

Middle School Behavior Expectations and Procedures Ben Franklin Academy

Behavior Expectations:

All Ben Franklin Academy students are expected to demonstrate respectful and appropriate behavior while at school. Students are taught and learn how to apply Ben Franklin's Thirteen Virtues to their every day school experience.

Ben Franklin's 13 Virtues	Student Expectations
Silence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Listen to teachers and other students - Allow others to learn without distraction and disruption - Quiet and respectful in hallways
Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Follow uniform policy - Come to class prepared with supplies and chromebooks charged - Keep phones and earbuds in backpack or locker
Resolution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be honest - Be in the right place at the right time
Frugality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use school resources (chromebooks, for example) appropriately
Industry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be on task - Follow classroom rules
Sincerity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use kind words and actions
Justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be respectful of adults and other students - Be respectful of other viewpoints/opinions/backgrounds
Moderation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Participate in all classes, those you like and those you don't
Cleanliness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Keep the school clean - Keep your classrooms and lockers clean - Do not chew gum
Tranquility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be patient
Purity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Complete your own work
Humility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Treat others the way you wish to be treated
Temperance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Control your temper, reactions and words

Positive Behavior reinforcements

At Ben Franklin Academy, we like to recognize positive behavior choices. While we believe that students should make the right choices without expecting a reward, we also want to make sure that students realize that we appreciate their positive behavior choices. Students are recognized for positive behavior choices on a daily basis with praise and encouragement. Other forms of recognition include:

Thirteen Virtues: Each month teachers, students and staff members nominate students who have exemplified our core virtues. From those nominees, a winner is drawn and receives a gift card. Each nominee is also recognized in the Middle School Newsletter.

Each month students who do not have more than two dress of choice violations receive a dress of choice day.

Each month students who meet behavior expectations will receive an extra recess.

Each trimester students who meet behavior expectations will be invited to a celebration to be determined with the help of student council (a community breakfast, pizza party, dessert party, movie party, etc.).

Behavior Consequences

If students aren't meeting the behavior expectations the following consequences are what can be expected.

Level One Violations (RESET EVERY MONTH DOC-DOC)	Level One Consequences
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dress code 2. Chewing Gum 3. Off-task behavior 4. Tardy(not including 1st period) 5. Technology (phone, earbuds, games on Chromebook, etc.) 6. Unprepared for class (materials/charged Chromebook) 7. Inappropriate Hallway Behavior 	<p>1st occurrence: Recorded in Gradelink</p> <p>2nd occurrence: Documented and Parent Contact</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Tech violation- confiscation of device b. Dress code- loss of Dress of Choice day <p>3rd occurrence: Detention and parent contact</p> <p>4th occurrence: Detention and parent contact</p> <p>5th occurrence: Meeting w/ student and parents</p>

Level Two Violations (RESET EVERY TRIMESTER)	Level Two Consequences
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Disobeying classroom/recess rules 2. Disrespectful/Defiant 3. Disruptive Behavior 4. Inappropriate physical contact 5. Destruction of school property or materials 6. Not where you are supposed to be 7. Technology violation (changing security settings on chromebook, inappropriate searches or websites, inappropriate language used in documents or email) 8. Academic Dishonesty 	<p>1st occurrence: Documented and parent contact Academic Dishonesty carries additional consequences</p> <p>2nd occurrence: Detention #1/</p> <p>3rd occurrence: Detention #2</p> <p>4th occurrence: ½ day in-school suspension</p> <p>5th occurrence or more: Full day out of school suspension and conference with parent</p>

Level Three Violations (Treated Individually and are CUMULATIVE while enrolled at BFA)	Level Three Consequences
Fighting Harassment (verbal/physical) Threats (virtual or in-person) Drugs Weapons	A Level 3 violation will result in immediate suspension, possible expulsion (depending on the severity of the event). Some Level 3 violations would also result in contact with law enforcement.

***Not all behaviors are on this list and will be handled on a case by case basis.