

TARDY POLICY

Definition of Tardy per School Board: A late arrival is defined as arriving to school after the designated starting time. A tardy is defined as an arrival to class after the designated starting time or the tardy signal has sounded. When tardies become excessive (4) or more times per nine-week grading period, the parent/guardian will be notified by administration and appropriate consequence administered. If the problem continues, a progression of actions will be taken by the administration to address the problem.

At Vero Beach High School, tardies are now concurrent for all classes (not per class) and will run through each nine weeks grading period.

Teachers will be instructed to close their doors when the tardy bell rings and no student will be permitted in after the bell rings. All late students who are not signed in by a parent/guardian at the attendance desk or do not have verification of a medical appointment will report to the tardy room (TBA) and sign in and stay there for the remainder of that period. Parents/guardians CANNOT phone in a tardy excuse. Upon the next class change the tardy students will then transition to their next class. When a student receives their 4th tardy (total, not per class) they will be assigned a detention or a Friday/Saturday School. If a student receives their 5th tardy they will receive another a Friday/Saturday School. If a student receives 6 or more tardies per grading period, they will be may be suspended for defiance/non-compliance for up to 2 days.

Also note: Excessive tardies will result in a student losing their parking privileges at the Main Campus!!!! Please refer to page 6 & 7 in the late arrival section of the Student Code of Conduct. Also, refer to the tardy section of Code of Conduct Matrix on page 19.

REMINDER: ANY STUDENT WHO FAILS TO SERVE A FRIDAY/SATURDAY SCHOOL MAY BE SUSPENDED FOR TWO DAYS..

ANY STUDENT WHO REPORTS TO SCHOOL OR CLASS LATE, THAT HAS AN EXCUSABLE REASON, MUST REPORT TO THE ATTENDANCE OFFICE FOR A GENERATED PASS TO CLASS.

NOTE: This policy is enforced for all VBHS students, which includes the FLC. Parents who bring in a tardy student to the attendance desk in person, will be considered excused, unless a pattern is developed, then that student will be sent to the tardy room.

Students with excessive unexcused absences in any of their classes will be held accountable for the following consequences.

- Students who acquire their 6th unexcused absence in any class, per 9 weeks, will be assigned a Friday/Saturday School and/or have their parking privilege revoked.
- Students who acquire their 7th or any subsequence unexcused absence in any class, per 9 weeks, will be assigned in-school suspension, loss of privileges, and possible out of school suspension for continued defiance/noncompliance.