

## **ID Badge Policy**

Last month we held an advertised, fully announced and published ID Badge Check. Despite the school's forewarning of the ID check, over fifty students failed to have their ID Badge or take the time to order a replacement. After the ID check, many students went back to the practice of not having one on their person. In reviewing our safety and security measures, professionals in the field of facility security state that some form of being easily identified can have a positive effect. When weighing and increased level of safety versus the inconvenience of wearing one's badge ... I struggle to find the argument.

How does one force a student to wear their ID at all times? Since asking and holding announced checks has failed to change behavior, as of Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup> we will treat ID Badges in the same manner as we enforce the tardy policy. On the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) time a child does not wear their ID badge, to a particular class, they will be issued a detention. Word for word the same as the tardy policy "If a student is found not to not wearing (lanyard or clipped visibly) their ID Badge three times in the same class within the same marking period, a detention may be issued".

Students who have lost or misplaced their ID will be exempt, only if a replacement has already been ordered. The limit of no more than two days without an ID goes back to zero every marking period. In theory, a student could leave their ID behind 14 times a marking period (twice per each class) and avoid being issued a detention.