



**Welcome to Maine South
Freshmen!**

HOME AWAY FROM HOME



If you need any help or have any questions, stop by your Student Service Team (SST) office during your study option periods.

- Students whose last names begin with A-G are assigned to Team Black with Dean Borchew (team leader), Mrs. Sanchez, Mr. Spiegel, Mr. Tortorelli (counselors) and Mrs. Buckley (social worker). That SST office is located next to the Health Office.
- Students whose last names begin with H-O are assigned to Team Red with Dean Hall (team leader), Mrs. Conlon, Mrs. Maksymiu, Mrs. Villalobos (counselors) and Mr. Wolcott (social worker). That SST office is located around the corner from Door 3.
- Students whose last names begin with P-Z are assigned to Team White with Dean McGreevy (team leader), Ms. Clarke, Mr. Milano, Ms. Spillman (counselors) and Mrs. Radziszewski (social worker). That SST office is located across from the courtyard.

HAWK PRIDE



It is important for you to be a positive force in and around school, at games, and other activities.

- Respect all areas of our building including the cafes, bathrooms, hallways and resources areas. **Clean up!!** for yourselves and each other. Show the upperclassmen your pride in our school.
- We have 3 cafeteria spaces to choose from: the large cafe, C140 (extended cafe) & C134

HAWK PRIDE



Football Games: You represent Maine South!

- Backpacks and outside drinks are not allowed into the stadium.
- There are no in and out privileges during the game. Once you leave you will not be allowed back into the stadium.
- Inappropriate language/cheers and behavior such as body surfing, running onto the field, and throwing objects will be cause for removal and loss of future games/activities.

SAFETY



We have staff who supervise hallways and large spaces to keep everyone safe:

- Security
- Safety monitors
- School Resource Officer, SRO Raitano (Park Ridge policeman assigned to Maine South)

We have over 130 cameras in and around the building to ensure that our building remains safe. Please be mindful of your behavior.

Please do not open doors for anybody!

VAPING



- Park Ridge passed a law/ordinance to regulate vaping.
- In addition to school consequences, students using or in possession of any electronic smoking devices will receive a \$125 fine from the Park Ridge Police Department.
- Students and their families will also have the option to pay for and participate in an educational program.

THEFT



- All thefts are preventable! Protect your belongings, lock your lockers, do not share your locker combination, and do not leave your items unattended.
- Check with LOST and FOUND at door 3 first!
- Fill out a theft report in your SST office.
- Write your serial number down ASAP! And put it in a safe place.
- Please understand that the school is not responsible for your lost or stolen items.

CELL PHONES



Be responsible with your device.

- Please know that you are not allowed to take pictures or film any other students or staff members without their consent.
- You may not use your phone in class without your teacher's permission.
- Cell phones cannot be used in bathrooms or locker rooms.

SOCIAL MEDIA & PEER CONFLICT



- Bullying vs Social Conflict
- Most experts on bullying define it as the use of force or coercion to abuse or intimidate others. In order to be considered bullying, the behavior must be aggressive and include: An intentional act to hurt or harm someone, an imbalance of power, repetition
- Be appropriate on social media - anything you post can impact you later in life
- Do not post or send anything you wouldn't want us or your parents to see
- Nexus - if something happens outside of school but is felt in school you can receive consequences!
- If you see someone being bullied or are experiencing it yourself, TELL an adult!
- Anonymous Alert

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY



Examples include

- Plagiarism
- Cheating
- Copying
- Sharing your work

Make sure you understand the assignment and if it is a shared assignment or if it is to be your own work. Cite your sources...even if it's the 'internet'. Cutting and pasting and using it as your own is plagiarism if it is not cited.

PARKING



- Please know that in the future in order to determine if you qualify for a parking permit, we will look at your attendance and discipline record including, but not limited to, absences, 24/7 violations, behaviors that result in out-of-school suspensions (OSS) or all day in-school reassignment (REA) as well as the overall frequency of behavior reports.
- 1st offense infractions that automatically result in REAs or OSS include academic dishonesty, theft, gross insubordination, fighting, threats, inappropriate posts on social media, drug and alcohol offenses

ATTENDANCE



- Your parent/guardian must **ALWAYS** call the attendance line if you are absent or if you will be coming late/leaving early. You need to obtain a pass from the SST office ahead of time to show your teacher to leave class early.
- If you have a doctor/dentist appointment, please make sure to get a note and turn in to your SST office.
- If you arrive to school more than 20 minutes into a class period, please sign in at your SST office. If you must leave school early, you also need to sign out at your SST office.
- Field trips and/or other social privileges may be denied if you are excessively absent from school.

ATTENDANCE CONT.



- **Tardies**

- ▣ To School and/or Class: Go straight to class if you are less than 20 minutes tardy
 - 1-2= Warnings from teacher
 - 3-4= Teacher issued detention
 - 5+= Dean consequence- loss of privileges, detentions before and after school, Saturday detentions, REA)

- **Truant- class cut**

- ▣ You will be seen by your Dean and consequences will be issued
- ▣ If you are in a Virtual Blended class, make sure you know when your class meets.

NEW SPACES



- This year we have a few new spaces available for you to complete some assignments or simply just to relax! Once you choose a location, you must stay in that area until the next passing period.
- Students with study options are only required to scan into the resource areas. If you choose to go to a resource area like the LRC, math support center, science support center or literacy support center, please scan into that resource area during all periods you are there.
- We are a CLOSED campus! You may not leave the building without permission.



Quiet Areas

Location

Available

- LRC 7 am-4:30 pm
- Lounge Areas* Periods 1-8

- Study Independently and Quietly
- Refrain from eating
- Use your electronic devices responsibly
- Clean up after yourself
- All other school rules apply
- * Students may talk softly

Collaborative Areas

Location

Available

- Large Cafe 7 am-6th period
- Extended Cafe/C140 Periods 3-8
- C101 Periods 3-8
- C107 Periods 3-6
- C134 Periods 3-6

- Be mindful of your volume level
- Refrain from eating except in the cafe areas
- Use your electronic devices responsibly
- Clean up after yourself
- All other school rules apply

ANY QUESTIONS?





HAVE AN AMAZING YEAR!