

**Welcome to
Conroe 9th Grade High School**



**Common Area Expectations and More
Pride and Unity**

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What is Different in High School?

- **Credits—you must pass **26** classes in order to graduate.**
- **To be a Sophomore—you must pass **6** classes and have **90%** attendance this year to become a Sophomore.**
- **STAAR EOC—you must pass **5** STAAR EOC tests to graduate high school. Three of these tests you take this year.**

Semester Exemption Policy

Exemptions are based on Attendance, Grades and Discipline.

- **Fall Semester**

- **- No Exemptions**

- **Spring Semester**

- **-A student has the ability to exempt two courses under the below criteria:**

- **A student with 4 absences can exempt the course if they have a semester average of 90 or better.**
 - **A student with 3 absences can exempt the course if they have a semester average of an 80 or better.**
 - **A student does not qualify to exempt if they have been assigned ISS or DAEP at any time in the school year.**
 - **3 tardies in a class equals 1 absence in that class.**

Dress Code Highlights

Students with questions regarding this dress code should use this rule of thumb:

“If in doubt, don’t wear it!”

These are NOT all of the rules regarding dress code. Please see the Student Handbook for more information.

- Shirts/tops NOT allowed: muscle shirts, tank tops, halter tops, spaghetti straps, low cut tops, backless, see-through, off the shoulder, and midriff. When you raise your hand your shirt/top must cover waistband.
- No sagging pants or jeans with holes that are more than 2” above the knee.
- All dresses/skirts and shorts rest 2” above the top of knee.
- Shirt/top worn with leggings must completely cover the back side.
- Clothing and accessories may NOT display any prohibited substance, weapon, violence, vulgar and obscene language or image, gangs, cults, and/or insults to race, religion, gender or ethnicity.
- No hats, caps, bandanas, or other hair/head covering is permitted. These items will be confiscated and parents will be called. Any exception due to medical recommendation must be approved by administration.
- Bandanas may not be worn as an accessory.

Electronic Device Policy

- The use policy includes **ALL** electronic devices.
- Electronic devices **are only allowed before school, in the cafeteria during lunch, or with teacher permission.**
- CHS is **NOT** responsible for theft, damage, or loss of personal electronic devices.
- **Violations of this policy will result in the item being collected and turned into the AP's office and the following consequences will be assigned:**
 - **1st Offense:** Student gets phone back **after** serving ASD
 - **2nd Offense:** ASD assigned and the **parent must pick up the device**
 - **3rd Offense:** **Two ASDs are assigned** and the parent must pick up the device
 - **4th Offense:** **Student loses their electronic device privilege for the semester**

Before School Expectations

- Students will follow **all** school rules while on campus.
- Students will be in the **cafeteria or gym before school.**
- Students will **NOT** roam hallways at any time during the school day.
- Students may **NOT** listen to “audible” music.
- Breakfast should only be eaten in the cafeteria unless planned and authorized by teacher. **All trash must be thrown away!**
- If a student plans on attending a tutorial in the morning it must be proactively planned and the teacher must meet/escort the student from the cafeteria.

Hallway Expectations

- Between school bells student must be constantly moving to their next class. Students will be on time to class by **“walking and talking”** through the hallways.
- Students will walk on the **“right”** side of the hallways to maintain consistent traffic flow.
- Students should use this time to go to the restroom and/or get a drink of water.
- Students shall utilize their time in school to ensure their academic success!

What About Tardies?

- A student is tardy to class if arriving after the bell anytime. The teacher will input a “tardy” into the electronic gradebook for this student.
- **Any student arriving to class more than 10 minutes late will be marked “absent.”**
- **Excessive tardies will result in disciplinary action. The third (3rd) tardy, and other subsequent tardies will result in a referral with the following consequences:**
 - *1st Offense: 2hr ASD*
 - *2nd Offense: 2hr ASD*
 - *3rd Offense: Parent Conference ISS/ASD*
- **Excessive absences will result in loss of credit for the class.**
A student may have a passing grade for the class but due to absences may not earn credit for the class.

Restroom Policy

- Only one student at a time is allowed to go to the restroom from a particular classroom.
- No restroom passes will be given the first and last 10 minutes of the class period.
- Students will be given a restroom pass attached to a colored lanyard. Each hallway has a different colored lanyard to represent that hall. Students should go to the restroom in their designated hallway.
- Students should utilize their hallway time between class exchanges to use the restroom and/or drink of water.

Lunch Room Expectations

- **6 Students sitting per table.**
- **All students are sitting down unless waiting in lunch lines.**
- **Students may NOT listen to audible music.**
- **Students speak to table mates in a controlled voice.**
- **Lunch may only be eaten in the cafeteria unless planned and authorized by teacher.**
- **All parent dropped off lunches can be picked up at the administrative table in the cafeteria.**
- **All trash will be thrown away.**
- **Students will be released by administration.**

Tutorials/Late Bus Room

- **Tutoring is offered on days chosen by the teacher.**
- **Students must have a pass signed and time stamped by the teacher to enter the “Late Bus Room.”**
 - The late bus room is located in the Library.
 - The late bus room is open on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 3:00-4:45pm.
 - **Session 1 Release - Student Check-Out 3:45pm**
 - **Session 2 Release - Student Check-Out 4:30pm**
- **Late buses are available for those that stay and work through Session 2**



PRIDE



Punctuality – Right place, right time

Respect – Treat others as you want to be treated

Integrity – Do what is right

Dedication – No less than your best effort

Excellence – Strive for greatness