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RRMS Facebook Page- Find us at "Rawlinson Road Middle"

RRMS Instagram- Find us at "@rrms\_raider\_nation"

*Email -* All email addresses can be found on our website.

*Electronic Newsletter-* Principal Newsletter delivered via email each week.

**Parent Notification System -** Messages will be sent to parents concerning school events and emergencies. Messages are delivered through email, SMS text message, the school website and social media accounts (Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter).

#### PARENT/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Rawlinson Road is proud to have its business partners working to help us provide an enriched school program for our students. If you are interested in forming a partnership with our school, please contact Ms. Frazier.

#### Parent Volunteer Group

This is a volunteer service group composed of parents and teachers who work actively and effectively to strengthen home-school communication and provide a framework for improving our program through volunteer efforts. We encourage you to volunteer.

#### School Improvement Council

The School Improvement Council is composed of parents, elected by the parents of the children enrolled in the school; teachers, elected by the faculty; other representatives of the community and persons selected by the principal. These council members work as a teath to assist the

#### INFORMATION AND REGULATIONS

#### Policies and procedures may change during the year. If so, notification will be made.

#### ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

Students who are car riders or walkers **<u>should not</u>** arrive **before** 7:45 a.m. No students are allowed in the building prior to 7:45. Upon arrival in the morning, any student eating breakfast will report directly to the cafeteria first using the A building entrance located on the back side of RRMS.

Students not eating breakfast should enter the building as follows:

**6**<sup>th</sup> **grade students** will use the D-Hall entrance on the back side of RRMS and then proceed directly to their assigned hallway.

7<sup>th</sup> grade students will use the D-Hall entrance on the back side of RRMS and report to their assigned hallway.

**8**<sup>th</sup> grade students will use the D-Hall entrance on the back side of RRMS and report to their assigned hallway upstairs.

Students who ride in cars are to be dropped off and picked up **ONLY** at the back of the school. The front area can be used for student drop-off/picked-up between the hours of 8:10 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. Students arriving to homebase classes after 8:15 will be tardy.

## Students arriving after 8:15 in the morning need to be dropped off in front of the school. The back doors will be locked at 8:15.

No student is allowed to leave the school grounds from the time he/she arrives on campus until dismissal without checking out through the office. All students who arrive after the tardy bell in the morning and all students who need to leave before the final bell in the afternoon, must check in or out through the office. Students who leave school without following the appropriate procedures will be disciplined. Students not participating in after-school sponsored activities should leave our campus immediately.

#### **BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

We encourage all students to participate in a variety of activities to experience success and build self-esteem. Sportsmanship, teamwork, cooperation, and fair play are valued traits that are promoted by our teachers and coaches. Some of the planned activities include study groups, clubs, and sports. Students will need to sign up for these activities if they plan to participate. Most of these activities will begin in August. Before and after school activity times will vary. It is important to have your rides get you here on time and pick you up on time.

If a student is not present in school, they may not participate in after school activities/events (ie dances, sports practices/games, play practices/performances).

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES

See "Middle School Attendance Guideline" at the end of this handbook under "Rock Hill School District Policies" for details.

#### **BOOK BAGS AND PURSES**

All book bags and purses must be left in the lockers during the school day. Locker breaks arescaled a 612 792 re to G

#### **Cell Phone Consequences**

Each time a personal device is confiscated due to a school policy violation, a parent will be contacted. Students who







#### EXPENSES, FEES, and FINES

School supplies---Please check with your child's teacher regarding needed supplies.

Students may purchase school photos in the fall. There are also occasional small fees if students wish to participate in events such as school dances.

Athletic Fee----\$60 per school year for eligibility for athletic team membership

These permission forms for medication administration as school are found on the school district's website. You may also contact the school nurse for the permission forms to administer medication.

New permission forms for medication administration are required each school year. Medication must be

will be removed from the team. Parents are expected to be prompt in picking up your child(ren) after practices and games.

#### LOCKERS

Each student will be issued a locker during the opening days of school. Students will be given a combination lock in homebase. Students will be required to keep lockers always closed and locked with the lock engaged and spun. Students must not give their locker combination to others or share lockers with other students. The school cannot assume responsibility for the loss of student property left in the locker. The school can inspect student lockers at any time. A replacement lock will cost \$10.



#### **TEXTBOOKS**

In some subjects, all students will be issued a consumable textbook to use in class. In other subjects, teachers may also be issued a classroom set of textbooks. The classroom set is the responsibility of the teacher and MUST remain in the classroom. Any damage incurred to a textbook (including removal of the state bar code) may be subject to a fine and/or disciplinary action. **Textbook fees are assessed and calculated according to the State Department of Education.** 

#### TRANSFERRING SCHOOLS

Any student who is transferring to another school will need to report to the school registrar for the necessary withdrawal forms on the last day of attendance. All fines/fees should be paid, and all schoolbooks, district-owned technology (if leaving the district), and materials turned in.

### STUDENT ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

We believe in recognizing and rewarding excellence. Each year we try to increase our efforts in making awards and opportunities for recognizing our top students and students who make great strides of improvement. Some of our efforts include the following:

#### Honor Roll

To qualify for "A" Honor Roll, a student must have earned a 3.5 GPA or above for the nine-week grading period. His/her name is posted in the hallway.

To qualify for "B" Honor Roll, a student must have earned a GPA of 3.0 - 3.4999 for the nine-week grading period. His/her name is posted in the hallway.

#### Make-up Work

No late penalty is assessed if the graded assignment is due to a lawful absence. It is the student's responsibility to contact their teachers about make-up work upon return to school and within three days of return at maximum. The number of days allowed to submit late work is equal to the number of days the student was absent plus one additional day. If the student has prior knowledge of the assignment, he/she is responsible for making up the assignment immediately upon return unless arrangements have been made with the teacher. Parents and students may also access Canvas from the school's home page. Canvas provides access to class work and assignments, as well as due dates via the calendar. Students may ask teachers questions through thk@(nr-143(pr)on)4(snb)4()xPParents and students as the school of th

#### SCHOOL DISCIPLINE

Students are expected to always conduct themselves in a manner that will be in the best interest of the school, self, and others. Student discipline consequences include but are not limited to assignment to In School Suspension (ISS), a Student Behavior Contract, Out of School Suspension (OSS), a Raven Academy placement, or Exclusion of the student until a District Hearing is held.

#### Searches and Interrogations

School officials may search school property, including technology, lockers, vehicles, personal belongings, etc. with or without probable cause. Random searches may occur with or without reasonable suspicion (State Law 16-3-1040). While students do not lose their constitutional rights upon entering school premises, a search may be conducted when administrators have a belief, reasonable under the circumstances, that a student committed a crime or a violation of a school rule and that such a search will reveal contraband or evidence of a violation of a school rule or a criminal law. Furthermore, any search must be reasonable in scope given the age and sex of the student and the nature of the alleged infraction.

Students are provided lockers and desks to use during the school year. However, the school retains ownership of both, and school officials may conduct unannounced searches at any time to maintain health and safety standards.

Refer to the "Code of Conduct, *Policy AR JICDA-R* and "Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying, *Policy JICFAA*, both located at the end of this handbook under "Rock Hill School District Policies", for additional details regarding behavior and discipline.



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#### Level II - Disruptive Conduct

Disruptive conduct includes those activities in which students engage that are directed against persons or property

temporary removal from class temporary or permanent removal from bus alternative education program in-school suspension out-of-school suspension transfer referral to outside agency expulsion restitution of property and damages, where Staff will follow established due process procedures when applicable.

The administrator will keep a complete record of the procedures.

The administration may apply sanctions in cases of criminal conduct that may include, but are not limited to, the following:

out-of-school suspension assignment to alternative schools expulsion restitution of property and damages, where appropriate (should be sought by local school authorities)

#### Extenuating, Mitigating, or Aggravating Circumstances

Administrators are to take appropriate action when student misconduct away from school grounds or school activities has a detrimental effect on the educational environment, safety, or general welfare of students or staff of the district. Student misconduct includes any action performed in person, in writing, or electronically. The administrator should take into consideration the protection of students and staff from the effects of violence, drugs, and/or disruptions. At a minimum, administrators or their designees should meet with the student upon his/her arrival at school, give the student notice of the concerns, and allow the student an opportunity to present his/her side of the story. The administration may either permit the student to attend classes as usual or may take appropriate disciplinary action including, but not limited to, in-school suspension or out-of-school suspension in order to conduct an investigation into the matter. The parents/legal guardians of students will be notified of any action taken by the administration and offered the opportunity for a conference with the administration.

In the event the student is incarcerated based on his/her out-of-school conduct, the principal or his/her designee will notify the student that he/she is to meet with the administration prior to returning to school. At the conclusion of the inquiries to obtain more information on the matter, the administrator or his/her designee should take appropriate action which may include, but is not limited to, one or more of the following:

returning the student to his/her normal class schedule and removing all evidence of suspension

placing the student on probation and allowing the student to resume his/her normal class schedule

placing the student on probation, allowing the student to continue classwork, but restricting the student's participation in extracurricular activities and/or designated school activities; for example, clubs, study halls, pep rallies, student government activities, and so forth

suspending the student

recommending expulsion of the student from regular school and placement in the district's alternative school

recommending expulsion but allowing access to virtual school programs through the district's alternative school (these students are only allowed on alternative school campus for coursework and exams that require a proctor in a virtual school accessed through our district's alternative school); students not able to successfully enroll will be expelled for the remainder of the school year

recommending expulsion of the student for the remainder of the year

#### Disciplinary process

Students with disabilities as identified under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) are not exempt

#### Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying

#### Policy JICFAA Issued 1/16

Purpose: To establish the basic structure for maintaining a safe, positive environment for students and staff that is free from harassment, intimidation, or bullying.

The board prohibits acts of harassment, intimidation, or bullying of a student by students, staff, and third parties

#### Middle School Attendance Guidelines

Guidelines for Implementing Student Attendance Regulations

Any student who misses school must present a written excuse, signed by a parent/guardian, or a medical excuse. If this excuse is not turned in within <u>three</u> days after the student is back in school, this absence will be <u>unexcused</u>. The maximum number of days that will be recorded as lawfully excuses absences with parent notes will be <u>five</u>.

A tardy is only excused when a medical note

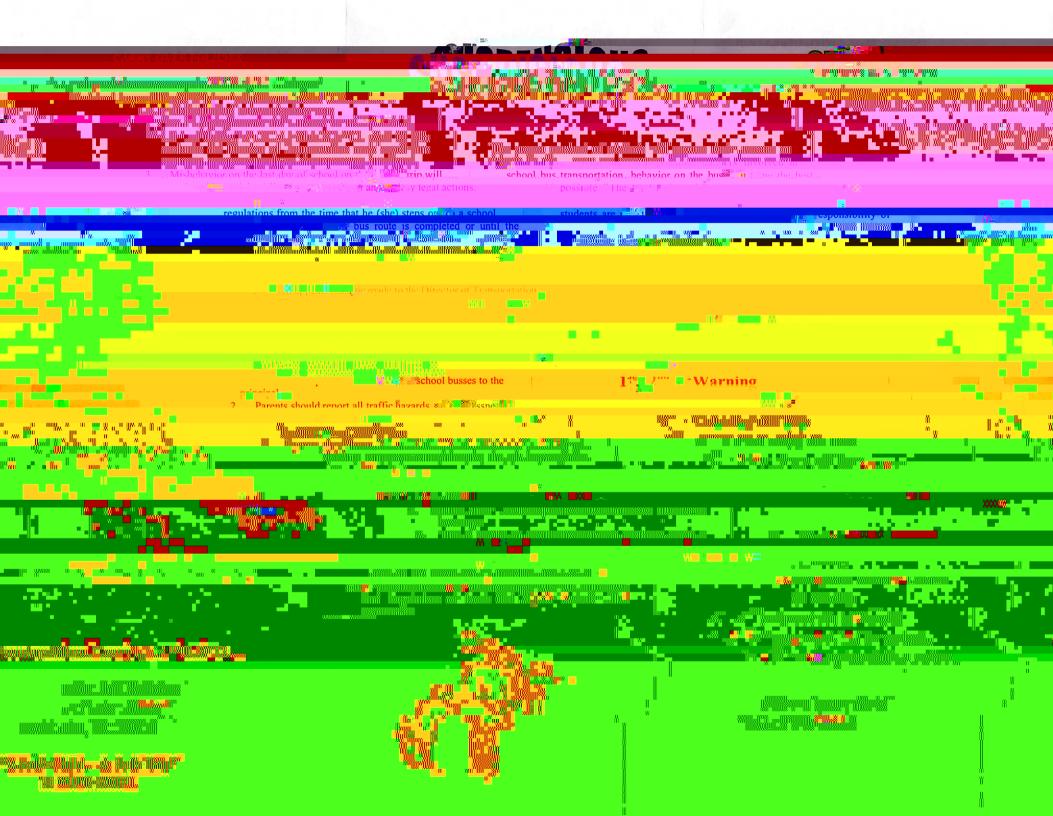
## DIRECTRICES DE ASISTENCIA EN LA ESCUELA INTERMEDIA Directrices para la implementación del reglamento de asistencia estudiantil

Cualquier estudiante que falte a la escuela debe presentar una excusa por escrito, firmada por un padre/tutor, o una excusa médica. Si esta excusa no se entrega dentro<u>de los tres</u> días posteriores

#### Planes de intervención de asistencia estudiantil

Después de tres ausencias consecutivas o un total de cinco ausencias ilegales, las normas exigen que los funcionarios escolares se comuniquen con usted y su hijo para una reunión. El propósito de esta conferencia es identificar las razones de las ausencias de su estudiante y completar un Plan de Intervención de Asistencia Estudiantil. Los estudiantes que excedan el número máximo de ausencias permitidas pueden ser remitidos a la corte de familia por absentismo escolar si son menores de diecisiete años.

Cita: Código de Leyes de Carolina del Sur 59-65-50, 60 y 70 y Reglamentos de la Junta de Educación de Carolina del Sur.



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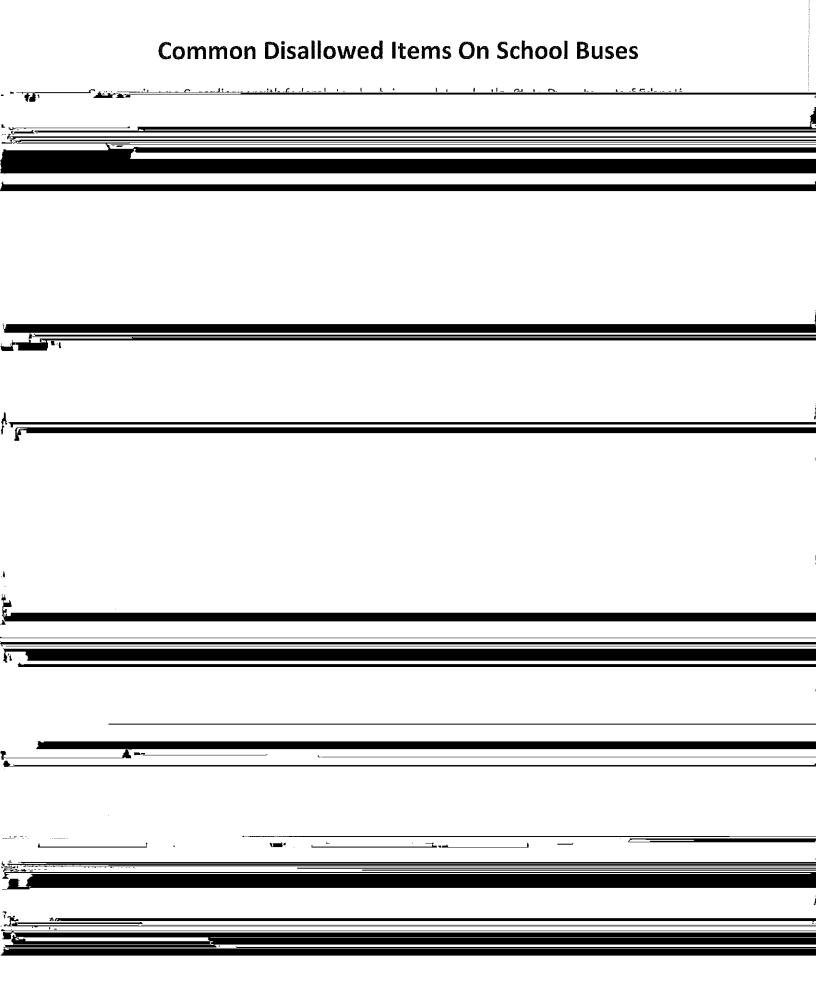
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For School Use Only:

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The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 years of age ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. These rights are:

1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of the day the school receives a request for access. Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal [or appropriate school official] a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The school official will

Notificación de derechos según FERPA para Escuelas de Educación Primaria y Secundaria



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## PARENT/STUDENT NOTIFICATION PAGE

Thank you for accessing your Parent/Student Handbook. Please verify in <u>Parent Portal</u> by completing the <u>eCollect Handbook Verification</u> in <u>Form</u> that you have read and understand student expectations.

The handbook can be located on the school website and will be loaded on your student's device and in Canvas.