

## Changes to the 2023-24 Elementary Student Handbook

### Pages 3-4 Excused and Unexcused Absences.

Language added to provide clarity and consistency about prior approval needed. Also aligning all areas related to attendance communication—written or contact needed, and defining “24 hours” for pre-approval.

### Page 5 (and 16) Arrival times

Change made for consistency about the appropriate arrival time to school. Students should arrive no earlier than 15 minutes before the official start of school. (one section had 20 minutes, one had 15)

### Page 5 Cell Phones

Added details specific to Smart watches.

Smart watches should remain in lockers during the school day. Parents should contact the office in an emergency to reach their child. We also bolded the section about appropriate use of cell phones, smart watches and other technology specific to photos, videos and texts.

### Page 8 Snacks/Celebratory treats

Added to the home prepared food line to include a nutrition label to assist with identification of allergens (limiting risk of reaction for students/classmates) with special snacks.

Added a hot-link to a snack list that would include “peanut/tree nut safe” snack list.

### Page 9 Lost and Found

Deleted concerts (old verbiage that has been missed. We no longer host concerts in our buildings.

### Page 9 Milk Break

Added no pop or energy drinks to allowable beverages in class.