

Dear Millennium Families,

Millennium High School has made changes to its sweep/tardy and electronic device policy starting with the 2017-18 school year. Our goal in making these changes are to maximize classroom instructional time and enhance student academic performance.

Tardy / Sweep Policy

Students will no longer be sent to the sweep room when they arrive late to the start of the class. Instead, the student will be marked swept by the teacher and will remain in the class. On the third sweep, the student will be assigned after-school detention, which will be called Overdrive. Each subsequent sweep for that class will result in assignment to Overdrive and/or further disciplinary actions. A student that arrives more than 10 minutes late to class will automatically receive an assignment to Overdrive. A student that arrives more than 15 minutes late to class will be marked absent and will be considered an unexcused absence.

What is Overdrive?

Overdrive is a two-hour session held after school that requires students to write a reflection focused on poor decisions/choices and practical corrective action or changes to address them. Once the reflection is completed, the student may work on classwork. If the student does not have classwork, material focused on positive behaviors and leadership will be provided for the student to summarize.

Overdrive assignment is tied to individual classes. A student with multiple sweeps in different classes will be assigned to multiple Overdrive sessions.

- Overdrive is from 2:20 p.m. to 4:20 p.m. on Monday through Thursday
- A student must attend for the entire two hours
- When Overdrive is assigned, the student has a 48-hour window to serve the detention
- No electronic devices are to be used in the Overdrive room, including Chromebooks. School work that requires Chromebooks will need to be completed on the student's own time
- Students may be assigned multiple days of Overdrive based on the infraction
- Extracurricular activities scheduled at concurrent times with Overdrive will be missed, including athletic practices and games
- Students must arrange their own transportation
- Additional Overdrive days and/or further disciplinary action will occur if a student does not appear for the scheduled Overdrive session

Electronic Devices Policy

Student cell/smart phones, smart watches, and music players are not to be visible or in use inside the classroom. Students will be expected to have these devices inside their backpacks/bags/purses and set on silent while inside the classroom. MHS is a one-to-one school with Chromebooks, and these additional student devices are a distraction that impacts instructional time. The classroom teacher will assign Overdrive if the student has the device out during class.

This information will be contained in the student syllabi. The new procedures will be covered in an Advisory lesson during the first week of school.