who are out ill three or more school days. Please call the office at (949) 936-6800 to request work by 10:00 AM of the third day of absence. School work can be picked up in the office at the Attendance Clerk's desk. For work requests for fewer than 3 days absence, students or parents/guardians may consult the school's website (www.venadoms.org), e-mail teachers directly or contact classmates by using the information in the Student Directory.

HONOR ROLL

At Venado we strive to recognize excellence in work habits and academics. Academic recognition is conducted throughout the year based on grade point average (GPA). Students earning a GPA of 3.75-4.0 will make the Principal's Honor Roll and a GPA of 3.0-3.74 will make the Assistant Principal's Honor Roll. GPA is calculated on trimester grades.



LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER

The Venado Library/Media Center is open to all Venado students to accommodate the following activities: quiet studying and reading, borrowing and returning books, browsing through periodicals and newspapers, book and internet research, word processing and basic computer applications. School computers are NOT to be used for entertainment, checking e-mail or browsing random sites, and no software programs may be loaded onto school computers by students. Students will be held accountable IUSD's Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) for Internet and computer usage. Violation of the AUP may result in disciplinary action, including the loss of computer use privileges.



The Library/Media Center is open before school, during lunch, and after school. A pass is required from a teacher when visiting during class and at lunch time. When the Librarian is not present the Library/Media Center will be closed.

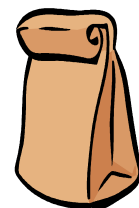
The Library/Media Center and Computer Lab expectations: use a soft voice to promote an atmosphere of study, refrain from eating, drinking, or chewing gum, proper school behavior at all times and practice and abide by internet safety standards.

LOST AND FOUND

Lost valuables, such as purses, wallets, watches, money, books and electronics can be turned into and retrieved from the office. The school is not responsible for lost cell phones or other electronics brought to school. Students will find lost articles of clothing in the Lost and Found Bin located across from room 102.

LUNCH PERIOD

Students may not leave the campus during the lunch period unless a parent/guardian has signed them out at the attendance desk. Students may bring a sack lunch from home or purchase food/beverages from the Cafeteria. Possession and consumption of energy drinks, e.g., Red Bull, Monster, Rockstar, etc. are prohibited. In keeping with State and district nutritional guidelines, parents/guardians are asked not to



deliver cakes, cupcakes, cookies or other special treats on birthdays or for any other reason.

To purchase food from the cafeteria you will need your student ID card or know your nine (9) digit student identification number. Food must be consumed in the quad area (no food past the yellow line) and students are responsible for picking up their own trash. If backpacks are to be unattended during lunch, they need to be dropped off in the designated backpack area.

During lunch time, a variety of sports, lunch time activities, free play, and socializing are available. Students need to keep in mind all school rules while participating in these activities. Classrooms, hallways, restrooms in the interior of the main building and the Commons are off limits to students at lunch. Students are asked to use the restrooms adjacent to the PE building during the lunch period. A written pass from a staff member is required to enter the building.

RECYCLING

Venado has gone green and recycles paper, aluminum cans and plastic bottles! Containers are placed in all offices and classrooms to collect paper. Cardboard is sent to the district for collection and bins are provided in all areas of the campus

(especially in the lunch area) to separate cans and bottles from the trash. Please be kind to our planet and help keep our school green by sorting your trash.



Venado families can support the “ASB Leadership/Green Team” and keep Venado clean and beautiful by dropping of cans and bottles in bags on Fridays and Mondays at the front curb. Recyclables are turned in for money that is spent on furthering the ASB Leadership/Green Team’s mission by enabling them to purchase more recycling containers,

plants, flowers and trees to beautify the campus.

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

Students are encouraged to work toward membership in the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS). Students qualify for membership if all A’s are earned for two consecutive trimesters and citizenship and work habits reflect all satisfactory or outstanding marks. Students who earn a GPA of 3.8 to 4.0 for five trimesters at Venado are eligible to receive the President’s Award for Educational Achievement. GPA is calculated on trimester grades.

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Personal items such as skateboards, roller blades, scooters, pagers, personal music devices, e.g., iPods, radios, cameras, video games, playing cards, and toys are not permitted at school. Bringing such items to school may result in their confiscation and other disciplinary action. Confiscated items will need to be picked up from an administrator.

Under no circumstance are the following items permitted on campus: laser pens, permanent markers, aerosol cans, e.g., body sprays, alcohol, drugs, drug paraphernalia, knives, guns, replica guns, explosives or other weapons. Students in possession of any of these items will be suspended and/or expelled from school/

district.

PHONES

Cell Phones

Students are NOT allowed to make or receive cell phone calls or text messages during the school day. If a student needs to contact a parent/guardian during the school day he or she must ask a staff member or report to the office to make the call. Cell phones used on campus for making or receiving phone calls, text messaging, taking photos, or listening to music will result in confiscation and such usage may result in disciplinary action such as confiscation of cell phone, parent/guardian contact, community service on school grounds, etc. All phones and items confiscated will need to be picked up by a parent/guardian from an administrator.



Cell phones may NOT be used on campus

**Cell phones
MUST BE TURNED OFF
(not just silenced)
prior to coming on campus
and MUST NOT BE VISIBLE.**

School Phones

School phones are used by teachers and staff members for school business. School phones may be used by students in emergencies and only under staff supervision.

PROGRESS/REPORT CARDS & PARENT PORTAL

Progress reports provide students and parents/guardians with information about student progress in classes and are provided approximately six weeks into each trimester. **Progress Reports are no longer sent home via US Mail, but are available electronically on Parent Portal (<https://my.iusd.org>).** Parents/guardians are encouraged to assist students having difficulties so that performance may improve prior to end of the trimester. Appointments with teachers and/or counselors are encouraged when performance expectations are not met.

Report cards showing academic grades, citizenship and work habit marks and comments are available electronically after each trimester on the Parent Portal (<https://my.iusd.org>).

Many teachers use the Parent Portal to post student grades on assignments, quizzes and tests. This is a helpful way to keep up on your child’s progress as grades are recorded between marking periods.

RECOGNITION

At Venado we strive to honor our students for their academic achievement, for exhibiting our HONOR code values, for dili-

gence and hard work. Students will be recognized in the following ways:

Each Trimester

- ★ Principal’s Honor Roll: 3.75 to 4.0 GPA with no grade lower than “C” and with all “O” and “S” marks for work habits and citizenship.
- ★ Assistant Principal’s Honor Roll recognizes those with a 3.0 to 3.74 grade point average.
- ★ Citizenship and Values Awards.

Daily and Weekly

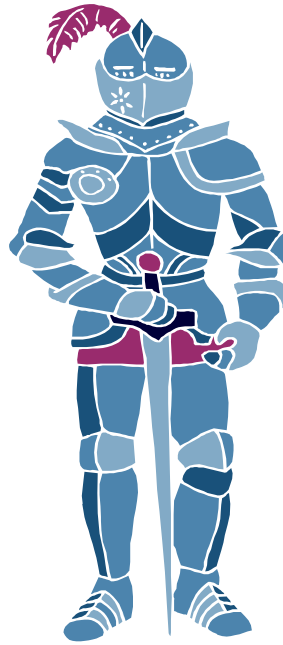
- ★ Honor Cards for demonstration of upholding the HONOR Code.
- ★ Super Knights are awarded for class contributions, leadership, teamwork, academic improvement, etc.

Throughout the Year

- ★ Citizenship Assemblies
- ★ Extended Lunches
- ★ School Dances

End of the Year

- ★ Service trip for students who are involved in a number of school service organizations, e.g., ASB Leadership, NJHS, Where Everyone Belongs (WEB), Youth Action Team (YAT), Band, Orchestra, Drama or Chorus etc., or to students who collect a minimum of twenty (20) hours of service to the school. Documentation forms can be found in the Student Planner.
- ★ 8th Grade Trip to Knott’s Berry Farm
- ★ 8th Grade Promotion Dance
- ★ 7th Grade Day



of Tutorial experiences, so students should not tear out pages as weeks and months go by during the school year. It should be kept intact as it was on the day that it was received.

If a student doesn't have a specific stamp on a Tutorial day in their Student Planner, he or she may choose from a list of other

TUTORIAL REQUIRED

Tutorial offerings which will be posted around the school and on the website by the end of the day on Friday for the next week. Tutorial postings will identify a Tutorial as either “open” or “closed.”

If the Tutorial is posted as “closed,” this signifies that only those students who have a stamp in their Student Planners from that teacher may attend that specific Tutorial session because the teacher has planned something specific for that student or group of students. If a Tutorial session is “open,” then any number of students (up to a reasonable number) may attend to get help, do homework or a project or make up an assignment. “Open” Tutorials will operate on a first-come-first-served basis.



The Library, Computer Lab and Commons will always be “open” for students who need a very **quiet place** to work or read. Otherwise, students may report to the lunch tables where students are allowed to work independently or collaboratively with minimal talking (not just to socialize). During all Tutorial times, students will need to have Student Planners out and opened to the specific day. Staff members will be checking students to make certain they are in the correct place.

Tutorial is a time during the day for students to begin homework, get needed help, make up a test, or catch up on reading or missed assignments. **It is not an extra break during the day or an**

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	Friday
Advisement	Tutorial	Tutorial	Tutorial	Late Start

extension of lunch. The expectation is that every student is in a Tutorial location ready to begin within the three minute passing period and is productive for the entire 28 minutes. Planning ahead is essential.

There will be no Tutorial scheduled on Mondays and Fridays. On Mondays, students will report to Advisement for planned activities and on Fridays, there is no Advisement or Tutorial planned as it is a Late Start day which begins at 9:15 AM.

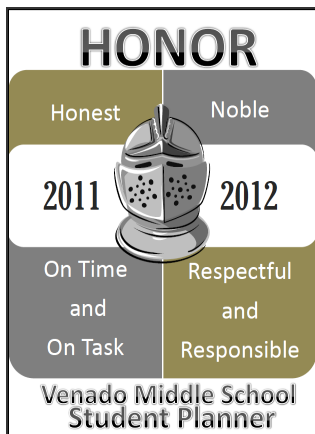
Tutorial Pass

Each grading period (progress reports and report cards), students receiving no grade lower than a “C” (meaning all A, B, or C’s) will earn a Tutorial Pass. Tutorial Passes, when affixed to the proper place in the front cover of the Student Planner, will earn students the privilege of spending Tutorial time in the lunch ta-

TUTORIAL

Tutorial is a time when students can get extra help from teachers during the school day. Tutorial will take place after period 4 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Some teachers will stamp Student Planners up to a week in advance if a student is required to attend a planned Tutorial session with them. Therefore, the Student Planner is an essential tool for success in Tutorial. If the Student Planner is left at home or lost, students will be assigned a consequence and may need to

purchase a new one. The Student Planner also serves as a record



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Citizenship and Work Habit Marks Expectation Matrix

<i>Citizenship</i>	<i>Work Habits</i>
<p><i>A student who earns Outstanding “O” exemplifies the HONOR code by always meeting the standards for satisfactory citizenship and may also...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>be a positive influence/role model in class</i> ◆ <i>help others</i> ◆ <i>solve problems</i> ◆ <i>provide leadership</i> ◆ <i>do the right thing when no one is looking</i> 	<p><i>A student who earns Outstanding “O” exemplifies the HONOR code by always meeting the standards for satisfactory work habits and may also.....</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>produce quality work which exceeds expectations</i> ◆ <i>completes/turns in all assignments on time</i> ◆ <i>always be on task</i> ◆ <i>actively participate in class</i> ◆ <i>display a positive approach to learning</i>
<p><i>A student who earns Satisfactory “S” upholds the HONOR Code by regularly ...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>following the rules</i> ◆ <i>respecting others and their property</i> ◆ <i>being positive and cooperative</i> ◆ <i>paying attention</i> ◆ <i>maintaining good attendance</i> ◆ <i>being on time – less than three tardies</i> ◆ <i>dressing appropriately</i> ◆ <i>maintaining the “hands off” policy</i> ◆ <i>upholding the Academic Honesty Policy</i> 	<p><i>A student who earns Satisfactory “S” upholds the HONOR Code by regularly...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>participating</i> ◆ <i>being on task</i> ◆ <i>completing his/her own work</i> ◆ <i>completing homework/class work</i> ◆ <i>meeting expectations in quality of work</i> ◆ <i>following through with makeup work</i> ◆ <i>following directions</i> ◆ <i>being organized</i> ◆ <i>being prepared with materials</i> ◆ <i>having and using his/her student planner</i>
<p><i>A student who earns Needs Improvement “N” may not follow the HONOR Code frequently by...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>using inappropriate language</i> ◆ <i>creating disruptions</i> ◆ <i>chewing gum</i> ◆ <i>having three or more tardies</i> ◆ <i>talking excessively</i> ◆ <i>copying homework or allowing homework to be copied</i> ◆ <i>being disrespectful to others or property</i> 	<p><i>A student who earns Needs Improvement “N” may not follow the HONOR Code frequently by...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>not bringing materials needed to class</i> ◆ <i>not completing all homework/class work</i> ◆ <i>being unprepared for class</i> ◆ <i>being off task</i> ◆ <i>avoiding class participation</i> ◆ <i>not doing own work</i>
<p><i>A student who earns Unsatisfactory “U” disregards the HONOR Code by...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>being referred to the office</i> ◆ <i>blatantly using a cell phone</i> ◆ <i>being defiant</i> ◆ <i>consistently violating rules</i> ◆ <i>intimidating or bullying others</i> ◆ <i>continuing to be tardy or truant</i> ◆ <i>committing a suspendable act</i> ◆ <i>committing forgery</i> ◆ <i>being habitually disruptive</i> ◆ <i>involved in academic dishonesty</i> 	<p><i>A student who earns Unsatisfactory “U” disregards the HONOR Code by...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>consistently not completing or turning in class and homework assignments</i> ◆ <i>consistently being off task</i> ◆ <i>not participating in class activities</i> ◆ <i>cheating</i>

VMS IMPORTANT DATES – 2011/2012

September

8 - 7th Grade -First Day of School - Minimum Day
9 - Grades 7 & 8 attend school-7:58 AM Start Time
15 - Back to School Night
16, 23, 30 - Late Start Fridays
20 - 7th Grade Parent Education Night
21 - Picture Make-up Day

October

7, 14, 21, 28 - Late Start Fridays
14 - School Dance 3-5PM
21 – First Trimester Progress Report
27 - Walk To School Day
24-28 – Red Ribbon Week

November

1 - ASB Food Drive Begins
1 - Parent Conferences/Minimum Day
2 - Parent Conferences/Late Start 10:00 AM
4, 18, - Late Start Fridays
11 - Veteran's Day/NO SCHOOL
23 - Minimum Day
24-25 - Thanksgiving Break/NO SCHOOL
TBA - Blast To The Past

December

1 - ASB Toy Drive
2 - End of First Trimester
7 - Winter Instrumental Concert
9 - Late Start Friday
13 - Vocal Music Concert
16 - Minimum Day
19 to January 2 - Winter Break/ NO SCHOOL

January - 2012

2 - Winter Break/No School
3 - Classes Resume
6, 13, 20, 27 - Late Starts Fridays
16 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday/NO SCHOOL
27 - Second Trimester Progress Report

February

3, 10, 17, 24 - Late Starts Fridays
13 - Lincoln's Birthday/No School
20 - Washington's Birthday/No School

March

2 - School Dance 3-5PM
2, 16, 23, 30 - Late Start Fridays
9—Minimum Day (Tentative)
6 - 7th Grade STAR Writing Test
7 - Festival Concert
16 - End of Second Trimester

April

20, 27 - Late Start Fridays
6 - Minimum Day
9-13 - Spring Recess/NO SCHOOL
16 - Classes Resume
18 - 8th Grade Family Night at Irvine High School
20 - Third Trimester Progress Report
26 - 6th Grade Pre-Registration Night

May

2, 3 - Registration at Irvine High School
4, 11, 18 - Late Start Fridays
15/16-22/23 - STAR Testing Days
17 - Open House/Minimum Day
24 - Minimum Day
25, 28 - Memorial Day/No School

June

1- Disneyland Service Field Trip
1, 8, 15 - Late Start Fridays
5 - Vocal Pops Concert
8 - Pops in the Grove
12, 13 - Textbook Collection
15 - Promotion Dance
18 - Knight's Awards
19 - Minimum Day
20 - 7th Grade Last Day/Minimum Day
20 - 8th Grade Day Knott's Trip
21 - 8th Grade Last Day/Minimum Day
21 - 8th Grade Promotion
21 - End of Third Trimester

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Daily Bell Schedules ❖ My Class Schedules

REGULAR DAY

Period 1	7:58– 8:50
Period 2	8:53 – 9:43
BREAK	9:43 - 9:53
Period 3	9:56 – 10:46
Period 4	10:49 – 11:40
Adv./Tutorial	11:43 – 12:11
<i>LUNCH</i>	12:11 – 12:46
Period 5	12:49 – 1:39
Period 6	1:42 – 2:32
Period 7 (PE)	2:35 – 3:25

Trimester 1

	Class
Period 1	_____
Period 2	_____
Period 3	_____
Period 4	_____
<i>LUNCH</i>	
Advisement	_____
Period 5	_____
Period 6	_____
Period 7 (PE)	_____

MINIMUM DAY

Period 1	7:58 – 8:38
Period 2	8:41 – 9:18
Period 3	9:21 – 9:58
Period 4	10:01 – 10:38
<i>BREAK</i>	10:38 – 10:55
Period 5	10:58 – 11:35
Period 6	11:38 – 12:15
Period 7 (PE)	TBA

Trimester 2

	Class
Period 1	_____
Period 2	_____
Period 3	_____
Period 4	_____
<i>LUNCH</i>	
Advisement	_____
Period 5	_____
Period 6	_____
Period 7 (PE)	_____

LATE START FRIDAY

Period 1	9:15 – 10:02
Period 2	10:05– 10:49
Period 3	10:52 – 11:36
Period 4	11:39 – 12:23
<i>LUNCH</i>	12:23 – 12:58
Period 5	1:01 – 1:45
Period 6	1:48 – 2:32
Period 7 (PE)	2:35 – 3:25

Trimester 3

	Class
Period 1	_____
Period 2	_____
Period 3	_____
Period 4	_____
<i>LUNCH</i>	
Advisement	_____
Period 5	_____
Period 6	_____
Period 7 (PE)	_____

OTHER IMPORTANT EVENTS AND DATES

_____	_____	_____	_____
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