# **TEMPLE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**



# Teacher, Student, Parent Handbook

As of August 18, 2014

All Policies, information are subject to correction and change as the administration and board see fit. It is impossible to put everything in a handbook for teachers, student and parents. Our goal is to give a guide book to ensure that our school is working under the policies to conduct good business.

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#### Note:

# **Elementary Disciplinary Actions**

In lieu of detentions, elementary students will receive "time off" of recess or loss of other privileges for minor offenses/ misbehavior. Such consequences are based on teacher/principal discretion and will be based on the offense and the number of occurrences of the offense. Please see "Major Offenses and Severe Offenses" for such violations.

#### **TEMPLE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

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#### TCS Mission:

To Glorify God by providing students a Christ-centered education marked by excellence and grounded in Biblical Truth.

On September 7, 1976, Temple Christian School opened as a ministry of the Lima Baptist Temple. It is currently a Pre-School-12 institution which has strong curricular and extracurricular offering. Temple Christian School is dedicated to providing an educational program which upholds a standard of academic excellence with its firm foundation based on God's Word, the Bible. We strive to train our students spiritually, morally, and academically, and we feel that it is of utmost importance that we instill a patriotic spirit in each child.

It is the desire of the board of education, administration and faculty to have a positive relationship built between the school and the home; therefore, the following handbook has been compiled in order to inform you as students and parents of Temple Christian School of the rules, regulations, policies, and procedures that will be important to you. Though at times some will disagree with the policies presented in this handbook, it is important that all realize their responsibilities to support and properly respond to those whom God has placed in leadership roles in this school. It is the prayer of the Temple Christian School leadership that we can work together to provide a well-rounded, Christian-centered education for our students.

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

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#### **PHILOSOPHY**

The philosophy of Christian education at Temple Christian School (TCS) is based on a Godcentered view that all truth is God's truth, and that the Bible is the inspired and the only infallible, authoritative Word of God that contains this truth. TCS's mission, educational goals, statement of faith, scriptural, and overall operating principles are tied together with Jesus Christ at the head and are carried out in the following ways:

- TCS leaders try to seek out God's ways of thinking and acting with the promise that He will show us what to do. They will try to seek guidance, direction, and purpose from the Holy Spirit who lives in the hearts of believers.
- Education at TCS is Christ-centered with biblically integrated units, incorporating the Word of God into the content areas. (Prov. 1:7 says, "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge.") Curriculum is grounded in biblical truths that integrate knowledge, faith, and experience.
- Our teachers ensure that the teaching environment is nurturing, challenging, and meaningful, and that it conforms to the educational philosophy of the school.
- All TCS personnel are accountable to God for their performance, Christian modeling, and walk with the LORD (Rom. 14:12). This is demonstrated in how their gifts are used for the LORD'S service. They are inspiring examples for the students they lead, who are committed to the children and families they serve.
- Parents are responsible for their child's education. The parent enlists the support of the school and entrusts the teacher for educational purposes as an extension of the home.
- Jesus Christ is the model, as students learn and study their Bible in the classroom. Teachers will teach from a Christian perspective and impart a Christian world and life view in all subject areas. All truth comes from the LORD.
- TCS constantly evaluates its instruction and classroom activities to ensure that they are pleasing to God, Christ-centered, and following the guidelines that Jesus has given us in His Word. Each student is challenged to achieve his/her full potential.
- The influence of a godly home, school, and church are vital essentials in a child's life and go hand in hand in their development.
- Teachers teach by instruction and example that a saving, personal relationship with Jesus Christ and the transforming power of the Holy Spirit will enable one to lead a life with purpose and that is pleasing to God.
- Summary: Temple Christian School strives to be the best school for your child in accordance with God's Word. Your prayers and involvement in your child's education are crucial, as you partner with us at TCS.

# **Purpose**

It is the purpose of the Temple Christian School to provide a sound academic education integrated with a Christian view of God and the world. The Bible is specific in stating the principles which underlie Christian education. St. Paul presented a comprehensive principle when he wrote of Christ: "For by Him were all things created, that are in Heaven, and that are in earth...And He is before all things and by Him all things consist." (Colossians 1:16-17). And the writer of the fourth Gospel said, "All things were made by Him was not anything made that was made." (John 1:3)

There is an important difference between the Christian and the non-Christian viewpoints on a given subject. Even though knowledge is factually the same for both, no subject can be taught in the totality of its truth if the Creator is ignored or denied. Knowledge is purified by the recognition of God's place in it. No other approach to education can be entirely God-honoring; for parents and children, as is such an approach through the Scriptures.

Parents of children in the Temple Christian School consider the Word of God clear in making Christian parents responsible for the education of their children; education not limited to the counsels of God revealed in His word, but also in the counsels of God revealed in His world. These parents want their children to be educated at home and at school with the consciousness that all truth is God's truth, including history and geography, science, music and the arts, and that Jesus Christ is to be central in all learning and living.

We believe that a Christ-centered school is essential in our world today. We realize the strength of our enemy and need to equip our children with the tools to combat the enemy. We want our children to have an education which will prepare them mentally, physically, and spiritually according to the Scriptures.

#### **Statement of Faith**

The basis of the Temple Christian School shall be the Word of God as interpreted by the following Statement of Faith:

- 1. We believe in the creation of man by the direct Act of God.
- 2. We believe that man is sinful by nature and that regeneration by the Holy Spirit is essential for his salvation.
- 3. We believe the Bible to be inspired and the only infallible authoritative Word of God.
- 4. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- 5. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.

# **Objectives**

We believe that the objectives of the Temple Christian School are these:

- 1. To teach that God is the Creator of the universe and man.
- 2. To teach that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Son of God who came to earth to die for our sin.
- 3. To teach the necessity of being born again by the Spirit of God by receiving the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 4. To teach that growth in the Christian life depends upon fellowship with God through reading the Bible, prayer, and service.
- 5. To teach that the Bible is the only Word of God. It is practical and important.
- 6. To teach the application of Biblical ethics and standards of morality to every part of life.
- 7. To teach students to manifest fairness, courtesy, kindness, and other Christian graces.
- 8. To stress the urgency of world missions.
- 9. To teach students to get along with non-Christians and with Christians who hold different views.
- 10. To relate the various subject matter areas with the truth of the Bible.
- 11. To teach students to apply themselves to their work to fulfill their various responsibilities.
- 12. To teach students to work independently and cooperatively.
- 13. To teach students to think for themselves and to stand up for their personal convictions in the face of pressure.
- 14. To develop the creative skills of the students.
- 15. To develop an appreciation for the fine arts.
- 16. To develop effective communication skills in the students.
- 17. To teach the knowledge and skills required for future study or for occupational competence.
- 18. To develop desire and discretion in wholesome physical and mental recreation.
- 19. To teach our American heritage and the current problems facing our country and world.
- 20. To show students their present civic responsibility and to prepare them for adult responsibility as citizens of our nation.
- 21. To develop the total student in relation to his place in the world, stressing the basic belief that through God, ALL things are possible.

#### **Core Values**

These Temple Christian Core Values represent some of the attributes of our Mission and Vision Statements:

- To Glorify God: by providing students a Christ-centered education marked by excellence and grounded in Biblical Truth. Acts 28:31 "Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him." (KJV)
- Parent Partnership: Faculty and staff serve as partners with parents, supporting one another in teaching and instructing their children. Parent involvement teams are encouraged for various school projects.
- Excellence: We are committed to excellence in all things, to continuous school improvement, to providing a royal education for the children of the King of Kings.
- Nurturing environment: We strive to provide a nurturing environment where the fruit of the Holy Spirit is modeled and encouraged, and to promote a meaningful relationship with, and a saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Building the Kingdom of God: Christ calls us to leadership by servant hood, that is, to building the Kingdom of God by being the instruments of God's grace by serving one another and serving God.
- Image Bearer of God: Every student, employee, and parent is a unique image bearer of God with equal value, worth, and respect.
- Building Christian Families: God-centered team building and personal relationships that build Christian families are encouraged in the church and the local community in order to impact the world for Christ.
- Lifetime of Service: We are committed to prepare and sharpen students for a lifetime of service in God's world as a response to God's love and salvation.
- Eternal Life for those in Christ: The Bible is the Word of God revealing the Good News of redemption and eternal life for those in Christ. Salvation is open to those who are drawn to the Lord through the working of the Holy Spirit.

#### **Commitments for Parents**

We hereby invest authority in the school to discipline our child as necessary. We further agree that we will co-operate in the discipline of our child in the home as needed.

Proverbs 13:24; 19:18; 22:6; 23:13-14; 29:15,17; Ephesians 6:1,2; Colossians 3:20; Hebrews 12:6

We pledge to keep all doctrinal controversy out of the school at all times. The basis for the Temple Christian School's Statement of Faith and teaching shall be the Word of God as interpreted by the Statement of Faith included in the application.

We agree that if our child should become involved in any trouble at school, or we disagree with any policy set by the school, we will in no case complain to any parent, but in love of Christ and with prayer, we will register only necessary complaints with the teacher or principal.

We understand that assessments will be made to cover damage to school property (including breakage of windows, abuse of books, etc.) and to private property of others while on school premises (torn shirt, broken glasses, etc.)

#### Lunches

Students should bring their own lunches to school each day or can follow the food menu below. Microwave ovens are provided.

Students are not permitted to leave the school complex during the lunch period unless permission has been granted in advance by the building principal.

Elementary students must bring their money and order choice to their classroom teacher. Teachers will be responsible for getting money and orders to the office by 9am every day.

High School students must give their orders to their homeroom teacher. Some days students may give their money to the homeroom teacher and some days students may pay when they receive their order at lunch.

#### MONDAY NACHO DAY:

Each Monday, students have the option of ordering nachos and cheese for \$1.25. TUESDAY PIZZA DAY:

On Tuesdays, students may order slices of pizza for their lunch. The pizza is prepared by the T.C.S. moms in order to raise money for various programs in the school. Students may order cheese or pepperoni pizza at \$1.00 per slice.

#### WEDNESDAY MCDONALDS' DAY:

Every Wednesday is McDonald's Day. Students will have the option to order a McDonald's sandwich, salad, or pie.

# THURSDAY ARBY'S DAY:

Each Thursday, students may order Arby's food for \$1.50.

#### FRIDAY HOT DOG DAY:

Each Friday, students may order one hot dog and chips for \$1.25 or 2 hotdogs and chips for \$2.25.

In the near future, we will have a lunch account set up for students through the main office. This will prevent teachers and students from the exchange of small change, or large amounts of cash to pay for lunches each day. You will be notified when this system is in place.

# **Payment of Tuition**

The tuition prices are listed in the application packet. The registration fee is for each student enrolled in Temple Christian School and is non-refundable. The fee is due upon completion of the application form. The fee is used for paper supplies, etc., for the student during the year. A re-enrollment fee is also charged for each student each year.

Tuition can be paid in advance by the year or semester, or by monthly payments. The minimum monthly payment is calculated by dividing the total tuition for your family by 11. If that amount is paid at the first of each month beginning with July of each year, your tuition payment will be considered current.

If a payment is not made during the first week of the month, it is considered late. If the payment is not made by the 10th of the month, it will be considered delinquent. If a parent falls behind by two full months in payments, this will be considered a serious matter and your child may be removed from the school to return only after payment has been made. If something unexpected comes up and you see that you are going to be delinquent with a payment, IT WOULD BE BEST to inform the school to see if special arrangements can be made. All families needing tuition discount must apply through FAST (Financial Aid Student Tuition) program. There are no exceptions.

# **Academic Information**

#### HOMEWORK PHILOSOPHY:

We believe that homework is an integral part of the school program, and each teacher is at liberty to give homework to aid students in advancing their studies. It is requested that parents cooperate with the school in seeing that the assignments are completed. We want parents to be aware of their student's progress, and we urge them to cooperate with the teacher in any way possible, especially in the matter of homework. Homework is given for the following purposes: drill, progress, remedial activities, advanced work, and special projects. Teachers might need to assign work on Wednesday for purposes of test preparation, drill and projects. We are attempting to allow students that want to attend Church on Wednesday to do so.

#### SCHOOL'S TEXTBOOKS:

The majority of our textbook materials are purchased from Christian textbook publishers which we feel helps to present a true picture of the subject matter. Some textbook materials are purchased from the standard companies that provide books to public schools. We are not bound, however, to one particular required list of adopted texts, but we are free to choose from among the many textbooks which present the material most interestingly and effectively.

The key to presentation and use of materials in Christian schools are Christian teachers. The teachers' deep involvement in the study of God's Word equips them with discernment necessary to teach all subject matter in harmony with the principles clearly presented in the Bible.

#### **REPORT CARDS:**

Report cards (progress reports) are issued every nine weeks during the school year. In addition to this, there will be two days set aside for parents to make appointments to privately meet with the teachers for Parent-Teacher Conferences.

Unsatisfactory progress notices will be sent by the teachers to you between report cards (if needed) to keep you informed of areas in which your student needs special help.

Report cards for the students whose parents have delinquent tuition accounts with the school will be held in the office until the accounts have been paid.

#### **WEIGHTED SCALE:**

Temple Christian has instituted a weighted scale for those classes which are considered upper level courses. The intent is to recognize the increased difficulty of these courses in relationship to the alternative basic courses that are offered. No required course is weighted. Examples of weighted courses are Trigonometry, Physics, journalism/newspaper, calculus, pre- calculus, and dual enrollment courses.

In order to figure the weighted G.P.A.; a formula will be applied to the grades of students in weighted courses to slightly increase their final G.P.A. for the course.

TEMPLE CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL
Grading Scale Beginning School Year 2010

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	Standard	Advanced	AP
A	93 – 100	4.0	4.5	5.0
A-	90 – 92	3.7	4.2	4.7
B+	87 – 89	3.4	3.9	4.4
В	83 – 86	3.0	3.5	4.0
B-	80 – 82	2.7	3.2	3.7
C+	77 – 79	2.4	2.9	3.4
С	73 – 76	2.0	2.5	3.0
C-	70 – 72	1.7	2.2	2.7
D	65 – 69	1.2	1.7	2.2
F	00 – 64	0.0	0.0	0.0

#### **GRADUATION POLICY**

Since Temple Christian School has become a chartered, non-public school, students who attend Temple Christian School must acquire twenty-four (24) course credits over a four (4) year period and pass the Ohio Graduation Test (OGT) or end-of-course exams in order to graduate from Temple Christian School. (24 credits are including the Bible)

## **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Students who attend Temple Christian School must acquire twenty-four (24) course credits over a four (4) year period in order to graduate with a high school diploma. Some of the credits a student earns toward the total of twenty-four (24) course credits can be from elective courses, but the following courses are required:

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-- 4 credits (Grades 9-12)
       Bible
1.
2.
       English
                     -- 4 credits (Grades 9-12)
       Social Studies -- 3 credits (Grades 9-12)
3.
4.
                     -- 4 credits (Grades 9-12)
       Math
                     -- 3 credits (Grades 9-11)
5.
       Science
6.
       Health
                     -- ½ credit (Grades 9-12)
                     -- ½ credit (Grades 9-12)
7.
       P.E.
8.
       Two semesters of Fine Arts classes for grades 7-12.
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<sup>\*</sup>Students must also pass the OGT test or end-of –year course exams before graduation. OGT exams are being phased out and end-of-course exams are being phased in. This policy will begin with the in-coming 9th grade class (2014/2015).

#### Temple Christian High School Courses of Study (2014-15)

Temple Christian School's course of study concentrates on a core curriculum in the traditional liberal arts. Students may choose a general education course of study, a college preparatory course of study or a combination of the two. All students must complete 24 credits including 4 Bible credits.

All Temple students must take the following Courses:

English: All students must take 4 years of English. (1 credit each)

Mathematics: All students must take 4 years of Mathematics. (1 credit each)

**History**: All students must take 4 years of History. (1 credit each) **Science**: All students must take 3 years of Science. (1 credit each)

**Bible:** All students must take 4 years of Bible (1 credit each) **Health:** All students must take a semester of Health (1/2 credit)

P.E.: All students must satisfy P.E. Requirement (1/2 credit). Playing two sports seasons meets P.E.

requirement but no credit is earned.

All Students must complete two semesters of fine arts taken any time in Grades 7-12.

All students must receive instruction in economics and financial literacy in grades 9-12.

**Electives:** All students must take 4 credits of electives. May include any combination of Foreign Language, Fine Arts, English Language Arts, Business, Technology, Mathematics or Science courses not otherwise required.

#### Required Courses (Basic Schedule)

Freshman Year	Credit	Sophomore Year	Credit
Bible 9	1	Bible 10	1
English 9	1	English 10	1
Alg. 1/Alg.2	1	Geometry	1
Physical Science	1	Biology	1
World History	1	World History	1
P.E.	1/4	P.E.	1/4
Elective	1	Health	1/2
		Elective	1
Junior Year	Credit	Senior Year	Credit
Bible 11	1	Bible 12	1
English 11	1	English 12	1
Algebra II/Trigonome	try 1	Economics	1/2
U.S. History	1	Government	1/2
Chemistry/Science Ele	ect. 1	Pre-Calc./Math Elect.	1
Elective	1	Elective	1

# Temple Christian Middle School Courses of Study (2014-15)

#### **Required Courses:**

 6th Grade
 7th Grade
 8th Grade

 Science 6
 Earth Science
 Life Science

 Middle School Math 1
 Middle School Math 11
 Pre-Algebra/

Middle School Math 1 Middle School Math II Pre-Algebra/Algebra 1 Bible 6 Bible 7 Bible 8 English 6 English 7 English 8 Reading 6 Reading 7 Reading 8 World History Ohio History American History Technology 6 Technology 7 Technology 8

#### **Elective Courses:**

Art, Band, Choir, P.E.

All students must complete two semesters of fine arts taken any time in Grades 7-12

# **Transportation Rules for Off-Campus Visits**

NOTE: The Temple Christian leader in charge is to give a copy of the following rules to each of his/her drivers for each event, and to be certain that each driver reads, understands, and follows them.

- 1. Vehicles used in transporting students must, according to the TCS activity leader's and driver's best knowledge, be in safe operating condition.
- 2. Each occupant of the vehicle, regardless of age, is to properly be in his/her own seat belt.
- 3. Children 12 years old and under must ride buckled up in a rear seat if the vehicle is equipped with front passenger air bags. It may be necessary to require the same of smaller children older than 12 depending upon height. The TCS activity leader will make that determination. Parent drivers may not override the air bag seating rules, even for their own children.
- 4. If air bag equipped, driver and front seat passenger seats should be moved back as far as practical to allow the air bags room to inflate.
- 5. Drivers must be at least 18 years of age with a valid driver's license and insurance card on file, and must to the TCS leader's knowledge, be a safe driver with a safe driving record
- 6. Roll must be taken in each vehicle by each driver before departure, before leaving on the return trip, and before leaving any facility.
- 7. Speed limits are to be carefully obeyed.
- 8. Vehicles are to travel together to and from the event. If stops are made en-route, roll must be taken by all vehicles before you leave the area, unless approved otherwise by the TCS leader in charge.
- 9. After any activity, the TCS leader in charge must stay with the students until the last student has been picked up by the individual having authority to do so.
- 10. The TCS leader in charge must make sure that each driver is aware of and understands the transportation rules. For convenience, copies of this sheet may be distributed to drivers. The TCS leader may establish additional transportation rules that maybe needed for a specific activity.

# **Transportation Rules for Bus Trips**

- 1. All buses must be in safe operating condition and driven by properly licensed drivers.
- 2. All drivers must carefully follow all traffic laws.
- 3. Each occupant of the bus must remain seated during the entire bus trip.
- 4. There will be no horseplay, screaming, or throwing of objects on the bus.
- 5. Roll must be taken on the bus by each driver or coach before departure, before leaving on the return trip, and before leaving any stop.
- 6. All students should ride the bus to and from an event unless the administration has approved a parental permission slip for a child to ride home with his or her parent after the events. The permission slip must be approved one day before the event.
- 7. After any activity, the TCS leader in charge must stay with the students until the last student has been picked up by the individual having authority to do so.

#### WITHDRAWAL-DISMISSAL POLICY

Withdrawals from the school must be made through the office and all tuitions continue until the withdrawal is complete. Students may be dismissed from the program at any time that they are found out of harmony with the philosophy, policies, and rules of the school. Dismissal will occur only by the action of the administrator and after a conference has been held with the administrator, the parents, and any teachers involved. The school reserves the right to determine circumstances which might warrant dismissal.

#### STUDENT ATTENDANCE POLICY

In order to be in compliance with the state laws relative to attendance and to help build character quality of responsibility in each student, the following attendance policy has been established:

- 1. Students must attend each class at least ¾ of that class in order to receive full credit. (For example: approximately 133 days out of the 177 days of class time). Special circumstances for health with a physician's note can be extended for further actions.
- 2. Students who miss class or come to school late the day of test and the student missed taking the test:
- a. Students in the junior and senior high must make up the test/quiz with the teacher within a maximum of 24 hours if late to school. It is the responsibility of the student to make arrangements with the teacher; it is not the teacher who should track down students to make up work.
- b. Students in the elementary must make up the test/quiz with the teacher within 48 hours if late to school.
- c. Students in the junior and senior high who do not want to take the end of course final exams must receive an 'A' average for the class and must attend 90% of the credit hour: (which is approximately 160 of the 177 days for the year). In addition, students must not receive a "C" grade in any of the four marking periods on their report card for that subject. (special circumstances can be obtained by a physicians health excuse).

#### **EXCUSED ABSENCE for Complete Day:**

A student absent for the following reasons will have their absences excused.

- 1. Illness (student must have note from parent; after 5 days student must have physician note) Please review chart for days missed from illness to make up work.
- 2. Death in the immediate family (student will work with cooperating teachers on time to make up work)
- 3. Medical or dental appointment (student has 48 hours in junior and senior high to make up work missed)
  - 4. Emergency (by administrative discretion)
  - 5. Prior administrative permission (Example: College visitation, vacation)

Students who are absent from school for one of the above excused reasons will be given two days in which to complete any work that was missed due to absence. Teachers and/or

the principal may extend the time permitted for make-up work at their discretion if special circumstances arise.

Remember: It is the student's responsibility to contact the teacher at the teacher's convenience to receive make-up assignments to be completed. Work which is not completed in the prescribed amount of time will receive a zero for each assignment missing.

#### EXCUSED ABSENCE AND MAKE UP WORK SCHEDULE CHART:

Days Absent	Homework Made Up In
1 Day	2 Days
2 Successive Days	2 Days
3 Successive Days	3 Days
4 Successive Days	4 Days
5 Successive Days	5 Days

If a student needs additional time they may request this with the teacher.

- Total Days excused: Students are permitted to miss up to 16 days per year for excused absence; after 16, the parent is responsible for sending in a doctor's excuse after the 16th day; this applies to elementary as well as high school.
- For students going on vacation or other trips, arrangements can be made with the school principal. Any days over 5 successive days will be worked out with the student, principal, and teacher in regards to getting work made up.
- We ask all parents to give a courtesy call in the morning by 9:00am to let us know their child will be out that day. This helps with organization and knowing who is not in the building. You can leave messages on the phone system at any time of day or night.

# **UNEXCUSED ABSENCE Full-day:**

Unexcused absences include, yet are not limited to the following:

- 1. Oversleeping
- 2. Shopping
- 3. Haircut/Beauty shop appointments (except for Junior and Senior Banquet)
- 4. Suspension from school
- 5. Truancy
- 6. Excessive family vacation days (at administrator's discretion)
- 7. Not wanting to come to school
- 8. Skipping days without parent or school notice

Students whose absences are unexcused will receive a "zero" in all classes that day whether there were quizzes, tests, or just homework that was graded.

#### ABSENCE VERIFICATION:

Students absent for any reason for any part of the school day must bring a note to the school office by the morning of the second day after returning to school, or the absence will be considered unexcused. THE STUDENT IN THE JUNIOR OR SENIOR HIGH THAT DOES NOT BRING BACK A NOTE WILL HAVE LUNCH DETENTION THAT DAY AND WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE LUNCH DETENTION UNTIL A NOTE IS BROUGHT INTO THE SCHOOL. The note must be signed and dated by at least one parent and must supply the reason for the absence as well as the date or dates of the absence in order for the principals to determine if the absence is excused: notes such as "Absent for Personal Reasons" will not be accepted, and the absence will be considered unexcused.

# SCHOOL AND PARENT COMMUNICATION FORMS (DENTENTION NOTICES, MID-TERM REPORTS, PERMISSION SLIPS ETC. :

- 1. In order for the school to have proper organization and planning, students are expected to return permission slips back at the time that stated on the school permission slip. Failure to return it at the prescribed time is not permitted to attend the event.
- 2. If a student does not return detention notices, mid-term reports or any behavior communication between teacher and parent will result in lunch detention as the first offense; second offense (second day) for the same form, results in after school detention from 3:05 to 3:45 the day after the infraction or on the assigned detention day. Failure to return the third day results in lunch detention and after school detention. This will continue until note is handed in. Students may not participate in sports or travel with their teams if they have detention until their detention is successfully completed. The parent may pick the student up after detention and take them to their game.

#### **TARDY TO SCHOOL**

Students will be considered tardy to school if they are not in their homeroom when the 8:00 bell rings. If students are tardy to school, they must sign in on the list in the school office and provide the secretary with the reason for being tardy. The students in the junior and senior high that are tardy without good excuse will have lunch detention that day. The principal will determine if the tardy is excused or unexcused. Work missed due to an unexcused tardy may not be made up for credit. Excessive tardiness (4) during a marking period will result in detention after school; 5 or more will exclude the student from certain activities at school to include but not limited to: Intramurals, Spirit Fun Days, Pioneer Day, etc.... at the determination of the school principal; when a student reaches 8 they are awarded Saturday detention at the student's expense. Student's unexcused tardiness include over sleeping, not leaving home on time, extra stops to school, However, students who are driven by car or drive themselves will be counseled by the school principal about I-75 driving, weather related driving, waiting for trains etc. Road related conditions can be excused after speaking with the principal. Our goal is for parents and students to leave early enough to come to school. Students/parents are not to rush to school because they drive on I-75 (congestion/work areas) or come from 20 miles or more and want to beat the clock by 8:00am. Leave early enough to make the time for school. Our doors are open as early as 7:30am for students not in daycare.

#### **TARDY TO CLASS**

Students have three minutes between classes. A student who is not in his assigned room when the bell rings, will be considered tardy. The student may be sent to the office to record the tardy with the secretary, or the teacher may record the tardy with the secretary after class in order to conserve class time. The principal will determine if the tardy is excused or unexcused. Work missed due to an unexcused tardy may not be made up for credit. Excessive tardiness (4) will result in detention. Principals can assign lunch detention for any tardy for a student who misses a class more than 2-minutes.

#### PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Students who arrive at school after 1130am, will not be permitted to participate in extra-curricular or co-curricular activities that day unless permission is granted by the principal. These activities may include, but are not limited to, the following: Athletic events or practices, concerts, field trips, etc...

# **SIGNING IN AND OUT**

Any student arriving at school after 8:00am must sign in at the school office before attending class. Students leaving school before 3:00pm for any reason must sign out at the school office, and sign in upon returning to school. Students who fail to sign in will be given an unexcused tardy. Students in the junior and senior high will have lunch detention. Students who fail to sign out when leaving school will receive an unexcused absence for all classes missed and/or detention.

#### **EXTENDED ABSENCE**

In case of extended excusable absence, parents may contact the school office by 11:30 a.m. and the secretary will collect the student's assignments. These assignments may be picked up by the parent or another student at 3:00pm but before 3:30pm.

# **FAMILY VACATIONS**

Those families wishing to take a family vacation during the school year should contact the school office. However, vacations during school should be avoided if at all possible. Students are responsible to collect all assignments. Tests and quizzes must be completed within a reasonable amount of time after returning to school: this time will be determined by the teacher and the principal. (Students may make other arrangements with their teacher as deemed)

# **VISITORS TO SCHOOL (for the purpose of shadowing only)**

At various times during the school year, students who wish to bring visitors to T.C.S. for Shadowing purposes may only make arrangements through the Superintendent's office. In order to avoid disruption of regular school activities, students must secure the permission of the Superintendent at least 24 hours prior to bringing a visitor to school. The Superintendent reserves the right to deny permission to any visitor for any reason. Visitors must register in the school office upon arriving at school, and they must supply the school office with a phone number of a parent that may be reached in case of an emergency. Visitors are expected to abide by the same standards of conduct and dress as a T.C.S. student.

#### **HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY**

The Allen County Health Department requires each school to maintain up-to-date health records in order to protect not only the individual student, but also the community at large. We try to always have our student records up-to-date. The Temple Christian School Board of Education's policy concerning completed health records is as follows:

- 1. All students' immunizations must be current or a waiver signed and records must be provided to the school by the 15th day of school per Ohio Law.
- 2. New students' physicals must be complete by the 30th day after the school year starts or the 30th day after a student is admitted as a student to the Temple Christian School system.
- 3. If the records are not complete, the student cannot continue to attend classes until the records are brought up-to-date and considered complete.
- 4. Students will also be given an Emergency Procedure Form which must be completed and returned to the school office within the first two weeks of school (preferably the first week of school). The information on this form is vital for school officials to have in the case of an emergency at school in which the child requires medical attention.
- 5. Notices will be sent to each family who is not in compliance with this regulation informing them of the items which are needed to complete the student's health file.

#### **COMMUNICABLE DISEASES:**

When students have the following diseases, they must have a written consent to return to school from either a physician or the health department: Measles, mumps, whooping cough, scarlet fever, "strep" throat, "pink" eye. A physician, health department official, principal, or school nurse may re-admit a student to school after having the following diseases: Chickenpox, foot and mouth disease, common cold, influenza, pneumonia, pinworms, skin diseases (scabies, ringworm, and impetigo).

#### **ADMINISTERING MEDICINES:**

No medicine shall be sent to school with the student unless special arrangements have been made with the office. Medicines are to be administered by the school nurse. If the school nurse is not available medication may be administered only by staff trained in Medication Administration.

#### NURSE:

A nurse will be present to complete student health records and to administer health screenings (sight, hearing, and scoliosis) and medicines.

#### **ACCIDENTS**

If your student is involved in an accident, we will try to contact you at the phone number you have provided on the Emergency Procedure Form. In the event that you cannot be reached, we will see that proper medical care is secured.

#### FIRE DRILLS

Several times throughout the year, fire drills will be held. Teachers and students must take them very seriously. An appropriate bell will signal fire, a fire drill, or some other emergency which requires rapid, quiet, orderly, mass evacuation of the building. Anyone who fails to carry out the teacher's orders at such times will be disciiplined. Use exit routes as posted in each classroom. Pupils may re-enter the building only as led by the teacher. Students should remain approximately 100 feet from the building and should remain TOTALLY QUIET during these drills.

#### TORNADO DRILLS

For tornado protection, students will move to the inside walls in the hallways, where they will kneel placing their head as low as possible with their hands and arms over their heads.

# **AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

The only students who are permitted in the high school complex after 4:00 P.M. are those students who are with an organized team. ALL OTHER STUDENTS MUST LEAVE THE SCHOOL BY 4:00 P.M. UNLESS THEY HAVE SECURED PERMISSION BY A TEACHER OR THE PRINCIPAL. Doors of the high school will be locked at 4:00 P.M. (Special permission can be given by the school principal through the parents of a student)

#### STUDENT DRIVING PRIVILEGES

Students who have an operator's license may drive to and from school with the permission of the principal and a TCS driver's vehicle registration form on file. ONCE AT SCHOOL, STUDENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED IN THE CAR DURING THE SCHOOL DAY unless they have permission from a staff member. Students are not to sit in their cars with other students or friends during school functions unless one of their parents is with them. Students should park their vehicle on the east side of the high school building and should exit the parking lot by Burden Road in accordance with traffic flow guidelines. WHILE ENTERING OR LEAVING THE SCHOOL PROPERTY, A STUDENT IS NOT TO DRIVE FAST AND SHOULD NEVER "PEEL OUT" OR DRIVE RECKLESSLY.

#### **SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND DELAYS**

School closings, delays and emergency weather information will be announced on the following local radio/television stations:

WTGN FM 97.7 WIMA AM 1150 WLIO TV NBC

The "One Call" system will also be used, so expect a call in the early morning as soon as we know delays or cancellations. We must coordinate any changes with Elida, Shawnee, and Bath Districts. Therefore, we will get the information to you as soon as possible. Please notify the office if there is a change in phone numbers for "One Call." Temple also posts on twitter and Facebook for weather emergencies.

Parents who have students who need to be dropped off prior to 30 minutes of the school opening can do so with our Latch Key Program. (There is a cost for this program)

#### NON-DISCRIMINATORY POLICY

The Temple Christian School recruits and admits students of any race, color, or ethnic origin to all its rights, privileges, programs, and activities. In addition, the school will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational programs and athletics/extracurricular activities. Furthermore, the school is not intended to be an alternate to court or administrative agency ordered, or public school district initiated desegregation.

The Temple Christian School will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or ethnic origin in the hiring of its certified or non-certified personnel.

# **CAMPUS WEAR POLICY**

The goal of the Campus Dress Code Policy is to provide a professional dress environment aligning to the school's mission to create a climate in which every student learns.

# I. Daily Campus Wear Policy

For male or females:

**Pants:** (Colors) Khaki, Black, Navy or Gray Fabric: Cotton or Twill (No Jeans, Denim, Corduroy, Sweat or Wind Pants, No side zippers; No leg pockets; Standard front and back pockets only and length – cannot drag on floor) No student may wear yoga pants/spandex pants, capri type pants. Furthermore, all pants must have a front zipper for both genders. (elementary girls can wear no front zipper pants)

**Females**: Skirts/Jumpers; Colors must be the following, Khaki, Black, Navy, Gray or Navy/Plaid (can be purchased at Lion's Clothing) Fabric: Cotton or Twill; (No Jeans, Denim, Corduroy, Sweat or Wind or Pant material) Length – at least touching top of knee; straight or pleated.

In addition, all pants, skirts, and jumpers will be fitted and hemmed, and may not be altered in any way except to fit properly.

For male or females: **Daily Campus Wear Shirts**: (Colors) Navy, Gray, White, Light blue, Red or Burgundy (Solid Colors Only, No Denim)

All shirts must have collars and buttons. Shirts must be buttoned excluding top button. Tailed shirts (Oxfords) must be tucked in. Any brand emblem/logo may not exceed approx. 1" in diameter.

**Under Layering** – Long and short sleeve T-shirts, turtlenecks, camis, or tank tops under any Campus Wear shirt color is permitted to be worn under any Daily Campus Wear Shirts for comfort, modesty and warmth. (Solid Colors Only, no lace embellishments, no logos showing through) Long sleeve t-shirts, long sleeve thermals and compression shirts sold in the Spirit Store that have TEMPLE or PIONEERs on the sleeve are permitted to be worn under Campus Wear shirts or Spirit Store Fleece Vests.

Over Layering Sweaters/Sweater vests – Colors: Navy, Gray, White, Light Blue, Red or Burgundy (Solid Colors Only, No Denim) – V-neck, Crew Neck or Cardigan; Campus Wear shirts (listed above) must be worn under all sweaters. Any brand emblem/logo may not exceed approx. 1" in diameter. Sweatshirts – Colors: Navy, Gray, White, Light Blue, Red or Burgundy (Solid Colors Only) – Crew Neck Only (No hoods) – Campus Wear shirts (Listed above) must be worn under all sweatshirts. Any brand emblem/logo may not exceed approx. 1" in diameter. The only fleece vests approved are the ones solid in the Spirit Store and contain a Temple Logo. Fleece vests are to be worn with a long sleeve under layer or any campus wear shirts. If a fleece vest is worn with an under layer only then it must be kept zipped up \(^3\)4 or more.

Temple Wear is any items in this section that includes a school or school activity logo on upper right or left chest or sleeve that is 2.5"H x 3.25"W or less. Temple wear is allowed at all times. In addition to campus wear the following are approved: (Must be purchased from Temple Spirit Store)

- 1. T-temple logo hoodies
- 2. 2013-14 hoodie with Temple Christian Pioneers with flames.
- 3. Under Layering: Compression shirts from Spirit Store: (Temple or Pioneer on sleeves)
- 4. Long sleeve T-shirt: ) Temple or Pioneer on sleeves)
- 5. Fleece vest with Temple logo
- 6. Fleece Jackets that are zippered with Temple Logo
- 7. Dri-Fit pull- overs with Temple logo
- 8. TCS Pioneer hoodie

**Shoes** – Standard shoes or tennis shoes. No open-toed shoes– No flip-flops–No slippers. Any open heeled shoe must have a back strap for safety purposes. Shoes with closures must be worn as intended. Tie shoes must be tied.

**Socks** – Socks are required. Female students may wear tights or hose in flesh tones or solid colors. Solid color leggings such as all black, grey, white, navy, maroon (uniform colors) can be worn.

**Belts** - Belts are optional unless necessary to keep your pants up.

**Head Gear** – No head gear (hats, caps, sweatbands, curlers, sunglasses) are to be worn indoors. (Ladies can wear head bands, flowers, etc... in their hair) (Males: no type of comb or other objectives of that nature are to be visible in the student hair)

**Jewelry** – No heavy metal or heavy chains allowed. Students are not permitted to wear facial piercings or tongue rings during the school hours/activities. We ask that students refrain from visible tattoos while in school.

# II. Spirit Wear Day Policy:

- a. Only assigned by the grade level principal who will include Ohio State vs Michigan days, etc... and the school principal of grade levels will send notes home or communicate in News Letter for those days.
- III. **Casual Dress Days Policy**: (Dress days are given as awards. Students must have an award slip presented and handed into the homeroom teacher to be validated)
  - a. Jeans, <u>ANY</u> temple School spirit Wear, Temple Wear, Temple Spirit t-shirt wear, etc...
  - b. Approved campus wear shorts may be worn (only during August, September and May); flip flops are not permitted.
  - c. Homeroom teachers are to collect Casual Dress Slips

# **IV.** Witness Wear Day Policy:

a. Jeans, Witness Wear shirt of the current year. No jackets, hoodies, dry fit, or fleece should be worn over the witness wear shirt. Witness wear shirt must be visible in order to wear jeans.

#### V. TCS Team Wear

a. Coaches, in cooperation with the school principal, may have their team wear designated attire during one game day each week while in-season. Coaches are to do this on game days and communicate 24 hours in advance with the school principal.

### VI. Shorts for School:

a. During the month of August, September, and May; the school principal will inform the school body that students may wear shorts of the appropriate length (no more than 3 inches above the knee approximately) as a school uniform. All other uniform policies stay the same.

#### General information on uniforms:

- Excluding Temple Wear, no school or sports team logos permitted.
- Clothing should be neither excessively tight nor excessively oversized.
- No tattered, dirty, or torn clothing permitted. Solid colors only
- No profanity, offensive language, illustrations, sexual innuendos or references to alcohol, drugs, or tobacco are permitted.
- Proper under-garments must be worn.
- Undergarments shall not be exposed or seen through clothing.
- No portion of the midriff or backside shall be exposed at any time.
- No outer wear shall be worn indoors.
- Any special needs and/or variations to the Campus Wear Policy requirements must be approved by the administrator.
- Final interpretation and enforcement of the Campus Wear policy is at the discretion of the Administration.

# Students and Temple Fans Dress Code for Athletic Events:

As a spectator, TCS students are permitted to wear the following types of clothing to fall and spring athletic events provided modesty is maintained: shorts, sweats, wind pants, jeans, Capri pants, T-shirts, polo shirts, tennis shoes, and sandals. This includes students coming from practice provided practice-clothing meets the noted criteria. As in previous years, team uniforms may also be worn when coming from different athletic events. We would also like to encourage the students to show school spirit by wearing Temple colors and logo clothing to sporting events.

- No halter or tank tops are permitted
- T-shirts, polo shirts, tops, etc., are to be of sufficient length to cover torso and may not have offensive wording or pictures.
- Sweat pants, wind pants, shorts, and capris may be worn, but may not have wording or designs on the backside (bottom area).
  - Shorts must be at least mid-thigh length.

Students can wear blue jeans or jean capris; but the jeans or jean capris must conform to the dress code. (No bib, baggy or frayed/torn jeans ) \*See attached description of new jeans policy.

# Jeans Policy:

- Ieans must be fit modestly
- No wording or designs on the backside (bottom area)
- No holes, patches or tears
- No spandex jeans or pants
- No lacing on jeans

# **Hair Policy:**

In an effort to provide more flexibility in hair styles, the Temple Christian Board of Education has implemented the following revised hair policy for our students; Young Men/Boys

- Hair shall not be longer in the back than the top of the school uniform shirt collar
- Ear lobes must be visible and hair must not be longer than the eyebrows
- Only natural shades of hair color are permitted
- No Mohawks or wild style haircuts are permitted.
- Hair shall be neatly groomed.
- Boys are not permitted to wear earrings or have facial piercing. No facial hair permitted.

# Young Ladies/Girls:

- Girls are permitted to wear short and long feminine styled haircut
- Only natural shades of hair color are permitted
- · Hair shall be neatly groomed

Note: The administration may deem a particular haircut, style, or color inappropriate at its sole discretion and may require immediate corrective action.

As with any other policy in relation to appearance, it is our expectation that students present themselves in a <u>modest fashion</u>. \*If the student's hair does not meet school policy within one week, the student will receive a detention.

# Non-compliance actions for dress code: (for the YEAR)

The Temple Christian School Board of Education realizes that it cannot put into writing all of the possible differences of clothing students may wear to school or school activities. This being the case, the TCS School Board of Education has given the Superintendent and Principal the authority to have the final decision as to what is permissible concerning hair code, make-up and dress code violations.

# Junior and Senior High Corrective actions: Hair and dress code violation will result in: (The standard corrections applies to all year and not per marking period) By School Principal:

- First Offense: Reading of standards and corrective verbal actions.
- Second offense: two lunch detentions
- Third Offense: Two Lunch detentions and one after school detention.
- Four Offense: Saturday School Detention, two lunch detentions
- Fifth Offense: Students may not have any privileges other than Daily Campus Wear as determined by the school principal.
- Sixth offense: eligible for a one day suspension out of school.

# **Elementary:**

By Teacher:

- First offense: reading of standards and corrective verbal actions and the opportunity to change clothes, if available.
- Second offense: Recess time taken away
- Third offense: same
- Fourth offense: Student may not have any privileges other than Daily Campus Dress Down for the remainder of the marking period or until determined by school principal.

#### SPECIFIC STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

Below are listed specific standards of conduct which all T.C.S. students are expected to follow:

#### **CHEATING**

- (a) Cheating on homework requires an "F" on the homework, and the homework must be redone.
  - (b) Cheating on daily quizzes requires an "F" on the quiz
- (c) Cheating on an examination requires an "F" on the examination and two detentions.
  - (d) Cheating on a Final Exam requires an "F" on the final exam.

#### **DEFACING PROPERTY**

Requires payment for the damage plus 2 Saturday school days (Depending on circumstances)

# DIRECT DISOBEDIENCE AND DISRESPECT TO A TEACHER OR STAFF MEMBER

Requires a public apology and may serve detentions, Saturday school, suspension or expulsion based on severity of the offense.

# ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND DRUG USE

Drinking of alcoholic beverages or the taking of drugs not prescribed by a doctor will not be tolerated at any time or any place. This includes school, school functions, home, or while out in the community. The use of illegal drugs, and alcohol beverages can result in a student being expelled permanently from Temple.

#### **IMMORAL ACTIVITIES**

Participating in immoral activities at any time or any place may result in expulsion from school.

#### SMOKING OR USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS

First offense will result in 2 Saturday school days. Second offense will result in suspension and or expulsion. (Illicit drugs will be one on one basis with the school board recommendation of expulsion/suspension from school

#### FIGHTING OR HORSEPLAY

Will result in 2 Saturday school days, suspension, or expulsion depending on the severity of the specific offense (this is left to the administrator's discretion).

# **DETENTIONS** (after school and lunch for High School students)

- Detentions are given to students for misbehavior, incomplete homework assignments, excessive tardy, talking without permission, and other infractions which are too many to list in the student handbook. Detentions are held on Monday and Wednesday after school for 40 minutes (3:05 to 3:45). Students will be provided with an assignment to complete during the detention. Students must stay in the detention room for 40 minutes from the time they arrive. Any student arriving more than 5 minutes late to detention will receive a 2<sup>nd</sup> detention.
- Students who miss homework will automatically attend Lunch Detention for that day or the next (if the class is in the afternoon). Teachers are to turn the students name to the office and the secretary will compile a list for the school principal. Any student who is late for lunch detention will serve AN ADDITIONAL TWO DAYS. (Regulations for student lunch detention: NO talking, no music, or computers. Students can finish homework but must stay in lunch detention. Lunch detention is held in Room 17 each day. Teachers, principals will rotate a schedule for lunch detention. (Any student arriving late more than 5 minutes to after school detention will receive a second detention.)

# **SEARCH AND SEIZURE at TCS**

Although a student and Temple Christian School may have joint control of lockers, desks, or other school property, the student never has exclusive control of his/her property. With respect to lockers, desks, and other school property, the following rules and standards shall be recognized and applied

- 1. Student lockers, desks, and similar property are the property of Temple Christian School. They are provided solely as a convenience for students to use.
- 2. Student lockers, desks, and similar property (computers) are to be used only for the purpose of storing textbooks, school supplies, clothing, daily lunches and information.
- 3. Students should not consider the lockers, desks, or similar property to which they have been assigned as a private place.
- 4. Student lockers, desks, and similar property (computers) are subject to search by school administrator, along with one other professional employee at any time and without notice.
- 5. At the discretion of an administrator, or his designee with or without the student being present, a search of a student's property including his/her locker may be undertaken.
  - 6. Students should be keeping valuables locked in lockers and no other place.

#### LOCKING UP PERSONAL ITEMS:

All valuables, electronic devices, clothing, etc... should be locked in a locker. NO items are to be kept in restrooms, or other places. Students must keep valuable items locked up. Students who do not follow this policy risk the liability of missing items.

#### DISCIPLINE OFFENSES RESULTING IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Note: These lists are representative and are not meant to be conclusive. MINOR OFFENSES:

When these offenses occur in the classroom, the teacher will handle them according to their individual classroom plan. Repetition of these or similar offenses indicate a basic disrespect for authority and will be referred to the principal and can result in parent involvement, detention, disciplinary probation and/or after multiple fractions could result in the loss of privileges at TCS. (attending games, participating in sports, etc... at the discretion of the principal)

- 1. Improper use of class time.
- 2. Unprepared for class without valid excuse.
- 3. Consuming food or drink outside the lunchroom or designated area.
- 4. Disturbing a class in session or making disruptive noise.
- 5. Unexcused tardiness to school or to class.
- 6. Any violation of a teacher's classroom guidelines.
- 7. Failure to return forms requiring parent's signature.
- 8. Being in unauthorized areas of the building or grounds.
- 9. Horseplay at inappropriate times or places.
- 10. Being out of class without a pass.
- 11. Line jumping in the lunchroom.
- 12. Improper dress or appearance. (See specific guidelines)
- 13. Chewing gum in class.
- 14. Littering.
- 15. Possession of electronic equipment not for educational purposes can be confiscated and the student can pick up at the end of the school day from the office.

# **MAJOR OFFENSES:**

Major Offenses will be referred immediately to the principal and in turn to the parents by the principal. The offense can result in disciplinary probation, immediate suspension and eventual expulsion from school. Ultimately YOU must decide whether your experience here will be a success or a failure. No one else can make that decision for you.

- 1. Defiance or disrespect toward ANY school personnel.
- 2. Repeating violation of classroom rules deliberate disobedience to a teacher.
- 3. Improper boy/girl relationship behavior any such public display of physical touch could be deemed inappropriate.
  - 4. Use of profane or obscene language or gestures.
  - 5. Skipping class/classes or school.
- 6. Any action, whether thoughtless or on purpose that could cause physical harm to another.

- 7. Taking or using the personal property of other without permission.
- 8. Failure to report for a detention or an appointment required by a teacher or administrator.
  - 9. Frequent critical or derogatory statements toward an individual or the school.
- 10. Leaving school without permission and/or following proper checkout procedures.
  - 11. Reckless operation of a motor vehicle on or adjacent to the school.

#### **SEVERE OFFENSES:**

Severe offenses will be referred immediately to the principal and in turn to the parents by the principal. Any of the following severe offense can result in immediate expulsion from school:

- 1. cheating
- 2. stealing
- 3. destruction of school/church property
- 4. sexual immorality as defined in the Bible
- 5. use, possession, sale or distribution of alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, drugs, pornography, or explosive devices.
- 6. fighting and/or physical abuse of another student
- 7. verbal abuse, intimidation, or threatening of another student
- 8. Use or possession of any kind of weapon, such as a gun, knife, etc.
- 9. lying to a staff member
- 10. setting fires, false alarms, or bomb threats

#### **CELL PHONES OR OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES:**

Students are permitted to use their cellular phones with the permission of a teacher or administrator at school from hours before 8:00am and after 3:00pm during school days/hours. That permission is given to a student to talk with a parent and must be used in the high school office. Students may use their phones before and after school. Phones will not become a distraction at school. Therefore, the following restrictions apply:

1. Students may keep the cell phone in their locker to avoid it being a distraction or it may kept on themselves as long as it is set to be on silent and not on vibrate and should not be seen while carrying it.

# **CONSEQUENCES:**

Students who have the phone out or in the process of using it will have the phone taken and the phone can be picked up by the student at the end of the day.

• First Offense: 2 lunch detentions

Second Offense: 2 lunch detentions and one after school detention
 Third Offense: 2 lunch detentions and one Saturday Detention

• Fourth Offense: TBD by school principal

\*Remember, students who need to use the phone to call must ask permission from a teacher or administrator. If there was a Lockdown, students may use their phones to communicate with local authorities.

#### TECHNOLOGY OFFENSES:

Any student who is misusing technology at Temple will result in Lunch detention to dismissal from school depending on the measure; these actions would include computer games, personal emails, Facebook, Twitter, Skype or other social media sites, hacking, or other inappropriate measures by the student.

#### **PIONEER STUDENT DAYS:**

- I. High School Only: Students who continually follow the regulations of the school and have no more than one detention will receive at the end of each marking period the following:
- a. The bus will take students with teachers for 60 minutes to the area of McD, BK, or Happy Daz for lunch. Students may purchase their own lunch and enjoy a time away from school as a positive reward. This day may be substituted for Cold Stone Creamery, etc., for example.
- b. The date will be determined at the end of the marking period by the school principal.
- c. Students will automatically have a casual dress down day announced by the school principal
- d. On some special occasions students may be taken to restaurants around or in the vicinity of the mall or other potential places (such as Biggby). Lunch will be paid for by the students.
- II. Middle School/elementary only: Students who continually follow the regulations of the school and have no more than one detention will receive at the end of each marking period the following:
  - a. M.S. students will attend an on-campus special activity
  - b. Students in the elementary will hold a special day with can include ice cream sundae parties, pizza parties, or extra recess with the school principals of Mrs. Marshall-Dr. Powell.
- III. At the end of each marking period, students who performed exceptionally well academically will receive: (Elementary and High School students)
  - 3.0-3.4: One; one casual dress down days
  - 3.5-3.9: Two casual dress down days (A-B Honor roll for elementary)
  - 4.0 +: Three casual dress down days (All A honor roll for elementary)
- IV. High School Only: Students who received a 3.8 or higher and no office referrals are authorized to have one day off school to be determined by the outstanding student, parent and principal working together. The 3.8 GPA must include the first and second marking period combined. That student will be counted as excused from school. This privilege will be determined at the end of the 2nd marking period only.

# **SPORTS ELIGIBILITY POLICY**

Students are eligible to play Jr-Hi / HS sports for Temple if:

- 1. All OHSAA sports eligibility requirements are met.
- 2. Students are taking and paying for a minimum of one Temple class (academic or non-academic) during the full year for which they are playing sports, earning at least one credit.

Refer to Athletic Handbook.