Parents and Students,

Welcome back! We are so glad to have all our students back on our beautiful campus. Our theme for our students and staff this school year is "On the Rise." We believe that with the help of families, community, staff and students we will continue to Rise to any challenge to provide a quality education to all students at Bay Point Middle School.

This packet will serve as a guide to assist you and your student with these procedures and provide you information about our school, expectations, and programs we offer. We ask that you utilize this packet as reference and guide for student success. There are several forms in this packet we ask for you to return at Open House or with your student the first week of school if you and/your child are unable to attend the open house event.

Much of our communication comes from our Sunday night messages that are sent home via telephone call and through email. Communication is the key to a successful parent-teacher- student- school relationship. Each Sunday night please expect a Falcon update.

To ensure you receive your updates, the phone numbers and email address in FOCUS must be updated. Additionally, we ask that you visit the Bay Point Middle School Website often! https://www.pcsb.org/baypoint-ms

We will post on our calendar updates on clubs, sports, and events. This information will serve as our guide for the remainder of the year.

With Falcon Pride,
Dena Collins, Principal

Updates and changes from the previous school year:

- All students will return to face to face learning. There will not be an online option for learning at our school. The school district has options for virtual learning through Pinellas Virtual School.
- Classrooms will be sanitized daily and all classrooms will have wipes, sanitizer and cleaning products.
- Masks for students and staff will be optional.
- Students are encouraged to continue social distancing and to not loiter/congregate in halls or open walk ways.
- Seating charts in the classroom and the cafeteria will continue to be collected and enforced.
- Limited seating at the lunchroom table will continue (maximum of 6 students at a lunchroom table).
- Classrooms will have students spaced to provide social distancing where possible.
- Students and staff will continue to be encouraged and practice all safety measures to prevent the spread of COVID and FLU. Students/staff who are ill (temperature, sore throat, loss of smell/taste, diarrhea or vomiting) are to remain at home/will be sent home.
- Lockers will be issued this year to all students for hallway use. The cost of the lock is $6.00. Students MUST utilize a Bay Point lock. This lock may be utilized all three years of middle school. Students may not share a locker.
- Students may carry on their person ONE small purse, pouch, or other item to secure personal products, cell phone, writing utensils, house key.
  - Students are strongly discouraged from bringing valuables to school including cash or gift cards.
  - Personal safety items (pepper spray; personal tasers) are not allowed on campus. Students may not bring lighters, tobacco/vaping products or items that may be utilized or perceived as a weapon.
  - All food items for lunch- will be secured in the locker and consumed only at lunch. These items are never allowed in the classrooms or hallways (including their personal pouch).
- School computer devices will be issued by the start of September. Students who bring their own device will complete a district permission form prior to bringing the device on campus. Students will be assigned times to utilize the locker to ensure halls remain clear.
- Book bags must be secured all day in the locker.
- Students who bring a lunch- must have lunch secured in a bag and left in the locker until lunch time.
- Students may carry on their person ONE small purse, pouch, or other item to secure personal products, cell phone, writing utensils, house key.
  - School devices will be used for educational purposes only.
  - Students may only access educational platforms on these devices.
  - Teachers will continue to utilize Canvas to assign classwork and homework.
  - Students will be assigned math homework weekly through IXL.
  - Students enrolled in Reading will utilize I Ready for reading practice in school at home.
  - Students are responsible for bringing their devices school daily (access school work/online text books).
    - Students who are lent a computer due to leaving their computer at home will only be eligible to utilize a “loaner” once during a two-week period.
    - A check out system has been created to assist in the timely return of the loaner computer.
    - Students who have technical issues with their computer will work with our media specialist on submitting a request and utilizing a loaner until the computer has been repaired.
Monday, August 9: Open House-See schedules below
All families will complete a 21-22 Clinic Card at Open House or submit completed card.

**9:30 am- 1:35 pm: Grade 6 Open House- Walk your classrooms and Meet the teacher**

9:30 am: Title 1 Meeting in the cafeteria
9:45 am-10:15 am: Welcome Message, Forms Drop off PTSA information session, T-Shirts on sale; Schedule Pick Up
10:20 am- 2:35 pm: Students will follow a Bell Schedule
10:20-10:35 Period 1
10:40-10:55-Period 2
11:00-11:15 Period 3
11:20-11:35 Period 4
11:40-11:55 Period 5
12:00-12:15 Period 6
12:20-12:35 Period 7
12:35- 1:35 pm: Cafeteria will remain open for continued questions, shirt sales, hall lock sales.

**3:00 pm- 6:00 pm: Grade 7 and Grade 8 Open Campus/Schedule Pick Up**

3:00 pm- 3:20 pm: Title 1 Meeting in the cafeteria
3:20 pm- 3:40 pm: Welcome Message, PTSA and General information shared
3:20 pm- 5:45 pm: Schedule Pick Up/Shot Paperwork Drop off/Clinic Card drop off- Shirt sales, Hall lock/PE lock sales
3:45 pm- 6:00 pm: Teachers in the classrooms- Meet and greet open campus walk

All open house families will enter through the bus rear parking lot or side teacher parking lot. A greeter will pick up your pre-completed forms or provide you with blank copies if needed. A blank clinic card will be issued to each child attending Bay Point. The parent will have the option of completing the form in the cafeteria or outside on the benches with a clipboard. Please bring a blue or black pen. Once completed, forms will be brought to an alpha schedule locator table near the gym. A student schedule will be provided. 7th grade families are to bring any updated shot records if not submitted as of 8/11/21. You will need the following information to complete your clinic card: cell phone number and email addresses for parent(s), name and contact information for emergency pick up-release, physician name & dentist name and number, preferred hospital.

Please complete attached forms in this back to school packet (internet exclusion, media release, Title 1 Compact). Parent may also bring any voluntary forms attached: PTSA/SAC forms, ELP,

Bay Point T-Shirts and Locks will be on sale at both events (Check or Cash only). Credit Card Payments online only- pre-purchased through our website will be available on 8/20/20 for pick up.

Save this information below:

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Student Absences are called into grade level office:
Ext. 2083 6th Grade Office: Ms. Hunter-Kittles, Admin Assistant
Ext. 2052 7th Grade Office: , Admin Assistant
Ext. 2040 8th Grade Office: Ms. Gilbert-Hall Admin Assistant

Ext. 2009 Principal Secretary: Ms. Jenkins
Ext. 2002 Data Management Tech: Ms. Zekri
Ext. 2005 Bookkeeper: Ms. Covington
Ext. 2006 School Resource Officer, Officer Boozey
Ext. 2010 School Nurse

**What are the school hours?**
9:40 AM – 4:10 PM
- Students may arrive on campus no earlier than 9:00 a.m.
- A bell will ring at 9:25 a.m. for 1st period device start-up.
- Device “boot up” and re-start will occur from 9:27 a.m.- 9:37 a.m.
- Students are to be in their first period for morning show at 9:37 a.m.
- First Period instruction begins 9:40 a.m.
What time can car-riders/walkers/bike-riders arrive on campus?
All students report to the cafeteria prior to the 9:25 a.m. bell.
- Free lunch is available to all students. Students may bring a bagged lunch from home. All lunch items brought from home must remain in the hall locker until lunch period.

Free Breakfast and Lunch is offered to all students.

- **Students Who Eat Breakfast on Campus:** Car-riders, walkers and bike-riders that participate in the breakfast program may begin arriving on campus at 9:00 AM. Students who arrive on campus between 9:00 and 9:25 AM are required to report to the cafeteria.
- Students must eat breakfast first then at the bell, report to their first period class. No food or drinks may be brought outside of the cafeteria. Students may NOT bring coffee on campus or any other “hot” drink item for safety reasons.
- If your child brings breakfast, this breakfast must be consumed in the cafeteria.

What time do Bus Riders Eat Breakfast?
- If your child is a bus rider and participates in the breakfast program, your child will first eat breakfast then report to class.
- The first bell rings at 9:25 a.m. Students that arrive by bus prior to 9:40 a.m. must consume all breakfast items in the cafeteria. Students that arrive after 9:40 a.m. will be given a special pass to enter first period. All food must be consumed in the cafeteria prior to entering the classroom.

Is there a before-school tutoring program?
Yes! We offer Monday-Friday before school tutoring to all students- free of charge.
- Students must be on campus between 7:45 a.m.-8:05 a.m.
- Students will be picked up by the teacher and escorted to the classroom from the main office.
- Students will work on homework, computer programs to enhance science, math, and/or reading. Students may work on their personalized learning plan.
- **Students may not walk off campus once they are on campus.**
  - Students are escorted to the cafeteria at 8:50 a.m. for breakfast. Students will remain in the cafeteria until 9:25 a.m.

Is there an after-school tutoring program?
Yes, we offer afterschool extended learning programs to all students free of charge Monday through Thursdays.
- Students must report to their afterschool class no later than 4:20 p.m.
- **Students that exit the campus at the end of the day may not return onto campus.**
- Students will work on homework, computer programs to enhance science, math, reading and/or personalized learning plan.

Can parents drop off students or students be on campus before 9:00 AM if they are NOT enrolled in a before school program?
- NO -- Students cannot be on campus before 9:00 AM unless they are enrolled in a morning program. There is no supervision of students prior to 9:00 a.m. Students must always be supervised.

There is NO supervision in the morning for our students before 9:00 AM. Students may not be on campus if they are not supervised. Parents, if your child must be on campus before 9:00 AM, enroll in the BPMS before school tutoring program or be a member of the YMCA Program.

Parents- do not allow your child to leave the house early if your child is a walker/rides bicycle. There is NO supervision at the Dollar store or parks that are located around the school. Once a student is on school campus; the student may not leave school campus without parent permission.

How late can parents pick up children after school?
All afternoon car riders need to be picked up in front of the school by 4:25 PM (or until the pick-up line clears).

Where can parent’s drop-off their children in the morning?
- The AM drop-off point is at the front of the school. Parents should use the entrance directly in front of the school. Students may only be dropped-off between the posted signs in the front of the school.
- Parents must form a single car line. Students must exit the car from the passenger side ONLY.

Where can parents pick up their children in the afternoon?
- The PM pick-up point is at the front of the school. Students may only be picked-up between the posted signs in the front of Bay Point Middle.
- Parents must form a single car line. Students must enter the car from the passenger side ONLY.
- Once a parent has picked-up the student, the parent will be able to drive around stopped vehicles. Please drive slowly and use extreme caution while driving in this area.
- **Students that will be picked up from school in the afternoon MUST use the car line. Please do not drop off or attempt to pick up your children on the main road or the teacher parking lot. This is for student safety.**
- We strongly encourage your child to be looking for your vehicle and to stand on the car ramp closest to the vehicles. This will keep the line moving.
- There is no visitor parking between 3:40– 4:10 PM. Due to the large volume of pick-up traffic at dismissal time, parents will be unable to access visitor parking spaces located on the Bay Point campus.

What if I need to pick up my student early during the last period?
Due to the traffic congestion and the high volume of activity in the main office during the last 30 minutes before dismissal, parents need to pick up their child no later than 3:40 PM.
In the event of an emergency from 3:40-4:10, please contact the school so that we may have your child waiting in the front office for dismissal.

Where can parents park when they visit the school?
- There are visitor spots and handicapped parking located on the driveway in front of the school.
- Do not park in the teacher parking lot at the east side of the school.

How does a parent get an emergency transportation change to a student?
- Plans regarding students’ pick-up after-school must be made at home in advance, as these messages interrupt the students’ instruction and learning.
- To ensure that students receive their messages, all emergency transportation change telephone calls need to be made to the Grade Level Office no later than 3:40 PM.

How will I know if my child’s bus is late leaving Bay Point Middle?
- We encourage all students to use their cell phones to notify their parents of late buses after 4:20 p.m.
- If a student does not have access to a cell phone, the student should request from an administrator on bus duty to use one of the phones located closest to the bus ramp.

Student Materials and Supplies

What can parent and students do to support Bay Point Middle School’s reading program?
At Bay Point Middle School we are striving to create a climate that is steeped in reading. Students should always carry some type of “free-reading” material to school every day. Our goal is utilizing “any spare moments” by having students engaged in the reading process. Each day one period of the day is designated as a “DEAR” Drop Everything and Read. Please ensure your child has daily “free-reading” material. Students may only access educational apps and sites on their school issued devices. Students may not access You Tube and other non-approved sites during their “free-reading time”- including lunch periods.

What is the book-bag guidelines? – no bookbags will be allowed after the start of the school day. Lockers will be issued.
- Lockers will be issued to all students for hallway use. The cost of the lock is $6.00. Students MUST utilize a Bay Point lock. This lock may be utilized all three years of middle school. Students may not share a locker. Lockers will be assigned the first week of school on a first come- first serve basis. Students will utilize their locker to store bookbags and lunches on campus. Students will be assigned times to utilize the locker to ensure halls remain clear.
- Book bags must be secured all day in the locker.
- Student who bring a lunch- must have lunch secured in a bag and left in the locker until lunch time.
- Students may carry on their person ONE small purse, pouch, or other item to secure personal products, cell phone, writing utensils, house key.
  - Students are strongly discouraged from bringing valuables to school including cash or gift cards.
  - Personal safety items (pepper spray; personal tasers) are not allowed on campus. Students may not bring lighters, tobacco/vaping products or items that may be utilized or perceived as a weapon.
  - All food items for lunch- will be secured in the locker and consumed only at lunch. These items are never allowed in the classrooms or hallways (including their personal pouch).

What materials do students need to bring to school?
- Students need to bring the following items daily to school:
  - Computer device w/charger in carrying bag.
  - Pencils/Pens (blue or black ink) (2-3 of each preferred)
  - Notebook paper, folder(s)
  - Additional items requested by teachers (notebooks, binders, composition books) may be requested.

What things should students NOT bring to school?
- Items that should not be at school include personal safety accessories (pepper spray/gel), laser pointers, lighters, cameras, electronic games, and toys. Absolutely, no tobacco items, including vaping items, are permitted on campus.
- Food in bags other than “individual sized serving bags”, sunflower seeds, and drinks, other than water are not permitted on campus or in any classroom. Students who elect to carry a lunch on his/her person must have the lunch items in a labeled lunch bag/box.
- Students that have electronic items that do not belong at school and are visible will be subject to the electronic policy.
- The school shall not accept responsibility for personal electronic devices, personal property of any kind including money (per district policy.)
- All bicycles must remain locked in the bike compound area next to the main office. Students should also bring a lock from home to secure these items within the bike compound area.
- Skateboards, in-line skates and skate shoes are not allowed on school grounds.
- Failure to comply with these procedures will result in confiscation of the property. The property will only be returned when the parent comes to the school to pick up the confiscated item.

Are cell phones allowed on campus? Cell phone policy- We need your help!
- Students may have their cell phone on their person during the day, however the phone must be turned off and may not be visible.
  - Students may not charge their phone in the classroom, lunch room or on their computer device during school hours.
Students phones must be off and out of sight. (Concealed in a bag, purse, pocket).

Students may not use their phones as cameras or for video taping during school hours.

Students do not need to utilize their phone to access FOCUS—students have access to a laptop for educational purposes.

- Cell phones may be only used prior to entering the campus and after the final bell of the school day.
- Cell phones are encouraged when the bus is running late.
- If a student needs to use the phone for emergency use only, he/she may use the phone in Main Office or the grade level office during the school day.

**If a parent needs to contact his/her child - please contact the school and we will get the message to the child.**

- The school is NOT responsible for lost or stolen cell phones (per district policy).
- Failure to comply with these procedures will result in confiscation of the property. The property will only be returned when the parent comes to the school to pick up the confiscated item. Hours to pick up confiscated items are before school and after school only.
- Teachers will use the following procedures for violating cell phone policy in the classroom:
  - First offense in a nine-week marking period—student turns off phone and puts away.
  - Second offense in a nine-week marking period—warning, parent contact, student turns off phone and puts away.
  - Third offense or more in nine-week marking period—administrator picks up phone from the classroom and student parent must pick up from the school during cell phone pick-up hours.
  - Students who have their cell phone picked up by an administrator more than 2 times in a marking period may receive additional consequences.

Note: If a student is “utilizing the phone—gaming, texting, using the phone”—it is at the discretion of the teacher to confiscate the phone and turn in administration for parent pick-up.

### Attendance

**What are the procedures for student sign-in?**

- All students arriving on campus after 9:40 a.m. must sign in to the main office and receive a pass to enter class. Students will be unexcused unless student brings appropriate documentation to support excused tardy.
- Students who are consistently tardy to school will be reviewed by the Child Study Team for additional parental support.

**What are the procedures for student sign-out?**

- The student sign-out area is in the Main Office.
- Students may only be released to individuals listed on the emergency student system in FOCUS.
- All adults picking up students will be required to show ID.
- All student sign-outs must occur before 3:40 PM to minimize class interruptions during the last period of the day and ensure a smooth whole-school dismissal.
- If a student is signing out early, we strongly encourage that the student delivers a note from the parent to the Grade Level Office (prior to first period). The student will be issued a pass to be released from class at the designated sign-out time. This keeps classroom disruptions to a minimum.

**What are the procedures if a student is absent?**

- Parents are to report their student’s absence from the BPMS website: Report Student Absence. Parents may also call the school 727-893-1153 to report the absence.
- Please call in by 10:00 AM daily to report an absence. In other words, if a student is ill for three days, the parent needs to call all three days (prior to 10:00 AM). Please give the following information: 1) Caller’s name and relationship to student, 2) Student’s legal name, 3) Student’s grade, 4) Reason for absence, and 5) Day time telephone number where the caller can be reached for verification if deemed necessary.
- If a student has excessive unexcused and/or excused absences over the course of the school year, the parent will be required to show documentation (doctor’s note, etc.). A letter will be mailed home on the 5th and 10th unexcused absence. A conference will be scheduled to discuss excessive absences.
- All absences are considered unexcused unless the parent calls before 10:00 AM on each day of the absence. Unexcused absences have a negative effect on grades.
- Remember, students accumulate unexcused absences when parents do NOT call-in to report the absences and the reason for the absence is not a valid reason.

**What are the procedures for getting preplanned absences excused? Are they marked excused?**

- An absence, a tardy or early sign out will be excused if caused by one of the following reasons:
  - Student is ill or injured
  - A major illness in the student’s immediate family
  - Death in the immediate family
  - Student attends religious instruction or there is a religious holiday in the student’s own faith
  - Student is summons, subpoena or court ordered to appear.
  - Special event—student must receive permission 5 days prior from date of the event from the principal
  - Medical or Dental appointment
**Make-Up Work**

**How can students receive their make-up work after an absence?**

*The following is district school board policy:*

- Make-up work for full credit and without a grade penalty is allowed for all absences.
- It is the student's responsibility to obtain the missed work.
- The number of days allowed to make up the work shall be equal to the number of days absent.

**General Student Procedures and Practices**

**Can a parent walk directly to his/her child's classroom?**

- Parents must pre-arrange a classroom visit.
- Teachers must receive a minimum of 24 hours-notice for a parent-teacher conference, visit or “chat”.

**What are the guidelines for giving student medications during school hours?**

- Only prescription medication will be administered on campus. Over-the-counter medications must be accompanied by orders from the physician.
- Medication must be delivered to the school by an adult in the original container in which it is purchased.
- The school nurse must clear students taking any medications.

**What are the PE guidelines?**

- 6th grade students will not dress out for PE. 6th grade students need to place all belongings in their hall locker prior to attending PE.
- 7th and 8th grade students may purchase a PE lock for $6.00. We highly recommend students “dress out” for PE.
- All students during PE must wear appropriate shoes- no slides, no back less shoes, no croc style shoes.

**Is there a cost for middle school athletic events?**

- The cost for middle school athletic events is $1.00 for students and adults. Children under the age of six are admitted free to all athletic contests.

**Can a parent help chaperone field trips and volunteer on campus?**

- All parents (or other adults) who volunteer on campus and/or serve as chaperones for field trips or team celebrations must fill out a district volunteer application via the district website. [https://asd.pcsb.org/schoolwiresforms/volunteer/](https://asd.pcsb.org/schoolwiresforms/volunteer/)
- Volunteers are required to reactivate their application each year, prior to volunteering.
- Volunteers who have unsupervised contact with students must be Level 2 screened.

**What is the cost of breakfast and lunch?**

- Breakfast and lunch are free for all students.
- At lunchtime, students may purchase additional lunch items from the à la carte line.

**Can students eat and drink while on campus (excluding breakfast and lunch time)**

- As traditional water fountains may not be in use, we highly encourage all students to bring a plastic-disposable water bottle with his/her name on the bottle. **Only clear water will be allowed.** Students may refill their water bottle only during the lunch period at the water fountain designated for bottle filling. We strongly encourage water bottles during Physical Education class.
- BPMS has a very lively bird and small animal population. Additionally, we have staff and students with significant food allergies.
- Students are **strictly prohibited** from eating candy, sunflower seeds, chips, and/or snacks in the outside and inside halls of the school. All food must be kept in the student lunch box/bag or brown paper lunch bag that is kept in the hall locker.
  - Students may only bring individual sized snacks on campus unless a specific arrangement has been made with a teacher.

**How should students walk in the inside hallways?**

- Walk on the right
- Walk while you talk.
- Keep hands, feet, and other objects to yourself

**Outside Sidewalk Procedures**

- Walk on the right
- Walk while you talk
- Keep hands, feet, and other objects to yourself.
- Stay off the grass.

**Which bathrooms are available?**

- Students have a 4- minute passing period between classes. We strongly encourage students to use the restroom between classes and/or during lunch.
- Students are not allowed to leave your building to use the restroom.
- Students are limited passes assigned by the teacher. Bay Point MS recommendation is no more than 3 passes per nine weeks per teacher.
- No passes are allowed the first ten or last ten minutes of class.
- Students with medical needs must submit a doctor's note.
- Restrooms are also located in the cafeteria and the gym.
Bay Point Middle has adopted a modified uniform dress code for students that has been approved by School Advisory Committee and presented to the PTSA.

**Tops:** A *solid* color polo style shirt (without logo preferred) or a Bay Point school-sponsored shirt will always be worn by students.

**Tops on Fridays:** Students may wear a “sports team” or “college” T-Shirt or jersey.

**Bottoms:** All bottoms *must be* SOLID khaki or SOLID dark blue (pants, jeans, capris, shorts or skirts.)
- Shorts & Skirts must be mid-thigh length or longer
  - Free from rips, tears, holes or frays of any kind.
- Gym shorts and/or basketball shorts may only be worn during P.E.
- All pants and shorts shall be secured at the waist for student safety.

*In the event of cooler weather and cold classrooms:*

**Hoodless Jackets/Sweaters/Sweatshirts:** These items may be worn over a school shirt- *(no hoodies).* A school shirt must also be worn. Bay Point sweatshirts will be available for sale.

Parents, we greatly appreciate your assistance to help us maintain our uniform dress code policy by following the criteria below

- No skirts or dresses with see through or sheer material may be worn.
- No tights, jeggings, or leggings are to be worn to school as a standalone for clothing.
- No hats of any kind will be worn.
- No *bandanas of any kind* will be worn for any purpose (including for hair clips or bows).
- No head coverings may be worn. Exceptions will be made during the winter when students are outside—information will be provided.
- For student safety reasons as we have outside halls and staircases, all shoes shall always have a back and/or strap worn on the back of the foot. *Shoes that are worn as “slides” (Crocs) may not be worn.* Backs on shoes *must always be worn* in a stationary position to avoid tripping, falling, and slipping on sidewalks and stairs. Shoes with laces are preferred. 6th grade students will have a year-long Physical Education class (will not dress out) and must wear appropriate shoes in the gym and the field.

**POLICY: 5500.04:**

*The dress and grooming of District students shall be neat and clean, promoting a positive educational environment. Apparel that disrupts educational activities and processes of the school will result in the removal of the student from the regular school environment until acceptable apparel can be secured for the student. The administration will be the final judge about whether a student’s clothing is appropriate for school or whether it will create an environmental climate that is distracting to learning. Principals, faculty, and staff members will enforce the dress code. Failure to comply with the dress code will be handled similarly to other disciplinary infractions.*

**CONSEQUENCES:**

1st & 2nd Offense: Warning, Change of Clothes, Parent contact.
3rd Offense: Change of Clothes, Parent contact, Administrative Detention
4th Offense: Change of Clothes, Parent Contact & In School Suspension.

Bay Point Falcon T-Shirts
On sale: All year long!
$12 for sizes S, M, L, XL
$13 for sizes XXL and above

Bay Point Hoodless Sweat Shirt- $18 for sizes S, M, L, XL  $20 for sizes XXL and above
Tardy Policy
What is the district’s definition of a tardy?
According to district handbook: The student is tardy when he/she is not in his/her assigned station (seat) when the bell rings.

Definition of Excused Tardy (According to district handbook):

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Definition of Unexcused Tardy (According to district handbook):

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What is the difference between a tardy and an absence?
According to district handbook: If a student misses more than half of the period, the student is absent.

What are the consequences for unexcused tardies?
The consequences for unexcused tardies are cumulative during a Tardy Report period. Tardy Report Periods are 4 weeks during the first semester and 6 weeks during the second semester.

Tardy 1: Warning- contact home
Tardy 2: Warning- contact home
Tardy 3- Contact Home- Lunch Detention
Tardy 4- Contact Home- Morning Detention (30-minute detention)
Tardy 5- Contact Home- After School Detention (50-minute detention)
Tardy 6- Contact Home- Half Day- In School Suspension
Tardy 7- Contact Home- Full Day- In School Suspension

Bullying
What is school district’s definition of bullying and retaliation?
One of the district’s priorities is to provide a safe, caring, and orderly environment. Policy 5517.01

- Bullying – includes cyberbullying and means systematically and chronically inflicting physical hurt or psychological distress on one (1) or more students or employees and may involve but not limited to:
  - Teasing
  - Social exclusion
  - Threat
  - Intimidation
  - Stalking; including cyber stalking
  - Physical violence
  - Theft
  - Sexual, religious, or racial harassment
  - Public or private humiliation
  - Destruction of property

- Harassment- means any threatening, insulting, or dehumanizing gesture, use of data or computer software, or written, verbal or physical conduct directed against a student or employee that:
  - Places a student or employee in reasonable fear or harm to his/her person or damage to his/her property;
  - Has the effect of substantially interfering with a student’s educational performance, opportunities or benefits;
  - Has the effect of substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the school?

What should my child do if he/she feels like he/she is a victim of bullying?
Tell an adult so the situation can be investigated. Since one or our school-wide expectations is to stamp-out bullying, these types of incidents take a priority status.

What should my child do if he/she is involved in a verbal or physical conflict with another student?

- Inform the teacher closest to the location of the bullying incident.
- If the bullying is a continuing problem, use the following as a guideline:
  - Inform your teacher.
  - Inform School Counselor
  - Inform the Principal
  - Inform assistant principal

Bay Point Middle School is a Title 1 School
Title 1 is a federally funded program available to select schools based on the percentage of students eligible for free and reduced lunch. Title 1 funds are supplemental to district funds given to schools and are to be used to increase student achievement.

According to federal guidelines, all schools must hold an Annual Parent Meeting. Of this meeting is held in conjunction with open house early in the school year. Bay Point Middle School will hold their annual Title 1 meeting at open house in the cafeteria.

Information will be present about our school’s Title 1 program, curriculum and plans for the highest student achievement. Families will learn about how we utilize our Title 1 Funds. For example, our Title 1 funds allow us the opportunity for a full-time staff developer in the following subject areas: Literacy, Science, and Math. With the assistance of these staff developers, our teachers receive additional support with side by side coaching; students receive additional expert instruction, and groups are pulled frequently for additional remediation. Additionally, our school utilizes Title 1 dollars to provide additional teaching supports for each classroom such as document cameras, smart boards, individual white boards and important software licenses that allow our students additional enrichment and remediation opportunities. Title 1 provides our staff additional professional development activities and trainings that are key to working with students in diverse populations. We are excited to share this information with you.

In Pinellas County, Title 1 serves all students and families in eligible public elementary and secondary schools through school wide programs that provide additional instructional staff and other resources. Title 1 also allocates funds to provide equitable services for eligible students and their families in identified nonpublic elementary and secondary schools in the district. For a complete list of Pinellas County schools served by Title 1, visit our district website.

Students do better in school when their parents/guardians are involved. Building home, school and community partnerships are an essential part of the Title 1 program. One way to encourage this partnership is through the compact. A compact is a voluntary pledge that asks students, teachers, and parents/guardians to agree to work together so that children are successful in school. Signing the compact symbolizes that all agree to work together to ensure student success.
2021-2022 Bell Schedules

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Student Hours: 9:40 am -4:10 pm
Teacher Hours: 8:50 am - 4:20 pm
Instructional Support Hours: 8:50 am - 4:20 pm
Clerical & Campus Monitors: 8:40 am - 4:40 pm

Student and Teacher Early Morning Program Hours:
YMCA Club: 7:00 am-9:20 am
Bay Point MS Extended Learning Time Programs:
Student Hours: 7:45 am -8:40 am-teachers will pick up students at the front of the school and escort to rooms.

Student Early Morning Program Holding Area/Breakfast:
8:40 am-by teacher escort-to the cafeteria (breakfast and morning holding)
9:25 am-Early Morning 1st bell-dismissed by table from cafeteria holding area
9:27 am-Students may go upstairs.
9:27-9:37 am- Students in their first period class starting up device.
9:37 am-Bell- All students in first period- Morning Show

Walkers/Bicycle/Morning Car line:
Students may not be on campus as per district guidelines more than 30 minutes from the start of school. Students may enter the building via the front gate at 9:00 a.m. Students are to report directly to the cafeteria until the 9:25 am bell.

Walkers/Bicycle/Car line:
9:10 am-9:30 am-Report to Cafeteria Holding area (breakfast and holding area)
9:25 am-Early Morning 1st bell-dismissed by table from cafeteria holding area
9:27 am-Students may go upstairs.
9:27-9:37 am- Students in their first period class starting up device.
9:37 am-Bell- All students in first period- Morning Show

Bus Riders:
9:25 am- Dismissal from the bus to the cafeteria holding area (breakfast and holding)
9:27-9:37 am- Students in their first period class starting up device.
9:37 am- Bell-All students in first period- Morning Show
School Mission: Bay Point Middle School mirrors the district Mission statement: Educate and prepare each student for college, career and life.

Parent/Guardian Agreement

I want my child to reach his/her full academic potential; therefore, I will do the following to support my child's learning:

- Have on-going communication with my student's school, including parent-teacher conferences.
- Support the school staff and respect cultural differences of others.
- Participate in school events.
- See that my student attends school daily and is punctual.
- Talk to my student weekly about homework and academic progress.
- Encourage reading at home.
- Support the school with the modified uniform dress code. [https://www.pcsb.org/domain/1825](https://www.pcsb.org/domain/1825)
- Be an active member of our school community: Volunteering, Chaperoning, joining PTSA and/or School Advisory Committee. Contact our parent liaison at (727) 893-1153 Ext. 2012 to assist and provide opportunity.

Parent/Guardian Signature: ______________________________________________ Date: _______________________________________

Parent/Guardian Email Address: __________________________________________ Contact Number: ______________________________

Student Agreement

It is important that I do the best that I am able; therefore, I will do the following:

- Come to school daily, on time, and prepared with my tools for learning (homework, paper, pencil, device).
- Show and give respect for my school, myself, other students, and staff, and have consideration for cultural differences.
- Believe that I can learn, and I will learn.
- Be engaged with my school community by participating actively in classes, getting involved with clubs, sports, and other areas that I may express my talents and strengths.
- Follow the rules of conduct at my school.
- Seek assistance in academics and/or behavior when I am needing additional support.
- Follow Bay Point Middle School Guidelines for Success
- Follow the modified school uniform dress code as approved by PTSA and SAC.

Student Signature:_________________________________________________________ Grade:_______________________
Date:__________________

School Agreement

The entire school staff will share responsibility for improved student achievement; therefore, we will do the following:

- Invite, and hold parent-teacher-student conferences.
- Send timely reports to parents on their child's progress.
- Communicate school progress and activities through multiple platforms that are timely and relevant to all stakeholders.
- Provide an environment that is conducive to learning.
- Respect the student, his/her parent(s) and the diverse culture of the school.
- Teach and reinforce school wide expectations and guidelines, providing additional support as necessary.
- Provide opportunities for students to be involved with their student community through: sports, clubs, and gatherings that are unique to the students of Bay Point.
- Provide opportunities for both academic and behavior celebrations.
- Engage parent and community in conversation and practices to assist the Bay Point students in a successful middle school experience.

Administrator/Staff/Teacher Signature: _________________________________________________________ Date: ________________

This pledge is a voluntary agreement designed to promote a partnership between the home and the school. The parent-Student-Teacher Compact meets the requirement of the Title 1 Federal Guidelines. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the school at (727) 893-1153
Join Bay Point Middle PTSA Today!!
A PTSA Information Table will be available at open house.

PTSA is the largest nonprofit volunteer child advocacy organization in the country. We know that you want to do the best for your children. The PTSA can help you do that! We all know that children learn more and have better lives when parents, school staff, students and the community work together.

PTSA brings all these groups together to share thoughts and ideas about programs and activities that benefit children. Our PTSA provides information and resources that strengthen these relationships.

Parent/Guardian Name: ______________________________ Student Name: ______________________________

Student grade level: _____________ Best Contact Number to reach you: _____________________

Best Email address to reach you: ___________________________________________________________

Annual Dues: $5.00  Cash or Check made payable to Bay Point MS PTSA

While the PTSA’s strength is its volunteers, we understand that your time is valuable. We would certainly value any time you could provide. However, even if you are unable to make a commitment of time, please consider joining PTSA. Your membership dues enable the PTSA to provide programs and activities for all children.

PTSA Use only: Paid: cash______ check_____ Date Paid: _________________

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Get Involved! We Need You….

PTSA and School Advisory Meetings are scheduled the second Tuesday of the Month
@ 5:30 p.m. PTSA first followed by SAC located in the Media Center

School Advisory Council members must be “representative of the ethnic, racial and economic community served by the school. Magnet, fundamental and career academy programs must use the “application area to determine the appropriate “community” composition. Most of the School Advisory Council members (or at least 51%) may not be employees of the district.

Our SAC committee: reviews, provides input on the following: Title 1 family engagement plan, School Improvement Plan, Student Incentives (PBIS), updates on teaching staff and school projects.

Parent Teacher Student Association is to build a strong working relationship among parents, teachers and schools, in support of students. This includes fundraising which allows us to support our students needs through field trips, incentives, and awards. It also allows us to fund teacher projects, wish lists, clubs and programs along with appreciation incentives.

Name: __________________________________________________________

Best Contact Number to Reach You: _____________________________________________

Best Email Address to Reach You: ______________________________________________

I am interested in joining the following:

☐ School Advisory Council  ☐ PTSA

I am also interested in serving in the following leadership roles (some roles are by election of group):

☐ SAC Chairperson  ☐ SAC General Member  ☐ SAC Secretary
☐ PTSA President  ☐ PTSA Vice President  ☐ PTSA Treasurer
☐ PTSA Secretary  ☐ PTSA Volunteer Committee Chair  ☐ PTSA General Member
☐ PTSA Staff Appreciation Chair  ☐ PTSA Student Incentives Committee Chair
Bay Point Middle School: Extended Learning Program (ELP)- Tutoring

Letter to All Students and Parents

Student Name: ____________________________ Grade Level: _______________________

Extended Learning Program begins Monday, August 30, 2021

To assist your child Bay Point Middle Schools offers, at no cost, additional learning opportunities to assist students with meeting and exceeding math, reading, writing, science, and civics standards.

Actively participating in ELP will be provide additional support in meeting the required state standards needed to meet high school graduation requirements. We highly encourage you and your child to take advantage of this opportunity to meet graduation requirements.

Parent and Student Expectations:
- ELP is a voluntary program and by attending my child is expected to participate.
- ELP tutoring will be computer program based for Reading, Math, Science, and Civics
- ELP tutoring is not graded.
- Homework assistance will be available for students needing additional support.

Sessions:
- Monday- Friday- Before school
- Tuesday-Thursday- After School
  - Drop off for morning is 7:40 a.m.- 8:05 a.m.
  - Pick up for afternoon is 5:10 p.m.

To be completed by parent/guardian and returned by your child to school (submit to the grade level office).

Please enroll my child in the following program(s):

Before School Program: (Check All days and classes)- Students must be on campus (in front of main office between 7:40 a.m.- 8:05 a.m.)
- ☐ Monday
- ☐ Tuesday
- ☐ Wednesday
- ☐ Thursday
- ☐ Friday
- ☐ Math
- ☐ Reading
- ☐ Science
- ☐ Civics

After School Program: (Check all days and classes)- Students must report directly to program after school and be picked up no later than 5:10 p.m.
- ☐ Tuesday
- ☐ Wednesday
- ☐ Thursday
- ☐ Math
- ☐ Reading
- ☐ Science
- ☐ Civics

Transportation to and from is not provided by the school.
If your child will attend afterschool, he/she will:
- Walk home
- Picked-Up from school

Parent/Guardian Name (please print): ________________________________________________

Parent/Guardian Signature _______________________________________________________

Contact Number ____________________________ Date ____________________________