

# Mt. Whitney High School: Pioneer GRIT!



We at Mt. Whitney High School strive to provide the best educational experience to all our students. In doing so, we have established a school wide **Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support (PBIS)** model, aimed at improving student academic and behavior outcomes. This is done by ensuring all students have access to the most effective and accurately implemented instructional and behavioral practices and interventions. More about PBIS:

- ❖ PBIS is an evidence-based practice for building a positive social culture promoting social and academic success.
- ❖ PBIS provides an operational framework for achieving student academic and behavior outcomes.
- ❖ PBIS is not a curriculum, intervention, or practice, but a decision-making framework that guides selection, integration, and implementation of the best evidence-based practices for improving important academic and behavior outcomes for all students.

In doing so we have established school acronym of GRIT, which encompasses what we want our students to show every day, both on and off campus.

**G**      Greatness  
**R**      Requires  
**I**      **Integrity**  
**T**      **Tenacity**

Each area of campus (classroom, gym, etc.) will have reminders for students about what is expected of them.

<b>All Settings</b>		
Greatness Requires	<b>Integrity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Follow dress code</li> <li>▪ Use school-appropriate language</li> <li>▪ Follow reasonable adult requests</li> <li>▪ Respect yourself and others</li> </ul>
	<b>Tenacity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Be on time</li> <li>▪ Come to school prepared</li> <li>▪ Work toward daily self-improvement</li> <li>▪ Be responsible and keep the school clean</li> </ul>

<b>Classroom</b>		
Greatness Requires	<b>Integrity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Arrive to class on time</li> <li>▪ Follow teacher directions the first time</li> <li>▪ Be respectful of self, other students, &amp; teacher</li> <li>▪ Follow teacher's classroom rules</li> </ul>
	<b>Tenacity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Give an honest effort daily</li> <li>▪ Work, even when its difficult</li> <li>▪ Take responsibility and ask questions</li> </ul>

<b>Gym, Locker Room, &amp; Weight room</b>		
Greatness Requires	<b>Integrity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Dress out and be ready to participate</li> <li>▪ Demonstrate good sportsmanship</li> <li>▪ Show appropriate locker room behavior</li> <li>▪ Use equipment properly</li> </ul>
	<b>Tenacity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Put forth 100% effort</li> <li>▪ Keep the gym free of food, drinks, and trash</li> </ul>

<b>Hallways, Outside Areas, &amp; Lunch</b>		
Greatness Requires	<b>Integrity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Carry Student ID cards at all times.</li> <li>▪ Use appropriate language</li> <li>▪ Respect yourself and others</li> <li>▪ Be courteous and polite</li> <li>▪ Behave off campus</li> </ul>
	<b>Tenacity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Get to your destination quickly</li> <li>▪ Return to school or class before bell rings</li> <li>▪ Keep the school clean, clean up after yourself</li> </ul>

<b>Office</b>		
Greatness Requires	<b>Integrity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Always be polite and respectful</li> <li>▪ Follow all reasonable adult requests</li> <li>▪ Be quiet, calm, and refrain from cell phone use</li> </ul>
	<b>Tenacity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Get to the office in a timely manner</li> <li>▪ Return to class promptly</li> </ul>

<b>Library &amp; Computer Labs</b>		
Greatness Requires	<b>Integrity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Be respectful of others and use quiet voices</li> <li>▪ Use computers appropriately</li> <li>▪ View only appropriate websites</li> <li>▪ Be responsible for school materials &amp; books</li> </ul>
	<b>Tenacity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Concentrate, get your work done</li> <li>▪ Ask for help when needed</li> </ul>

<b>Teachers, Staff, &amp; Administration</b>		
Greatness Requires	<b>Integrity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Believe all students can learn and improve</li> <li>▪ Set high expectations for all students</li> <li>▪ Be prepared, organized, &amp; have clear objectives</li> <li>▪ Foster student engagement</li> </ul>
	<b>Tenacity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Develop positive relationships with students, parents, and colleagues</li> <li>▪ Master your areas of responsibility or subject matter</li> </ul>