

VALLEY VIEW SCHOOL RULES and EXPECTATIONS

SCHOOL BEHAVIOR CODE:



- Students will show respect and courtesy for others, their possessions and school property.
- Students will keep hands, feet, and objects to themselves.
- Students will use appropriate manners and language.
- Students will follow directions of all school personnel.
- Students will not prevent the teacher from teaching, or other students from learning.
- Students will observe all safety rules.
- Students will stay in supervised areas.
- Students will treat their peers fairly and refrain from bullying behaviors.

SCHOOL DRESS AND GROOMING:

- Valley View's Dress Policy follows guidelines from Education Code and Board Policy BP5132. Parents will be contacted to bring in a change of clothing or students may be sent home if students choose not to adhere to the dress code policy. **The school has the right to determine if any apparel or item is causing a distraction, disruption or interruption to the educational process or if the item presents a safety hazard.**
- We find that children work and do better in school when they are dressed appropriately, and one of the major factors affecting school climate is student dress! Towards that end, we seek parental cooperation in seeing that students come to school neat, clean, and in clothing that is acceptable in repair and within the bounds of decency and good taste for school clothing. This applies to ALL school functions – including events and activities on campus at any time.
- Students are expected to dress in a neat and clean manner at all times. To promote a climate favorable to learning and to ensure student safety, student dress must conform to standards of safety and not disrupt the learning environment.
- Students must wear shoes that provide adequate protection to reduce the possibility of injury and allow them to fully participate in recess activities and physical education. Properly fastened tennis shoes are required for the P.E. program. Backless shoes or slip on sandals are not permitted for safety reasons at any time. Shoe skates are not permitted at any time.
- Pants must be the same size as the waist and must be worn at the waist. Pants may not be baggy, frayed or have splits in the legs and they must be hemmed so pant cuffs do not drag on the ground.
- Students may wear hats for protection from the sun; however, these must be worn facing forward and respectfully. Hats, caps and other types of head coverings may not be worn inside buildings.

The following may **not** be worn:

- Wallet chains, or chains of any other type.
- Bandannas.
- Clothing which suggests gang affiliation.
- Clothing which contains obscene, sexual or sexually suggestive, violent or offensive drawings or messages including racial/ethnic/religious or prejudicial material.
- Clothing which advertises or represents alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or illegal substances.
- Jewelry or body ornaments that may pose a potential safety hazard or a distraction. This includes hoop earrings.
- Articles of clothing which are inappropriately revealing may not be worn. Undergarments must be covered. Bare midriffs and muscle shirts are not allowed.
- Shoulder straps must be at least 2 inches wide.
- Short shorts and Blouses or shirts that show a bare midriff are not allowed.
- Shoe skates may not be worn at any time nor are backless shoes.
- If clothing or general appearance creates a distraction in the classroom or negatively affects the instructional program, parents will be notified

PLAYGROUND RULES: (Be SAFE and RESPECTFUL)

- If it is unsafe, don't do it!
- All Students are allowed to join in playground games. **No one can be excluded.**
- Only classroom play equipment (school issued jump ropes, hula hoops, and balls) are allowed on the playground. **Children may not bring balls from home** (including tennis balls), sports equipment, toys, games, trading items including trading cards or Silly Bands or any other personal play equipment to school.
- Electronics are not allowed at school without teacher permission.
- Gambling or other games that could be used for gambling are not allowed.
- Art Gum erasers, White Out, or laser pointers are not allowed. Staff will collect any of the previously listed items and parents will be called to claim them in the office.
- Game locking or blocking is not allowed (everyone is welcome to play or join a game).
- Students will freeze at the first bell and walk promptly to the line after the whistle is blown.
- Bathrooms and drinking fountains should be used during recess, lunch periods and before the bell and should be used safely and properly.
- Students should not play in restrooms. Only one student per stall is permitted.
- Walk bicycles on the playground to the bicycle rack.
- Skateboards, roller blades, hover boards, or scooters are not allowed on campus at anytime, during school, after school or on weekends. Students may not store these in the classroom during the school day.
- Wrestling, martial arts, unsafe chasing or tag type games are not allowed.
- Playing in restrooms or at drinking fountains is not allowed.
- Students may not tease, name call, fight, kick, bite, spit or use bad language.
- Students may not bring knives, matches, cigarette lighters, firecrackers, toy guns, bullets, caps, weapons, tobacco, alcohol, or drugs to school. Possession of such objects is grounds for suspension and/or expulsion from school.
- Tagging or graffiti is not allowed.
- An obscene act or sexual harassment is not allowed including graphic verbal comments about a person's body, sexual jokes, stories, drawings or gestures, touching an individual's private body areas, or teasing, sexual remarks, derogatory comments or sexually degrading descriptions.

SCHOOL GROUNDS:

- Students must carry a Bathroom Pass or Health Office Pass during regular class time.
- Students must be quiet when walking outside the classrooms.
- There will be no running in hallways at any time. This includes before and after school.

CAFETERIA/LUNCH BENCHES:

- Students will line up in an orderly manner while waiting in line for the cafeteria.
- Students will eat all food in the lunch bench area before going to the field. No food may be eaten on the playground.
- Students will keep the cafeteria and lunch benches clean by throwing away their own trash.
- Students may not trade or share food.
- Students will speak in a normal voice, but no shouting or yelling will be permitted.
- Students must raise their hands to be dismissed after the cleaning of their space. The yard duty aide will lead students to the playground.
- Students will respect all adults at all times and follow their directions.
- Students demonstrating polite behavior and manners will be recognized with SOAR tickets and other acknowledgements of a job well done.