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MOUNT OLIVE MIDDLE SCHOOL

CODE OF CONDUCT



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Belief Statement

The Mount Olive Middle School Code of Conduct is designed to encourage students to make good choices. It is meant to foster health, safety, and the emotional well-being of all students, to support a safe environment that is conducive to learning, to prevent the occurrence of problem behaviors, and to establish parameters for intervention, remediation, and restoration.

At Mount Olive Middle School, we expect all students to actively engage in their learning, demonstrate responsibility by staying organized and prepared for instruction, and strive to do their personal best. Students should be respectful to both peers and staff, follow rules and expectations, demonstrate academic integrity, and conduct themselves in a safe and orderly manner throughout the school day. Additionally, regular attendance is crucial for student achievement. Students are expected to attend school regularly, be punctual, and take responsibility for any missed work due to absences.

The administration reserves the right to categorize any action under an appropriate heading. It is understood that there will be conduct not listed in this document that impacts routine functions of the learning environment. Progressive discipline uses incremental interventions to address inappropriate behavior with the ultimate goal of teaching prosocial behavior.

Infraction	Consequence		
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Cutting Class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent and administrator notification *Possible detention *Possible loss of credit for work missed *Make up lost instructional time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent and administrator notification *Detention *Possible Saturday Detention *Possible loss of credit for work missed *Make up lost instructional time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent and administrator notification *A.C.E. *Loss of credit for work missed *Progressive consequences as appropriate *Make up lost instructional time
Leaving Class Without Permission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Warning *Parent notification *Student-teacher conference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent and administrator notification *Student-team conference *Detention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent -administrator conference *Saturday detention *Possible A.C.E.
Excessive Tardiness to Class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Recorded warning *Possible detention *Parent notification *Student-teacher conference *Student may be required to make up lost instructional time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent & administration notification *Possible parent conference *student-team conference *Make up lost instructional time *Detention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent & administrative notification (progressive consequences as appropriate) *Attendance review meeting *Parent-teacher conference *Make up lost instructional time
Excessive Tardiness to School	<i>After 8 Tardies</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent notification *Meeting with counselor *Reflection form 	<i>After 12 Tardies-</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent- administrator meeting *Attendance Improvement Plan *Temporary privilege suspension *After-school detention 	<i>After 15+ Tardies-</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Attendance contract *Parent- administrator meeting *Privilege suspension *Possible Summer Program Attendance
Misuse of Hall Passes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Warning *Possible detention *Parent notification *Student-teacher conference *Pass restrictions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent notification *Detention *Student-team conference *Research assignment *Pass restrictions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *Progressive consequences *Parent-administrator conference *Research presentation

Leaving School Grounds without Permission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *Parent notification *Detention *A.C.E. *Student-administrator conference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *Detention *Possible suspension *Parent conference *Parent-administrator conference *Research assignment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *Detention *Suspension/A.C.E. *Progressive consequences *Parent-administrator conference *Research assignment
Dress Code Violation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *Student asked to change *Parent notified *Warning documented *Student remains in A.C.E. until dress is corrected 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *Student asked to change *Parent notified *Student-administrator conference held to review expectations *Lunch or after-school detention *Student remains in A.C.E. until dress is corrected 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to Administration *Student asked to change *Parent notified and conference with administration *Professional Dress research assignment *Progressive consequences as appropriate
Disrespect to Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Conference with counselor/student/teacher *Parent notification *Possible detention *Apology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent & administration notification *Detention *Possible parent meeting *Student-team conference *Apology letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *Saturday detention *Parent-administrator conference *Apology letter *Progressive consequences as appropriate
Verbal abuse or use of profanity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Warning *Student-teacher conference *Possible detention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *Parent notification *Student-team conference *Progressive consequences as appropriate *Detention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *Parent-administrator conference *Appropriate communication research assignment *Possible Suspension/A.C.E. *Progressive consequences as appropriate
Misconduct, Disruptive, Behavior, Insubordination Board Policy P5560/5600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Warning *Parent notification *Possible detention *Student-teacher conference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent notification *Detention *Possible parent conference *Student-team conference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Administrative referral *Detention *Progressive consequences as appropriate *Parent-administrator conference
Plagiarism and all Academic Dishonesty (Including Misuse of AI) Board Policy P5701	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Possible zero on assignment and/or loss of credit *Possible detention *Parent notification *Student-teacher conference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *Zero on assignment *Parent notification *Student-administrator conference *Research task *Progressive consequences as appropriate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent conference with administration and *Zero on assignment *Research presentation *Progressive consequences as appropriate
Inappropriate Bus Behavior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent notification *Warning *Possible After-School detention *Possible Lunch Detention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *After-School Detention(s) *Parent Conference *Short-term Bus Suspension *Parent-administrator conference *Transportation safety research task 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent meeting *A.C.E. *Suspension of bus privileges *Parent-administrator conference *Transportation safety research presentation

Inappropriate Behavior During Lunch/Recess	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Warning *Possible alternate lunch environment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Possible alternative lunch environment *Lunch restorative session 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Possible alternative lunch environment *Temporary loss of flex time *Progressive consequences as appropriate
Inappropriate Behavior During After School Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Warning *Advisor-student meeting *Parent notification 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent-administrator meeting *Temporary removal from after school activities *Behavior contract 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent-administrator meeting *Suspension from after school activities
Endangering the physical/emotional health and safety of others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Warning *Referral to administration *Parent notification *Restorative lunch session 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *Parent notification *Detention *Research task 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *Parent notification *Research presentation *Saturday detention *Progressive consequences as appropriate
Unwarranted/ Inappropriate Physical Contact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Warning and apology *Referral to administration *Parent notification *Possible detention *Possible police notification *Student-student conference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Referral to administration *A.C.E. *Possible police notification *Student mediation *Parent-administrator conference *Research task 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Progressive consequences as necessary up to and including suspension *Student mediation *Parent-administrator conference *Research presentation
Use of Cellphones and other Electronics <i>Use of /having the item visible during school hours including but not limited to: cell phone, headphones, smartwatches, AI/Smart Glasses, tablets, etc.</i> <i>*Administration reserves the right to search personal electronic devices when there exists a reasonable suspicion for potential harm to self or others.</i> BOE Policy 5516 BOE Regulation 5516	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent notification *Student must Sign Violation Acknowledgement Form *Confiscation (student retrieves device at the end of school day) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Confiscation (parent retrieves device at the end of school day) *Student and parent must Sign Violation Acknowledgement Form *Parent notification *Detention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent notification *Device held in main office during school hours for 5 days *Possible Loss of Privileges *Saturday Detention *Possible A.C.E.
ECRD Policy Violation	ECRD Policy	ECRD Policy	ECRD Policy
Inappropriate Use of Technology and/or Damage of district Issued Device (AUP) Board Policy 5516/5600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Warning *Parent notification *Possible referral to administration *Possible police notification 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent notification *Possible loss of technology privileges *Referral to administration *Possible police notification *Student-administrator conference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Parent-administrator conference *Device given to administration for parent pick-up *Referral to administration *Progressive consequences *Police notification as appropriate *Possible loss of technology privileges

Inappropriate Use of Technology/Social Media Cyber harassment, creation/sharing of deep fakes; downloading or installing software without permission; using others' passwords or sharing	*Parent notification *Guidance referral *Up to 3 days out of school suspension/A.C.E. *Possible police notification *May result in a HIB Investigation *Student-guidance conference	*Parent-administrator conference *Guidance referral *Up to 5 days out of school suspension *Possible police notification *May result in a HIB Investigation *support group meetings	*Parent-administrator conference *Guidance referral *Up to 10 days out of school suspension *Possible police notification *referral to outside counseling
Fighting/Instigating a Fight or physical altercation BOE Policy 5600	*Parent-administrator conference *Up to 3 day Suspension *Possible police notification *Participation in Restorative Conference	*Parent-administrator conference *Up to 5 days out- of- school Suspension *Possible police notification *Restorative conference	*Parent/Administrator conference *Up to 10 days out- of- school suspension *Possible police notification *Threat assessment screener *Restorative conference
Theft/Possession of Stolen Property	*Administrator conference *Possible detention/suspension *Restitution *Parent notification	*Parent- administrator conference *Possible detention/suspension *Restitution *Parent notification	*Parent- administrator conference *Police notification if necessary * Suspension/A.C.E. *Progressive consequences
Vaping/Drugs/ Alcohol Use/Distribution Suspected use/ being under the influence or distributing on campus at any time Board Policy 5530/5533	*Parent notification *Guidance referral *Up to 3 days out of school Suspension/A.C.E. *Mandatory drug screening (If positive, mandatory support Program) *Possible bathroom restrictions	*Parent notification *Guidance referral *Up to 5 days out of school suspension/A.C.E. *Mandatory drug screening (If positive, mandatory support program) *Possible bathroom restrictions	*Parent notification *Guidance Referral *Up to 10 Days Out of School Suspension/A.C.E. *Mandatory drug screening (If positive, mandatory support program) *Bathroom restrictions
<i>The Administration reserves the right to refer the above matter to the Mount Olive Township Municipal Court for adjudication as a local ordinance violation.</i>			
Inappropriate / Unsportsmanlike Behavior at a School Event	*Warning *Possible referral to administration *Parent notification *Possible temporary ban from after school activity	*Referral to administration *Parent notification *Possible detention *Possible after school activity ban	*Referral to administration *Parent notification *Progressive consequences as appropriate *Possible Saturday detention *Ban from after school activity
Vandalism/ Destruction of Property Board Policy 5513	*Referral to administration *Parent notification *Warning *Possible detention *Possible suspension *Possible police notification *Financial responsibility	*Referral to administration *Parent notification *Suspension *Possible police notification *Financial responsibility	*Referral to administration *Parent/police notification *Possible restitution or school service *Suspension *Progressive consequences *Financial responsibility
Threatening the Safety of an other: Individual	*Up to 3 days out of school suspension *Possible police notification *Threat assessment screener	*Up to 5 days out-of- school suspension *Possible police notification *Threat assessment screener	*Up to 10 days out- of- school suspension *Possible police notification *Threat assessment screener

	*Restorative conference	*Restorative conference	*Restorative conference
Threatening the Safety of Others: Group/School	*Up to 3 days out-of-school suspension *police notification *Threat assessment screener *School clearance required for reentry *Restorative conference	*Up to 5 days out-of-school suspension *Police notification *Threat assessment screener *School clearance required for reentry *Restorative conference	*Up to 10 days out-of-school suspension *Police notification *Threat assessment screener *School clearance required for reentry *Restorative conference
Possession and/or use of a firearm or other weapon	*Consequences as per policy 8467 .	*Consequences as per policy 8467 .	*Consequences as per policy 8467 .
Harassment/ Intimidation/ Bullying	*Consequences as per Policy #5512	*Consequences as per Policy #5512	*Consequences as per Policy #5512
Bias Speech/Incident (includes speech against any of the protected classes)	*Referral to administration *Counseling *Parent notification *Possible Detention *Possible Suspension/A.C.E. *Police Notification *Participation in Restorative Conference	*Referral to administration *Counseling *Parent notification *Possible Detention *Possible Suspension/A.C.E. *Police Notification *Participation in Restorative Conference *Bias research assignment	*Referral to administration *Counseling *Parent notification *Possible Detention *Possible Suspension/A.C.E. *Police Notification *Participation in Restorative Conference *Bias research presentation
Non-compliance with assigned consequence	*Parent notification *Reflection assignment *Student-administrator conference *Completion of the originally assigned consequence or intervention	*Parent notification *Reflection assignment *Student-administrator conference *Completion of the originally assigned consequence or intervention *Detention *Temporary loss of privileges	*Parent notification *Reflection assignment *Parent conference *Completion of the originally assigned consequence or intervention *Placement in an Alternative Classroom Environment *Temporary loss of privileges

****Any out-of-school suspension will warrant a re-entry meeting with the grade level counselor and/or child study team member and an administrator depending upon the infraction.***

****Mount Olive Middle School has the right to take action regarding incidents that occurred outside of school, if there is an impact on the learning environment within the school for one or more students.***

****Participation in school trips, events, and other privileges is contingent upon maintaining satisfactory academic performance and demonstrating appropriate behavior.***

****In accordance with state and federal law, school officials may search students, their belongings, and school property when there is reasonable suspicion that a school rule or law has been violated. Any items found to be inappropriate or illegal may be confiscated, and disciplinary action may follow.***

****Administration has the right to search personal electronic devices when there exists a reasonable suspicion for potential harm to self or others.***

Mount Olive School District Attendance Policy

The compulsory education law (N.J.S.A. 18A:38-28 through 31) requires all children between the ages of 6-16 to attend school. The attendance regulations (N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.6), require each district board of education to develop, adopt and implement

policies and procedures regarding the attendance of students, including the adoption of a definition of "unexcused absence" that counts towards truancy.

Student absenteeism can lead to low academic achievement, dropping out of school, delinquency and gang involvement.

School districts that have established multi-systemic approaches and policies pertaining to student absenteeism typically experience fewer numbers of dropouts and a greater number of graduates.

Mount Olive Middle School Provides supports for students who may struggle with behavior

- School Counselor Meetings
- Team Meetings
- School Administration Meetings
- MTSS Referral
- CST Referral

Community Based Health and Social Service Provider Agencies

The below list of local treatment agencies is not formally associated with the Mount Olive Board of Education

Acenda

340 W Hanover Ave
Morristown, NJ 07960
(844) 422-3632

<https://acendahealth.org/>

Atlantic Behavioral Health

112 East Avenue
Hackettstown, NJ 07840
(908) 850-6810

The Center for Prevention and Counseling

(973)-383-4787
61 Spring St # 3, Newton, NJ 07860
<https://centerforprevention.org/>

GenPsych

1065 Route 22 West, Suite 3D
Bridgewater, NJ 08807
1-855-GenPsych
www.GenPsych.com

Headway

<https://headway.co/>

New Life Recovery Center

23 Colfax Avenue
Pompton Lakes, NJ 07442
<http://www.newliferecoverycenter.net>

New Pathways Counseling Services

339 Changebridge Road
Pine Brook, NJ 07058
(973) 728-7788
www.newpathway.com

Saint Clare's Behavioral Health Parsippany

1 Medical Drive
Parsippany, NJ 07054
973-298-8600

Aspire

465 Route 23 South
Pompton Plains, NJ 07444
(973) 737-8400

<https://aspirecounselingnj.org/>

Bridges Counseling

185 Route 206, Suite 1
Flanders, NJ 07836
(973) 668-4806
<http://www.bridgescounselingnj.com/>

Counseling Center at Roxbury

66 Sunset Strip, Ste. 302
Succasunna, NJ 07876
(862) 296-2062
<https://www.thecounselingcenter.com/locations/roxbury-nj/>

High Focus Centers

1259 Route 46, Building #4
Parsippany, NJ 07054
(973) 299-9919
<https://highfocuscenters.pyramidhealthcarepa.com/>

New Bridge Counseling, Inc.

1259 Rt. 46 East, Building 2, Suite 100A
Parsippany, NJ 07054
(973) 316-9333
www.newbridge.org

Saint Clare's Behavioral Health Denville

50 Morris Avenue
Denville, NJ 07054
973-625-7009

