



OROMOCTO HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Families of Oromocto High School,

I am writing to inform you of the Oromocto High School tardy policy. In previous years our main office staff has seen an increasing problem with children arriving late to all classes and arriving late to school in the morning and after lunch. Since buses rarely arrive late, this was either because walking students were not leaving themselves enough time or parents were dropping their students off late. We are asking for your cooperation and support to ensure that your son/daughter arrives on time every day.

This year, all students who are consistently and chronically tardy will be met with by Administration as a first step. The goal of this meeting will be to ensure that each student understands the high expectations we have for student arrival on time. Those students who continue to be tardy will then be required to meet with Administration and parents/guardians to discuss how to improve their on-time arrival. Students who are continuing to be tardy despite all interventions will be subject to the loss of extra-curricular events and activities (sports, clubs, extra-curricular field trips, Prom, Safe Grad, etc). Other interventions and consequences may be imposed for those who still do not comply with the requirement to arrive on time to school. Students are expected to be seated in their first period class at 8:40AM.

This is a difficult problem to address and we need your support. It is the obligation of parents/guardians to ensure that students arrive to school on time each day. We hope that this policy will provide the extra motivation needed to get those struggling with this issue to school on time. The OHS Tardy Policy is located on our school website for your reference.

There are many reasons to promote prompt arrival to school. Lost instructional time cannot be recovered, and it is also disrupting to the ebb and flow of a classroom when students continue to filter in long after the class has begun. Not to mention that we are teaching a valuable life skill about promptness/timeliness and meeting commitments.

On behalf of the staff of Oromocto High School we thank you for your support in ensuring your child arrives on time each and every day. If you have any questions please contact your child's Vice Principal anytime at 357-4015.

Sincerely,

Jeff Holder
Principal

