

Ralph Johnson Bunche Middle School Student Handbook

In this community, we believe that Scholars should always demonstrate Charger P.R.I.D.E. by doing things the Bunche Way. The purpose of this handbook is to communicate to students and parents the expectations for the Bunche Way.



<u>Uniform Policy</u>



Charger P.R.I.D.E.





Most Common Disciplinary Offenses

#1. 5.18.2 Fighting: 2 individuals mutually participating in a physical altercati In this community, we believe that when students are taught the propers ways to talk out their problems, violence is not necessary. In this community students are expected to utilize the personnel on staff to help them resolve conflicts. At NO time will physical altercations be tolerated without consequence. Fights that result in injury will have more severe consequences.



#2. <u>5.8.1 Offensive Language: No student shall use any type of profane, vulgar, obscene or ethnically and culturally offensive language (written or oral) and actions.</u>

In this community, we believe that Scholars deserve to be respected and that they should show respect to all staff members and visitors in the community at all times. Scholars who use offensive language towards an adult will be given consequences. The use of profanity or inappropriate comments regarding race, gender, or anatomy are all considered to be offensive language.



#3. <u>5.8.3 Insubordination: All students shall comply with reasonable directions or commands of all authorized APS personnel or designees.</u>

In this community, we believe that teachers reserve the right to control all elements of their classroom to ensure that the learning environment is safe and orderly. Students are expected to follow the directions of staff members when given the first time. When students refuse to follow directions a great deal of instructional time can be lost if teachers are constantly redirecting and addressing students who refuse to follow directions. Acts of insubordination will result in the student's removal from the classroom environment. Depending upon the number of occurrences, the student may be given time out of school.



#4. 5.9.1 School-wide Disruption: No student shall, in any manner, by the use of violence, force, noise, coercion, threat, intimidation, fear, passive resistance, or any other conduct, intentionally cause the disruption of any lawful mission, process or function of the school, or engage in any such conduct for the purpose of causing the disruption or obstruction of any such lawful mission, process or function.

In this community, we believe that students and staff should always demonstrate behaviors appropriate for the school environment. Any action that interferes with the regular flow of operations within the school day will be considered as schoolwide disruption. This includes the following: fighting, horse playing, or the drawing of any crowds due to peer conflict or unruly behavior.



#5. <u>5.18.2 Battery: Intentionally making physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with another person.</u>

In this community, we believe that intentional contact of an insulting or provoking nature is battery. Students should not put their hands, feet or any other objects on other students in the community. Battery will not be tolerated, students will receive consequences every time there is an occurrence.



#6. <u>5.9.3 Unauthorized Area: Students may not be present in an unauthorized area of school property which may include school roofs and custodial areas.</u>

In this community, students are expected to remain in their designated areas unless they are given permission and a pass from a teacher or staff member to exit. Students are not permitted to walk the halls or roam to other grade level areas. Anytime a student is caught outside of their designated area without a legitimate pass, consequences will be given.



#7. 5.3.1.b Skipping Class: No student, without a valid excuse, shall miss a class or activity for which he/she is enrolled.

In this learning community, students are expected to attend all of their scheduled classes on time. A scholar is considered skipping whenever they are not present in their scheduled class. Students who are found skipping will receive consequences.



#8. 5.18.4 Battery of School Employee: Intentionally make physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with a school employee, unless such physical contact was in self-defense as provided by O.C.G.A. § 16-3-21.

In this community students are expected to adhere to the instructions of staff members at all times. Including times of conflict with others. Students who make physical contact with adults in any way will receive a 10 day suspension with a recommendation for a tribunal hearing.



Remember!

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Charger P.R.I.D.E

CHARGERS Bunche Middle School	Classrooms	Cafeteria	Restrooms	Hallways	Buses	Media Center and Computer Labs	Auditorium
CHARGERS ARE: RESPECTFUL AND PRINCIPLED	Enter and exit quietly Listen for instructions	Talk to the people at your table	Keep your hands and eyes to yourself Flush the toilet	Keep hands and feet to yourself Use inside voice during transitions	Sit on the seat bottom to bottom and back to back until you exit Only talk to people next to you or across from you	Follow directions	Listen for instructions Sit on the seat bottom to bottom and back to back until you exit
RESPONSIBLE AND CARING	Raise your hand if you have a need Ask for a pass to leave the class	Raise your hand if you have a need Stay in your designated seat	Wash and dry your hands	Walk straight to your destination	Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself	Use equipment correctly Access only appropriate websites	Raise your hand if you have a need
PREPARED AND REFLECTIVE	Stay on task	Throw away your tray and any trash	Throw away your trash and exit	Walk on the right handside of the hall	Use appropriate language	Know your login info	Keep your voices to a whisper



Allowable Items

Ralph J. Bunche is a school community that promotes healthy eating which aligns with our vision for scholars to live healthy lifestyles as adults. Students are not allowed to bring in food items that do not support the practice of developing healthy eating habits. Students are welcome to bring in a complete lunch that mimics the nutritional value of the lunches offered in the school cafeteria. All drinks should be sealed upon entrance to school.

The following are allowable items: water, personal sized snacks, fruit, unopened juices and gatorade.

The following are items students are not allowed to bring to school: large bags of chips (.99 or higher in cost), excessive amounts of candy or drink mix packets, soda, glass bottles, pre-mixed drinks, sunflower seeds.