

Attendance:

Classes begin at 7:20 am for all students. **(Doors open at 7:20 am)** Students are expected to attend each designated school day. **Students who arrive after 8:00 am will be marked tardy.** The State of Texas requires students to have a 90% attendance rate in order to be eligible for promotion. Students who have accumulated more than the allowed number of absences may present a written appeal to the Principal. This request will then be taken to the School Board for consideration.

Excused absences are given for personal illness, death, family illness, or an emergency within the family. A note explaining the reason for the student's absence must be submitted to the office upon the student's return. Students are expected to assume full responsibility for all class work missed when absent from school.

Parents are required to contact the office when children are absent or need to be dismissed during school hours for doctors' appointments or for any other reason. Parents must meet students in the school office. If someone other than the parent picks up students for an appointment or after school, the school office and the classroom teacher must receive notification from the parent in writing or by phone. **If the teacher does not know the person picking up a student, the person must show some type of identification and the teacher or an office staff member must call the parent before allowing the student to leave with a person who is unknown to the faculty and staff of the school.**

STUDENT ABSENCES

Students who are absent from classes due to illness will continue to receive services from the school in the form of homework assignments and faculty contact. In light of these services, no refund in cash or credit is given for such absences.

TARDIES:

Because a tardy student disrupts a class already in progress, students arriving at school later than 8:00 AM must report to the office to be signed in by the parent/guardian.

- If the student is extremely late to class and does not have a valid excuse - the principal reserves the right to refuse admittance to school for the day and the student will need to return home. Failure to comply with the attendance or tardy policies may result in the student not being allowed to attend FHBA the following school year.
- *Students should not arrive on campus before 7:20 am. The school does not assume responsibility for students before 7:20 am. as no staff member is available to monitor students until 7:20 am **If you need to make a different arrangement - you MUST speak with the principal.*
- **If a parent has not picked up their child by 3:45, the student will be sent to EDGE and the parent will be charged the EDGE drop-in fee of \$15.00**

School Closures and Delays:

For all **WEATHER RELATED** and **NON-WEATHER RELATED** events that could cause delays, disruptions, closures, or early releases - please note that all messages regarding these events will be emailed, texted, posted on social media, and reported to local TV providers as necessary.

All decisions regarding delays, closures, or early releases will be made by the Principal - who will seek advice from surrounding local school districts and local emergency personnel - as well as, the Academy Board. .

DRESS CODE FOR PREK - K STUDENTS

Girls

- Leggings may be worn
- Shorts must be worn under dresses or skirts
- No overalls
- Closed toe shoes – no sandals or flip flops
- Belts only if student can unbuckle themselves easily

Boys

- T-shirts, shorts, pants, jeans, sweatpants are allowed *Shirts must have sleeves
- No caps are worn inside the school
- No overalls
- Closed toe shoes – no sandals or flip flops
- Belts only if student can unbuckle themselves easily

DRESS CODE FOR 1ST - 8TH

Girls

- Straps 3 finger width
- No Strapless or one-shouldered tops or dresses
- No halter tops
- No mid-section showing or see through attire
- No latex/workout tights or shorts permitted
- No caps inside the school (unless a special day)
- Skirts, dresses and shorts fingertip length

Boys

- T-shirts, shorts, pants, jeans, sweatpants are allowed Shirts must have sleeves
- No caps inside the school (unless a special days)