

# BEHAVIORAL EXPECTATIONS

All State, District, School, and Classroom Rules and Procedures have been established to create a positive, orderly, and safe environment for all students, parents, staff, and administrative personnel so that every student can learn and every teacher can teach. Students and parents need to understand the expectations for appropriate student behavior, the procedures for dealing with inappropriate student behavior, and the incentives earned for positive student behavior.

<b>Behavior Expectations for Foothill Middle School Students</b>	
<b>Expectation</b>	<b>Rule</b>
<b>Respect for private and public property.</b>	<p><b>a.</b> No damage or theft of private or public property. <b>EC 48900 (f) (g)</b></p> <p><b>b.</b> No permanent/paint/wax/metallic/streak markers; no laser pointers or harmful devices; no x-acto knives.</p> <p><b>c.</b> No unnecessary writing/markings/drawings/graffiti on agendas, textbooks, notebooks, backpacks, and/or school supplies.</p> <p><b>d.</b> Respect school computers by not altering the display, programs, desktop icons, background, or file system.</p>
<b>Maintain a safe and civil learning environment.</b>	<p><b>a.</b> <u>Electronic entertainment devices and cell phones must be turned <b>OFF</b> during the school day, and may only be used before school, at lunch, after school, or with teacher permission. Electronic devices or phones with the ability to take pictures/videos may not be used for that purpose at any time.</u> The District and the school encourage students to leave personal items such as iPods, MP3 players, electronic tablets, cellular phones, electronic devices, etc., at home. In any event, <b>the District and the school will not be held responsible for any personal items which are lost, stolen, or damaged.</b></p> <p><b>b.</b> Public displays of affection are <u>not</u> permitted. Foothill maintains a “hands off” policy on campus.</p> <p><b>c.</b> Use appropriate and acceptable language at all times.</p> <p><b>d.</b> Be respectful at all times.</p> <p><b>e.</b> Students outside of class must have a hall pass.</p> <p><b>f.</b> If a student is tardy, he/she must obtain a tardy pass.</p>
<b>Monitor safety and welfare of all students.</b>	<p><b>a.</b> Running, or any activity that may result in a collision, is never allowed unless supervised for a designated event.</p> <p><b>b.</b> Students are to be in appropriate, designated, and supervised areas at all times.</p> <p><b>c.</b> Bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades, and/or scooters must be locked and parked in the designated area. These items are not allowed on campus except to get to the bike rack and must never be ridden on campus. <b><i>(Riders must be in compliance with California State Law requiring helmets. VC 2121)</i></b></p> <p><b>e.</b> Sale of any item at school is never permitted, except for ASB authorized activities.</p> <p><b>f.</b> Gum is not allowed at school.</p> <p><b>g.</b> Drinks and food are allowed in designated areas.</p> <p><b>h.</b> No littering on campus.</p> <p><b>i.</b> Students are expected to arrive and depart school within 15 minutes of start or release time. <i>Loitering is not allowed.</i></p>
<b>Electronic Postings and Comments</b>	<p><b>a.</b> Students are prohibited from making any expressions or distributing or posting any materials that are obscene, libelous, or slanderous. <b>(Education Code 48907)</b></p> <p><b>b.</b> Students also are prohibited from making any expressions that so incites students as to create a clear and present danger of the commission of unlawful acts on school premises, the violation of school rules, or substantial disruption of the school's orderly operation. <b>(Education Code 48907)</b></p> <p><b>c.</b> A student shall be subject to discipline for off-campus expression, including expression on off-campus Internet web sites, when such expression poses a threat to the safety of other students, staff, or school property, or substantially disrupts the educational program. <b>(cf. 5131 - Conduct)</b></p>

Behavior Expectations-California Educational Code 48900	Consequences
<b>Hallway Area Behavior Goal:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. No loitering in hallways.</li> <li>b. No physical outbursts (e.g. noise, classroom disruption and/or at-risk physical interaction, etc.).</li> <li>c. Walk to the right (create a two way path).</li> <li>d. Follow all staff directions promptly.</li> <li>e. Line up outside classroom before entering.</li> </ul>
<b>Lockers and Restroom Area Behavior Goal:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. No loitering in lockers or restrooms.</li> <li>b. Enter and leave areas in a polite/timely manner.</li> <li>c. No tagging, vandalism or destructive behavior.</li> <li>d. Respect the privacy, property, and rights of others.</li> <li>e. Utilize facilities appropriately.</li> <li>f. Always dispose of waste and paper properly.</li> <li>g. Always flush toilets/urinals.</li> <li>h. Always wash hands with soap.</li> <li>i. Always report misuse or damage to facilities.</li> </ul>

After school sports, school dances, assemblies, and other extra-curricular activities are considered privileges. Students may be excluded from participation for excessive tardiness, truancy, or inappropriate behaviors.

<i>Consequences for Not Meeting Behavior Expectations</i>
<p>Teachers and administrators will assign consequences for infractions of school rules on the previous page in accordance with the philosophy of working with students in a constructive manner. The following hierarchy is meant to guide the assignment of consequences. The nature of the infraction as well as the circumstances under which it occurs may significantly affect that process.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Warning</li> <li>2. Alternative behavioral activity assigned to student</li> <li>3. After school detention, lunch detention, school beautification (trash, gum, or weed removal)</li> <li>4. Classroom suspension (for the day of the infraction and the following day), administrative review, parent contact, parent conference, and/or parent shadowing</li> <li>5. In-house school suspension</li> <li>6. School Suspension/Expulsion in accordance with Education Code</li> <li>7. Alternative student placement/Social Adjustment</li> </ol> <p>Note: If a student uses a cell phone at a time that is not permitted, the device shall be confiscated by school staff and taken to the office. The student shall have his/her parent come to school to retrieve the device.</p>

**Detention:** A student may be detained at school for a reasonable period of time not to exceed one hour after school dismissal. If a student has been assigned more than 15 minutes detention, he/she will serve the detention the following school day, allowing students the opportunity to inform their parents of the detention to be served. When students have 15 minutes or less to serve, the detention can be served on the day it is earned. Students may use the classroom phones during the day to inform parents if they have detention. Detentions shall be served in the order assigned.

Specific Sections (E.C.48900)

- a. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person.
- b. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any firearm, knife, explosive, or another dangerous object.
- c. Unlawfully possessed, used, sold, or otherwise furnished, or been under the influence of any controlled substance, or any alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind.
- d. Unlawfully offered, arranged or negotiated to sell any controlled substance of any kind, and then either sold, delivered or furnished a substance or liquid and represented the substance or liquid to be a controlled substance.
- e. Committed robbery or extortion.
- f. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school or private property.
- g. Stole or attempted to steal school or private property.
- h. Possessed or used tobacco, or any products containing tobacco or Nicotine products.
- i. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
- j. Had unlawful possession of, or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia.
- k. Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties.
- l. Knowingly received stolen property or private property.
- m. Possession of an imitation firearm.
- n. Sexual harassment: intimidation, hostility, or offensive behavior/language.
- o. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a pupil who is a complaining witness in a school disciplinary proceeding.
- p. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, or negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
- q. Engaged, or attempted to engage in hazing.
- r. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act, as defined in subdivisions (f) and (g) of Section 32261, directed specifically toward a pupil or school personnel.
- s. A pupil shall not be suspended or expelled for any of the acts enumerated in this section, unless that act is related to school activity or school attendance occurring within a school under the jurisdiction of the superintendent of the school district or principal or occurring within any other school district. A pupil may be suspended or expelled for acts that are enumerated in this section and related to school activity or attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
  - (1) While on school grounds.
  - (2) While going to or coming from school.
  - (3) During the lunch period whether on or off the campus.
  - (4) During, or while going to or coming from, a school sponsored activity.
- t. A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, pursuant to this section, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to subdivision (a).

*A pupil may be suspended or expelled for any acts described to the left while on the school grounds, going to or from school, during the lunch period (whether on or off campus), and/or going to or coming from a school sponsored activity.*

**1. Suspension**-Removal of a student from school and all activities for a period of up to five consecutive days.

**2. Expulsion**-Removal of a student from the school district for a designated period of time, up to one semester following the semester in which the expulsion occurred. Recommendation to expel occurs when there is a failure of prior corrective methods of behavior modification or the nature of violation coupled to continuing presence of pupil deems to cause a continuing danger to the physical safety of anyone within the educational community.

**Foothill Middle School Dismissal Safety**

- Do not double park in front of the school (Azusa Police Department may help with traffic control)
- Fenimore parking lot will be closed to cars from 2:15 – 2:45 p.m.

Thank you for cooperation and interest in everyone's safety.