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Dear Rolesville High School Families,

To begin the new school year with clear two-way communication, we are providing you with forms and information to facilitate those functions. Please read the information carefully, as some items will require that you provide information to the school in return. Other items are simply sent to help you understand expectations for the school year or ways in which we all can support your student in expeditious, responsible ways.

In addition to reviewing the information found in this packet, we hope you either already have or will review the updates made to the RHS website (www.wcpss.net/rolesvillehs). We want this resource to be the one you reference for general operating information and school updates. You will also note that we will tweet information and school celebrations @RolesvilleRams.

If you wish to be able to volunteer during the school year, you will need to be a registered WCPSS volunteer. Current volunteers who were approved for the 2021-22 school year do not have to register again this year. All new volunteer applicants must register through the WCPSS website while on a WCPSS campus. WCPSS employees who wish to volunteer must also register.

To keep you informed during the year, I will send regular emails to those who have an email listed in PowerSchool. I will share the events and reminders to make you aware of significant information. *It is very important that we have an accurate email address to contact you.* The same information will be posted each week on the RHS website under the Principal's Weekly Message, as well.

#### Materials available online on the RHS website for reference and access:

RHS Student/Parent Handbook: Teachers will review with students in class.

**Student Name and Photograph/Video Privacy Release:** It is found on the RHS site under Students  $\rightarrow$  Student Expectations. If you DO NOT want your child to be published either in pictures or video, you need to complete this form. While you may have done this in the past, it would be a reassurance to complete it again. We will make certain that the information in PowerSchool is correct. We use this database to check for permission throughout the year, so it must be accurate.

In this packet, you will find the following items which may or will require feedback/return to school:

Student Contact Verification Form: We need this back from your family <u>only if your contact information is different from what is</u> <u>printed on this form</u>. We want to be certain that we have current information in PowerSchool. We do not want to find ourselves in situations where we cannot reach families in emergencies or where we send written communications to a wrong address. **Honor Code:** We ask that each student review the Rolesville High School Honor Code with their parent/guardian. After reviewing the Honor Code, both student and parent/guardian should sign the Honor Code and return the bottom portion to the student's Advisory teacher. **WCPSS Student/Parent Handbook & Signature Sheet**: Please sign the back page of the WCPSS Student/Parent Handbook and return to the advisory period teacher.

You will also find the following information which requires no written feedback:

**Complete Bell Schedules**: This information is also posted to the web, but you might want this copy for your refrigerator or office. **Lunch Schedules**: Please note that on the back of the lunch schedule is also information about meal pricing and how to request to continue to get free/reduced lunch pricing for the 22/23 school year. We want to make sure all families know that universal free lunch will be going away as of June 30, 2022, and it will be important for families to turn in an application to continue to get this service.

Please be sure to review some important policy updates for the 2022-2023 school on the back of this letter.

I look forward to an extraordinary year with the students of RHS and their families. Go Rams!

Sincerely,

Phelan Perry, Principal

# Policy Updates for the 2022-2023 School Year

### **Rams on Time**

Classroom instruction is key to student success. As such, students are expected to be in their assigned classes at the start of each period. Students who fail to be in their assigned classroom at the sound of the bell must get a pass from a staff member. Students who appear for class more than 15 minutes late without a pass are to receive a discipline referral for skipping. Below are the consequences that will be assigned to students who are late (tardies are cumulative, not per class):

• 1-3<sup>rd</sup> Violation – Warning from teacher

• 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Violation – Parent Contact from classroom teacher (via Talking Points/email or phone) • 6th Violation – Loss of lunch pass for 1 week (students without a lunch pass will be assigned after school detention)

- 7th Violation ISS for a period (typically assigned and served immediately)
- 8th Violation ISS for a period (typically assigned and served immediately)
- 9th Violation Loss of lunch pass for 3 weeks (students without a lunch pass will be assigned two days of after-school detention)
  - 10+ Violations Immediate placement in ISS and additional consequences as assigned by administrator

Other Things to Note:

- Students who are more than 15 minutes late to a class will be written up for skipping, which will result in additional consequences.
- Students who are assigned to ISS for a partial or full day will not be allowed to participate in any school-sponsored events (e.g., sports practices, games, productions, etc.).
  - Failure to serve an assigned consequence will result in additional consequences being assigned by an administrator.

## **Focus on Instruction**

Students in WCPSS have been provided Chromebooks for digital learning. Students will need to bring charged chrome books to school each day; they should ensure that their WCPSS-issued device is secure at all times just as you would if you brought any other computer, iPad or cell phone to school.

As all students are being provided with a device, we will no longer be operating under BYOD (bring-your-own device). **Students will not be allowed to use their phones in the classroom**. We ask for your help with this in not expecting your child to respond to texts or calls during instructional time; students will have access to their personal devices between classes.

Use of student devices during class time may result in confiscation of the device (to be returned at the end of class or for parent pick up depending on the level of infraction). Students who are not compliant may have administrative consequences.

# **Dress Code**

Students are expected to adhere to standards of dress and appearance. Our guiding principles for the student dress code are similar to those experienced and expected in the workplace: attire that furthers health and safety of students and staff, enables the educational process, and facilitates the operations of the school. Parents are asked to partner with the school district to monitor student attire to help adhere to the guiding principles set forth in the policy. To promote these goals, students may not wear or carry clothing, jewelry, book bags, or other personal articles that:

- 1. Depict profanity, vulgarity, obscenity, or violence;
- 2. Promote the use or abuse of alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs;
- 3. Are prohibited under Policy 4309 III-2 (Gang and Gang Related Activity) or any other provision of the Code of Student Conduct;
- 4. Threaten the health or safety of staff or students; or
- 5. Are reasonably likely to create a substantial disruption of the educational process or operations of the school.

Specific details can be found in the 22-23 Rolesville High School Student Handbook on the RHS website.