



Claymont Middle School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As a school district, we want to be proactive in teaching our students positive behaviors. Claymont Middle School participates in our district's PBIS initiative which is a research-based system that includes proactive strategies for teaching, modeling, and reinforcing appropriate student behavior.

Our district-wide PBIS expectation is We do things The Mustang Way by showing:

*C*ooperation

*A*ccountability

*R*espect

*E*ffort

Please watch for Positive Office Referrals sent home with your student when they are noticed doing things The Mustang Way. We ask that you sign those referrals and your student can bring them to the office to get a reward. Some of our students' favorite rewards include candy, skip to the front of the lunch line pass, hat day pass, homework pass, books, school supplies, and water bottle stickers. We are also excited to start two new grade-level reward opportunities for responsible use of school-issued technology and good attendance.

Additionally, we also have a school-wide system of consequences, which can be found in our school's handbook on our website: <https://www.claymontschools.org/Downloads/CMSHandbook.pdf?v=197>. Our basic classroom write-up system goes as follows: 1. Documented warning from teacher 2. Phone call home by the teacher 3. A 15-minute detention assigned with the teacher 4. Office Referral

In addition to our PBIS initiative, we are also very thankful to participate in Leader in Me, teaching our students the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People. We will kick off the year with our 7 Habits Student Leadership Conference with our students on Friday, 8/25. We encourage all students to be leaders in their own way and that they all have qualities that make them leaders.

We ask that you review our district's PBIS matrix with your student that you will find on the back of this letter. If you'd like, please sign it and have them turn it into my mailbox in the office for a reward. We appreciate our parents and guardians and are looking forward to a great 2023/2024 school year!

Thank You,

Michele Henry
Assistant Principal
Claymont Middle School



C.A.R.E.

The Mustang Way Claymont Middle School

	Classroom	Hallways/ Lockers	Restrooms	Cafeteria	Bus	Assemblies & Sporting Events
<p>C Cooperation</p> <p>Habit #4, #6</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Follow rules & expectations -Work together to keep the classroom clean and organized 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Keep to the right of the hallways -Report issues -Only use lockers before homeroom, at lunch/recess, and at the end of the day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Report vandalism -Respect privacy -Go directly to the restroom and return to class promptly -Cell Phones are not permitted in the restrooms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Stay in a single file line while waiting -Wait quietly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Report problems immediately & accurately -Stay seated at all times -Eating and drinking is not allowed on the bus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Stay seated in your assigned area -Accept the outcome of the event -Be positive towards all spectators, visiting athletes, coaches, officials, and speakers
<p>A Accountability</p> <p>Habit #3, #7</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Complete assignments -Accept consequences -Be on time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Monitor time and take direct route to class -Only use your assigned locker -Keep a lock on your locker 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Do the right thing in every situation -Be Honest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Clean up the area you were sitting before leaving 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Accept consequences -Follow driver's instructions and bus rules -Keep aisles clear of your belongings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Pick up trash and belongings -Follow the rules & expectations
<p>R Respect</p> <p>Habit #5</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Listen while others are talking -Use manners -Use technology appropriately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Stay quiet -Use appropriate language -Allow personal space 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Keep area clean -Put paper towels in the trash -Flush the toilet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Inside voices -Keep your own place in line -Use manners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Quiet voices -Be kind to your bus driver and students on the bus -Use appropriate language 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Clap and cheer respectfully -Be humble -Show Mustang pride -Model good sportsmanship
<p>E Effort</p> <p>Habit #1, #2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Ask for help when needed -Always do your best -Keep trying even when things are challenging 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Keep the hallway and your locker clean 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Leave the restroom better than you found it 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Go to your locker before entering the cafeteria -Keep track of personal belongings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Keep your space clean 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Do your best if you are a participant -Be involved