

CMS

TARDY POLICY

TARDY: Not arriving to class on time and/or sitting in the teacher's assigned seat and being ready to learn, after the tardy bell has rung.

Late Students:

If a student is late to class (without a note), they will be marked tardy in Infinite Campus and allowed to proceed with their classwork. The Discipline Office will assign consequences if students continue to be marked tardy. If students are habitually tardy to class, they will be sent to discipline on a referral for their tardies.

1st-3rd Tardy- Warning

4th-6th Tardy- Lunch Detention & Call Home

7th-9th Tardy- After School Detention or 3 Lunch Detentions

After 9th Tardy- Parent Meeting & Schedule Parent Shadowing

Excessive tardies lead to further discipline, such as Saturday School & ALC

THE IMPACT OF TARDIES

When students are tardy, they negatively impact their teachers and other students. Teachers are often required to restructure their lessons or re-teach missed material. Tardiness also takes other students' attention away from a teacher's lesson, leading to more behavior problems and missed instruction. Studies conducted by the U.S. Department of Education on truancy, which is connected with tardiness, show that school attendance is a major factor when it comes to school success and student behavior. Students who are frequently tardy have lower GPAs, lower scores on standardized assessments, and lower graduation rates. Chronic tardiness in elementary and middle school is also linked to failure in high school.

Chronic Tardies

Anytime after 9 tardies, students will be issued lunch detention or after school detention. Failure or refusal to attend assigned detention will result in disciplinary referral and given appropriate additional consequences.

How will Tardies effect attendance?

If a student is late to class, it will count as tardy in their class attendance. If a student is tardy after the 15-minute mark, and does not have a signed pass, they may be marked truant and it will count toward class attendance.

How will I know if my child was tardy?

The school will NOT be calling to inform parents each time that their students have been tardy. Parents can log into the Infinite Campus parent portal to keep track of attendance. Parents will be notified after several offenses and may have a conference scheduled if their student continues to arrive late to class.