

Ridgeview Middle School: Raptor VISION!

Definitions of Problem Behaviors			
Teacher-Managed Behaviors		Discipline Office-Managed (Major) Behaviors	
Defiance Non-Compliance Insubordination	Student engages in brief or low—intensity failure to follow directions or talks back.	Defiance Non-Compliance Insubordination	Student engages in refusal to follow directions or talks back.
	Example: Student ignores request by staff; student has head down on desk; student is asked for their pass and initially ignores staff but student eventually does comply.		Example: After repeated redirection, student refuses to follow directions; refuses to comply.
Disrespect	Student delivers low—intensity, socially rude or dismissive messages to adults or students.	Disrespect	Student delivers socially rude or dismissive messages to adults or students.
	Example: Spontaneous, thoughtless. Redirection is possible.		Example: Includes talking back and/or socially rude interactions, walking out of class, arguing with teacher. Intentional; no redirection possible.
Disruption	Student engages in low—intensity but inappropriate disruption.	Disruption	Student engages in behavior causing an interruption in a class or activity. Disruption includes sustained loud talk, yelling, or screaming; excessive and continuous noise with materials; horseplay or roughhousing; and/or sustained out—of—seat behavior.
	Example: Inappropriate behavior (tapping on desks, whistling, inappropriate sounds).		Example: Repeated or potentially dangerous disruption (throwing sharp or heavy objects).
Dress Code Violation	Student wears clothing that is near, but not within, the dress code guidelines defined by the District Code of Conduct.	Dress Code Violation	Student wears clothing that does not fit within the dress code guidelines practiced by the District Code of Conduct.
	Example: Violation is fixable (i.e. turning a shirt inside out). PE non—dress will be handled by the department.		Example: Student possesses/wears a shirt with an obscene or gang related image. Repeated/continual refusal to remove or fix items. Violation is not fixable (i.e., student needs different shirt or blouse).
Inappropriate Language	Student engages in low intensity instance of inappropriate language.	Inappropriate Language	Verbal messages that include swearing, name calling or use of words in an inappropriate way.
	Example: Not directed at staff member (i.e.: Two students in a classroom are talking & teacher overhears one student say to the other, “man.....that’s f.....up...that guy is an a...hole!”).		Example: Directed toward someone, whether adult or student. (i.e.: A student in class points to one of his peers across the room & shouts, “That guy is an a..hole. I’m going to f... him up after school!”).
Physical Contact Physical Aggression	Student engages in non-serious but inappropriate physical contact.	Physical Aggression	Student engages in actions involving serious physical contact where injury may occur (e.g. hitting with an object, kicking, hair pulling, scratching, etc.).
	Example: Childish horseplay, screwing around (chasing each other, tripping, throwing paper, pencils). Students engage in PDA (kissing, touching).		Example: Serious or extreme repeated or potentially dangerous disruption (throwing sharp or heavy objects).
		Fighting	Student is involved in mutual participation in an incident involving physical violence (hitting, punching...).
Property Misuse	Student engages in low-intensity misuse of property.	Property Damage	Student participates in an activity that results in destruction of disfigurement of property.

	Example: Non—gang related: Non—permanent writing on desk/chair. Inappropriate drawing or stickers on outside of notebook/binder.		Example: Tagging/graffiti/vandalism of school property or of another student.
Tardy	Student arrives to class after the bell (or signal that class has started). Teacher reminds student of tardy policy and marks student tardy.	Tardy	Single tardies will NOT be counted as a Major Problem Behavior at Mt. Whitney. Major tardies will be at 3, 6, 9, or 12 intervals or more within a semester and will result in a graduated/ordered discipline assigned by discipline staff as per tardy policy .
Technology Violation	Student engages in non—serious but inappropriate (as defined by District Code of Conduct) use of cell phone, pager, music/video players, camera, and/or computer.	Technology Violation	Student engages in inappropriate (as defined by District Code of Conduct) use of cell phone, pager, music/video players, camera, and/or computer.
	Example: Electronic devices/cell phone usage will be allowed during passing period/lunch. Students may use cell phones during class at teacher’s discretion.		Example: Purposefully hiding laptop (even in fun). Sharing provocative material on laptop/cell phone/iPod. Shooting/sharing fight videos. Not handing over technology device or passing it to another student upon request.
		Bullying	The delivery of direct or technology—based messages that involve intimidation, teasing, taunting, threats, or name—calling. Asserting power over someone.
		Forgery Theft Plagiarism Cheating	Student is involved by being in possession of, having passed on, or being responsible for removing someone else's property; or the student has signed a person’s name without that person’s permission, or claims someone else’s work as their own, or is dishonest in the work they produce.
		Gang Affiliation Display	Student uses gesture, dress, and speech to display affiliation with a gang.
		Harassment	The delivery of disrespectful messages in any format related to gender, ethnicity, sex, race, religion, disability, physical features, or other protected class.
		Inappropriate Display of Affection	Student engages in inappropriate (as defined by school) verbal and/or physical gestures/contact, of a sexual nature to another student/adult.
		Skip Class	Student leaves class/school without permission or “cutting” school.
		Use/Possession of Weapons	Student is in possession of a knife, a gun (real or look alike), or other objects readily capable of causing bodily harm.
		Other Discipline Office—Managed behaviors not listed above include: Arson, Bomb Threat/False Alarm, Use or Possession of Alcohol, Use or Possession of Combustibles, Use or Possession of Drugs, and Use or Possession of Tobacco.	