Student Handbooks Updates 2011-12

School:Brevard Middle School

Page #	Topic	New, Deleted, or Edited?	Please give a description if new or edited. You might need to paste copy below table.
1	PBIS Statement	New	In accordance with Bms as PBIS pilot school for county, the meaning of PBIS is included
1	FAIR rules acronym	Edited	One rule (manage responsibilities) is added and directions changed to 'instructions' in order to create PBIS preferred rules acronym of 'FAIR'
2	BMS Behavior and Expectations Matrix	New	Matrix of what it looks like to follow the FAIR school rules in all areas of the building; part of PBIS initiative; kid friendly guide to basic expectations at BMS
3	Grading Scale	New	Requested by staff/parents; one sentence that grades are on 7 point scale
4	Student Progress; RTI mentioned	New	Definition included to explain intervention framework
5	Bus and Car Traffic	Edit	Time end at BMS changed to 3:10 (second bell for busses at 3:20)
6	Dress Code	Edit	'even in leggings worn underneath' added for skirts required to be to the knee and no tears/rips in pants above the knee (or patches for pants)
7	Clubs and Organizations	Edit	Section separated out so that correct clubs and organizations can be listed with headings of 'clubs' and 'honorary' for clarification
11	Procedures and Expectations	New	Explains BMS Matrix of Expectations/Procedures created as part of PBIS initiative as common list of what to do at BMS

11	Intervention Committees	New	Specifies/Defines the two committees used at BMS to track/begin interventions—CARE (academic/learning) and BLUE (Behavior/Environment)
14	Common Consequences' Saturday School (BMS Saturday Academy)	New	Used commonly now at BMS for makeup work/time; defines program and hours
16	Reward Systems	New	Defines token economy and banking system for rewarding students as created as part of PBIS system

Please paste below any additional information or changes.

PBIS STATEMENT

Brevard Middle School uses Positive Based Intervention and Support (PBIS) in an effort to manage discipline problems in a positive and meaningful way. Our program is unique in that we teach our students appropriate behavior within the environment of Brevard Middle School as well as in life, thereby giving our students the opportunity to apply this same behavior in their community and future lives.

The PBIS model is simple and uniform so it is easily understood and reinforced. The key components include consistent training and reinforcement by all BMS staff, positive interactions, incentives and rewards for appropriate student behavior, and the use of behavior intervention plans for dealing with classroom disruptions.

Students At Brevard Middle School are required to be FAIR:

- ⊚ Follow <u>I</u>nstructions
- ⊚ Manage <u>R</u>esponsibilities

Schools will have an established intervention program/plan to help students succeed during the entire school year in accordance to the Response to Intervention (RTI) state and federal supported intervention structure.

Holes, slits (including string-covered slits), or tears above the knee are not acceptable, even if leggings or patches are worn underneath

Clubs

Brevard Middle School hosts several extracurricular clubs and groups to support the interests and talents of their students including Earth-keepers, Art Guild, Battle of the Books, Show Choir, Student Council. BMS yearbook staff, Science Fair, and Band.

Honorary

BMS sponsors a local chapter of the Beta Club. Students maintaining a 93 or higher average for two consecutive quarters are eligible for induction. Additionally, 8th graders are recognized through the President's Education Awards Program for meeting these criteria: 90+ average for the first semester, and 85th percentile on 7th grade EOGs.

Procedures and Expectations

Students and staff are expected to follow the BMS Matrix of Expected Procedures and Behaviors as posted in this handbook and in Brevard Middle School. Each of expected behavior and procedure is explained or reviewed and discussed at the beginning and middle of each school year. If students choose to disobey the established procedures as posted in classrooms and common areas, teachers will take appropriate action as based on the severity of the offense and the possible consequences as outlined within this handbook.

Intervention Committees

Brevard Middle School encourages parents, students, and teachers to work together to recognize needs and begin the process of implementing behavioral modification plans and academic interventions. CARE Team is a group composed of grade level and administrative representatives that meet twice monthly to discuss students presenting significant academic or environmental concerns in an attempt to continue communication with parents on new or ongoing interventions.

BLUE Committee seeks to recognize students in particular need of behavioral modifications or alternate behavior training and discuss opportunities and strategies to help those students better succeed among their peers.

If you have questions about these committees or would like to contact a representative about your child, please call the Lead Teacher at 884-2091.

Saturday School (BMS Saturday Academy) may be required for students with consistent and unchanging issues with attendance, tardiness to school and/or class, making up required work, or meeting teacher standards. Saturday school is manned 8:00-12:00 PM and assignments are provided for each student. Transportation and lunch are not provided.