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OPENING LETTER FROM PRINCIPAL

Greetings, Aviator Families -

Welcome to the YES Prep Hobby Family! I am humbled that you have chosen YES Prep Hobby as your child's school, and I am excited to lead your student through middle and high school as we prepare them for college.

Making the choice to attend YES Prep Public Schools is not an easy choice, and with the decision to attend YES Prep Hobby comes a lot of responsibility. The team of educators at YES Prep Hobby is here to support your student and family throughout their middle and high school journey. We, students, families, and staff, must all work together to ensure that our students have the supports and resources to graduate from high school and college prepared to lead choice-filled lives.

As we embark on another school year of YES Prep Hobby, I ask that you take time to review the YES Prep Unified Student Handbook as well as the YES Prep Hobby Individual Campus Supplement. These two documents have been created to share information with you about the support and expectations for students who attend YES Prep Hobby.

Serving the Greater Hobby Community by providing a high-quality, college-preparatory education is our ultimate goal, and we are so excited to have you on this journey.

Prepare for Takeoff!

Chase Sander | Founding Principal

CAMPUS ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Academic Support

The staff at YES Prep Hobby are here to ensure that all of our students meet and exceed academic goals and are prepared to lead choice-filled lives. YES Prep Hobby will review student academic performance on an on-going basis, and we will contact guardians as needed to ensure that students are able to be successful at school.

If a student is not passing a class on their Progress Report or Report Card, guardians can take one or more of the following actions – request a conference with the teacher, request for reassessments if the assignment is eligible, request a student be added to weekly tutorials for that course, and/or request resources to be used at home to support the learning of the content.

For any student who fails a course for the first semester, guardians will receive communication from YES Prep Hobby to have a conference about student performance and to create a plan for increased academic success in the second semester.

Homework Completion

We believe that homework is a component of teaching our Aviators skills and stamina that will prepare them for college and the workforce. Homework is an opportunity for Aviators to have additional opportunities to practice skills learned during the school day. As such, it is the expectation that students complete homework that is assigned to them as part of their growth as students. If a student does not complete a homework assignment, they will receive a no homework demerit. If a student is caught cheating on or plagiarizing a homework assignment, they will receive an automatic detention. Examples of academic dishonesty with homework include, but are not limited to, allowing another student to copy an assignment or sharing answers to a homework assignment. Additional information on YES Prep’s Academic Dishonesty policy is included in the YES Prep Student Handbook.

CAMPUS CULTURE

Campus Core Values

YES Prep Hobby, the 19th campus of YES Prep Public Schools, opened its doors to students and families in August 2019. Located only two miles from Hobby Airport and seventeen miles from Johnson Space Center, YES Prep Hobby resides close to Houston’s hubs of innovation.

The field of aviation has dramatically changed our world. From the first airplanes to man landing on the moon, the aviators behind this work have created marked change on our society. The Aviators of YES Prep Hobby seek to do the same – to work as a collective of individuals to transform society. Aviators must lead through challenge, embrace the unknown, and stay focused on their trajectory to achieve success.

The YES Prep Hobby Aviators will be leaders in pursuit of educational equity through a focus on college readiness and college completion. As Aviators, students will be focused on piloting their own destiny toward college and career readiness.

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The students of YES Prep Hobby must be Aviators who are active in creating change on their journey. They cannot merely be passengers on their journey to and through college. Aviators must be prepared to navigate challenges, change course, and stay clear on their ultimate destination.

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| Teamwork | Aviators work together with respect and humility to accomplish their goals. |
| Responsibility | Aviators lead by example through preparation, organization and accountability. |
| Courage | Aviators accept challenges and speak up for themselves and others. |
| Stamina | Aviators persevere and never give up. |
| Creativity | Aviators innovate with open minds and seek new ideas. |
| Wisdom | Aviators grow their knowledge and experiences to develop a world view. |

Positive Incentives

We are always looking for ways to celebrate Aviators who are living out our core values and going above and beyond. Students can be recognized for their hard work and actions by receiving Frequent Flyer Miles.

- Shout Outs - a public, verbal recognition of students who are living out our core values, usually accompanied with two claps.
- Bid Trips - small field trips with one or more staff members where students use Frequent Flyer Miles to bid on the trip they want to attend. Examples included afterschool bowling or a trip to the bookstore. Some trips may cost money while others are free.
- Free Dress - awarded at different parts of the year for different reasons where students can wear their choice of dress as long as it adheres to the dress code.
- Core Value Awards - these awards are given out to recognize students who are models of our Aviator core values.
- Student of the Semester - awarded to students at the end of each semester to two students in each grade level.
- End of the Year Academic Awards - these awards are given to the top Aviators in a grade level per academics subject area.
- Honor Roll Recognition - Students who earn honor roll will be recognized each nine weeks and receive an honor roll certificate as well as celebration.
- Perfect Attendance - Students who have perfect attendance each nine weeks will be recognized for their attendance.

- Millionaire Sweatshirt – Students who read 1,000,000 words during the school year will receive a special sweatshirt to show that they have read one million words.

Detention Guidelines

Detention

Detention serves as an opportunity for students to reflect on behaviors that have led to demerits or actions that have resulted in escalated consequences. YES Prep Hobby will hold detention on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 3:50 PM – 4:50 PM. Students will serve their detention the next available day after the behavior is exhibited and logged. For example, if a student earns a third demerit for being tardy on Tuesday they will serve a detention on Thursday. If a student earns a sixth demerit for being tardy on a Wednesday, they will serve their after school detention on Thursday. If a student is serving a detention after school guardians will be notified in advance of the student serving the detention.

Skipped Detention

Detention is expected to be served the day after the detention is assigned. In some cases, a detention leader or campus administrator may reschedule a detention for a student. Only campus administrators may reschedule detentions to limit confusion and miscommunications around an assigned detention.

If a student decides not to attend an assigned detention, the detention monitor will mark the student “not complied,” and the student will be assigned to serve detention the following day. If the student does not attend multiple detentions, a guardian conference will be scheduled. If a student still does not attend detention, they will receive an escalated consequence including, but not limited to, an in-school suspension, an extended detention, or a detention that could occur on a Saturday.

Before and After School Expectations and Procedures

Before School Expectations and Procedures

YES Prep Hobby will open the campus doors to students at 7:55 AM. If students are dropped off prior to 7:55 AM, they will need to wait outside the school doors. Once allowed into the building, students will report directly to the cafeteria where breakfast will be available. Students will not be allowed out of the cafeteria before dismissal to class without a pass. If a student has tutorials or needs to meet with a teacher prior to the start of the school day, the student must already have a pass from the teacher or activity sponsor. If students are found outside of the cafeteria without a pass/permission, they will receive a consequence including, but not limited to, a demerit. The YES Prep Public Schools Code of Conduct and YES Prep Hobby behavior expectations apply to students before the first bell rings.

After School Expectations and Procedures

YES Prep Hobby dismisses at 3:45 PM. A final bell will ring after dismissal signaling that students should be outside or in their designated afterschool space (e.g. classroom, activity, detention). This bell will ring as early as 3:50 PM and as late as 3:55 PM to provide students with sufficient time during dismissal to get to their after-school location.

Students are only allowed to stay on campus after school if they have staff supervision or are staying for a school-sponsored activity.

If a student leaves campus on their own at dismissal, they are not allowed to return to campus. If students are found on campus without supervision or a pass after dismissal, they will be issued a consequence including, but not limited to, a demerit, and they will be escorted to the office to be picked up by a guardian.

As stated in the YES Prep Public Schools Student Handbook, it is the responsibility of the guardian to ensure students are picked up promptly after dismissal or at the end of official after-school programming. Staff members are unavailable to supervise students beyond the school day to ensure student safety unless a student is officially attending a program. Examples of after-school programming include, but are not limited to: detention, tutorials, athletics, ACE, clubs, etc.

Students who are picked up 30 minutes or later after dismissal from campus or an official after-campus program in which they are approved to participate will receive a warning letter from the administrator on duty. This warning letter and a log will be signed in person as the student is retrieved from campus. Letters will be logged and tracked for each student picked up late. These letters are warnings, and after the third letter the Houston Police Department may be contacted if a student is not picked up on time, and a report may be filed with Child Protective Services.

If a guardian is aware they will not be able to pick up a student on time, they must alert the campus and do their best to arrange for alternative transportation. Lack of transportation is not an excuse to miss required after-school programming or the school day, and absences due to lack of transportation will be unexcused.

The YES Prep Public Schools Code of Conduct applies to students at any time while on campus, including after school activities and events. YES Prep Hobby students are subject to all campus discipline policies before and after school, and students can earn consequences including, but not limited to, demerits and detention during after school activities.

[After School Programming](#)

At YES Prep Hobby, after school activities are a key component of our programming. After-school programming includes, but is not limited to, Bid Trips, Tutorials, School-Wide Activities, and Detention. Any time that there is a school-sponsored activity such as tutorials, a club, a bid trip, guardians will always receive written notification for the activity. Once a schedule is finalized for such activities, they will run from 3:50 PM – 4:50 PM.

YES Prep Hobby will ensure that there is an administrator on duty each afternoon to ensure that there is a point-of-contact for teachers, students, and guardians after school.

If there are evening performances, dances, or celebrations, student must leave campus and return for the event. YES Prep Hobby will not provide a holding room or space for students to stay after school.

Students who are participating in after-school programming and events are still held accountable to the YES Prep Public Schools Code of Conduct and YES Prep Hobby behavior expectations.

Athletic Programming will begin in the 2020-2021 school year as programming begins during the 7th Grade Year. More information and specific details will be communicated to YES Prep Hobby families by the YES Prep Hobby Athletics Coordinator when available.

Positive Incentives – Frequent Flyer Miles

YES Prep Hobby Aviators will have the opportunity to earn positive incentives, Frequent Flyer Miles, by demonstrating behaviors aligned to our campus core values. The students will be able to visit the School Store using these points at various times during the school year.

Food and Drink Expectations

Food and drink are permitted in the cafeteria only. Food is not permitted in other areas (including the hallways) unless approved by a staff member.

Water, in a clear bottle, is the only drink permitted outside of the cafeteria. Caffeinated drinks such as Monster, Red Bull, and coffee are not permitted in hallways or classrooms, and they are strongly discouraged during lunch and breakfast.

Any food that students bring must be sized for an individual person – students may not bring “family size” chips as students are not allowed to share food with each other. We discourage students to bring candy or other items as their meals, and we encourage them to eat meals on campus. All YES Prep students have the opportunity to eat free breakfast each morning and access to lunch during the school day.

Drinks in the Classroom

Students may only consume water in the classroom unless granted special permission for a medical or health reason accompanied by a doctor’s note. Other liquids, when spilled, can cause stickiness. We prefer that students use a clear water bottle, but we understand that it may not always be available to a student. If a teacher asks to see the liquid and it is not water, the bottle may be confiscated, or the student may be asked to dump the contents out and refill it with water from the fountain.

Sharing Food

Students should eat only the food they are given by their own guardian(s) or purchase food through Preferred Meals. When food is shared between students there is a risk of food allergies, and guardians should feel confident that they know everything their students are eating at school. Students are not permitted to share food with other students, and guardians are not permitted to give food to other students than their own children. Students who are observed sharing food may have to forfeit the food they were sharing and may be subject to disciplinary action.

Gum Expectations

YES Prep Hobby is a gum free campus for adults and children. Students are prohibited from chewing gum at any time on campus. Students who are chewing gum will be asked to throw it away and receive a demerit. Excessive demerits for gum chewing will result in detention. YES Prep Hobby reserves the right to set expectations for not chewing gum on any school-sponsored trip, event or activity.

Uniform Expectations

YES Prep Uniform Philosophy

YES Prep Public Schools believes in the power of community and school pride while also deeply valuing a student’s right to express their individuality without the fear of unnecessary discipline, body shaming, or the confines of gender norms. Students have the right to be treated equitably and dress code enforcement at YES Prep Public Schools will not create disparities, reinforce or increase the marginalization of any group, nor will it be unfairly enforced more strictly against a student because of racial identity, ethnicity, gender expression, sexual orientation, cultural or religious identity, household income, body size or type, or body maturity.

Campus Uniform Policy

YES Prep Public Schools uniform policy is centered around values of equity and school pride. A school uniform allows for community building and options within the uniform selection allows for student and family choice. Uniforms should be worn each school day and should meet the expectations of district and campus guidelines. Like all YES Prep policies, if a student’s uniform, dress, or accessory choice poses a concern for student physical or emotional safety, a campus administrator has the discretion to disallow the uniform item.

A uniform shirt is defined as either a campus polo, sold by YES Prep Public Schools, containing the current school logo, and is the correct color for the student’s campus or a school pride t-shirt, distributed by the student’s school. We recommend that all YES Prep Hobby families purchase at least one YES Prep Hobby specific polo shirt to be worn during field trips or other special events where a polo shirt may be required.

YES Prep also has winter jackets, sweatshirts, and cardigans for sale to provide multiple options for outerwear. A student’s outerwear may only be YES Prep and may also include outerwear sold by the athletics department on campus.

The following shows the uniform expectations throughout the week:

| Shirt Expectations | |
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| Monday - Thursday | <p>On Monday through Thursday, Aviators may choose from one of the below options to wear as their shirt:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• YES Prep Polo shirt• YES Prep Hobby School Spirit T-Shirts (sold as part of the uniform during 20-21).• Any color undershirt underneath their polo or t-shirt. <p>On Monday - Thursday, Aviators may not wear other t-shirts (including grade level, organization, or college).</p> <p>Shirts or polos will not be required to be tucked in on a daily basis. There is a potential students will be asked to tuck in polos for special school events or trips</p> |
| Friday | <p>On Fridays, students may wear any of the above shirt options in addition to college spirit shirts, grade level t-shirts, and other YES Prep spirit shirts.</p> |

| Bottoms Expectations | |
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| Monday - Thursday | <p>On Monday through Thursday, Aviators may wear pants, skirts, or shorts of the following:</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blue, Black, or Khaki-Colored Khaki-Style Pants (any color) • Blue or Black Jeans • Jean or Khaki-Style Joggers that are blue, black, or khaki colored <p>Aviators may not wear the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leggings, jeggings, athletic or mesh shorts, workout bottoms, or pajama pants. • Bottoms with holes or rips. • Shorts and skirts more than fingertip length above the knee. • Bottoms below the waist. |
| Friday | Aviators may choose to wear any of the above options. On Friday, jeans may be of any color. |

| Outerwear Expectations | |
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| Monday - Thursday | Aviators may only wear YES Prep outerwear. Students may choose from the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES Prep water-proof jacket • YES Prep sweatshirt • YES Prep cardigan • Campus athletics department outerwear • Campus-issued grade level or spirit sweatshirts, etc. |
| Friday | On Fridays, Aviators may wear any of the Monday-Thursday outerwear or choose to wear college spirit outerwear (e.g. a college sweatshirt). |

| Shoe Expectations | |
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| Monday-Friday | For safety purposes, all shoes must meet the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed-toed • Must have backs (i.e. no slides) • Must have hard soles (i.e. no slippers) <p>Any color is permitted</p> |

| Student ID Badge Expectations | |
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| Monday-Friday | ID Badges must be worn by all students on lanyards and must be visible at all times. (There may be exceptions to this expectation at partnership campuses) |

| PE Uniform Expectations | |
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| Monday-Friday | Aviators may wear their own athletic wear for PE classes. YES Prep will not offer PE uniforms to be purchased through YES Prep. Clothing for PE class must... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have school appropriate messaging • Meet criteria in the “Free Dress Days” category • Bottoms may not be higher than fingertip length above the knee • Shirts must be t-shirt style; no tank tops, halter-tops, or bathing suit tops, etc. • Not be made of a sheer or see-through material |

Accessory Expectations

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| Monday - Friday | <p>We believe that Aviators can make choices about their accessories that allow them to express themselves. Aviators may do the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Have a variety hairstyles and colors. Head shaving designs are permitted if images are school-appropriate.• Have visible piercings and tattoos if messaging and images are school-appropriate.• Wear religious head-coverings.• Wear scarves as a head-wrap.• Not wear accessory items that are spiked (bracelets, belts, collars) due to safety reasons.• Not wear hats and sunglasses for safety purposes.• Not wear a bandana as a head covering or hair band. <p>Please note that belts are not required, and if a student choses to wear a belt it should not be spiked.</p> |
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Free Dress Expectations

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| On Specified and Announced Free Dress Days | <p>Free Dress Days will be announced by campus administrators. Criteria for Free Dress Days will also be announced and may vary throughout the year.</p> <p>On free dress days, clothing should meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• T-shirts are acceptable, however all clothing and accessories must be school appropriate: YES Prep prohibits pictures, emblems, or writings on T-shirts that are lewd, offensive, vulgar or obscene or that advertise or depict tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance, show gang affiliation, or depict violence in any way.• No tank tops, halter tops, tube tops, net or sheer tops, shirts with spaghetti straps, or strapless tops for any student.• No bare midriffs (half shirts) allowed for any student.• No open-toed shoes.• All pants, shorts, and skirts must meet the criteria established in the Monday through Friday uniform for pants/shorts/skirts. |
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CAMPUS OPERATIONS

Common Area Expectations

At YES Prep Hobby, we have a number of common areas on campus, and it is the expectation that all Aviators treat these spaces with respect and leave them better than the found them. Common areas include, but are not limited to, hallways, restrooms, Terminal C (cafeteria), the Gym, courtyard, parking lot, field, and Front Office. Any intentional littering, defacing, damaging of space/property will be subject to our campus disciplinary process. Students should only be in common areas during designated times and/or under the supervision of a staff member. Should a student be in a common area during class time without a hall pass, the student will receive a consequence including, but not limited to, a no hall pass demerit. Failure to adhere to campus expectations in common areas can result in referral to the Director of Student Support and/or Principal.

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Lunch Time Expectations

Students at YES Prep Hobby will eat lunch in the cafeteria or another location designated by an administrator. Students are expected to remain in the designated lunch location for the duration of lunch, and they should not loiter in the hallways, bathrooms, or in empty classrooms.

A guardian, or an adult listed as an emergency contact, may eat lunch with their student, in a location approved by a campus administrator, if a valid photo ID is presented and they are on listed on the student's record. A guardian is the only individual who may provide food for their specific student. Food will not be accepted from non-guardian deliveries (e.g. Uber Eats, Dominos), and students/guardians are not allowed to order food for delivery as deliveries will be turned away.

Students who are caught sharing food with other students will receive a demerit. Additionally, students may not remove food from the cafeteria following lunch.

Traffic Procedures

Our number one priority is to ensure safety for the students and staff at YES Prep Hobby. Please be mindful of traffic patterns, school bus drop off and loading, and pedestrians while in the parking lot at YES Prep Hobby. During the school day, guardians and visitors will be directed to Visitor Parking in the front of the school.

Front Office Hours of Operation

The YES Prep Hobby Front Office is the primary point of contact for guardians, visitors, and our school community. The YES Prep Hobby Front Office will open 30 minutes before the first bell and remain open 15 minutes after the dismissal bell.

- Regular Dismissal Days – 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Noon Dismissal Days – 8:00 AM to 12:15 PM

Campus Communication to Families

YES Prep Hobby is a family-oriented school, and we believe in frequent communication with our families. YES Prep Hobby will communicate with families in a number of ways throughout the school year, and we also encourage families to communicate openly with our teachers and leaders.

Many of our communication technologies at YES Prep rely on accurate phone numbers and email address for guardians and guardians. Please ensure that the YES Prep Hobby Front Office has the most up-to-date phone numbers and email address at all times.

- School Messenger is our mass communication system, and you will receive automated texts and phone calls about important school-wide information.
- Hero is our student discipline application, and families can access important information about their student's discipline, including demerits and detentions, by creating an account through the Hero website at <https://access.heropowered.com>.
- YES Prep Hobby maintains a campus Facebook page where we will post important updates, information about upcoming events, and celebrate the hard work of our students. Make sure to follow our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/YPHobby.

- YES Prep Hobby also keep a campus page on the YES Prep website (<http://hobby.yesprep.org>) that will be updated with important information, including staff contact information, throughout the school year.
- Weekly Family Communication – YES Prep Hobby will send a weekly news update to families to share important information via students Teal Folders on Thursday.

YES Prep Hobby staff members can be contacted through their YES Prep phone numbers and email addresses. Should you contact a YES Prep Hobby staff member, please allow 24-48 hours before receiving a response. Up-to-date staff contact information can be found on the YES Prep Hobby website.

Personal Items on Campus

To eliminate distraction from learning, we highly recommend that students limit the personal belongings brought to school with them to what is required for an academically successful day. Bringing personal items to school is “at your own risk,” and YES Prep Hobby will not be held liable for loss, theft, or damage to a student’s personal property.

We highly recommend that any personal items brought to campus are locked securely in a locker that only your student knows the code to and locks after each usage. Distracting (e.g. stuffed animals) or inappropriate objects will be confiscated and may be returned at the end of the school day, if deemed appropriate by a campus administrator.

Skateboards, rollerblades, and scooters should not be used while on Hobby property. If a student needs them as a means of transportation to and from school, they should be kept in their locker during the school day.

Toys such as yo-yos, Rubik’s cubes, fidget spinners, etc. may also be confiscated if it is deemed a distraction during class. Additionally, students are not allowed to be in possession of Sharpies or other permanent-marker style writing utensils. If a student is found in possession of a Sharpie, the Sharpie will be confiscated.

If your personal belongings do not fit in a locker, students should not have them at school with them.

Former Student Visits

Students Who Were Expelled

Students who have been expelled or who are currently placed at DAEP are prohibited from being on school grounds or attending school-sponsored or school-related activities. If the student has a sibling at YES Prep Hobby and there is a significant event at which the guardian wants to have the expelled/placed student, the guardian must first contact the Principal to request a one-time approval to attend the event with the family.

Students Who Withdrew

Students who have withdrawn from YES Prep Hobby will not be permitted to visit staff members or students while school is in session.