*Cornell Parents,*

*The entire handbook is published on our website. The following are the changes made for the upcoming year.*

*Absences – Parents will only be able to call in student absences up to 12 after which they will be required to produce a doctor’s note.*

*P.E. Uniforms – this was relaxed during Covid so students did not have to change. It has been reinstituted.*

*Grading Scale – this was changed to mirror the grading scale at the high school.*

*Randy Vincent*

*Superintendent*

Absences

There is no factor that has a higher correlation to school success than attendance. Students who are here do well, those that are absent do not.

There are two types of absences: excused and unexcused. Parents or guardians may call in to excuse a student’s absence 12 times per year. Calls should be made to 815-358-2216 before 8:00 am. If no call is received the school will call to inquire why the student is absent. If no contact is made the student will be required to submit a signed note from a parent or guardian explaining the absence. Otherwise the absence is unexcused. Parents or guardians will be notified by letter once students reach 6, 9 and 12 excused absences. After the 12th absence all other absences must be supported by a note from a licensed health care official or they will be unexcused. Pre-arranged excused absences must be approved by the administrator.

If the student continues to be absent from school, the Livingston County Attendance Assistance Program caseworker will be notified with the potential for court proceedings including the Livingston County Truancy Review Board.

P.E Uniforms

Students in grades 5-8 will be required to change for Physical Education. Student will be required to wear a Cornell Physical Education shirt, shorts of their choice and separate shoes for class. Shirts and shorts will be available for purchase at school.

Grading System

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| 100 | A+ |  | 89 - 87 | B+ |  | 79 - 77 | C+ |  | 69 - 67 | D+ |  | <60 | F |
| 99 - 93 | A |  | 86 - 83 | B |  | 76 - 73 | C |  | 66 - 63 | D |  |  |  |
| 92 - 90 | A- |  | 82 - 80 | B- |  | 72 - 70 | C- |  | 62 - 60 | D- |  |  |  |