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SCHOOL TARDY POLICY LETTER

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Strawn School Tardy Policy has been developed to emphasize the importance of each student being in the classroom for the entire period, as well as arriving on time to school every day. Learning the responsibility of getting to class on time is an integral part of Strawn School standard of excellence, which prepares students for success.

In our school, instructional time is viewed as a precious resource. Consequently, we view chronic tardiness as a serious problem.

Thank you for your support in ensuring students makes maximum use of class time and learns to be punctual. School begins at 8:00 a.m. Beginning the day promptly is important and demonstrates commitment to success.

Tardiness to school will be unexcused even though the parent brings the student to school. Oversleeping, car/traffic problems etc. are all unexcused. Tardies are excusable by a school official under the following circumstances:

1. Court appointment
2. Personal illness of student
3. Serious illness or death in immediate family
4. Quarantine
5. Student has a doctor/dentist/professional appointment (A note or phone call from parent or a professional note from doctor/dentist/professional will be required to verify)
6. Family emergencies (approved by Principal or Superintendent)
7. Religious holidays

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Problems with tardiness to school may require adjustments in the family's morning schedule.

The consequences for tardiness to school are EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

During a six-week period:

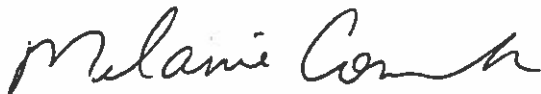
*Tardy #1 & 2- no consequence- a warning may be given after each tardy.

*Tardy #3- the student will be assigned to morning detention for the next (4) school days. Each tardy after the 3rd tardy in a six weeks will result in (1) day of morning detention. MORNING DETENTION IS 7:00 am-8:00 am.

*Tardies acquired after lunch may result in the loss of off-campus privileges.

The Principal has the right to substitute an alternative disciplinary intervention for repeated offenders or any other circumstances.

Sincerely yours,



Melanie Cormack, M.Ed.
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