



To: CHS Board of Education

Re: 2026-27 Handbook Change Proposals

This letter outlines the changes proposed by Chelsea High School Administration for the 2026-27 Chelsea High School Student Handbook. Below in red are any changes that have been recommended and areas that have text strikethrough are recommendations for deletion from the handbook.

Here are the proposed changes to the 2026-27 student handbook:

- **Table of Contents:** Will be updated with corrected page numbers once approved.
- **Sections 1.1-1.4:** Faculty, administration, board of education, and support staff will be updated as hires/changes are made.
- **Section 2.14:** Updated language for better clarity
- **Section 2.14:** Added language about courses taken in the summer will be required to test out with the CHS course exam to ensure preparedness for CHS curriculum.
- **Section 2.17:** Information added for transparency on calculation basis for CHS Top Ten and SEC All Academic
- **Sections 3.1-3.8:** We have re-arranged titles of sections and language to make attendance policies clearer and limit redundancy.
- **Section 4.4:** Updated language for consequences for clarity.
- **Section 4.6:** Deleted Chaperone Expectations as this does not pertain to students and replaced with Student Conduct at Athletic and Extracurricular Events per the request of the Superintendent (This also includes the Southeastern Conference Spectator Guidelines)
- **Section 4.14:** Updated language that unclaimed lost and found items will be donated after 2 weeks of being unclaimed.
- **Section 5.3:** Updated cell phone consequences for the 2025-26 school year were revised based on data from the first year of implementation, staff and student feedback, and alignment with new state legislation. As part of these revisions, warning offenses for students will be removed in order to ensure consistency and compliance with updated state law requirements.
- **Section 5.6:** Updated language for consequences for clarity.
- **Section 5.8:** Updated language for consequences for clarity.
- **Section 5.10:** Added language to prohibit students from wearing hoods over their heads inside the building during the school day or any hat that covers the ear to align with personal electronic device policy.
- **Section 5.15:** Updated consequences and removed warnings as this policy has been in effect for a year.
- **Section 5.18:** Updated language for consequences for clarity.
- **Section 5.28:** Added language clarifying that students who violate the alcohol or drug policy at school dances may lose eligibility to attend future dances at CHS. This revision is intended to reinforce expectations, promote responsible decision-making, and help maintain a safe environment for all students attending school events.
- **Section 5.30:** Added language regarding safety and security of doors.

Respectfully submitted,

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