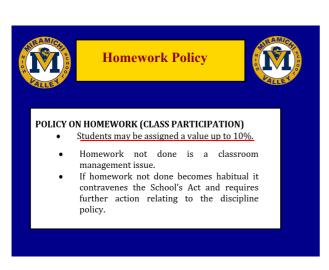
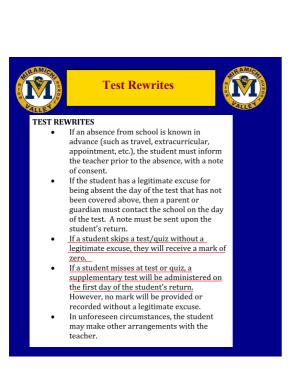


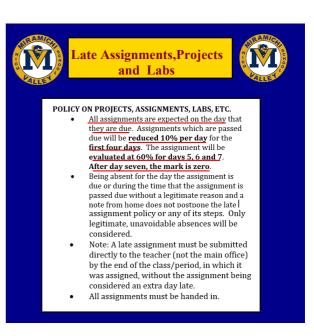
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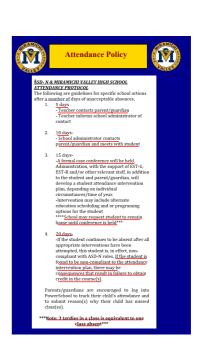














Positive Learning Environment



Student Behavior Expectations

THE POSITIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT POLICY AND DISCIPLINE IN THE SCHOOLS

The Positive Learning Environment Policy is a tool designed to help school staff, students, and parents build a safe and peaceful environment where people feel accepted and respected, and where learning is the main focus. main focus.

A positive learning and working environment is one in

- Pupils have the right to be taught and learn in a safe, orderly, productive, respectful and harassment-free environment; this right not to be disrupted by others implies the responsibility not to disrupt the learning of others.
- Adults within the public school system also have the same rights in regards to their working in a safe, orderly, productive, respectful and harassment-free environment.

Students and parents are reminded that schools expect three (3) basic things from all students:

- Attendance at school, on time and prepared
- Proper behaviors, based on mutual respect
- Satisfactory work effort and progress, to the best of the student's abilities



Unacceptable Behaviours



UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOURS

The following behaviors will not be tolerated from any student (or other person) in the New Brunswick school system. This means intervention, as agreed upon in the School Positive Learning Environment Plan, is consistently and uniformly required when these behaviors occur. In addition, some of these behaviors are deemed to be of such a serious nature that they may be dealt with by the imposition of automatic penalties. They may also be forwarded to the local police authorities.

Harassment, hazing, intimidation and violence

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 Discrimination based on gender, race, color,
 national or ethnic origin, religion, culture,
 language group, sexual orientation, disability, age
 or grade level.
 Dissemination of hate propaganda including hate
- literature Use or possession of alcohol or illegal drugs. Possession/ use/ selling of illegal substances or
- weapons.
 Theft, vandalism or intentional property damage
 Any behavior which threatens the health or safety
 of any person (e.g. arson, bomb threats, and
 tampering with safety equipment such as fire
 alarms, school bus)
 Accusations involving falsehood or malicious
 intent.
- intent.

 Creating or attempting to create a disturbance, using threatening or abusive language and speaking in such a way as to impair the maintenance of order and discipline on school



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OTHER GUIDELINES FOR DEALING WITH STUDENT CONDUCT

DISRUPTION, DEFIANCE, REFUSAL TO FOLLOW STAFF DIRECTIONS OR DO ASSIGNED WORK

A student who is defiant, refuses to follow staff directions or do assigned work will be subject to, but not limited to, the following guideline of consequences. First Offence- 1-3-day suspension from school Second Offence- 3-5-day suspension from school, meeting with Parent/Guardian upon return Third Offence- 3-5-day suspension, possible recommendation for long-term suspension



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USE OF VULGAR LANGUAGE OR GESTURE TO SCHOOL STAFF

A student who directs vulgar language or gestures to a member of the school staff will be subject to, but not limited to, the following guideline of consequences: First Offence- 3-day suspension from school Second Offence- 5 day suspension from school, meeting with Parent/Guardian upon return Third Offence- 3-5 day suspension, possible recommendation for long-term suspension



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SMOKING/VAPING

Smoking and vaping are not permitted at any time in the school building or on school property. This includes any tobacco products (smokeless, e-cigs, etc.) Students who are found to be smoking or vaping in an unauthorized area or at an unauthorized time will be subject to, but not limited to, the following guideline of consequences:

In Building

First Offence- 3 day suspension from school Second Offence- 5 day suspension from school, meeting with Parent/Guardian upon return

Third Offence- 5 day suspension from school, possible ecommendation for long-term suspension

School Grounds

First Offence- 2 detentions

Second Offence- 1 day suspension from school and home contact

Third Offence- 5 day suspension from school, meeting with Parent/Guardian upon return.



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THREATENING OR UNSAFE BEHAVIOUR

A student who threatens the health or safety of any person including tampering with safety equipment such as fire alarms will be subject to, but not limited to, the following guideline of consequences:

First Offence- minimum 5 day suspension from school Second Offence- Recommendation for long-term suspension



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5. JIGGING CLASSES

Students absent from class without prior teacher or administrative approval, and who otherwise are supposed to be at school attending all classes will be subject to, but not limited to, the following guideline of consequence:

consequence:
***In the case of jigging during a test, quiz or
assignment, the student may receive a mark of zero

First Offence- Up to 5 detentions
Second Offence- Detention up to Time missed (i.e. 3
periods jigged, 6 noon hour detentions)
Third Offence- out-of- school suspension



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A student caught stealing from another student or from staff or school will be subject to consequences as deemed appropriate. Such consequences may include, but are not limited to, restitution, detention or suspension from school.

First Offence- 3 day suspension from school Second Offence- 5 day suspension from school, meeting with Parent/Guardian upon return Third Offence- 3-5 day suspension, possible

Third Offence- 3-5 day suspension, possible recommendation for long-term suspension



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7. PLAGIARISM, CHEATING ON TESTS, EXAMS. ASSINGMENTS

Consequences may include, but are not limited to, a grade of zero to be given on that portion of work.

Students are not allowed to use cell phones, iPods, tablets, etc. during exams. If a student has a cell phone, iPod, tablet, etc. during an exam, the student will receive a mark of zero on the exam.



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8. DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

A student found in the possession of, or under the influence of using any illegal drug or associated paraphernalia or alcoholic beverage at school or any school sponsored event will be subject to but not limited to the following:

First Offence- Minimum 5 day suspension from school and all school activities, possible legal action Second Offence- Long-term suspension from school and a suspension from all school activities, possible legal action.



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MISUSE OF PERSONAL TECHNOLOGY

Students using personal technology in classrooms without the teacher's permission or cell phones anywhere but the outer lobby or outside of the school at times other than before 8:20 AM, noon hour or after school will be subject to, but not limited to, the following guideline of consequence: Loss of technology privileges, detention or out of –school suspension.

Cell Phones are permitted to be used outside of instructional time. Students are not to have their phones on during class time for any reason without teacher permission. Refusal to hand phone over to teacher will be seen as defiance.

First Offence- Phone will be taken and kept in office until a parent or guardian picks it up or student requests to have it mailed home. Detentions may be assigned.



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0. STUDENT DRESS CODE

Students who dress in a manner which is considered by staff to be offensive may be subject to, but not limited to, the following guideline of consequence:

First Offence- change clothing

Second Offence- change clothing and student will

receive detentions.

Third Offence- 1-3 day suspension from school



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VEHICLES

Having a vehicle on school property is a privilege and not a right. Excessive speed, dangerous driving or using the vehicle to leave property during Instructional Time will result in the loss of Vehicle privileges at



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NON-STRUCTURED TIME

Students are asked not to congregate in locker areas during non-class time. Students may congregate in the cafeteria, cultural area, by the "moose", courtyard, walk in the hallways, and outdoors on campus. Students are reminded that they may eat in the cafeteria, breakfast area and classrooms.



Student Activities



STUDENT ACTIVITIES
Miramichi Valley High School has a wide selection of extra-curricular and co-curricular programs. Athletic activities may include badminton, hockey, soccer, field hockey, baseball, basketball, volleyball and more. A variety of group activities such as student council, band, chess club, yearbook, oratory, drama, math club and others take place at various times throughout the year. The student council, which is organized early in the school year, is the one school activity that all students are encouraged to participate in during the school year.

EXTRA AND CO-CURRICULAR CONDUCT

- Students participating in student affairs
 (committees, teams, clubs, etc.) and
 participating on athletic teams must perform
 to the best of their ability in each of their
- Students failing to perform to the best of problems within the school or at school related events may have their right to participate suspended.
- A student who misbehaves while A student who misbehaves while participating in an extra or co-curricular activity will face consequences as deemed appropriate. Such consequences may include, but are not limited to, suspension from extra and co-curricular activities, detention, out-of-school suspension. If student is suspended from school, they may not participate in school activities.



Student Lockers



STUDENT LOCKERS

Students are not permitted access to lockers between

Lockers for students' coats and books are available during the month of September. The locker can be obtained when the student pays his/her student council fee. The lock is the student's responsibility and any damages that might occur should be reported to the office as soon as possible. For lost or stolen locks, there is a \$10 replacement fee. The lockers are school property and may be inspected at any time. Stickers or other forms of graffiti are not permitted in or on the lockers. All lockers are inspected at the end of the year.



Award of Academic Excellence



AWARD OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

This award is to promote academic excellence. This MVHS award is presented annually to students (who meet the criteria) in grades 9, 10, 11 and 12. To be eligible, a student must have been following a full load of courses, achieved an average of 85% on all subjects and have no failures.



"M" Awards



"M" AWARDS

M Awards are given to grade 12 students who have made a positive contribution to their school. If you wish to be considered for an 'M" Award, you must meet the following criteria:

- You must be in the graduating class of 2024.
- You must have made a positive contribution to MVHS in the area of extra-curricular athletics, clubs or student council (you do not need to be involved with a group for four years).
- You must attach a 250 word essay justifying your nomination.
- You application must be returned to Ms. Burns
- A committee will review all applications and select the award recipients. Not all applicants will necessarily qualify.

