

CHS Freshman Academy Student / Family Accountability Contract

When you joined the CHS Freshmen Academy, you joined a team. The **Mission** of the CHS Freshman Academy is to provide a smooth transition for every student from middle to high school regardless of previous academic performance, family background, socioeconomic status, race, or gender. It is our purpose to improve the overall culture of CHS by providing a solid foundation of rigorous academic expectation, while fostering positive growth in social/emotional behaviors and attitudes. The entire CHS Freshman Academy Team pledges itself to these student outcomes.

CHS Guidelines for Success: Persistence, Respectfulness, Initiative, Dependability, Efficiency (PRIDE)

To achieve this mission, we must work together. We all need to have a full and clear understanding of the responsibilities of the members of this team. This contract spells out many of the most important responsibilities.

CHS Freshmen Academy Faculty Commitment

HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION

1. We will work tirelessly to ensure that our students get the excellent education they deserve. We will neither make nor accept excuses.
2. We will work a longer school day, longer school year, offer students extra help and support, and always offer our students the best we have.

RESPECTFULNESS

3. We will encourage and respect every student. We will listen to students and their needs. We will not tolerate students disrespecting each other.
4. We will teach and enforce the CHS Freshmen Academy Values along with the CHS guidelines for success consistently and fairly. We will communicate with families when students fail to meet expectations just as when they exceed expectations. Decisions, including consequences, will be made in the best interest of our students.
5. We will give students recognition, incentives and privileges if they do well and give consequences and remove privileges if they do not.

COMMUNICATION

6. We will communicate regularly with families about their child's progress and make ourselves available in person and on the phone.
7. We will return parent phone calls or emails as soon as possible.

HOMEWORK and ACADEMIC SUPPORT

8. We will assign quality homework often to reinforce and support skills and concepts learned in class.
9. We will support students with excellent teaching and additional help during the school day and after school as needed.

10. We will always work to provide a safe and orderly learning environment. We will always work to protect the safety, dignity and rights of all individuals.
11. We will update grades and assignments regularly using Power School and Google Classroom.

Parent/Guardian Commitment

ATTENDANCE and PROMOTION

1. I will ensure that my child comes to school every day at 7:55am to be able to begin the day's activities at 8:15am.
2. I will not schedule family vacations during school time. I will do my best to schedule important appointments for out of school time.
3. I will make alternative transportation plans if my child is required to stay at school.
4. After school commitments are mandatory. My child will only be excused in case of an emergency.

HOMEWORK and ACADEMIC SUPPORT

5. I will provide a quiet place to study and see that my student completes all required assignments.
6. I will check my student's homework every night.
7. I will help my student study for tests and quizzes and give them support when they need help and praise when they do well.
8. I will access and monitor my child's performance using Google Classroom and Power School.

BEHAVIOR and DRESS CODE

9. I understand that my child will serve Tuesday-Thursday Extension from 3:00pm – 4:00pm if his/her class/homework is incomplete for any of the five core Freshman Academy Classes.
10. I understand that my child will be In-School Suspended or Out-of-School Suspended if they violate the code of conduct.
11. If student behavior requires it, I will come to school immediately. If Out-of School Suspended, I will remove my child from the building.
12. I will ensure that my student follows the proper dress code every day.
13. I understand that if my child received 5 infractions, they will receive an ITS "in-team suspension." Ten or more infractions will result in referrals to the office for ISS (in school suspension). Infractions are minor discipling problems. All major discipline issues will be referred to the office immediately.

FAMILY SUPPORT and COMMUNICATION

14. I agree to work to as part of a team for the academic success and behavioral growth of my child. I will return phone calls or emails, review and sign documentation sent home including progress reports and Freshmen Academy Reports within 24 hours. I will attend parent-teacher conferences and meetings about my child.
15. I agree to provide my child with the tools needed to be healthy and successful.

Student Commitment

EFFORT and HELP

1. I understand that my education is paramount. Being a student is my job. I will always work, think and behave in the best way I know how.
2. I will do whatever it takes for my fellow students and me to learn. I will do all homework. I will work to exceed the school's expectations.
3. If I need help, I will ask for it. If I can give help, I will give it. I will encourage other students.

ATTENDANCE and DRESS CODE

4. I will come to school and ready to learn by 7:55am in order to complete my morning responsibilities and be seated by 8:15am.
5. If I need to miss class or school, I will ask for and make up all assignments. I will stay after school if/when I am required to do so.
6. I will wear the proper attire every day and maintain proper hygiene and appearance.
7. I will come to school prepared with all of the necessary materials and I will take care of the technology assigned to me charged and ready for use.

COMMUNICATION

8. I will listen to directions. I will read and re-read directions before asking for help. If I cannot solve the problem myself, I will raise my hand and ask for help. I will help my classmates if they need help. I will not make excuses. I will be honest with my teachers and myself.

RESPONSIBILITY and HONESTY

9. If I make a mistake, I will tell the truth and accept responsibility for my actions. I will do the right thing, even when no one is watching.
10. I understand that I will serve Tuesday-Thursday Extension from 3:00pm – 4:00pm if my class/homework is incomplete for any of the five core Freshman Academy Classes

CHS FRESHMEN ACADEMY EXPECTATIONS/CHS GUIDELINES FOR SUCCESS

11. I will respect my teachers, my peers and myself. I will refrain from all disrespectful behavior.
12. I understand the expectations for freshmen academy and the CHS guidelines for success and will embody them every day. I will follow the school rules to protect the safety and rights of all individuals and not detract from the educational opportunities of others. I'll accept the consequences if I don't meet the expectations of CHS.

