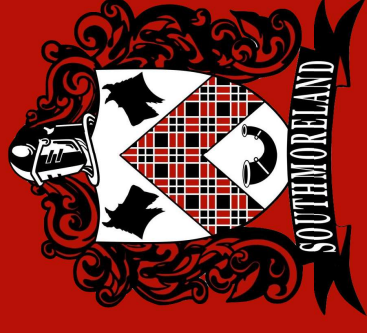


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## 9TH GRADE AND NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

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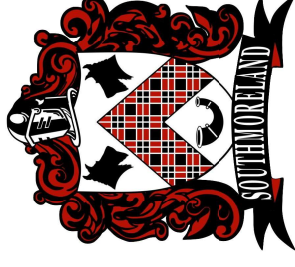


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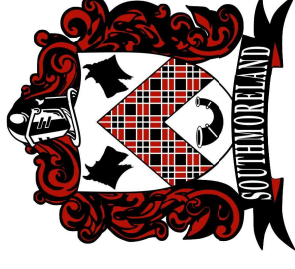


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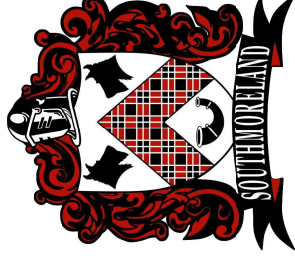


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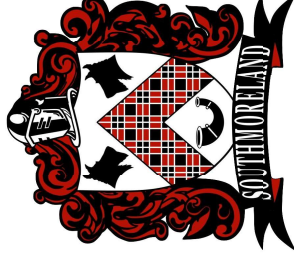
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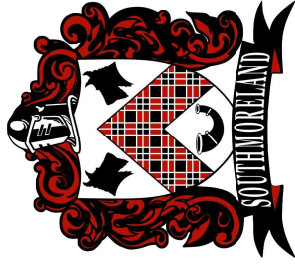


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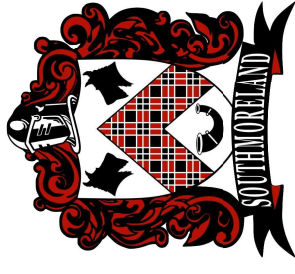
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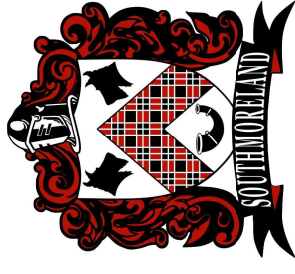


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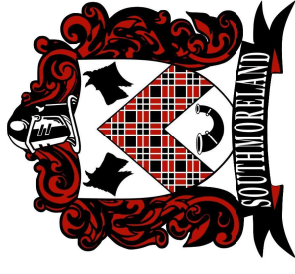
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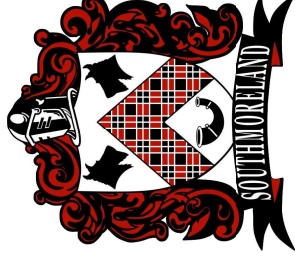


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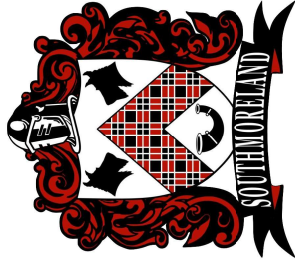
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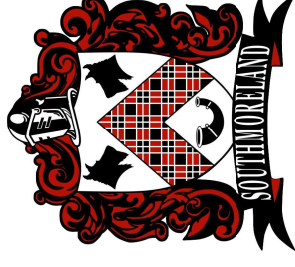
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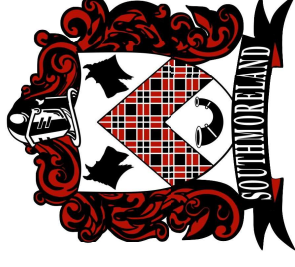


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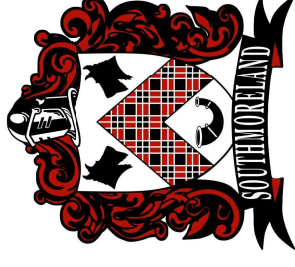
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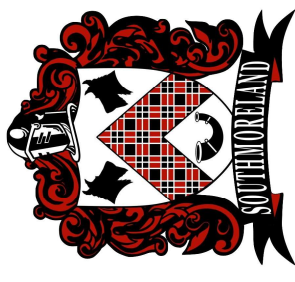
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# COMMUNICATIONS

- SCHOOL MESSENGER- MAJOR ANNOUNCEMENTS
- SHS WEB PAGE
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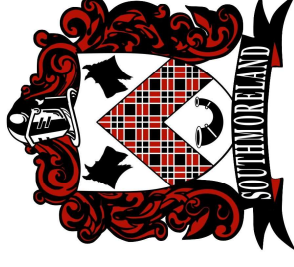


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# DAILY OPERATIONS

- ENTRY: BUSES DISMISSED 1-2 AT A TIME FROM FRONT LOT  
AT 7:15 AM. PARENT DROP-OFF AT THE REAR ENTRANCE
- BREAKFAST IS GRAB AND GO- FRONT AND BACK LOCATIONS
- NO BOOK BAGS EXCEPT WHEN ATTENDING PE CLASS

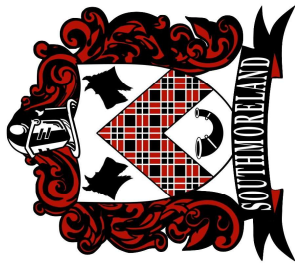
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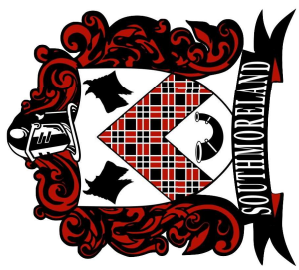
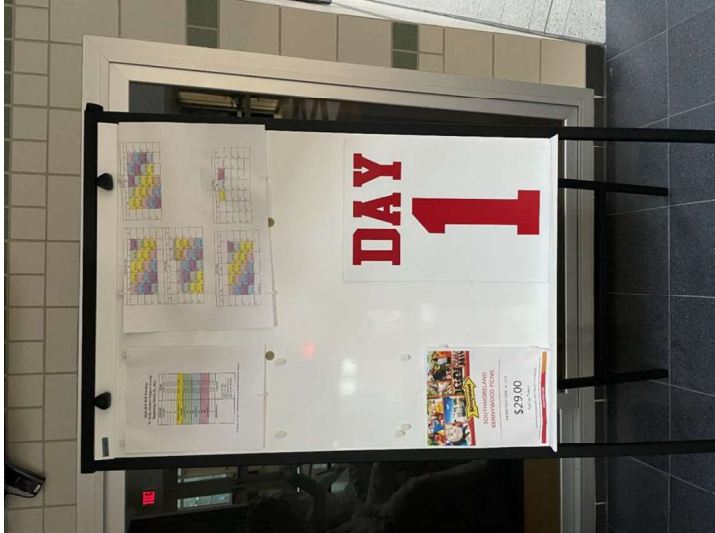
# BELL SCHEDULE

- REGULAR BELL AND BELLS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 (ROTATIONAL)
- BELL CORRESPONDS WITH THE DAY EXCEPT IN SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES
- NUMBER BELLS HAVE SCOTTIE BLOCK PERIODS
- BELL SCHEDULES ARE POSTED ON THE WEB PAGE AND AT THE FRONT DOOR



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# BELL SCHEDULE

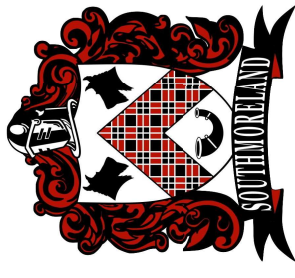


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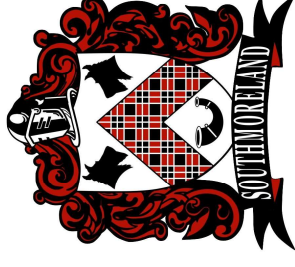
- INDEPENDENCE
- HIGHER-LEVEL CLASSES AND EXPECTATIONS

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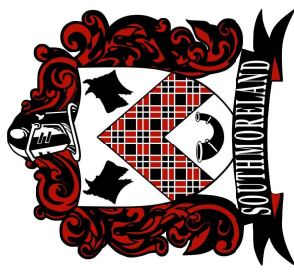
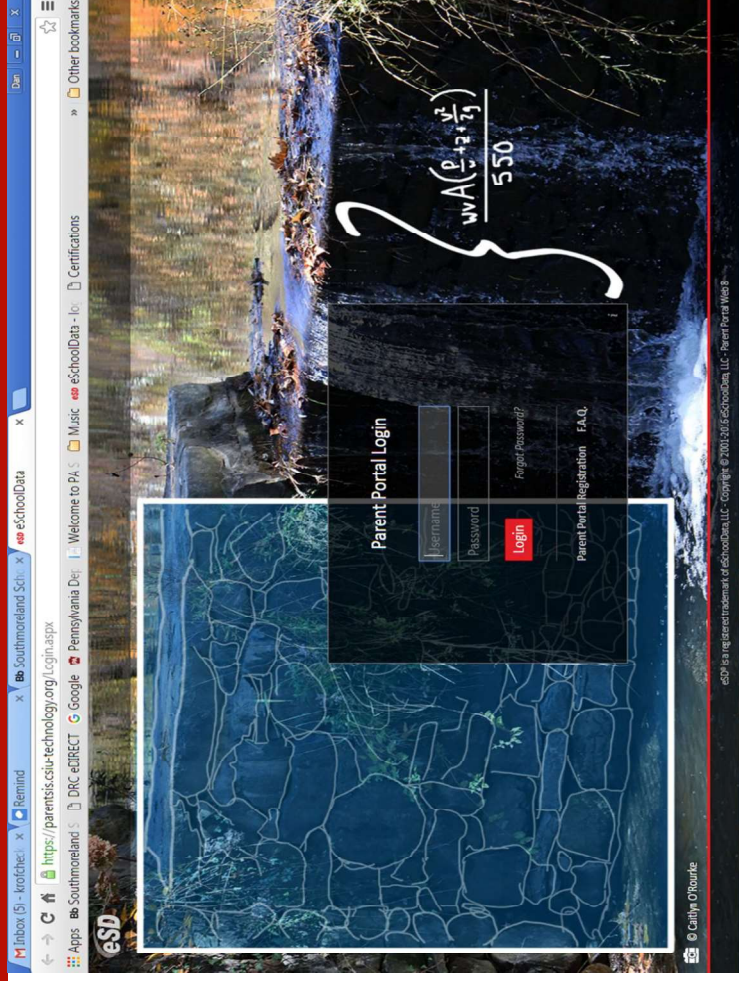
# ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS

- COLLEGE PREPARATORY COURSES ARE THE STANDARD
- 13 ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES
- CENTRAL WESTMORELAND CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER, 10-12
- COLLEGE IN THE CLASSROOM- MT. ALOYISIUS
- FOUR CREDIT REQUIREMENTS IN ALL CORE CLASSES



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# ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS

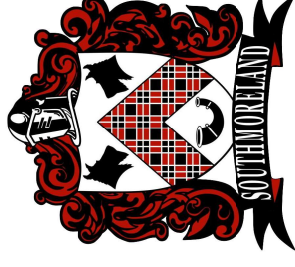


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**ACT 158 PATHWAYS TO GRADUATION**

**BEGINNING WITH THE CLASS OF 2023, FIVE  
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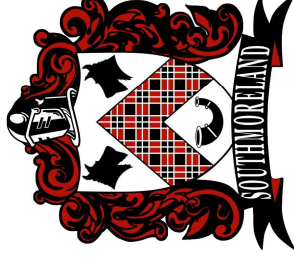


## ACT 158 PATHWAYS TO GRADUATION

### OPTIONS 1 AND 2: KEYSTONE PATHWAYS

- KEYSTONE PROFICIENCY, OR
- EARNING A COMPOSITE SCORE OF 4452 ON ALL EXAMS
- EARNING A COMPOSITE SCORE OF 2939 ON TWO OF THE THREE
- EARNING A SCALED SCORE OF 1500 ON 1 EXAM
- NO EXAM SCORE IS BELOW BASIC

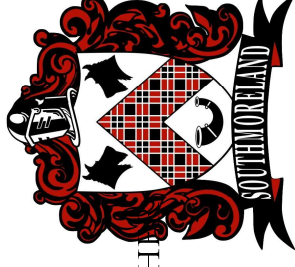
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## ACT 158 PATHWAYS TO GRADUATION

### OPTIONS 3: ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENT

- SAT SCORE OF **1010**
- PSAT SCORE OF **970**
- ACT SCORE OF **21**
- ASVAB MINIMUM SCORE TO GAIN ADMITTANCE INTO A BRANCH OF THE MILITARY **31**
- AP- ESTABLISHED SCORE OF **3 OR BETTER** IN KEYSTONE CONTENT AREA
- SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT COURSES
- COMPLETION OF PRE-APPRENTICE PROGRAM
- ACCEPTANCE INTO AN ACCREDITED 4-YEAR NON-PROFIT INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING



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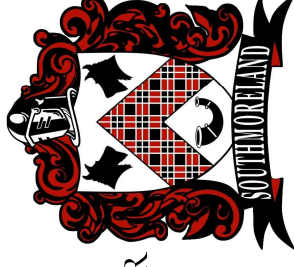


# ACT 158 PATHWAYS TO GRADUATION

## OPTIONS 4: EVIDENCE-BASED PATHWAY

### SECTION 1: CHOOSE 1

- ATTAINMENT OF 630 OR BETTER ON SAT SUBJECT TEST
- ATTAINMENT OF 3 OR BETTER ON AN AP EXAM
- SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT OR POST-SECONDARY COURSE
- INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIAL
- ACCEPTANCE INTO AN ACCREDITED, NON-PROFIT INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING FOR COLLEGE-LEVEL COURSEWORK IN ANOTHER 4-YEAR PROGRAM

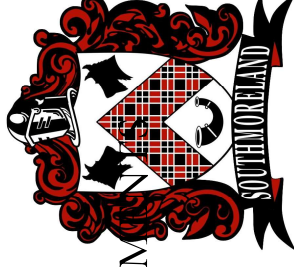


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## OPTIONS 4: EVIDENCE-BASED PATHWAY

### SECTION 2: CHOOSE 2

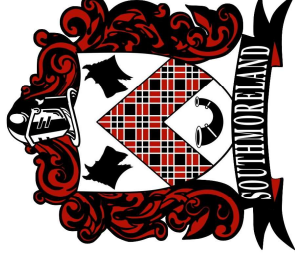
- ATTAINMENT OF PROFICIENT OR ADVANCED ON ANY KEYSTONE
- COMPLETION OF SERVICE-LEARNING PROJECT
- LETTER GUARANTEEING FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT, MILITARY ENLISTMENT, OR INTERNSHIP/EXTERNSHIP/COOP
- COMPLIANCE WITH NCAA DIVISION II ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS



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### OPTION 5: CTE PATHWAY

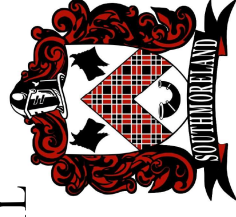
- SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF GRADE-BASED REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTENT AREA RELATED TO THE KY AND ATTAINMENT OF AN INDUSTRY-BASED COMPETENCY CERTIFICATION RELATED TO THE PROGRAM OF STUDY.



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## ELECTRONIC DEVICES POLICY

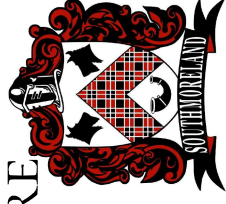
- CELL PHONES PERMITTED BEFORE SCHOOL, IN BETWEEN CLASSES, DURING LUNCH, AFTER SCHOOL.
- CELL PHONES, EARBUDS, OR ANY SMART DEVICES (INCLUDING SMART WATCHES) ARE **NOT PERMITTED DURING INSTRUCTIONAL TIME** WITHOUT TEACHER APPROVAL.
- CELL PHONES, EARBUDS, AND SMART DEVICES MUST BE OFF OR ON SILENT MODE ON THE DESK TURNED OVER OR PLACED IN PENCIL BOX ON DESK.



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# VIOLATION OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES POLICY

1. VERBAL WARNING
2. TEACHER TAKES DEVICE UNTIL THE END OF THE PERIOD.
3. TEACHER CONTACTS OFFICE TO GET DEVICE AND IT IS RETURNED AT THE END OF THE DAY.
4. PARENT CONTACTED AND DEVICE(S) NEED PICKED UP IN THE OFFICE. PLAN WILL BE PUT IN PLACE WITH PARENT FOR FUTURE INCIDENTS.



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# DRESS CODE

- DRESS APPROPRIATELY FOR THE BUSINESS OF EDUCATION.
- DRESS SHOULD NEVER DISTRACT FROM SCHOOL ACTIVITIES OR PROVE A HAZARD TO THE STUDENT'S SAFETY OR THE SAFETY OF OTHERS.

## NOT PERMITTED

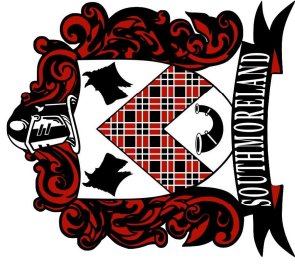
- EXCESSIVE TEARS OR RIPS IN CLOTHING THAT EXPOSE UNDERGARMENTS
- EXCESSIVE BAGGY PANTS OR CLOTHING THAT CAN CONCEAL ITEMS AND/OR POSE A SAFETY HAZARD.
- EXPOSED UNDERGARMENTS



# DRESS CODE

## TOPS THAT ARE NOT PERMITTED

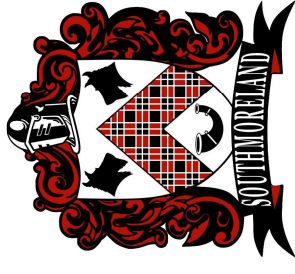
- ANY TOP THAT IS SKIN TIGHT OR ALLOWS THE MIDRIF, CLEAVAGE, OR UNDERGARMENTS TO BE EXPOSED
- SPAGHETTI STRAPS/HALTER/MESH TOPS
- SEE-THROUGH CLOTHING
- TUBE TOPS/CROP TOPS



# DRESS CODE

## PANTS/SKIRTS/SHORTS THAT ARE NOT PERMITTED

- LOW RIDING/SAG STYLE IS NOT PERMITTED.
- SKIRTS, SHORTS, AND SLITS IN SKIRTS MUST TOUCH THE BOTTOM OF THE FINGERTIPS WITH ARMS FULLY EXTENDED

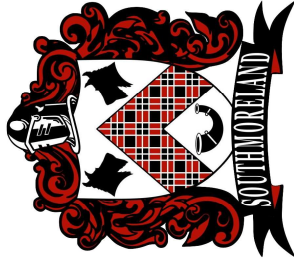




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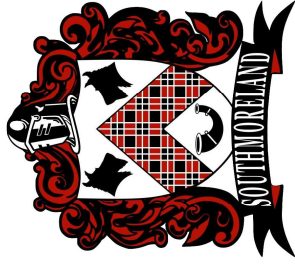
- SOME SORT OF SHOE MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES.
- ANY SHOE THAT POSES A SAFETY HAZARD IS NOT PERMITTED.
- SHOES WITH LACES MUST BE TIED



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## JEWELRY

- SPIKED JEWELRY, CHAINS, OR ANY JEWELRY THAT COULD CAUSE INJURY OR CONSTITUTE A HAZARD IS NOT PERMITTED.



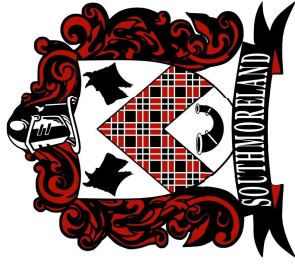
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NOT  
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DURING THE  
SCHOOL DAY



## HEADWEAR NOT PERMITTED

- HATS
- HOODS
- CAPS
- BANDANAS
- SUNGLASSES
- VISORS
- HEADWRAPS
- SWEATBANDS



# OFFENSIVE DRESS

## Clothing, patches, buttons, pins, jewelry, back packs are not permitted if they:

- Have sexually suggestive writing/pictures
  - Advocate Violence
- Advertise/promote use of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs
- Have double meaning, wording, or obscene language
  - Are Disrespectful

## A Tattoo must be covered if it:

- Has sexually suggested writing/pictures
  - Advocates Violence
- Advertises or promotes use of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs
  - Has double meaning wording or obscene language that is disrespectful.

# SOCIAL PROBATION/SUSPENSION

- PARTICIPATION IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES IS A PRIVILEGE; THEREFORE, THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE MAY BE REVOKED TO DUE TO ACADEMIC, ATTENDANCE, OR DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS.
- STUDENTS WITH SOCIAL SUSPENSION STATUS WILL BE INELIGIBLE TO ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (ATHLETICS, BAND, CHORUS, MUSICAL, CLUB ACTIVITIES, DANCES (INCLUDING HOMECOMING AND PROM), FIELD TRIPS, ASSEMBLIES, ETC.
- STUDENTS WILL BE GIVEN WRITTEN NOTICE OF SOCIAL SUSPENSION.

# SOCIAL PROBATION/SUSPENSION

- SOCIAL SUSPENSION MAY BE ADDED TO ANY AND ALL DISCIPLINARY INFRACTIONS.
- STUDENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE IN SCHOOL EVENTS WHILE SERVING SOCIAL SUSPENSION.
- OSS=7 DAYS SOCIAL SUSPENSION
- 2 OR MORE (NON-OSS) DISCIPLINE REFERRALS IN A WEEK'S TIME=7 DAYS SOCIAL SUSPENSION

# SOCIAL PROBATION/ SUSPENSION

- ACADEMIC SOCIAL SUSPENSION-STUDENTS FAILING 2 OR MORE CLASSES AT THE CLOSE OF THE WEEK=7 DAYS SOCIAL SUSPENSION
- EVERY 5TH UNEXCUSED ABSENCES OR SCHOOL TARDY= 7 DAYS SOCIAL SUSPENSION
- SOCIAL SUSPENSION DAYS ACCUMULATE