

# WELCOME TO RYE COVE INTERMEDIATE

The purpose of our educational program is to provide a full range of educational opportunities to prepare all students to be active and productive citizens in the future. Our educational program acknowledges the diversity in the abilities and interest of all students. Our program makes every possible attempt to meet <u>all</u> students' academic, physical, and social needs.

Our teachers' curriculum is designed in accordance to the Standards of Learning (SOL's) developed by the Virginia Department of Education. However, the ability to simply score well on a test does not represent the full potential of a child. Our teachers will strive to provide your child with a full and well-rounded education that will serve them the rest of their lives.

Rye Cove Intermediate's administration and faculty invite <u>all parents</u> to take an "active" role in the education of your child by discussing the school day's activities, visiting your child's classrooms, participating in parent/teacher conferences, and participating in our many fun activities throughout the year

Always feel free to contact us with concerns you may have with your child.

Mr. Chris Stapleton Principal

# Schedule

All students at Rye Cove Intermediate will follow the same basic schedule

7:30-8:00 am- students arriving must report to the gym.

7:50-8:10 am- breakfast is served in the cafeteria. Only students eating breakfast are dismissed to go to the cafeteria.

8:00 am- students dismissed from the gym to report to class. Students should report to their grade-level area and should not go to other parts of the school.

8:10-9:00 am- grab and go breakfasts served in the cafeteria.

8:15 am- report to class bell.

8:20 am-tardy bell.

11:30 am- 1st Lunch

12:00 am- 2<sup>nd</sup> Lunch

12:30 am- 3<sup>rd</sup> Lunch

3:15- All students dismissed

3:30- Teachers dismissed

Any student arriving after 8:20 am MUST report to the office prior to going to class.

Students are not allowed to check out school prior to homeroom on a regular basis nor will they be allowed to leave prior to the 3:15 bell on a regular basis.

Students leaving after 2:50 pm must sign out, but are not required to take an early dismissal slip to their teacher.

# **Dress Code**

- Student dress should cover the student from about 2 inches below the collar bone to the thighs. No part of the body normally covered by a bathing suit may be exposed.
- Student Dress MAY NOT expose ANY undergarments. Bra's, including straps, sports bras, camisoles, panties, briefs, and boxers are all considered undergarments.
- Tank tops may be worn, but must have straps the width of the student's first three fingers, cannot have a racerback, and must completely cover undergarments. Muscle shirts, or shirts with the sides cut out of them must be worn with a tank top or other shirt underneath.
- Students may wear shorts and skirts. They should be long enough to reach
  the index finger when standing normally. Shorts may not be rolled up.
  Students may wear shorter shorts or skirts as long as they wear tights or
  leggings underneath. Pants must be worn around the waist. If a student
  wears leggings or yoga pants without shorts or a skirt, they must wear a
  shirt that comes to the inseam of the leggings.
- Logos or slogans cannot be obscene or suggestive. They cannot advertise
  or promote the use of alcohol, tobacco, or illicit drugs. They cannot be
  derogatory to any race, religion, ethnicity or gender. They cannot have
  logos or slogans associated with any adult entertainment or criminal
  organizations.
- Hats and sunglasses are not allowed inside the building unless permission is given by the office. Bandannas of any kind are not allowed except for special dress-up days. Tennis shoes must be worn to gym, if you wear other shoes, you must bring tennis shoes.
- Watches, smart watches, and fitness trackers may not audible notifications of any kind.

# **Cell Phones**

- Students may use cell phones until 8:15 in the morning, and after 3:15 in the afternoon. Students may not make calls on cell phones or text parents to pick them up at school without permission from the office. All contacts with parents for school business must be conducted in the office.
- Any activities on cell phones must follow the acceptable use of the internet rules.
- Phones may not be used to bully or harass anyone. If a text from a student contains profane language, it will be treated the same as if the student wrote it on paper.
- Students may not use the phone to share obscene or objectionable music, pictures, videos, or writings with other students.
- Students may only use cell phones between 8:15 and 3:15 with the permission of their teacher. SUBSTITUE TEACHERS, PARENT VOLUNTEERS, OR OTHER ADULTS IN THE SCHOOL MAY NOT GIVE PERMISSION TO USE CELL PHONES FOR ANY REASON!
- Students may not take pictures at school without permission from both the teacher and the subjects of the picture. No student may take any picture in a rest room, locker room, or other private area!
- Tablets, iPods, or similar devices fall under the same rules as cell phones.
   Portable games, such as the Gameboy are not allowed at school. Kindles or other devices used solely for reading are treated the same as personal books.
- Teacher's will set the rules for cell phones on field trips, bus drivers on daily bus rides. They may not supersede the rules stated above.

#### Cafeteria

- Students will sit by class in the cafeteria
- Students are responsible for their messes in the cafeteria. They are expected to throw away all trash and clean up minor spills on the table.
- Students are expected to eat all of their food in the cafeteria. Only water and unopened prepackaged food may be taken for later consumption.
- Students must follow the instructions of the adults in the cafeteria without question.
- Students with minor discipline infractions may have to eat at the "white table" next to the table the teachers eat at.
- Talking: Students are allowed to talk during lunch, however they may not become loud or unruly. Rye Cove Intermediate uses a "Yakker Tracker" noise monitor. When the alarm goes off on the Yakker Tracker, the following occur: 1. First offense, 2 minutes quite lunch. 2. Second offense, 5 minutes quiet lunch. 3. Third offense, remainder of lunch time quiet lunch. 4. Talking during any quiet lunch time, 1 day silent lunch.
- Students may have quiet lunches during SOL testing that are not related to behavior.
- Once a student goes into the negative on their account, they will be reminded that they need to bring money. Students in the negative cannot purchase extra food and may only have the standard lunch for that day.
- Students who do not keep money on their accounts, must have money to purchase extras. Parents may stop students from buying extra by calling the school.
- Students who cannot charge must borrow money from the office.
- Grab and Go breakfast is available from 8:10 until 9:00. Students must eat Grab and Go in the room. Students should get breakfast when they come to school. If a student reports to class and wants grab and go later, they must ask the teacher for permission.

### **Snack Cart**

RYE COVE INTERMEDIATE MAINTAINS A SMALL SNACK CART AND BOTTLED WATER FOR SALE TO STUDENTS DURING THE DAY. ALL SNACKS MEET FEDERAL AND STATE GUIDELINES. ITEMS ARE INCLUDED ON THE CART BASED ON THEIR POPULARITY WITH THE STUDENTS. HERE ARE THE GUIDELINES FOR THE SNACK CART.

- Participation in snack is up to the discretion of the parent! If you do not want your student to participate in snack, you need only tell us.
- Students that owe money to the school (lunch account, book fees, etc.) may not purchase snack.
- Only water may be consumed in the classroom. Any other snacks must be eaten outside of the classrooms, library, gym, etc.
- Students may not store open food of any kind in lockers or backpacks! Once food is opened, it must be consumed. The school, can have problems with roaches or mice if opened food is left out.
- Students may not purchase a snack for another student. Along with parent wishes, many students do not buy snack due to allergies or other problems that can adversely affect their health and education. Students caught buying snack for a student restricted from snack will lose snack privileges for one week. Repeat offenders will lose snack for the remainder of the year.
- Students may not purchase snack prior to 8:10 in the morning or from 11:30-1:00 during lunch hours.

# **School Supplies**

School supplies are available in the office. Prices are listed on the wall.

# **Cell Phone Violations**

- Teachers may confiscate a student's phone until the end of the class, or the end of the day. This will not be recorded on the discipline record unless it is turned in to the office.
- When a student is sent to the office, or their phone is turned in by a teacher, the following will occur
  - 1<sup>st</sup> offense, write –up, parent contacted, phone returned at the end of the day.
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup> offense, write-up, parent contacted, phone confiscated until parent picks it up.
  - o 3<sup>rd</sup> offense, write-up, parent contacted, phone confiscated until parent picks it up. Student will receive 3 days ISS.
  - 4<sup>th</sup> offense, write-up, parent contacted, phone confiscated until parent picks it up. Student will receive 5 days ISS and lose phone privileges for the remainder of the year.
- THE ADMINISTRATION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REMOVE A CHILD'S CELL PHONE PRIVILEGES FOR ANY REASON DEEMED APPROPRIATE.
- ANY ILLEGAL MATERIAL REPORTED ON A CELL PHONE WILL BE REPORTED TO POLICE AND/OR SOCIAL SERVICES.