



## Middle School Student Policy Orientation Grades 5-8

Crestwell is committed to creating a learning environment that is calm, peaceful and orderly, while allowing children to learn successfully while enjoying school and the company of their peers. Consideration for others is fundamentally important as are the Seven Habits of Highly Successful Students. We hold our students to the highest level of behavioral expectations. Rules help provide a safe and healthy environment in which to learn.

**Students: please initial each rule and expectation as discussed:**

- walk through the breezeway, classrooms and hallways
- greet staff and families when passing or on campus
- talk without disturbing others
- respect the rights of others
- settle conflicts peacefully
- be courteous and helpful to others
- enter classrooms on time and follow routines
- wait quietly for instructions from teacher
- follow directions quickly and with ease
- be recognized by the teacher before speaking
- complete all work: classwork and homework to the best of your ability
- bring all necessary materials and items to class daily

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Each day we choose the attitude we embrace for the day. We cannot change our past, we cannot change how people act and respond, although; we can change **how we respond, and how we think**. Choose to be a positive thinker with a good attitude. Look for the good, and you will see it.

**Students: please initial each rule and expectation as discussed. The following will not be tolerated at Crestwell:**

- physical or verbal abuse
- failure to treat others with dignity, respect and courtesy
- dishonesty, lying, cheating, plagiarism and theft
- entering another student's locker or backpack
- violation of the school's internet policy
- vandalism

Crestwell students show pride by abiding by these rules and show respect to others. Picking up trash helps to keep our campus clean and reflects our pride in our campus. Defacing property and writing on desks or walls is not permitted.

**Field Trips**-Students earn the right to participate in Field Trips by abiding by School Rules. Permission forms provided by Crestwell must be signed by a parent or guardian, over the phone permission is not acceptable. All permission forms must be turned in PRIOR to the trip, by the date shown on each slip. Staff may deny participation in Field Trips or activities due to unacceptable student behavior.

**Sports**-Crestwell Students must abide by the Athletic Policy. Good Sportsmanship is to be observed at all times!

**The aim of our sports program is to Develop:**

- Sportsmanship-understanding and acceptance of the rules of the game
- encouragement of skill attainment
- fair play
- self-control and acceptance of defeat with grace
- respect of authority (Sports officials, coaches)
- friendships and courtesy to opposing players and teammates
- leadership, initiative, good judgement and cooperation

-character by promoting physical, mental, moral, social, and emotional resilience of players

-realization that life is not always fair

**Crestwell athletes will be strong, forge ahead, and play by the rules. Coaches will resolve conflicts. Athletes will use self-control and not exhibit anger. Athletes will be polite. School PE t-shirts, shorts, and sneakers will be worn for practice.**

**Dress Code**-Students will abide by the Dress Code Policy

**Detentions**-Afterschool detention will occur when a student has accumulated "3 strikes". Each time a student is sent to the office for an infraction of rules, the student will write out the reason for being sent and come up with a better choice for next time. When a student has been sent to the office for three infractions, a detention will be served.

### **Valuables and Confiscated Items**

**Students** are responsible for their own personal property. Crestwell School reserves the right to conduct a notified or non-notified search of student's belongings on or off school property, during an activity or event. Items found that are not acceptable or appropriate will be confiscated. These items may not be returned. Any confiscated items must be claimed by a parent within 24 hours, the School will not be held responsible for confiscated items.

**Cell Phones/Tablets/Devices** -When brought to school, these devices must be left in the students' locker. It is preferable to leave these items at home. A phone is available in the office for student use.

**Sale of Items**-Students are not permitted to sell items at school unless approved by administration.

**Homework Support**-3:00-3:30 pm-All students may utilize homework support if they are not picked up by 3:00 pm or involved in an afterschool club. **Students must be picked up by 3:00pm if he/she is not using Homework Support as intended. Any student not involved in an afterschool club, and on campus, will participate in Homework Support. Be prepared with all materials, Arrive on Time, Work quietly, Bring additional work or a book.**

**Students** must have a Staff members' permission to leave the classroom. Students will carry a hall pass. One student may leave the class at a time. When a student is detained after class, the teacher will provide a late pass to be handed to the next teacher. Receiving unexcused hall passes may lead to an after school detention. There are 3 minutes between each class period.

**Lockers** are assigned at the beginning of the school year. Halfway through the year new assignments are given To allow students to have a top or bottom locker. Locks are not to be used on lockers.

**Lunch**: Follow all procedures. 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who have ordered hot lunch will go first, followed by 7<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Wait to be dismissed from your table and clean up after yourself.

### **Crestwell focuses on the following Character Traits:**

Responsibility, Respect, Generosity, Integrity, Loyalty, Kindness, Sincerity, Self-control, Peacefulness, Patience, Determination, Persistence, Adventurous, Fairness, Cooperation, Tolerance, Optimism

By signing below, you acknowledge that you have attended the Crestwell Middle School Student Policy Orientation and understand expectations for Crestwell Students. Parent signature acknowledges reading the policy with student.

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Student Signature

Date

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Principal Signature

Date

*-All students must turn in this form signed by a parent or guardian in order to return to class. Thank you for communicating the importance of this form with your child.*