

Edgewood Middle School Specific Policies 2021-2022

ATTENDANCE

Edgewood adheres to Minnesota State Law with regard to school attendance.

According to Minnesota Statute 120.101 Subd. 9, "The burden of a child being excused from attendance at school is placed on the parent or guardian of the child. A school has the authority to accept or deny an application for an excused absence. The school can challenge suspicious excuses offered by students, parents or guardians. It is not legal for a parent to allow or require a child to stay home to babysit, work, rest because of work or keep a parent or siblings company."

The following are excused reasons for absence: • Illness • Medical and dental appointments • Religious Holidays

Unexcused absences (e.g. oversleeping, missing the bus, refusal to attend school) are considered truant and may result in a placement to ALL (Alternative Learning Lab) on Fridays from 7:45-2:25pm.

For safety and liability reasons, students may not leave school property after they arrive in the morning. Students who stay for a school sponsored activity are the only individuals allowed in the building after 2:35 PM.

EAGLE PRIDE

Edgewood Middle School is a PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) School. Edgewood Middle School is a community of learners that believe in being Prepared, Respectful, Involved and Determined Every day. All students are held accountable to the expectations listed below:

1. Behave in a safe and orderly manner.
2. Dress appropriately.
3. Use courteous and considerate language.
4. Complete tasks and assignments on time.
5. Be truthful.
6. Follow staff directions/directives.
7. Behave in a sexually appropriate manner.
8. Be chemical and tobacco free.
9. Use personal and school property appropriately and with permission.
10. Attend school; Be in your assigned place on time and with necessary materials.

BUS PRIDE

Safety is our primary concern regarding bus behavior. Riding the school bus is a privilege and not a right. Problem behavior on the bus will result in consequences ranging from a verbal warning to loss of riding privileges. For 20-21, all students are required to wear a mask. Follow these bus rules:

PRIDE FOR SELF

Follow the directions of the driver.
Use acceptable language.
Stay out of the bus "Danger Zones".
Stay seated, face the front & keep aisles clear.
Keep hands and objects inside the bus.

PRIDE FOR OTHERS

Wear a mask
Leave safety equipment alone.
Maintain normal voice volume.
Show kindness and acceptance to all.

PRIDE FOR PROPERTY

Refrain from eating or drinking.
Leave all property as you find it or better.
Put trash in garbage can or take with you.

USE OF TECHNOLOGY

Students are expected to observe all policies and practices involving the use of computers and communication equipment. Students who fail to comply with the District's and building's acceptable use expectations may lose their privilege to access any technology equipment for the remainder of the school year.

HARASSMENT/VIOLENCE TOWARDS STUDENTS OR STAFF

Our goal is a safe, orderly school where students feel comfortable and learning takes place. Edgewood defines harassment as physical, sexual, or verbal abuse or threats towards students or staff. Cyberbullying is also considered harassment and will not be tolerated. **Any form of harassment is prohibited and will result in strict enforcement of disciplinary measures to ensure the safety of Edgewood students and staff.** Students are expected to report any suspected incidents of harassment or violent behavior to the office immediately.

Expectations pertaining to Covid-19 Pandemic (subject to possible changes)

Distance learning discontinued: Mounds View Public Schools will provide in-person learning only.

Mask mandate: : Please refer to our website for up-to-date recommendations or requirements for masking during the 21-22 school year.

Masks on buses: A federal guideline requires masks for those riding a school bus.

Vaccinations not required: Although most staff and many students will be fully vaccinated, at this time COVID-19 vaccinations are not required nor included as a part of School Immunization Law in Minnesota.

We have read and understand the Edgewood policies listed above.

Student Name (print)

Student Signature

Grade

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date