

Floyd County High School

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Parent/Student Handbook

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Floyd County High School! This handbook serves as a guide to our policies, expectations, and resources available to students and parents. Please review this document carefully and keep it handy throughout the year.

You should also read the **Standards for [Student Code of Conduct](#) and Attendance**, which can be found on the [Division Website- Board Docs](#) under [School Board-Policies](#). Parents are encouraged to stay in close contact with the school by calling 745-9450 if you have any questions.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Floyd County High School is to meet the individual educational needs of every student. This will be accomplished through a comprehensive curriculum taught by caring, highly qualified professionals through differentiated and assessment driven instruction.

[FCPS 2025-26 School Calendar](#)

BELL SCHEDULES

Regular Bell Schedule

Bus Release	7:55 A.M.
Warning Bell	8:10 A.M.
Tardy bell for first period	8:15 A.M.
2nd Chance Breakfast	9:48-9:58 A.M.

“A” Lunch Schedule 11:34-11:59

1 st Block	8:15 - 9:48
2nd Chance Breakfast	9:48-9:58
2 nd Block	10:01 - 11:34
“A” Lunch	11:34 - 11:59
3 rd Block	12:05 - 1:37
4 th Block	1:43 - 3:15

“B” Lunch Schedule (8th Graders) 12:25 - 12:50

3 rd Block	12:05 - 1:37
“B” Lunch	12:25-12:50
3rd Block	12:55 - 1:37
4 th Block	1:43 - 3:15

“C” Lunch Schedule 1:08 - 1:37

3 rd Block	11:40 - 1:10
“C” Lunch	1:10 - 1:37
4th Block	1:43 - 3:15

One-Hour Delay Schedule

1 st Block	9:15 - 10:17
2 nd Block	10:30 - 11:34

Regular schedule will be followed for the remainder of the day.

Two-Hour Delay Start of the day

1 st Block	10:15-11:15
2nd Block	11:28-12:28
3rd Block (Lunches in between)	12:34-2:00
4th Block	2:06-3:15

FLOYD COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

STUDENT DRESS CODE

Floyd County High School respects students' rights to express themselves through dress. At the same time, attire should support a safe, respectful learning environment and not disrupt the educational process.

This dress code follows Floyd County Public Schools Policy JFC-R and provides clear guidance for students, families, and staff.

What to Wear

- Clothing must cover the area from **armpit to armpit**, down to **mid-thigh** (approximately 3–4 inches along the upper thigh).
- **Shoulder straps** must be at least **1 inch wide** (no strapless tops).
- **Ripped or torn clothing** must not expose skin above mid-thigh (3–4 inches in length).
- **See-through or mesh garments** must have appropriate clothing underneath that meets dress code coverage.

Footwear

- Shoes must be worn at all times and should be **safe for school** activities.
- **Pajamas, bedroom shoes, or slippers** are not permitted, unless for a special event approved by the principal.

Accessories

- **Sunglasses** may not be worn inside the building.
- Some courses (like PE, CTE, science labs, or athletics) may require **special attire or safety gear**.

What Not to Wear – Additional Guidelines

Students may not wear clothing, jewelry, or accessories that:

- Depict, promote, or suggest **illegal activity, weapons**, or use of **alcohol, tobacco, marijuana**, or other controlled substances.
- Contain references to **pornography, nudity**, or **sexual acts**.
- Include **vulgar, obscene, or discriminatory language** or **imagery**.
- Display or imply **hate speech** or symbols targeting race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, or any other protected group.
- Pose a **safety risk** to the student or others.
- Suggest **gang affiliation** through colors, designs, symbols, or grooming styles that disrupt the school environment.

Enforcement and Administrative Discretion

- Staff and faculty will respectfully enforce the dress code.
- **The administration reserves the right** to determine what is considered appropriate attire.
- Students not in compliance may be required to change clothing before returning to class.
- If appropriate clothing is not available or the student refuses to comply, **parents will be contacted** and the student may be removed from instructional time.

PUBLIC AFFECTION

Appropriate: Hand-holding and brief hugs.

Inappropriate: Kissing, intimate touching, prolonged physical contact.

Consequences: Initial warning followed by ISS or OSS for repeated offenses.

MEDICATIONS

All medications, both over-the-counter and prescription, **must** be delivered to the school nurse by a parent or guardian. **Students are not permitted to bring or transport medicine to and from school.** All medications should remain at school. The Authorization for Medication Administration form **must** be completed to allow permission for administering medications. [This form](#) may be found on our school website or in the nurse's office and **MUST** be turned in directly to the school nurse or main office.

ILLNESS AND INJURIES AT SCHOOL

Students who are injured at school or who become too ill to remain in class should report to the school nurse. If the nurse is unavailable, students should report to the main office. A member of the staff will contact the student's parents/guardians.


SUPPLEMENTAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE POLICY

This is a reminder to parent(s)/guardian(s) that there is a supplemental accident insurance policy that Floyd County Schools provides for our students. This insurance policy would serve as secondary to any policy that you currently hold and is not a guarantee to pay remaining balances after primary insurance pays its portion. In the event that your child has an accident or injury while at school or participating in school activities such as athletics, field trips, etc., please notify the main office. They will provide you with the Student Accident Claim Form. Claims must be filed within 90 days from the date of injury. If you have questions regarding this information, please contact the main office. We wish you all a safe and successful school year.

VISITORS

For the updated and increased safety of our students and staff, all visitors, including parents/guardians will be asked to present and scan their Driver's License upon arrival at FCHS. Parents/guardians should call to make an appointment when visiting the school is needed. Students from other schools may not visit FCHS unless they have prior permission from an administrator.

FCHS Attendance Policy Summary

-  Doctor's or Dentist's Note Required for Excused Absence
- Only absences with a doctor's or dentist's note will be marked as Excused (AE).

Unexcused Absences

If we do not receive a medical note, the absence is marked:

- A = No parent call
- UKn = Parent called, but no medical note

7 Unexcused Absence Limit

Students are allowed up to 7 unexcused absences per semester.

- After 7, students must make up missed time.
- Failure to do so may result in loss of credit for the class.

Why Attendance Matters

Being present is key to academic success.

Repeated absences:

- Disrupt learning
- Lower grades
- Impact progress toward graduation

Please help us by ensuring your student attends regularly and that any absences are documented properly.

Full document found here:  [FCHS Attendance Policy](#)

School Related Absences

Missing class due to school related activities will not be counted as an absence from class. Examples are club meetings or competition, sports activities, testing, guidance conferences, etc. Also, time spent in In-School Supervision (ISS) will not be considered an absence from school. However, Out of School Suspension (OSS) will count as an unexcused absence. It is the student's responsibility to collect and make-up all missed assignments.

PARENTAL CONFERENCES

Letters will be mailed to parents after a student has missed five (5) unexcused days with no parent contact. A conference may be scheduled with the school administration concerning your child's school attendance and an attendance plan may be formulated. Long-term absences will be reviewed by the administration.

PLANNED ABSENCES

Prior approval is required for college visits or other trips of educational value. Families should provide documentation from the college or educational trip to ensure the absence is marked as excused.

TARDY POLICY

Students are expected to arrive to school and class on time.

To be counted as present, the student must attend the class for a minimum of $\frac{2}{3}$ of the Block.

1st and 2nd unexcused tardies: **Warning**

3rd unexcused tardy: **Lunch Detention**

4th unexcused tardy: **Lunch ISS**

5th unexcused tardy: **Full day of ISS**

6th unexcused tardy: **Two days of ISS**

TARDY STUDENT DRIVERS

All student drivers are reminded that in addition to the school's attendance policy, the following action may be taken if you arrive to school late:

- Three (3) unexcused tardies will result in **Lunch Detention**.
- At four (4) unexcused tardies, **parking privileges will be suspended for one week**.
- At five (5) unexcused tardies, **parking privileges will be suspended for two weeks**.
- **At six (6) unexcused absences or after, the students driving privileges will be suspended for the remainder of the semester.**

CHECK-IN PROCEDURES

Students checking into school late must verify their reason for tardiness by one of two methods:

- Bringing a note from their parent or guardian that day
- Parent/guardian may call or email the main office prior to the beginning of school to notify school officials that their child will be tardy to school

The determining factors will be the same as for excused absences. The school administration may consider extenuating circumstances to determine whether the tardiness is excused or unexcused.

CHECK-OUT PROCEDURES

STUDENTS MAY NOT LEAVE SCHOOL FOR LUNCH

Any student who leaves school grounds without permission and returns may be subject to a search by administration.

A parent or guardian needing to check their student out of school early may arrange to do so by the following methods:

- If your student drives, call the main office prior to dismissal time and place your child on early dismissal – please call the school as early as possible to help minimize any potential misunderstandings.
- For safety reasons, if you are picking your student up, please report to the attendance desk in the main lobby and sign them out of school.

Once a student checks-out, to be properly re-admitted that same day, it is expected that the absence is excusable per Floyd County School Policy and supported by appropriate

written documentation, parent contact, and/or administration approval.

If a student does not return to school, they are not eligible to participate in after school activities unless prior approval is given by a member of the administration.

Only parents, guardians or persons designated as “School Pickup” may check students out of school. Students who turn eighteen during the school term may sign themselves out by following proper procedure. These students must comply with all attendance policies and should inform their parents if they check out.

If no communication is made by a parent the absence will be counted as unexcused.

Any student leaving without following procedure may receive disciplinary action.

Student Device Use Policy

Floyd County High School supports responsible technology use and a focused learning environment.

When Devices Are Allowed

- High School Students may use personal devices before and after school only.
- During the school day, devices must be off and stored (e.g., in lockers or vehicles).
- Devices may not be on a student's person during instructional hours.
- Elementary Students must keep devices off and stored away at all times while on campus.

Violations & Consequences

Offense	Consequences
1st	Device held in office; student picks up at end of day; parent contacted.
2nd	Device held in office; parent must pick up.
3rd	Device held in office; parent meeting required; 1 day ISS.
4th	Device held in office; 2 days ISS; loss of device privilege for remainder of year.
Refusal	1 day OSS; further refusal = more OSS + yearlong loss of device privileges.

Need to Reach Your Child?

- Call the school office. Staff will promptly relay urgent messages.
- For more information, visit: [Policy JFC-R2]
- Questions? Contact the school principal or main office.

Expressions of school spirit may be displayed in gymnasiums, sports fields and the main lobby upon the directive or approval of the school administration.

VAPE/TOBACCO USE

Smoking, chewing or any other use of tobacco products by staff, students, and visitors is strictly prohibited on school property. [Vapes](#) will be considered tobacco/nicotine related items.

Penalties for students who use and possess tobacco products are as follows:

- 1st Offense:** The student will receive (1) day of ISS and a parent/guardian will be notified.
- 2nd Offense:** The student will receive three (3) days of ISS, parent/guardian will be notified.
- 3rd Offense:** The student will receive up to five (5) days ISS and the parent/guardian and School Resource Officer will be notified. Any subsequent violations will receive more severe disciplinary action, which may include a referral to the School Board. [Student Code of Conduct](#)

LOCKERS

Students are to use ONLY the locker assigned to them and ensure that the locker is kept in a neat condition. Students are to follow the Building Stewardship Policy at all times. It is the responsibility of the student to keep his/her locker locked at all times. Student lockers are school property and remain at all times under the control of the school. Students are expected to assume full responsibility for the security of their lockers. School authorities, for any reason, may conduct periodic general inspections of lockers at any time without notice, without student consent, and without a search warrant.

BACKPACKS/BOOKBAGS

Backpacks/bookbags will be allowed in the classroom, unless it becomes a safety issue for a large class. If bookbags in the classroom become a distraction to the learning environment, teachers may require students to leave their bag in their locker.

POSTING OF MATERIALS BY STUDENTS

All material to be posted shall be reviewed by an administrator who may consent to the posting if it complies with the "Regulations for Posting Materials in Public Areas." These regulations may be found on the FCHS website or in the main office.

Any materials posted by students must be school related and may only be posted in designated areas. Therefore, no student-generated displays shall be posted in hallways or attached to the outside of student lockers.

Cafeteria Policies

- Free meals: All students receive free breakfast and lunch.
 - Extra breakfast: \$2.00
 - Extra lunch: \$3.00

Behavior Expectations

- No line-jumping or running in the cafeteria.
- Clean up: Dispose of trays, trash, and food before leaving.
- Enter through rear doors; side doors are exit only.
- Seniors may go to lunch 3 minutes early on Fridays, unless the privilege is abused.

Meal Payments

- To speed up lunch lines, students are encouraged to add money weekly or monthly using:
 - Cash or check (payable to FCHS Cafeteria)
 - Online at myschoolbucks.com

Lunch Rules

- Students must stay in the cafeteria during lunch unless approved by an administrator.
- No leaving school grounds during lunch.
- All food must stay in the cafeteria. Students caught with food elsewhere will be sent back and may face disciplinary action if repeated.
- No outside food deliveries unless arranged by a classroom teacher.

BUILDING STEWARDSHIP POLICIES





Students are responsible for helping keep the building and grounds neat and orderly. Please be advised that all food is to be eaten in the cafeteria (with the exception of second chance breakfast). Exceptions to this policy may be made upon the approval of an administrator.




Any wheeled devices (skateboards, rollerblades, in-line skates, etc.) are not allowed on school property.

STUDENT DRIVERS

Parking is a privilege, not a right. Purchase a \$20 parking pass and display the sticker on the lower left of the windshield. Vehicles may be inspected anytime without notice.

Rules for Student Drivers:

-  Enter the building immediately upon arrival. Stay on campus unless you have office permission to leave.
-  No parking on grass or staff-only lots (cafeteria, boiler room, White Building).
-  Drive safely and responsibly on school grounds.
-  No access to cars during school hours without office approval.

-  Designated Parking
 - Seniors: Main Lot (back row, no teacher spots) & behind new gym
 - Juniors & Sophomores: New Parking Area
No parking near elementary school or public highways.
-  Park facing the flagpole.
-  If switching vehicles, display a valid permit and update the office. No fee for switches.

Consequences

Failure to follow these rules may suspend or revoke parking privileges. Violators risk towing at their expense.

CAR RIDERS

Students are to be dropped off in front of the main building between the hours of **7:45** – 8:10 am Monday - Friday. Students are NOT to be dropped off in any other location. Student pick-up is the same location at 3:15 pm.

Bus Conduct Expectations

Riding the bus is a privilege, not a right. To keep everyone safe, students must:

- Follow all directions from the driver and staff
- Stay seated, facing forward
- Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself
- Use respectful language and talk quietly
- Behave in a safe, calm, and orderly way

Any behavior that disrupts the ride—as determined by the bus driver or school staff—may result in disciplinary action, including loss of bus privileges.

- Students are responsible for any damage they cause to the bus.
- Bus behavior expectations apply during loading, riding, and unloading.
- Discipline may carry over into the next school year if needed.
- Please support the decisions of bus drivers and administrators to ensure student safety.

EMERGENCY DRILLS

During emergency drills, the following behaviors are expected of students:

- Remain with your class
- Move quickly and quietly to designated area
- Follow teacher instructions
- Be respectful

Fire Drill/Evacuation

The signal for a fire drill will be continuous sounding of the fire alarm horns. The backup signal will be a voice alert over the intercom system.

IN-SCHOOL SUPERVISION (ISS)

An Alternative In-School Instructional Program

1. In-School Supervision is available at Floyd County High School to be used as a form of alternative education for students having academic and/or behavior problems. Students are assigned to ISS by the administration.
2. Students assigned In-School Supervision are to get all necessary school supplies including their chromebook upon entering school and report directly to the ISS room by the tardy bell.
3. Assignments from each of the students' classes will be collected from the teacher by the In-School Supervision monitor and will be given to the student at the appropriate time. Additional assignments may be made by the ISS monitor if needed to keep the students engaged.
4. Students in In-School Supervision will eat lunch in the ISS room. Someone other than ISS assigned students will deliver lunches to the room.
5. Students will not be allowed to leave the In-School Supervision room for any reason other than an emergency.
6. Talking or other communication with anyone will not be allowed without permission from the monitor.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Standard Diploma:

Subject Area	Standard Credits	Verified Credits
English	4	2
Mathematics	3	1
Laboratory Science	3	1
History and Social Sciences	3	1
Health and P.E.	2	0
World Language, Fine Arts or C.T.E.	2	0
Economics & Personal Finance	1	0
Electives	4	0
Student Selected Test	0	0
Total Credits	22	5

Advanced Studies Diploma

Subject Area	Standard Credits	Verified Credits
English	4	2
Mathematics	4	1
Laboratory Science	4	1
History and Social Sciences	4	1
Health and P.E.	2	0
World Language	3	0
Fine Arts or C.T.E.	1	0
Economics & Personal Finance	1	0
Electives	3	0
Total Credits	26	5

CREDITS FOR PROMOTION

Promotion to 9th grade – 5 subjects passed (two must be from English 8, Mathematics, and Physical Science).*

Promotion to 10th grade – 6 credits earned.

Promotion to 11th grade – 12 credits earned.

Promotion to 12th grade – 16 credits earned. **

Students completing requirements in summer school will not be permitted to participate in graduation exercises during the current year, but may participate the following year.

*Students who are not promoted to the 9th grade must repeat all 8th grade subjects.

**To be eligible to graduate, students must be enrolled in senior level classes.

GRADING POLICY AND SCALE

The following grading scale shall be observed in all grade levels at FCHS:

A	Excellent	90-100
B	Above Average	80-89
C	Average	70-79
D	Below Average	60-69
F	Failing	0-59

Student averages will be computed on a “weighted 4.0 grade point average” system with the students receiving points as follows:

Conversion to a weighted grade point average (GPA)

Regular Classes	Weighted Classes
A = 4	A = 5
B = 3	B = 4
C = 2	C = 3
D = 1	D = 2
F = 0	F = 0

Classes eligible for weighted GPA will be:

1. Honors Classes
2. Dual Enrollment Classes
3. AP Classes
4. Adv. Algebra & Trig., Pre-Calculus and Calculus
5. Human Anatomy & Physiology, Chemistry II
6. Art Studio

Virtual (on-line) AP or Dual Enrollment courses taken during the summer months will not count toward GPA calculations.

FCHS has a working partnership with NRCC to provide college credit courses not offered at FCHS. This could lead to an associate’s degree or a one-year Certificate of General Studies, if scheduling allows.

New River Community College NRCC

Career Counselors are available in the CCDC to help coordinate the Access to Community College Education (ACCE) program as well as counsel students on potential career paths.

DROP/ADD POLICY

The last day for a student to drop/add a course will be 5 class days after the start of the semester. Any course dropped after 5 class days will result in a withdrawal failure (WF) and will be notated as such on the student transcript.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Academic Integrity & AI Use: All students are expected to complete their own work honestly. The use of AI tools is only allowed when a teacher gives clear permission. Using AI or any other resource to cheat, plagiarize, or misrepresent work will be treated as academic dishonesty. Consequences include a parent-student-teacher conference, a zero on the assignment, and/or the opportunity to rework the assignment at the teacher’s discretion.

HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION

Arrangements can be made through the School Board Office (745-9400) to provide instruction at home for those students who, for a long period of time, are unable to attend school because of sickness or for other extenuating circumstances.

CREDIT RECOVERY

The Credit Recovery Program is a technology based learning module which allows a student to earn a credit for a failed academic course. The following criteria must be met in order for a student to qualify for credit recovery:

1. Achieved a minimum numerical average of 50 for the year in the academic class
2. Achieved a passing score on the SOL examination
3. Received a recommendation from his/her teacher—a student may be denied participation in credit recovery if their work throughout the year doesn’t demonstrate adequate effort.

High School Credit-Bearing Courses Taken in Middle School

For any high school credit-bearing course taken in grades 6-8, parents may request that grades be omitted from the student’s transcript and the student not earn high school credit for the course in accordance with policies adopted by the local school board. VSBA Policy JO Student Records; 8 VAC 20-131-90.

SCHOOL COUNSELOR SERVICES

Two full-time counselors serve a student body of approximately 670 from eighth through twelfth grades. Students are assigned to counselors by alphabet, but are welcome to consult with the counselor of their choice. Ms. Miranda Keith (last name A-K) and Ms. Leslie Hale (last names L-Z).

Counseling services are available to all students, and include

personal, educational, and career counseling; consultation; and placement.

SOL TESTING

All students enrolled in a course with an SOL test will be required to take the End-Of-Course test unless the student's course changes prior to the end of a semester's 2nd grading period. Additionally, there may be other extenuating circumstances that exempt a student from this requirement when considered on a case-by-case basis.

EXAMINATIONS

8th grade classes will take comprehensive tests or a project based learning activity at the end of the term. These grades will be included in the last grading period of the semester.

Only AP, DE, and Weighted Classes will take end of course exams. Parents are asked not to check their child out of school during exam periods. This practice helps assure that the proper time and effort is spent on the exam and also minimizes distractions for all students during exam periods. There will not be exam exemptions.

REPORT CARDS

Report cards will be issued at the end of each grading period (nine weeks). This report will show the progress students are making in the various areas of study. If satisfactory progress is not being made, students are urged to request a conference with the teacher and/or the guidance counselor to assist them in suggesting methods to follow to improve their work. Parents are also urged to schedule conferences when the student's work is not satisfactory.

VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN

The valedictorian and salutarian are the highest achieving students in Floyd County High School's graduating class. While GPA is a major factor in determining these honors, it is not the only factor considered. If two students take identical classes throughout high school, making all A's, except one takes a study hall – a GPA calculation would be higher for the student who took a study hall. Using GPA alone is a disservice to the student who takes additional classes. Therefore, a committee of administrators and guidance counselors meet to consider the number of weighted, non-weighted, and total courses taken by the top students in the graduating class. Students who have made all A's through their high school career are given the greatest consideration. Additional college courses outside our Program of Study will not be counted towards a student's GPA. Additionally, any senior who achieves a 4.0 or higher is considered an honor graduate, and will be recognized at graduation.

PARENT PORTAL

Parent Portal allows parents/guardians electronic access to your child's information.

<https://fcps.powerschool.com/public/home.html>

MEDIA CENTER

The Media Center is the resource center for the school. The materials supplement the curriculum and provide for individual differences in pleasure reading and research. All incoming students are given orientation to the Media Center and its operating policies.

CAREER COACH

A Career Coach will be on campus (part-time) to assist any student with career and future considerations.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR AND COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUPS

Buffalo Booster Club

The Buffalo Booster Club is a support and auxiliary fundraising group. The club supports all extra-curricular activities at FCHS and returns monies earned to school projects that benefit our students.

Band Parents Support Organization

Band Parents of FCHS and the elementary schools were formed for the purpose of supporting the band, majorettes, and band front. All parents of band students are eligible for membership with no dues charged. A monthly meeting is held as needed and announced to all members.

Career and Technical Education Advisory Council

This council is composed of individuals from the community representing Career and Technical Education programs. The purpose of the local council is to advise school officials on current job needs and the relevance of courses being offered by the school system and to assist in the development of the annual vocational plan.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

The student activity program of FCHS is designed to involve as many students as possible in extracurricular activities. Most activities coincide with and enhance academic classes. Though we believe that academics are the most important part of a student's education, the student activities program provides an important part of the total educational experience. In addition to the curriculum, a variety of extracurricular activities help ensure that the total development of the student will be immediate and long-lasting. There are many interest and service-oriented clubs and organizations, as well as clubs that are honorary in nature, open to the students at FCHS.

The FCHS activities program sponsors the following Virginia High School League activities:

- Forensics (Theda Anderson)
- One-Act Play (Kerri Smith)

The FCHS activities program also sponsors the following literary publications:

- Bison (yearbook) (Mary Dickerson)

FCHS competes in the following academic competitions:

- **Mountain Academic Competition Conference**
- Band (Jeffrey Gill)
- Choral (Sandra Smith)
- VHSL Academic Scholastic Bowl

The following clubs are offered: (sponsor)

- Art Club (Sarah Thompson, Aven Tanner)
- Barbecue Club (Katrina Knapp)
- National Honor Society (Kris Harrod)
- Book Club (Amanda Melvin)
- **Future Business Leaders of America** (Tabitha Caine)
- **Future Farmers of America** (Jameson Cockram, Matthew Roop)
- Girls Who Code- Zane Moran
- **Health Occupations Students of America** (Senora Faulkner)
- International Club (Staci Brown)
- Math Club (Kelly Blackwell)
- Recreational Sports (Webster/Radford/Allen)
- SCA (Jennifer Hendrick Staci Brown)
- Science Club (Megan Funk)
- Skills USA (Ross Snead, Shawn Tanner)
- Welding (Doug Thompson)
- Yoga Club (Ada Chrisman)

FCHS Dance Expectations

To ensure a safe, respectful, and enjoyable environment for all, the following rules apply to all school-sponsored dances:

Substance Policy

- Anyone under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or smelling of substances, will not be admitted and will face disciplinary action per the Student Code of Conduct.

Attendance Rules

- Dances are limited to FCHS students and pre-approved guests.
- Guest forms must be submitted at least 3 days before the event for administrative approval. Forms are available in the main office.

- No elementary students (including 7th grade athletes) are allowed.
Parents of FCHS students may attend free of charge.

Entry & Exit

- Students must arrive within 15 minutes of the end of the game (if dance follows an event).
- No re-entry: Once you leave the dance, you may not return.

Dancing & Dress Code

- Dancing must remain appropriate and respectful. The following are not allowed:
 - Grinding or sexually suggestive moves
 - “Sandwich” or prone (lying down) dancing
 - Crotch-to-crotch or other inappropriate contact
- The school dress code applies to all attendees.

OVERNIGHT TRIPS

Student groups may be permitted to make overnight trips as approved by the School Board. Prior approval is required and will be coordinated by the activity sponsor. Luggage is subject to search prior to departure.

THE ATHLETIC PROGRAM

There are several athletic teams sponsored by FCHS. These teams are governed by the rules and regulations of the Virginia High School League, Floyd County Schools and the Three Rivers District. Students in grades 6-12 may participate in these activities (see requirements at the end of this section). The Floyd County School Board employs coaches and sponsors of these teams. Listed below are the teams sponsored by FCHS:

- Boys’ Basketball (Middle School) grades 6-8
- Boys’ Basketball (JV) grades 8-10
- Boys’ Basketball (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Baseball (Middle School) grades 6-8
- Baseball (JV) grades 8-10
- Baseball (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Cheerleading (Fall) grades 7-12
- Cheerleading (Winter) grades 7-12
- Cross Country grades 7-12
- Football (Middle School) grades 7-8
- Football (JV) grades 8-10
- Football (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Girls’ Basketball (Middle School) grades 6-8
- Girls’ Basketball (JV) grades 8-10
- Girls’ Basketball (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Girls Indoor Track (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Boys Indoor Track (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Golf (Middle School) grades 7-8

- Golf (JV) grades 8-10
- Golf (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Co-Ed Soccer (Middle School) grades 6-8
- Girls Soccer (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Boys Soccer (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Girls' Softball (Middle School) grades 6-8
- Girls' Softball (JV) grades 8-10
- Girls' Softball (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Boys' and Girls' Tennis grades 8-12
- Boys' and Girls' Track (Middle School) grades 7-8
- Boys' and Girls' Track (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Volleyball (Middle School) grades 6-8
- Volleyball (JV) grades 9-10
- Volleyball (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Wrestling (Varsity) grades 9-12
- Boys' and Girls' Soccer grades 8-12

VIRGINIA HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

REQUIREMENTS:

Students must pass three of four classes to be eligible to participate in any VHSL activity the following semester. There is no yearly eligibility option (combining first and second semester passing grades), since block-scheduling format is on a "stand alone" semester grade basis.

All athletes are required to have a yearly physical on file before the 1st practice of their chosen sport.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Pictures taken on school grounds **cannot** be sold by the individual or affiliate taking the pictures in accordance with school board policy. Floyd County High School has a contracted photographer. Violators of this policy may be banned from school property.

SAFETY AUDIT

A copy of the school's safety audit can be viewed in the Principal's office.

TITLE IX OF THE EDUCATIONAL

AMENDMENTS OF 1972

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

The right of equal educational opportunity and equal employment opportunity has been given emphasis as reflected by Title IX of the 1964 Civil Rights Act as amended in March 1972, and the Regulations for the Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972. Title IX states: "*No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving Federal Financial assistance...*"

On June 8, 1976 the Floyd County School Board officially adopted an affirmative action policy affirming the principle of equal educational and employment opportunities to all students regardless of race, color, sex, religion, ancestry or national origin.

Any inquiries concerning the application of Title IX may be referred to the Assistant Superintendent of Floyd County Schools, Floyd County School Board, Floyd, Virginia, or to the Director of the Office for Civil Rights, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Washington, D.C.

Release of Student Records to Armed Forces Recruiters and Educational Institutions

According to VSBA Policy JO Student Records; 20 U.S.C. § 7908(a), our school must notify parents that they will release the names, addresses and telephone numbers of secondary students to all recruiters or institutions of higher education that request them **unless** the parents specifically request that this information not be released.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Policy Statement: The Floyd County School Division is committed to maintaining a learning/ working environment free from sexual harassment and harassment based on race, national origin, disability or religion. Therefore, Floyd County School Division prohibits sexual harassment and harassment based on race, national origin, disability or religion of any student or school personnel at school or any school sponsored activity. For more information, please see Floyd County Public Schools Policy JFHA/GBA.

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