



Irons Junior High
Student Handbook
Supplement
2020-2021

Bus Expectations

Be Safe:

- Follow school rules
- Follow driver/monitor instructions
- Stay in your assigned seat
- Keep body and objects to yourself and inside the bus
- Keep aisle clear
- Fasten your seat belt
- Face Masks must be worn at all times

Be Respectful

- Use inside voice and appropriate language
- No eating, drinking (except water), or gum chewing
- Do not damage the bus

Failure to obey the rules may result in a loss of bus-riding privileges.

Change Address/Telephone Number

Up-to-date information is essential for the school to handle Emergencies successfully and to maintain communication. When vital information changes, it is critical that the Registrar's office be notified immediately.

Cheating and Plagiarism

Cheating is defined as giving or receiving and/or using unauthorized information on a test or submitting duplicate work for individual assignments. Any student involved in an instance of cheating will have his paper taken and a grade of zero given. A discipline consequence may be assigned to a student found guilty of cheating.

Deliveries to Campus



Due to the Covid -19 pandemic Irons Junior High will not allow food or other items to be delivered to school.

- If a student forgets their lunch at home he/she will be allowed to charge a lunch to their school cafeteria account.
- If there is an emergency situation where the student left an item at home which is needed for a UIL event or a performance an exception will be made.

Electronic Devices

If a student brings electronic devices he or she does so at his or her own risk. We are not responsible for lost/stolen items.

If a student does have an electronic device, it should be put away in a backpack or purse and turned off during the school day.

Permission to use the device at school should come from administration or the teacher when it is being used to enhance classroom instruction. Without such permission, teachers will collect the items and turn them in to the front office for parent pick up.

A phone call will be made by the teacher to notify the parent that a phone or electronic item was collected. Phones/electronics will only be returned to a parent.

- Cell phone and earbuds are allowed in the morning before dismissal to first period, during lunch, and after school.
- Cell phones and earbuds/headphones are not

allowed in the hallway or in the classroom.

- Cell phones should never be used as a camera or video camera while on campus and the use of any device capable of capturing images is strictly prohibited in locker rooms or restroom areas while at school or at a school-related event.
- Cell phones should never be used as a camera or video to capture any inappropriate activity on campus including but not limited to fighting. Administration has the right to confiscate phones being used for such activity.
- Electronic devices used for inappropriate purposes that include but are not limited to academic dishonesty, cyberbullying, and sending or receiving inappropriate pictures/videos are strictly prohibited

**** Repeat offenses will result in disciplinary consequences and a parent will be required to obtain the confiscated electronic device from the Assistant Principal.**

Grading Guidelines

Grading guidelines for each grade level or course will be communicated and distributed to students and their parents by the classroom teacher. All subjects will follow these grading guidelines:

7 th and 8 th Grade Courses	High School Courses
Major 60%	Major 70%
Minor 40%	Minor 30%

Homework

Homework is routinely required of students as assigned by the teacher. The purpose of homework is to provide reinforcement, extra practice and supplement classroom instruction. All homework is due the following school day. If the student does not have his/her work, he/she can turn it in for a 20-point reduction and it must be turned in before the following progress report.

Lunch Procedures

All students are required to sit at assigned tables according to their 4th period teacher during lunch and will adhere to social distancing guidelines.

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Make Up Work

Students will be given the opportunity to make up work missed due to any absence with the exception of truancy, i.e. skipping school.

Truancy is the absence of a student from school without the permission of the student's parent or guardian.

It is the responsibility of the student to request and complete any assignment or test missed because of an absence.

For any work assigned during a student's absence, the student will be

permitted one day for each day of absence to complete that work.

Students who miss class for an approved school activity are to notify the teacher in advance concerning the possibility of completing any tests or assignment prior to the absence.

Long-term assignments are due even if the student is absent on that day. Students should make arrangements to have long-term assignments turned in on the date due if the student is unable to do so because of an absence.

Student Dress Code

School is a place of business, and dress code regulations will provide appropriate standards for the general appearance of students.

The main focus is keeping the body clothed from armpit to armpit and down through the middle of the thigh. Undergarments should be covered and nothing should be worn on the head unless there is an administrative exception given to an individual student for medical or religious reasons.

Administrators have the final decision regarding the appropriateness of dress.

Face Masks must be worn at all times except during lunch time.

****Must be dress code appropriate****

General Requirements:

1. Clothing must cover areas and undergarments from one armpit across to the other armpit, down to approximately the middle of the thigh. Tops must have at least 1 1/2" straps. Cleavage should not be visible. Rips or tears in clothing should not be higher than the middle of the thigh.
2. Shoes must be worn at all times and should be safe for the school environment (bedroom shoes or slippers shall not be worn).
3. See-through or mesh garments must not be worn without appropriate coverage underneath that meet the minimum requirements of the dress code.

4. Headgear including hats, hoodies, bandanas, head scarves, skull caps, do-rags, beanies, hair bonnets, and caps are not allowed unless permitted for religious, medical, or other reasons approved by school administration.
5. Specialized courses may require specialized attire, such as sports uniforms or safety gear.

When violations of these guidelines occur, parents will be notified and requested to bring appropriate apparel to school

Additional Requirements:

1. Clothing may not depict, imply, advertise, or advocate illegal, violent, or lewd conduct, weapons, or the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana or other controlled substances.
2. Clothing may not depict or imply pornography, nudity, or sexual acts.
3. Clothing may not display or imply vulgar, discriminatory, or obscene language or images.
4. Clothing may not state, imply, or depict hate

speech/imagery targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, or any other protected classification. Examples: swastikas, the confederate flag, othala rune, etc.

5. Sunglasses may not be worn inside the building.
6. Clothing and accessories that endanger student or staff safety may not be worn.
7. Apparel, jewelry, accessories, tattoos, or manner of grooming that, by virtue of its color, arrangement, trademark or any other attribute, denotes membership in a gang that advocates illegal or disruptive behavior is prohibited.

The administration of Irons Junior High School reserves the right to determine what constitutes appropriate dress. Students who do not adhere to these guidelines will not be allowed to attend class. Parents will be notified when there is a dress code violation.

If the parents are unable to bring a change of clothes for the student, we may:

1. Ask the student to change into their PE shorts/shirt.
2. Ask them if they have a change of clothes in their backpack/locker.
3. Provide them with a clean loaner set of PE clothes.

Tardy Policy and Procedures

It is very important to the educational process that students arrive to school and to each of their classes on time each school day.

Tardiness is defined as arriving to class late without an approved pass from a teacher or administrator.

The following is the tardy policy and the consequences that correspond:

- 7 free tardies per nine weeks
- Written warning from AP's at tardy 4.
- Tardy 8-12 will receive 1 day of After School Detention
- 13 or more tardies to be determined by Assistant Principal

Tutorials

Morning tutorial sessions are available. Students should schedule tutorials with their teachers ahead of time.

Transportations is not provided for after school tutorials.