

Walton Middle/High School Progressive Discipline Plan

MISSION STATEMENT:

Teaching, Learning, Caring, and Growing . . . Together

Vision:

The Walton Central School District strives to maintain an environment that sets high academic standards; requires quality performance; and fosters mutual cooperation, emotional support, and personal growth.

Belief Statement:

- We care for each other by nurturing, supporting, and respecting the worth and dignity of all.
- We commit to giving our personal best.
- We cooperate and collaborate to further our growth as a learning community.
- We center all decision making around our students.
- We commit to continuous academic improvement and using data appropriately.
- We celebrate quality performance.

In order to achieve our mission and beliefs, a clear commitment to effective communication and collaboration is needed.

The following progressive discipline plan was created to support Walton Middle/High School's Mission and Beliefs.

PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE PLAN:

The primary responsibility for discipline in the classroom rests with the teacher, who shall use reasonable and professional judgment in maintaining order and in administering disciplinary measures. Students who disrupt classes keep teachers from doing their jobs effectively and deprive their classmates of valuable learning time. Therefore, teachers will inform all students and their Parents/guardians of classroom expectations and the procedures that will be followed for any violation of these expectations.

CLASSROOM DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES:

- 1st Offense: Teacher will provide a warning
2nd Offense: Teacher will contact Parent and Administration by email or phone
3rd Offense: Teacher will assign lunch detention and notify administration
4th and additional offense(s): Referral to office

Examples of minor offenses the teacher would handle:

- Academic integrity (lack of)
- Excessive talking during class time
- Not being in assigned seat
- Not having homework completed
- Not prepared for class
- Passing notes
- Refusing to work
- Tapping pencils/pens on desk
- Late to class
- Electronic device violations
- Tardies
- Any other offense that can be handled by the teacher
- Hallway or classroom altercation (verbal or physical)

Examples of major offenses that would result in automatic referral:

- Destruction of property
- Disruption of class so severe that the teacher cannot continue to teach
- Severe dress code violations
- Fighting
- Insubordination
- Physical or sexual harassment
- Severe profanity
- Stealing
- Suspicion of being under the influence of or possession of drugs/alcohol (Call office)
- Any other offense that is a severe disruption of school or is a safety concern