Thompson Intermediate Parent + Student Handbook



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CAMPUS INFORMATION

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THOMPSON ADMINISTRATION

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SCHOOL HOURS

8:10 am - 3:30 pm

ARRIVAL

- Student drop-off on Front Porch
- Entry into Building 7:35am
- Breakfast/Tutorials 7:35am 8:05am
- Tardy Bell 8:10am

DEPARTURE

- Dismissal bell rings at 3:30pm.
- Walkers and Car Riders Front Porch
- Students must be picked up or will be asked to leave by 3:45pm.

ATTENDANCE

LATE ARRIVAL

• All exterior campus doors lock at 8:10am. All students that arrive at 8:10am or later, must go to the front office to sign-in with parents.

LEAVING EARLY

- Should you need to check-out your child early, you will need the following: Documented Permission in Skyward to pick-up the student + Driver's license or Official Government Identification
- Due to the arrival of after school buses, students will not be released after 3:15pm.

ABSENT NOTE POLICY

• An absent note must be provided to the Attendance Clerk, Ms. Resendez, no later than 48 hours after the absence. Absence notes can be submitted through Skyward or can be written and provided to the Attendance Clerk. All absence notes must include the following information:

Student Name and Student ID Date of Absence and Reason Signature of Parent/Guardian

 Please note that absences may still be documented as Unexcused when an absence note is provided.

TRUANCY

• Compulsory Attendance Law (TEC 25.085) states a child who is required to attend school under this section shall attend school each school day for the entire period the program of instruction is provided. A child who is at least six years of age and who has yet reached their 19th birthday shall attend school. Upon enrollment in prekindergarten or kindergarten, a child shall attend school. A violation of the Compulsory Attendance Law is missing 10 or more days or parts of days in a 6 month period.

- After accruing 10 or more absences, students will be placed on an Attendance Contract.
- Homeroom is considered a part of the regular school day, attendance is monitored and expected.

CAMPUS POLICIES

FAST FOOD POLICY

- Fast Food may not be dropped off for students. This includes parent or fast food delivery companies dropping off food. Parents may bring their child lunch and eat with their child at designated tables in the cafeteria.
- Other students are not permitted to share lunch with you and your child.
- Due to safety concerns, Food Deliveries will not be accepted from any delivery company, including UberEats, GrubHub, DoorDash, etc. Students are not allowed to collect these orders personally.

A parent may bring to the front office a forgotten lunch, for the student to pick up from the front office during a passing period or lunch.

ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

- In an effort to curb the problems related to Electronic Device usage, students are expected that upon arriving at school, all devices must be turned off, secured and out of sight until the end of the school day.
- Electronic Devices include, but are not limited to: Cell Phones, AirPods, Beats, Wireless Headphones, BlueTooth Devices.
- Students are permitted to use Wired Headphones/Earbuds for instructional purposes only. Students may not wear their headphones in the hallway or at lunch.
- Students actively using their electronic devices will be handled in the following manner:

Electronic device will be confiscated and held until the end of the school day (3:30pm). Parent or Guardian will be contacted.

Refusal to turn in an Electronic device will result in disciplinary action. Repeated collection of a Electronic device will result in disciplinary action.

- The use of any device capable of capturing images is strictly prohibited in locker rooms, restroom areas, or any place where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy while at school or at a school related/sponsored event.
- Failure to turn-in telecommunication device during testing (STAAR, CBAs, etc.) will result in disciplinary action and may result in the state exam not being scored (per TEA guidelines).
- Parents, please refrain from texting your child during the school day. Please contact the school at 713-740-0510 to deliver important messages or speak directly with your child.

NURSE/CLINIC

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MEDICAL ATTENTION PROVIDED

If the student has a fever, had diarrhea or has been throwing up, please stay home and do not come to school. You must be fever free/no vomiting or diarrhea for a full 24-hours before coming back to school.

- Students must receive a pass from their teacher to go to the clinic, unless they are injured in Athletics or PE. Students are not able to "stop by" during the passing period, unless they are having an emergency.
 - Cell phone use is not permitted within the clinic, unless the student has received permission from the nurse.
 - o Gum, candy, food or drinks are not allowed in the clinic at anytime.
- There are times throughout the day that students are not to be sent to clinic, based on the medical needs of other students. During these times, students that need to see the nurse for non-emergency situations should go to the front office.
- In the event of an emergency, we will make every effort to contact the student's parent or guardian and inform them of the current situation. Should a student need immediate medical attention, emergency services (9-1-1) will be contacted. An Administrator will travel with the student in the Ambulance and remain with the student, until the parent/guardian arrives. The school district and campus personnel are not responsible for the cost of the emergency room visit or emergency transportation services.

MEDICATION POLICY

- Students are not permitted to carry ANY medication on their person or within their belongings. This includes both prescription and over-the-counter medications: Tylenol, Aspirin, Cough Drops, Tums, Midol, etc.
- All medications are to be brought to the clinic by a parent or guardian, in the original container that includes the name of the student and dispensing instructions.
- Narcotic Drugs are not permitted on campus and may not be dispensed by the nurse.

IMMUNIZATIONS

- All incoming 7th grade students are required to have received the following immunizations, prior to the first day of school: MCV4 (Meningococcal) and Tdap Booster.
- Students that do not have an updated immunization record will not be allowed to stay and a parent/guardian must pickup student.

COMMUNICATION/SOCIAL MEDIA

We provide communication to parents/students in a variety of methods including: Thompson Website, Student Calendar, Facebook, Remind, PeachJar and Skyward Emails. Our Campus-wide communication includes events, concerts, important reminders for grades, Testing and much more.

NEWSLETTER

A monthly newsletter with upcoming events and additional school information.

FACEBOOK

To view posts and event reminders @thompsonlions

REMIND

To receive notifications via text, Remind app or email, text @9hkd6h3 to 81010

PEACHJAR

Flyers and events are posted or emailed to parents. The link is also posted on our Facebook account.

CAMPUS DISCIPLINE

PISD implements Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS). PBIS is a framework or approach for assisting school personnel in adopting and organizing evidence-based behavioral interventions into an integrated continuum that enhances academic and social behavior outcomes for all students.

Thompson follows PISDs Student Code of Conduct for all disciplinary actions and decisions. Our disciplinary actions include detention, ISS, out-of-school suspension, placement in a disciplinary alternative education program (DAEP), placement in a juvenile justice alternative education program (JJAEP), or expulsion from school.

STANDARDS FOR STUDENT CONDUCT

<u>PISD Student Code of Conduct (2023 - 2024)</u> ENGLISH <u>PISD Student Code of Conduct (2023 - 2024)</u> SPANISH

Each student is expected to:

- Demonstrate courtesy, even when others do not
- Behave in a responsible manner
- Exercise self-discipline
- Attend all classes, regularly and on time
- Bring appropriate materials and assignments to class
- Meet district and campus standards of grooming and dress
- Obey all campus and classroom rules
- Respect the rights and privileges of students, teachers, and other district staff and volunteers

- Respect the property of others, including district property and facilities
- Cooperate with and assist the school staff in maintaining safety, order and discipline
- Adhere to the requirements of the Student Code of Conduct

Disruption of school operations is not tolerated and may constitute a misdemeanor offense.

AFTER SCHOOL DETENTION

After school detention will be held in the Library, Monday - Thursday from 3:35pm - 4:30pm. Bus Transportation is available for students that ride PISD Transportation.

Expectations: Students must remain quiet and complete their homework, work on missing assignments or read a library book. Students are not allowed to use their cellphones or play games on their tablet during detention. Failure to follow the rules may result in removal from after school detention. Students that are removed from detention will not receive credit for the time served and will be given an additional day of detention.

SATURDAY DETENTION

Saturday Detention is held at Dobie High School (Main) from 8am - 12pm. Students are expected to arrive on time and will not be admitted to detention. Failure to complete Saturday detention, will result in further disciplinary action.

TARDY POLICY

All students are expected to be in the classroom prior to the tardy bell ringing. Thompson utilizes a "Tardy Sweep" policy. Students who are not in the classroom, will be taken to a tardy station to submit their name, receive hall pass and disciplinary action.

Based on the student's total number of tardies, the following can be given: Warning, After School Detention, Saturday Detention, ISS or Guidance Center.

Student's tardy to First Period will be considered Truant as this the class of the school day. (see Truancy)

PHYSICAL ALTERCATIONS/HORSEPLAY

Fighting will not be tolerated at Thompson, this includes any physical altercation such as "Slap Boxing", "Fresh-Cut", "Necking", etc.

Students engaging in any of the above conduct will receive campus disciplinary consequences which can include out of school suspension, ISS, Guidance Center and/or DAEP placement.

TOBACCO AND E-CIGARETTES ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED

Students are prohibited from possessing or using any type of tobacco product, electronic cigarette (e-cigarette), or any other electronic vaporizing device while on school property or while attending an off-campus school-related activity.

Students engaging in any of the above conduct will receive campus disciplinary consequences which can include out of school suspension, ISS, Guidance Center and/or DAEP placement.

The District and its staff strictly enforce prohibitions against the use of all tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or any other electronic vaporizing device by students and all others on school property and at school-sponsored and school-related activities. [See the Student Code of Conduct and policies FNCD and GKA for more information.]

GRADING POLICIES

We follow a 6-weeks grading cycle, with a progress report issued at the 3rd week. Grading Periods:

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1st 8/14 - 9/22
2nd 9/25 - 11/03
3rd 11/06 - 12/21
4th 01/09 - 02/16
5th 02/19 - 04/05
6th 04/8 - 05/23
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DISTRICT

Skyward is the digital gradebook used in PISD.

Grades are assigned that reflect the student's mastery of an assignment.

PARENT LOGIN (Family Access) https://skyward.iscorp.com/PasadenaTXStuSTS

STUDENT LOGIN (ClassLink) http://portal.pasadenaisd.org

THOMPSON CAMPUS GRADING POLICY

Grades are assigned that reflect the student's mastery of an assignment.

Grades are maintained by the classroom teacher and are viewable in real-time.

Teachers are required to enter a minimum of 1-2 grades per week in Skyward. Tests, projects and other assignments may be counted more than once.

PROGRESS REPORTS

On Friday, at the three-week mark of a six-weeks, grades are updated in Skyward. Progress reports are sent home with students the following Wednesday.

Parents are encouraged to review their child's progress and contact the classroom teacher if you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress.

Grades can be viewed on Skyward, in real-time. Please note that the Progress Report is a snapshot of your child's grades and may change by the time the Progress Report is sent home on Wednesday. Viewing grades on Skyward is the most accurate way to determine your child's progress.

REPORT CARDS

Report cards are sent home with students, on the Friday following the final day of the 6 weeks. Students will receive their Report Card from their Homeroom Teacher and sign that they received the document. It is the student's responsibility to provide their parents or guardians with the Report Card. Reports do not need to be signed and returned.

The first three-six weeks are averaged together to create a 1st Semester Grade. The last three-six weeks are averaged together to create a 2nd Semester Grade. The average for 1st Semester and 2nd Semester are averaged together to create a Final Yearly Average in May.

UIL ELIGIBILITY

Participation in Athletics, Fine Arts and several clubs on campus, are determined by UIL Eligibility. Academic eligibility is a Texas State law (Texas Education Code 33.081) and does not apply only to UIL events. All sponsors of these activities are required to adhere to all eligibility rules as outlined in the TEA/UIL Side by Side document.

Grades must be checked for ALL students at the end of the first six weeks of the school year. This is an official grade check established by TEA and WILL determine a student's eligibility for Extracurricular Activities.

- Grading periods for eligibility are seven (7) calendar days after the evaluation, with the exception of holidays
- Eligibility is determined from six weeks grades and three week grade checks, no semester grades
- Students may lose eligibility at the six weeks grading report
- Students may gain eligibility at the three weeks progress reports and at the six weeks grading report
- All students are academically eligible during the Thanksgiving, Christmas/Winter and Spring Break Holidays
- Following the Thanksgiving, Christmas/Winter and Spring Break Holidays, ineligible students return to ineligible until the next grade check and grace period
- All students are academically eligible through the summer.

Our Athletic Coaches and Fine Arts Teachers will monitor your child's grades. If your child is not passing at the six weeks grading period, they will not be allowed to participate in the game, event or concert. Constituting the "No Pass, No Play" policy.

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

STUDENT RULES AND PROCEDURES

- Students are not to be in the halls, except during the passing period.
- Once a student arrives on campus in the morning and until the school day is complete, he or she is not to leave the campus for any reason without clearance from the attendance office. If a student leaves campus without permission (or leaves the classroom without authorization from his/her teacher), it is considered truancy and will be dealt with as such.
- Notes brought to school by students, written by parents or guardians, requesting that
 the student be dismissed during the day for a doctor or dentist appointment must
 include the time of appointment, name and telephone number of the doctor. Doctor
 verification must be presented upon return to school to receive an excused admit.
- In general we do not use lockers at Thompson, except for Athletics, Dance and PE. Students are not permitted to use other students' lockers. Lockers are to be locked at all times. Students are responsible for all books and materials, including tablets, checked out to them. The school and/or the Coaches are not responsible for lost or stolen items, left out and not locked in their assigned locker.
- Students may ride their bikes to Thompson and park them on the rack, but may not ride bikes around campus. Bicycle riders need to lock their bikes in order to prevent theft. The school is not responsible for lost bicycles.

MORNING PROCEDURES

Arrival -

Enter Building beginning at 7:35am

Students must go to Cafeteria for Breakfast, the Inside Gym or Tutorial/Clubs

- Bus Riders Back Porch (Buses only)
- Walkers and Car Riders FrontPorch

Breakfast – The main line(s) will open at 7:35am.

Students will get their Breakfast and eat in the cafeteria. Once students have finished their breakfast they are expected to throw away their trash and then go to the inside gym or tutorials, if they have a pass.

<u>Gym</u> - A holding area for students not wanting to attend Tutorials or a Club Students will fill the bleachers first, and then sit in rows on the floor. When the Gym has reached capacity, students will remain in the cafeteria.

<u>Tutorials/Clubs</u> - Students can attend tutorials or a club from 7:35am - 8:05am. Students must have a pass signed by a teacher or parent. Students without a pass will be sent to the Gym.

<u>Instrument/Athletic Equipment Storage</u> - At 8:00am students will be dismissed to put away their instruments or athletic bags. All other students will remain in their location until the 8:05am bell rings to go to HR.

Tardy bell rings at 8:10am, all students must be present in their Homeroom at this time.

PRIDE TIME (MENTORING/HOMEROOM PROCEDURES)

Mentoring and relationship building is key to a successful school year for each student. Thompson utilizes the Along digital check in app to allow for easy quick check-ins with students. Homeroom teachers will serve as the mentor for their students on Tuesday of each week. This scheduled time to be used for the following:

- Mentoring with academic support from multiple certified staff on campus.
- Student participation in using Along, where students will respond to a prompt by video, text or with audio within the designated week. All students will receive instruction on how to use the Along app and parent information will be distributed with beginning of the year materials.
- Student participation in School Wide activities such as Start Hello Week, Red Ribbon Week, College Week, and much more.

LUNCH PROCEDURES

- Students
 - o Are expected to enter the cafeteria and remain in their assigned table
 - o Will be dismissed by an Administrator to the serving lines
 - o Clean table top of spills/crumbs and Sweep the trash/food from the floor
 - o Students that do not remain in the cafeteria during their assigned lunch will be considered as truant/skipping.

DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

- Afternoon announcements are made at 3:27pm, upon arrival of District Buses.
 Students will remain in the classroom until 3:30 pm. If their bus is not present, students will sit down at the assignment cafeteria tables, based on their bus number. Car Riders and Walkers will exit to the front porch for pick-up or to walk home immediately.
- Buses depart from the campus at 3:35pm. Students are responsible for securing their transportation. Any student that misses the bus, can call home and will be expected to be picked up by parent or guardian.

AFTERSCHOOL PROCEDURES

• After School Tutorials - Every teacher on campus has an after school tutorial, one day a week, from 3:35pm to 4:30pm Monday through Thursday. Students are encouraged to attend tutorials to complete missing assignments or receive additional instructional support.

Bus Transportation is provided Monday through Thursday, for students that stay for after school tutorials. Students that miss the after school bus and do not attend tutorials, will not be able to ride the Tutorial Bus.

 After School Detention - Students are assigned after school detention for violations of the campus policies or student code of conduct. After school detention is held Monday through Thursday from 3:35pm - 4:30pm.

Behavior Expectations: Students are expected to:

- Complete their homework or missing assignments or read a book; not play games on tablet, talk, or sleep
- Follow campus procedures; Failure to follow the procedures will result in removal from detention and an additional day assigned.
- Athletic Events Students must meet the following requirements:

Purchase a ticket on the day of the game, during lunch Be clear of all Discipline (no unserved after school detention or incomplete ISS assignments)

Behavior Expectations: Students are expected to:

- Go home and may return to campus after 4:30pm to watch athletic events.
- Show good sportsmanship, sit in the student section unless with a parent or guardian.
- Follow campus rules profanity, insubordination, inappropriate dress, etc.; Failure to follow behavior expectations will result in removal from the game and future athletic events.
- Students that are absent from school, are not allowed to return to campus for after school events.
- Students that have been suspended, currently at the Guidance Center or enrolled at SUMMIT, may not attend after school events. Failure to comply with this policy will result in a Trespassing Letter Warning and potential removal from any future events.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY

A student found to have engaged in academic dishonesty shall be subject to grade penalties and/or disciplinary penalties in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct and shall be reassessed to determine the student's level of mastery. Examples: Including cheating or copying the work of another, plagiarism, and inappropriate or unauthorized communication related to the content of instructional activities and assessments.

ATHLETICS

Student Athletes of Thompson Intermediate need to conduct themselves in a manner that will bring pride and honor to Thompson, the Athletic Program, and the Community. Student Athletes will be held to a high standard and are expected to follow all campus policies, procedures and rules at all times. Student athletes who break the Student Code of Conduct and/or Thompson policies, will receive campus based discipline as well as consequences assigned by the Athletic Program. Consequences include additional conditioning, suspension from games/team and removal from the Thompson Athletic Program.

Student athletes are *Students* first. Athletes are expected to attend tutorials before and after school when assigned. Student athletes who cannot maintain passing grades will be ineligible to participate. Student athletes are expected to be on time to school each day and arrive on time to every class. Students who are absent during the school day, are not allowed to return to participate after school. Persistent absences and tardiness will result in removal from the Thompson Athletic program.

Thompson Student Athletes will be leaders on and off the field/court. Inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated.

DRESS CODE

<u>PISD Student Dress Code (2023 - 2024)</u> ENGLISH <u>PISD Student Dress Code (2023 - 2024)</u> SPANISH

Students are expected to follow campus dress code, which includes:

- All students:
 - Backpacks must be clear or mesh. Purses must be no larger than a piece of paper, 8x11 inches.
 - Jeans or pants must be free of rips, holes and tears above the knee, in which skin can be seen. Pants may include patches, have designs or include multi-colors/patterns.
 - Shorts within 2 inches of the knee may be worn.
 - All clothing must be free of references to drugs, sex, alcohol, gang violence, suicide, weapons;
 - Facial Piercings, including nose and brow-rings are not permitted;
 - Shoes are required to have a back; this includes crocs and sandals. No house shoes or slides are allowed;
 - Undergarments cannot be visible under/through shirts, dresses or pants;
 - Shirts must have sleeves Cami style or spaghetti straps are not allowed;
 - School appropriate shirt must be worn under jackets or hoodies;
 - Skirts/dresses hems are not to be shorter than 2-inches above the knees;
 - Hoodies and other head coverings are not allowed to be worn on campus;
 - Midriff and Low cut-Revealing shirts/dresses are not to be worn;
 - Pajamas, lounge wear and other similar clothing is not acceptable.
 - Must be clean shaven; and free of facial hair.

TECHNOLOGY USE POLICY

Students are expected to adhere to the Responsible Use Policy.

Misuse of Technology Resources and the Internet

Students shall not:

- Violate policies, rules, or agreements signed by the student or the student's parent regarding the use of technology resources.
- Attempt to access or circumvent passwords or other security-related information of the district, students, or employees or upload or create computer viruses, including off school property if the conduct causes a substantial disruption to the educational environment.
- Attempt to alter, destroy, or disable district technology resources including, but not limited to, computers and related equipment, district data, the data of others, or other networks Discipline Management Techniques Page 9 connected to the district's system, including off school property if the conduct causes a substantial disruption to the educational environment.
- Use the internet or other electronic communications to threaten or harass district students, employees, board members, or volunteers, including off school property if the conduct causes a substantial disruption to the educational environment or infringes on the rights of another individual at school.
- Send, post, deliver, or possess electronic messages that are abusive, obscene, sexually
 oriented, threatening, harassing, damaging to another's reputation, or illegal, including
 cyberbullying and "sexting," either on or off school property, if the conduct causes a

- substantial disruption to the educational environment or infringes on the rights of another individual at school.
- Use the internet or other electronic communication to engage in or encourage illegal behavior or threaten school safety, including off school property if the conduct causes a substantial disruption to the educational environment or infringes on the rights of another individual at school.

DISTRICT OWNED TABLETS

As a 1-to-1 campus, all students must electronically sign the Student Handbook and Code of Conduct form and have paid required fees to receive a District Owned Tablet. Tablets should be used for instructional purposes in the classroom. Students are expected to bring tablets to school fully charged. If a student should accidentally crack the screen or have issues with the device they may visit the Tablet Repair Center (TRC) room 167.

PARENT PARTNERSHIP

VISITORS

Upon arrival, all visitors must enter through the Front Office and sign-in. Visitors are required to bring photo identification and wear a badge, throughout the visit. NO visitors may enter the building without proper authorization.

Approved visitors that bring food for a student, may not drop it off in the office, but are required to eat with their student at designated tables. Food cannot be brought for any student other than their own child.

COMMUNICATION

For classroom questions or concerns, please contact your child's teacher first. If you have additional concerns, please contact your child's Counselor or Assistant Principal. Parent-teacher conferences are encouraged. Teachers and parents are partners in helping students learn. During the school year, teachers will share information with parents about students' progress, achievements, talents, and problems or difficulties. Each teacher has a class period devoted to parent contacts, either by telephone, email (refer to campus website), or personal conference. The school office will help parents schedule conferences or take messages for teachers to call. To avoid conflicts, appointments should be made a minimum of one day in advance. Instructional time should not be interrupted with conferences or phone calls, no matter how brief.

FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH

We are thrilled to announce that breakfast and lunch will be FREE for every PISD student for the 2023-2024 school year! Additionally, there will be no 'free & reduced' lunch applications to complete this year! Meals will be free to all students beginning on the very first day of school. We are excited to offer nutritious, tasty school meals at no charge to our PISD students thanks to the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) grant we applied for and received.

GUIDELINES FOR SUCCESS

We are excited to share, with you, a partnership teaching your child. As Thompson Lions, our PRIDE follows Guidelines for Success:

- P Positive
- R Respectful
- I Individual
- D Determination
- E Excellence

We are a PRIDE committed to being Positive and Respectful Individuals that have a Determination for Excellence. Our Excellence can be seen across our campus, from Academics, Athletic Accomplishments, Fine Arts and much more!

We ask that you partner with us to teach your child how to show PRIDE in their: Academics, Work Ethic, Speech, Actions and Athletic Ability.

- Academics and Work Ethic As your child progresses in their educational career, their attentiveness to their grades and attendance is crucial for their success. We encourage you to regularly view your child's academic progress and attendance via Skyward. Should you have questions or concerns about your child's progress, please contact the Classroom Teacher via email or set up a call/in-person meeting during their conference period. If you are unable to reach a resolution, please contact your child's assigned Assistant Principal or Counselor.
- <u>Speech and Actions</u> Our actions and speech can build others up or tear them down. As a Lion Pride, our goal is to respect others including their person and property. We ask that:
 - You, monitor your child's social media, including what information they share about themselves or others and how they respond to others
 - You, (or your child) speak to a trusted adult, when they have concerns about their safety or campus safety.
 - You speak with your child about the use of profanity and derogatory or inappropriate comments towards others.
 - You speak with your child of the dangers of leaving their belongings unattended. This includes cell phones, air pods, jewelry, computers, wallets, etc. We also ask that your child respect others' property and turn-in "lost/left behind" items to the front office. We ask that, to the best extent possible, that your child leave valuable items at home. Thompson is not responsible for any lost or stolen items.
- Athletic Events -We ask that you model good sportsmanship at all times, including refraining from profanity, respecting the players/coaches from the Home and Visitor Teams and respecting Officials. Parents attending games must follow all campus policies as we are a Drug Free, Gun Free and Tobacco Free campus.

Inappropriate behavior by any spectator will not be allowed and the individual could be prohibited from attending further events.

ANONYMOUS ALERT

Our number one priority at Pasadena ISD is the safety and security of our students, staff, and community. While our district has always been committed to maintaining a safe and welcoming environment for our students, we continuously review our current safety practices and evolve to ensure that we are constantly doing our very best to keep students safe.

Pasadena ISD utilizes The Anonymous Alerts anti-bullying and safety app reporting system helps combat bullying and other negative activity in schools by empowering students to speak up. Social and peer pressure are some of the hardest obstacles for students to overcome.

The system allows for 1-way or 2-way anonymous encrypted communications between submitters (students, parents or community members) and district administration and/or school staff. Users of the system have the option to remain anonymous or reveal their identity when submitting a report. To report a concern please use - https://report.anonymousalerts.com/pasadenaisd/

Anonymous Alert also has an app that can be downloaded to a mobile device. The icon will appear as a red box titled "Anonymous Alerts".



FALSE ALARM OR REPORTING

False alarm or report under Penal Code 42.06 occurs when a person knowingly initiates, communicates, or circulates a report of a present, past, or future bombing, fire, offense, or other emergency that he or she knows is false or baseless and that would ordinarily:

- 1. Cause action by an official or volunteer agency organized to deal with emergencies;
- 2. Place a person in fear of imminent serious bodily injury; or
- 3. Prevent or interrupt the occupation of a building, room, or place of assembly.

Students that chose to make false reports, whether through the Anonymous Alerts app or in person will be disciplined according to the Student Code of Conduct, which could include a Mandatory DAEP Placement, Out of School Suspension or criminal charges.

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