# CHESAPEAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL

2022-2023

### STUDENT HANDBOOK

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Our mission is to inspire all students to become passionate life-long learners, innovative problem solvers, effective communicators and responsible citizens who are empowered to pursue their purpose.

> Chesapeake Middle School 10335 County Road One Chesapeake, Ohio 45619 (740) 867-3972

> Glenn Dillon, Principal Zacc Russell, Assistant Principal

The staff at CMS would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to our school. We hope that each of you will find your experience here to be rewarding and enjoyable.

Our school represents high expectations and a cooperative effort for success. You should do your part by attending school regularly, studying, being prepared for school, participating in school activities, accepting responsibility, and demonstrating self-discipline and respect for yourself and others.

We are looking forward to a great school year.

You can visit us on the web: <a href="www.peake.k12.oh.us/cms">www.peake.k12.oh.us/cms</a>
Or call us at (740) 867-3972

## CHESAPEAKE UNION EX. VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT 2022-2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Aug. 16	Teacher In-Service
Aug. 17	Teacher In-Service
Aug. 18	First Day of Classes
Sept. 5	Labor Day (No School)
Sept. 16	Progress Reports
Oct. 14	End of 1st grading period (41 Days)
Oct. 21	Report Cards Go Home
Nov. 7	Parent-Teacher Conf. (3:00-8:30)
Nov. 8	Election Day (No School)
Nov. 18	Progress Reports
Nov. 23-28	Thanksgiving Break (No School)
Nov. 29	Classes Resume
Dec. 20	End of 2 <sup>™</sup> grading period (42 Days)
Dec. 21-Jan. 2	Christmas Break (No School)
Jan. 3	Classes Resume
Jan. 6	Report Card Day
Jan. 16	Martin Luther King Day (No School)
Feb. 3	Progress Reports
Feb. 16	Parent Teacher Conf. (3:00-8:30)
Feb. 17	No School
Feb. 20	*Presidents Day (No School)
Mar. 10	End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> grading period (46 Days)
Mar. 17	Report Cards Go Home
Apr. 7	*Good Friday (No School)
Apr. 10-14	*Spring Break
Apr. 21	Progress Reports
May 26	Last Day of Classes/Report Cards Go Home (49 Days)
May 28	Graduation
rade Fall Testing Fall End of	Course ACT AP Evams Alternate Assessments Spring 3-8 Testing and Spring End of Course NO

(3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Fall Testing, Fall End of Course, ACT, AP Exams, Alternate Assessments, Spring 3-8 Testing and Spring End of Course NOT Listed)

178 instruction days + 2 staff development days + 2 parent-teacher conferences = 182 days

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#### STUDENT ADMISSION

Children whose parents or guardians live in the Chesapeake School District may attend the Chesapeake schools. Parents/guardians must provide the state issued birth certificate, immunizations records, Social Security Card, custody papers (if applicable), proof of residence (utility bill or driver's license) at the time of registration, and any other information which will serve to verify residency.

#### OPEN ENROLLMENT POLICY

Any Ohio student may apply and enroll free of tuition, provided all procedures outlined in Administrative regulations are met. Application must be made through the Superintendent's office between April 1<sup>st</sup> and April 30th, prior to the school year for which open enrollment is being requested. Application information and enrollment request forms for Interdistrict Open Enrollment may be obtained through the Chesapeake Board of Education office.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

All students are to attend school every day unless illness or unforeseen circumstances prohibit their attendance. Parents must phone the office or send a written excuse to report reasons for absences. Students are considered **unexcused** without a doctor's excuse or proof of an emergency in the family. Excessive absences will be properly investigated by school administration and school resource officer as needed. Students with perfect attendance will receive an award at the conclusion of the school year. Student absences will follow students to all county schools. Students that miss 18 unexcused days in a school year may not receive credit for class and may be retained for the year. **Any student who is taking Algebra 1 at CMS and misses 18 days of school will not receive credit for the class when they enter the high school.** 

#### Attendance Policy

Habitual Truancy is considered by the following:

- a. Absent 30 or more consecutive hours without a legitimate excuse
- b. Absent 42 of more hours in one month without a legitimate excuse
- c. Absent 72 or more hours in one school year without a legitimate excuse

An excused absence from school may be approved on the basis of any one or more of the following conditions (31).

#### a. Personal illness

A doctor's excuse must be presented to the school for a personal illness to be counted as excused.

#### b. Illness in the family

The absence under this condition shall not apply to children under 14 years of age.

#### c. Quarantine of the home

The absence of a child from school under this condition is limited to length of quarantine as fixed by the proper health officials.

#### d. Death of a relative

The absence arising from this condition is limited to a period of three days unless a reasonable cause may be shown by the applicant child for a longer absence.

#### e. Home work

Children working at home due to the absences of parents or guardians. Any absence arising because of this condition shall not extend for a period longer than that for which the parents or guardians were absent. The absence under this condition shall not apply to children under fourteen years of age.

#### f. Observance of religious holidays

Any child of any religious faith shall be excused if his absence was for the purpose of observing a religious holiday consistent with his creed or belief.

#### g. Emergency set of circumstances

which in the judgment of the superintendent of schools constitutes a good and sufficient cause for absence from school.

#### 31 - Rule 3301-51-13 of the Ohio Administrative Code

#### PROMOTION AND RETENTION

Students in the middle school who fail two or more classes for the year may not be promoted to the next grade level. Parents need to pay strict attention to their child's grade card so they know the academic standing of their child. Parents may use the website, progress book and/or homework hotline to track student's assignments and grades. Parents may stop by the office to receive username and password. Students that miss 18 unexcused days in a year may not receive credit for class and may be retained for the year. Any student who is taking Algebra 1 at CMS and misses 18 days of school will not receive credit for the class when they enter the high school.

#### **GRADE SCALE**

A Outstanding 100-93 B Above Average 92-85

C Average 84-75 D Below Average 74-65 F Failing 64 and Below

#### INTERIM REPORTS AND SEMESTER LETTERS

During the school year interim reports are sent to parents/guardians of students. The purpose of the report is to inform parents/guardians of the academic standing of their children. If, in the opinion of the parents or teacher it is necessary to have a conference, the parents may make an appointment, by calling the school two days prior to the desired conference time. The school phone number is 867-3972.

At the end of the first semester, students and parents are notified by mail if they are in danger of failing the year. This will allow time to improve the academic standing of the student so retention is not necessary. Parents may use the website, progress book and/or homework hotline to track student's assignments and grades throughout the entire school year.

#### **TARDINESS**

Repeated lateness is harmful both to the child's education and to the class being disrupted. Excessive tardiness will not be tolerated and will lead to noon time detention; **Excessive tardies will result in noon time detention**.

#### EARLY DISMISSAL

Early dismissal is permitted for those who have an appointment with doctors or dentists or in case of an emergency. We will not authorize early dismissals for non-emergency situations. Parents must report to the office and sign students out. Any early dismissal is prior to 2:50 PM. Excessive unexcused early dismissals will result in the student receiving noon time detention.

#### LUNCH DROP-OFF

Parents dropping off lunches should notify their child before school. Classes will not be interrupted to notify student.

#### VISITORS

Visitors are not allowed to attend school with friends. All visitors to CMS must come to the office to sign in and receive a visitor's pass.

#### **HOME COMMUNICATION**

Chesapeake Middle School offers several options for parents to communicate with our faculty and administration. Our website includes e-mail addresses of all faculty members and homework assignments for each grade level. The address of our website is: <a href="https://www.peake.k12.oh.us/cms">www.peake.k12.oh.us/cms</a>. Also included on the site are pictures and information concerning various activities and sporting events throughout the school year. CMS has implemented Progress Book, an internet based program. This program allows parents and students to access grades over a secure website. Parent passwords are available upon request.

Chesapeake Union Exempted Village School District has partnered with **SCHOOL MESSENGER** to bring a messaging service to parents and students. The District will send automatic phone calls and emails to parents regarding activities at school. Updates might relate to school closings due to severe weather, student attendance, announcements, reminders and any rapid communications. Contact information is taken from the emergency medical authorization (gray) card you fill out on the first day of school. Be sure your contact information including primary phone number, alternate phone number and email address is current with the central office. All information should be filled out on the gray card and the school should be notified immediately so that information can be updated in the event of a change.

#### MCKINNEY-VENTO

The parents or guardians of homeless children and youths are informed of the educational and related opportunities available to their children and are provided with meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their children. Public notice of the educational rights of homeless children and youths is disseminated where such children and youth receive services under this act,

such as schools, family shelters, and soup kitchens. A copy of this annual notification is available in the administrative offices of each building.

#### THE FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT

Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), the school district must notify parents and eligible students of their rights. A copy of this annual notification is available in the administrative offices of each building. The annual notification includes information regarding:

- (1) The procedure to inspect and review education records;
- (2) The procedure to request amendment of education records;
- (3) The criteria for determining who constitutes a school official and what constitutes a legitimate education interest if the school discloses or intends to disclose personally identifiable information to school officials without consent; and
- (4) The rights of parents to file a complaint with the Family Policy Compliance Office.

#### **TEXT BOOKS**

Students are responsible for all library and textbooks they use. If books are lost or stolen, the student assigned the book is responsible to pay for the book or books.

New books: Full Price Excellent condition: 75% of purchase price Good condition: 50% of purchase price Poor condition: 25% of purchase price

#### **LOCKERS**

Students will be assigned a hall locker by their homeroom teacher. The physical education teacher may assign an additional locker. The school reserves the right to inspect lockers at any time. Lockers are loaned to students. Combination locks only may be used. Combinations will be recorded by homeroom teachers. Lockers must remain locked at ALL times. It is the student's responsibility to make sure their locker has a lock and is locked at ALL times. THE SCHOOL IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LOST OR STOLEN ARTICLES.

#### **DANCES**

Dances at Chesapeake Middle School are for CMS students only. No one else will be granted admission. Any person or persons leaving the building during the hours of the dance without prior permission will not be readmitted. Any student whose attitude, conduct, or behavior is disapproved of by the chaperones or sponsors will be asked to leave the dance without refund.

#### LIBRARY

The school library offers books for student use. Books may be checked out for two weeks, with possible time extension of two weeks. Research material shall remain in the library to insure availability to all students. Overdue books receive a \$.05 fine for each day the book is overdue, with a maximum fine of a \$1.00. Students having overdue books may not check out another book until the fine is paid. Damaged barcodes result in \$1.00 fine. Money collected from overdue penalties is used to buy library supplies. Students may not check out more than two books at a time. Students are responsible to pay for lost or damaged books or materials.

#### SCHOOL BREAKFAST/LUNCH PROGRAM

Lunch/breakfast is served each day. All students eat lunch/breakfast in the cafeteria. Breakfast will be served from 7:15 a.m. to 7:55 a.m. It will not be served after the 8:00 a.m. bell unless a student's bus is late. Students are expected to report to the breakfast line when entering the café. Students are not permitted to go to the gym prior to coming to the cafe during the lunch/breakfast hour. Students will eat in a polite, orderly fashion, and will pick up after themselves, keeping the cafeteria as clean as possible. Staff may assign seats as needed.

#### Silent lunches may be implemented at the discretion of the administration.

#### **RECESS**

Recess will take place on the football field unless there is inclement weather then recess will take place in the gym. Students should keep their shoes on at all times and no tumbling is permitted. No food or drinks of any kind are permitted on the football field or in the gym during recess. Use of track equipment is strictly prohibited. Students must remain on the field and may not use concession or bleacher areas.

#### **DAY CARE**

Daycare will be offered for after school care for students ages 5-12 until 5:30 PM. Please contact the Elementary School at 867-3448 for registration and fees.

#### **CLINIC**

A clinic is maintained to provide first aid for our students. A nurse is on duty at the middle school. Vision, hearing, and various other screenings are provided by the nurse. Students taking medication must present their medicine in the office along with the doctor's and parent's permission/directions form. The prescription form is available from the clinic upon request. Parents may come to school to administer medication if necessary. All medication including over-the-counter or prescription) must be taken in the office under proper supervision. The clinic telephone may only be used if directed by office staff.

#### **TELEPHONES**

Students must have teacher permission to use the telephone. The clinic phone may only be used if directed by office staff. Long distance calls may not be made at school.

#### **FUNDRAISERS**

Fundraisers are the responsibility of the building administrators. Sales of any other items must be approved through the CMS office.

#### HONOR ROLL-ACADEMIC RECEPTION

In May of each year, an Academic Reception is held to recognize students who have achieved honor roll in each of the first three nine weeks grading periods. Students must attend Chesapeake Middle School all three grading periods to be eligible to participate in the Academic Reception.

#### HONOR ROLL CARD

Honor Roll students will receive an Activity Card from the Board of Education. This card will allow the student reduced admission fee to home athletic events sponsored by the school district. The student will present the card at the ticket office and sign a register for admission. Activity cards are non transferable and good only for the grading period stated on the card.

#### MAKE-UP WORK

Students must talk with teachers about makeup work upon returning to school. Students will have the same number of days as his/her absences to make up the work missed. Parents may request work while their child is absent. Students may also receive work upon return to school.

#### HOMEWORK POLICY

Chesapeake Middle School believes the purpose of homework is to introduce, reinforce, review or enhance material presented in the classroom. The reason for assigning out of class work is to promote and encourage successful study habits, as well as, to teach students the skills necessary to be responsible and independent citizens. Our goal is to create an environment where all students will be responsible for their homework.

#### INTERNET POLICY

The internet policy is available on the school website <a href="www.peake.k12.oh.us">www.peake.k12.oh.us</a> on the links tab under the Student Acceptable Use Policy. Parents should review policy before signing the student policy form. The School District is providing access to its computer networks and the Internet for educational purposes only. By signing the Acceptable Use and Internet Safety Policy of the School District, applicants agree to abide by the terms of the agreement. Violation of this Policy could result in loss of computer network and Internet privileges and disciplinary action taken. Internet Usage form will be provided the first day of school or upon enrollment and will be kept on file.

#### **CONFIRMATION PAGE**

The Confirmation Page includes Parent/Student Handbook consent form, Photo Release, and Internet agreement. The Confirmation Page will be provided the first day of school or upon enrollment and will be kept on file.

#### STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Any behavior by a student that is violent, disruptive, and/or inappropriate is strictly prohibited and will result in student discipline, which may include recess detention, after school detention, Saturday school, in-school suspension, suspension, expulsion, removal from school and/or contacting school resource officer/ Lawrence County Sheriff's Department. This provision shall be applicable during regularly scheduled school hours, as well as, during other school related activities and places where school personnel or representatives have jurisdiction over students. Examples (not an all-inclusive list) of these offenses are set forth below.

- 1. Possessing, transporting, concealing, evidence of consuming, or offering for sale any alcoholic beverage, illegal drug, normally prescribed drug, look-alike drug, or any mind altering substance.
- 2. Committing arson on any piece of building property.
- 3. Committing or attempting to commit assault and or sexual assault on a teacher, administrator, employee, student, or visitor.
- 4. Contributing to or causing damage to school property or equipment.
- 5. Attempting to or causing damage to school property or equipment.
- 6. Possessing, handling, transmitting, or concealing any form of dangerous weapon or ordinance, or chemical.
- 7. Repeatedly failing to comply with directions of authorized school personnel while under the authority of school personnel.
- 8. Intentionally causing the substantial and material disruption or destruction of any lawful mission, process, or function of the school.
- 9. Participating in or initiating any form of gambling.
- 10. Initiating or participating in any form of hazing or harassment.
- 11. Committing forgery.
- 12. Participating in or initiating any type of false alarm.
- 13. Dressing or appearing for a school function in improper attire, or lack thereof.
- 14. Using foul or obscene language, gestures, or noises directed toward other students, visitors, or school personnel.
- 15. Possessing, selling, concealing, disseminating, or otherwise distributing pornographic material.
- 16. Using or possessing tobacco products in any form.
- 17. Operating a vehicle in a reckless manner on school property.
- 18. Attempting to steal, or stealing any public or private property.
- 19. Directing any verbal and/or written physical threats toward anyone or anything.
- 20. Trespassing on school property or premises.
- 21. Truancy.
- 22. Possessing any electronic devices, including, but not limited to cameras, hand held games, IPods, MP3 players, toys, etc, without authorization of the building principal is not allowed. Students at CMS that possess these items during 7:30 AM 3:00 PM will receive noon time detention. Excessive abuse of this policy may constitute a more severe punishment
- 23. Fighting
- 24. Dishonesty: Any forms of dishonesty including cheating, plagiarism, altering or using school documents with intent to defraud, or providing false information to school personnel may result in disciplinary action.
- 25. No chewing gum/bubble gum allowed at school.
- 26. Book bags, briefcases, shoulder bags, and gym bags cannot be carried to class unless permission is granted by the building principal.
- 27. Public display of affection including, but not limited to, kissing, hugging, holding of hands.
- 28. Skateboards and wheeled shoes are not permitted on school grounds. Students are not to bring them to school at any time.
- 29. Pets will not be allowed on school grounds without permission from the building principal.
- 30. Deviant social behavior—A student shall not expose any part of his/her anatomy in any socially deviant manner while under jurisdiction of the school. Nor shall any student engage in socially improper conduct with any other person while under jurisdiction of the school.
- 31. A student is not permitted to write or draw on a fellow student's clothing/attire.
- 32. Taking pictures, recording videos, or posting information to the web without the permission of a classroom teacher or building principal is strictly prohibited.
- 33. Showing disrespect to students or staff will NOT be tolerated.
- 34. No food, candy or drinks are permitted in classrooms without the permission of the teacher.
- 35. False Reporting: A student shall not make a false statement, a false accusation, or provide false information that in any way defames or damages the reputation of another student or staff member.

#### **CELL PHONES**

The use of cell phones during school hours is not permitted. Students at CMS who use a cell phone without permission between the hours of 7:45 AM -2:50 PM will be subject to the following disciplinary actions:

1st Offense 3 days detention- the office will keep electronic device until the end of the day.

2nd Offense 5 days detention- the office will keep electronic device until the end of the day.

3rd Offense 10 days detention- the office will keep electronic device until the end of the day.

4th Offense 3 days LCAS- the office will keep electronic device and parents will be required to pick up.

The school is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

#### SEXUAL HARRASSMENT

Some forms of sexual harassment of a student by another student may be considered a form of child abuse which would require that the student-abuser be reported to proper authorities in compliance with State law. Sexual Harassment is defined as unwelcome sexual advances, request for sexual favors, or physical contact of a sexual nature by students. This may include is not limited to the following: Inappropriate pinching or patting, sexual motivated unwelcome touching, a physical act of aggression that included a sexual act or sexual purpose.

#### BULLYING POLICY

to administer the necessary discipline.

The Chesapeake Board of Education believes that schools should be physically safe and emotionally secure environments for all students and staff.

The Chesapeake Union Exempted Village School District takes a firm stance against any incidents of hazing and/or bullying at all school-sponsored activities and regards any such conduct as unacceptable and inconsistent with a positive learning environment. There is a zero tolerance for any activity directly or indirectly affiliated with hazing and/or bullying.

A school-sponsored activity shall mean any activity conducted on or off school property (including school buses and other school-related vehicles) that is sponsored, recognized or authorized by the Chesapeake Union Exempted Village School District. Harassment, intimidation or bullying means any intentional written, verbal, graphic, physical, or electronically transmitted act (i.e., internet, cell phone, personal digital assistant (PDA), wireless hand-held devices, etc.) that a student or group of students exhibits

internet, cell phone, personal digital assistant (PDA), wireless hand-held devices, etc) that a student or group of students exhibits toward another particular student more than once and the behavior both causes mental or physical harm to the other student; and is sufficiently severe, persistent or pervasive that it created an intimidating, threatening or abusive educational environment for the other student.

In evaluating whether conduct constitutes harassment, intimidation or bullying, special attention should be paid to the words chosen or the actions taken, whether such conduct occurred in front of others or was communicated to others, how the perpetrator interacted with the victim, and the motivation either admitted or appropriately inferred.

Permission, consent or assumption of risk by an individual subjected to hazing and/or bullying does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy.

No administrator, teacher or other district employee shall encourage, permit, condone, or tolerate any hazing and/or bullying activities. No student, including leaders of student organizations, may plan, encourage, or engage in any hazing and/or bullying. Administrators, teachers, and all other district employees shall be alert to possible conditions, circumstances or events that might include hazing and/or bullying. If hazing and/or bullying or planned hazing and/or bullying is discovered, involved students shall be informed by the discovering district employee of the prohibition contained in this policy and are required to end all hazing and/or bullying activities immediately. All hazing and/or bullying incidents are reported immediately to the building principal. If the building principal is unavailable, it shall be reported to the Superintendent or designee. Swift and decisive action will be taken

The principal and or designee shall investigate all such complaints promptly. A written report of the investigation shall be prepared which shall include the facts relative to the complaint. Such a report shall include a recommendation for intervention, including disciplinary action where appropriate.

If after the investigation, acts of harassment, intimidation and bullying by a specific student are verified, the building principal or designee shall notify in writing the parent or guardian of the perpetrator of that finding that includes any disciplinary consequences imposed against such student. Further, the building principal or designee shall notify the parent or guardian of the victim of such finding with respect to the statutory privacy rights of the perpetrator of such harassment, intimidation and bullying.

The Superintendent or designee must provide the Board President with a semi-annual written report of all reported incidents of bullying/hazing.

The administration provides training on the district's hazing/bullying policy to district employees and volunteers who have direct contact with students. Additional training shall be provided to district employees in violence and substance abuse prevention and positive youth development.

#### SEARCH AND SEIZURE

The Chesapeake Board of education and the Administration reserve the right to search lockers, desks, persons, and personal belongings, of students on school grounds or at any school activity when it is necessary for the maintenance of order, discipline and safety in the supervision and education of students. All searches may be conducted with or without the consent of the student. It should be clearly understood that a search might take place any time there may be evidence of a violation of the law or school rules. Anything that is found in the course of a search that may be evidence of a violation of the law or school rules may be taken and held or turned over to the police. The school reserves the right not to return items, which have been confiscated.

#### DRESS CODE

This policy is expected each school day except designated "Spirit" and "Reward" days, including the first day of school. The objective of this dress code is to provide an appropriate educational environment while allowing students to dress comfortably within limits of facilitating learning. Students' attire can have a positive or negative effect on the learning process, contribute to students' success, and generate a safe and positive learning environment. We expect students to maintain the type of appearance that is not distracting to students, teachers, or the educational process of the school. Parents and children are equally responsible for the appearance of the child. There is appropriate and inappropriate attire for all of life's activities. Keeping these in mind, please help your student adhere to these guidelines. Failure to abide by these guidelines may result in the student being sent home from school. The CMS Dress Code requirements are as follows:

#### GENERAL GUIDELINES

- All students must wear some form of soled footwear. Flip flops are not recommended
- Pants/Shorts with tears above the tip of the thumb must have fabric sewn underneath.
- Sunglasses cannot be worn inside the building unless the student has a doctor's excuse.
- Undergarments must be worn.
- All clothing must be of appropriate size.
- Oversize clothing, saggy or baggy pants, low necklines, and midriff shirts will not be permitted.
- Tops and bottoms must overlap at all times, including when arms are raised.
- Hats, caps, scarves, sweatbands, bandannas, and toboggans will only be permitted on special events days.
- Chains (non jewelry), chain wallets, and studded accessories are not to be worn in school.
- Hair length must be groomed (or pulled back) to ensure that the staff at CMS can see the students eyes at all times.
- Articles of apparel, clothing, or accessories that present a hazard to the individual or to other people will not be permitted.
- All articles of clothing and accessories of any sort with profane, immoral, illegal pictures, inappropriate slogans or advertisement of a substance that cannot legally be used by the middle school age group cannot be worn.
- All students must maintain their personal appearance and hygiene so as not to disrupt the educational process by distracting others within the school environment.
- Shorts, skirts, or skorts must reach to the tip of the thumb or longer.
- Baggy, saggy, pajama bottoms or form fitting pants or shorts are not permitted.
- Pants, shorts, capris, skirts, and skorts that have rips or holes in them are permitted as long as holes are below the tip of the thumb or longer.

#### **TOPS**

- All shirts must have sleeves at least three inches from the neckline.
- No open sided shirts.
- All shirts must be of appropriate size and fit; no form-fitting tops.
- Any material that is sheer or lightweight enough to see through will not be permitted.
- Tops must overlap bottoms at all times, including when arms are raised.
- Shirts that meet all previous guidelines must be worn under sweaters, sweatshirts, and pullovers at all times.
- Coats or jackets (outerwear) will not be worn during school.

The faculty and administration of each building is hereby given the authority to regulate the mode of dress mentioned above and are given the right to deem any mode of dress unfit or detrimental to the educational process in any classroom. Any student not following the code of dress and grooming will be sent to the principal who will have full authority to send the offending student home to change into suitable attire.

#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Students in a Physical Education class must follow the CMS dress code during PE. Court shoes must be worn in Physical Education classes to prevent damage to the gym floor. Students will be excused from physical education classes by a doctor's excuse only.

#### HALLWAY RULES

- Students will keep hands, feet, and other objects to themselves.
- Students will line up outside of the classroom and wait to enter the room upon teacher direction.
- All students must have a hall pass when in the hallway during classes.

**DISCIPLINE PROCEDURES** – the administration has the authority to take corrective action as deemed necessary to provide a safe school with an environment conducive to learning.

- Conference
- Detention during recess
- After School Detention
- In School Suspension
- Alternative School- Should parent/guardian refuse alternative school; unruly charges may be filed with the Lawrence County Juvenile Court System
- Suspension
- Saturday School
- In School Suspension
- Expulsion
- Contacting School Resource Officer/Lawrence County Sheriff's Office

#### SCHOOL BUSES

For the safety of each student the following rules should be followed while on the bus. Observe the same conduct as in the classroom. Be courteous and do not use profane language. Do not eat or drink on the bus. Keep the bus clean and cooperate with the driver. Do not smoke or use any tobacco product. Do not be destructive. Stay in your seat and keep your head, hands, and feet inside the bus. The bus driver is authorized to assign seats.

Safety rules for loading and unloading of buses:

Do not run to buses. Do not push in the lines and no crowding in line. Watch traffic when crossing the road. Keep the bus clean. When the dismissal bell rings, students are to report directly to their bus.

Any student wishing to ride a bus, other than their regular bus, must have a note from his/her parents/guardians, stating the destination and the number of the bus they wish to ride. No bus passes will be issued without written permission from parents. No bus passes will be issued to buses that are overcrowded. Notes should be signed in the morning by the Principal or Assistant Principal. Students walking home from school must have a note from home asking permission to do so.

#### INCLEMENT WEATHER CLOSING

During times of bad weather, it may become necessary, for the safety of the students, to close school for a day. School Messenger will be used to notify parents about school closings and delays. Additionally Channel 39 and news outlets will be notified.

#### INCLEMENT WEATHER TWO-HOUR DELAY

During times of bad weather, certain conditions may warrant a two-hour delay in the start of the school day. Although this delay of two hours may cause some of you an inconvenience in making arrangements for your children, we feel the safety of our staff and students must be our top priority. In the event of a delay, we will not be serving breakfast. Lunch will be served at the regular time. Please be aware that we may call for a two-hour delay, and then because weather conditions become more severe, it may be necessary to close school for the day. Any delays or school changes will be aired on local television, radio, and Channel 39.

#### **ATHLETICS**

Chesapeake Middle School is a member of the Ohio High School Athletic Association and a member of the Middle School Ohio Valley Conference Athletic League. Boys compete in football, soccer, basketball, wrestling, golf, and track. Girls may participate in cheerleading, soccer, volleyball, basketball, golf, and track. Eligibility and participation in interscholastic athletic competition is regulated by the OHSAA. A student may participate in a maximum of four semesters of middle school athletics.

#### Eligibility (OHSAA Handbook Section 4-4-5)

"A student enrolling in the seventh grade for the first time will be eligible for the first grading period regardless of previous academic achievement. Thereafter, in order to be eligible, a student in grade 7 or 8 must be currently enrolled and must have been enrolled in school the immediately preceding grading period and received passing grades during that grading period in a minimum of five of those subjects in which the student received grades."

Any handbook information and/rule may be revised or modified at the discretion of the building principal.

#### **Daily Schedule**

Homeroom:	7:45-7:58
1st Period:	8:01-8:49
2nd Period:	8:52-9:27
3rd Period:	9:30-10:18
4th Period:	10:21-11:09
Lunch 1:	11:12-11:43
Lunch 2:	11:46-12:17
5th Period:	12:20-1:08
6th Period:	1:11-1:59
7th Period:	2:02-2:50