

RAMSEY MS Student Policies

Locker Policy

In an effort to create more structure throughout Ramsey, and to increase safety and security, all Ramsey students are expected to place all personal belongings in their lockers and only carry the necessities for class. These items are allowable in student lockers: backpacks, purses, hand bags, drawstring bags, jackets, winter wear (gloves, hats, scarves, etc.) textbooks, school supplies and personal needs. Students are expected to learn their locker combination and not share their locker combination with others!

Backpack Policy

Backpacks can be used to carry belongings to and from school. During the school day backpacks, bags, and/or purses must be stored in student lockers and will not be allowed in classrooms, gym or cafeteria.

Student Dress Code

Student clothing should not present a danger to student's health or safety, interfere with learning or create classroom distractions. Students should wear school appropriate, properly fitting clothing to school.

The following items may not be worn to school:

- Clothing with profanity and/or inappropriate slogans/images
- Revealing clothing
- Coats, jackets, gloves
- Head Coverings including hats, caps, hoods/hoodies, doo-rags, bonnets, or bandanas of any kind.
- *Head/hair covering for religious purposes will be allowed.*

Students who fail to comply with the school's dress code policy will be given an opportunity to correct the matter. Refusals and repeat offenses may result in parent contact and/or other consequences.

Hats and Hoods

In order to keep our school safe and secure, it is important that students keep their hats off and their hoods down. In doing so, staff is able to identify students better and increase the safety in the building. All hats must be off and hoods must be down from 7:00 AM to 2 PM *every day*.

- 1st and 2nd requests: Student is expected to remove their hat or hood immediately, and keep it off.
- 3rd request: The intervention specialist will see the student, a parent will be called, and the clothing item will be handed over to the interventionist for the remainder of the day.

If a student refuses to follow the expectation at this point, the student will be sent to administration

Electronics

Ramsey Middle School requests that student use of personal electronics (i.e. cell phones, cameras, tablets, iPods, headphones and other electronic equipment) be limited to before and after school. During times of acceptable use at school, earbuds/ headphones are required. During the school day, electronic equipment must be stored away. ***Students, who choose to bring personal electronic devices to school, do so at their own risk. Ramsey Middle School will not be responsible for damaged, lost, missing or stolen items.*** Students caught using non-school approved electronics will be asked to put them away. Students who refuse or have repeat violations may be subject to consequences as follows:

1st Offense: Confiscation of device, returned at the end of the day

2nd Offense: Confiscation of device, returned at the end of the week

3rd Offense: Confiscation of device, parent will need to pick it up from school

4th Offense: Confiscation of device, placed in the "June Box", returned at the end of the school year

Tardy Policy

Students are expected to arrive on time to each of their classes daily. When students are on time to class they are demonstrating that they are ready to learn. All Ramsey students are able to participate in all of the positive school-wide activities i.e. dances and field trip that are offered throughout the school year based on students meeting the school wide behavioral expectations. When students are truant to class multiple times, the following supports and interventions will be implemented:

- Lunch detention up to three times
- Referral to administration
- Parent meeting
- 1 hour after school detention
- 2 hour Saturday school (held at Ramsey from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM)
- Dismissal

When students have excessive tardies the counselors and grade level intervention specialists will work together to devise a plan to help the student get to class on time i.e. check in check out, monitor slip etc.