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SY23/24 - Code of Excellence




Boston Prep Mission Statement: Boston Prep Charter Public School prepares students to succeed in four-year colleges and embody, in thought and action, lifelong ethical growth.

Dear Boston Prep Families & Students,








As Phoenix, we rise ! This year we plan to continue to the occasion of rising like never before. The High School Culture Team has been working hard over the summer to reconstruct and revamp our accountability system. We believe that our school can display academic excellence and remain safe throughout this process.

Last year we saw an increase in disruption of the educational process and as a community we were not following the Boston Prep Code of Conduct. While we know change is not easy to accept, we as a community need to understand change is necessary to achieve goals. With that in mind, we will introduce you to our new accountability system and inform you of important needs to know for the school year 2023-2024.

Meet your Culture Team

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Non- Negotiable Dress Code Policy

Tops:	Bottoms:	Shoes:
<p>Any official Boston Prep top:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Black Polo (short/long sleeve) ● Athletics T-shirt ● Black Quarter Zip Sweatshirt ● Black Zip Up Fleece ● Crew Neck (<i>new SY24</i>) ● Maroon Cardigan ● Sport Jersey determined by coach <p>Students are not permitted to wear hoodies of any kind</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Phoenix Hoodies  Team Hoodies  AP/Class Hoodies 	<p>Khaki/Tan/Black/Grey/Navy Blue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Full length trouser (dress pants) ● Skirts/Shorts must be within an inch of the knee-length and waist height ● Boston Prep branded shorts/sweatpants 	<p>Any type of shoes are permissible except open toe shoes (for safety reasons). The following are NOT allowed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Sandals  Slides  Flip Flops  Slippers

Out of Uniform will result in disciplinary action that will range from a Detention to a Suspension, depending on the infractions.

Non-Negotiable Cell Phone Policy

Boston Prep is a phone free school.

All phones should be in Yondr pouches.

If your student no longer has access to their Yondr Pouch, please have them connect with a member of the Culture Team to get a new pouch.

Students found to be in possession of a phone out of a Yondr pouch will result in disciplinary actions that will range from a Detention to a Suspension, or at the Dean's discretion.

Non - Negotiable Technology Policy

Broken Chromebook	Chromebook Replacement	Charger
<p>Damage Fee:\$ 40.00</p> <p>Example: Cracked Screen Missing keys Broken Keyboard Cracked Cover Liquid Damage Missing Keyboard Cover Camera Damage Etc.</p>	<p>Replacement Fee: \$300.00</p> <p>Example: Stolen Lost Misplaced Damaged</p> <p>- This includes letting your peers borrowing the Chromebook</p> <p>Note: Once you notice your chromebook is missing please report it to Tech right away!</p>	<p>Replacement Fee: \$20.00</p> <p>Example: Lost Stolen Misplaced Damaged</p> <p>- This includes letting your peers borrow your Charger and it goes missing</p>

Students found to have purposely damaged a Chromebook will result in disciplinary actions that will range from accountability tier system, ex; In School Suspension, Out of Suspension, depending on the infractions.

The accountability **system** below ensures that the focus remains on maximizing learning.
 ALL infractions will be logged in DeansList

BEHAVIOR MATRIX:

Matrix Consequences Guide

Minimum	Maximum
Detention	OSS 1+
ISS	OSS 3+
OSS 10+	Expulsion

Behaviors that warrant a DEMERIT	
<p><u>Exception to list</u> School Arrival Tardiness (Any student that arrives after the morning bell) This action will result in a same day LUNCH detention</p>	
<table border="1" style="margin: auto; width: 80%;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Consequences Range from Detention - Out of School Suspension One Day or Greater</td> </tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unauthorized leaving/entry of Class ● Tardiness to class (not seated by bell) - Priority Issue ● Phone/earbud usage (inhibits learning); Out of Yondr ● Out of Uniform ● Off Task 	Consequences Range from Detention - Out of School Suspension One Day or Greater
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Behaviors that warrant an automatic REFERRAL include but are not limited to:	

Consequences Range from In School Suspension - Out of School Suspension Greater Than 3 days

- Vandalism / Destruction of Property / Arseny / False Fire Alarm
- Multiple students occupying bathroom stall (large stall)
- Refusal to leave school when Culture Team asks
- Sexual language (generalized)
- Harassment of students & staff (sexual / non-sexual legal criteria)
- Unprofessional / Aggressive language (Target / Generalized)
- Targeted Threats of violence to staff/students/community member
- Skipping class
(missed more than 10 minutes of class / Out of class without permission and pass) - Priority Issue
- Possession of an unconventional item on school grounds
- Instigation of/during physical altercation (verbal, filming, directly ignoring staff direction)
- Horseplay in halls/class
- Class disruption (after management strategies and impacting whole class)

Consequences Range from Out of School Suspension 10 Days or Greater - Expulsion

- Possession/distribution/ Vaping/Use of Paraphernalia with a controlled substance
- Student arrives to school under the influence of a controlled substance (alcohol, marijuana etc.)
- Weapon possession / look -a- like weapon -
- Assault on staff
- Committing / Attempting sexual assault
- Physical Altercation (Battery/Assault/Mutual),
- Bullying Confirmed / Act of (legal criteria met) with investigation completed by Deans

We are so grateful to each and every one of you for being on this journey with us this year. We promise to foster a culture of learning and academic achievement while cultivating a joyful and inclusive environment. Together, we can ensure that each and every student is prepared to succeed in college and beyond. As we do, please know that we--with your help, support, and guidance--are focused together on working to an antiracist school where students excel. As such, we work together to foster a sense of belonging, affirm the whole child, hold high expectations, and deliver exceptional instruction. In order to achieve our vision, we continue to believe that relationships coupled with clear systems of accountability are at the center of the important work that we all-- students, family, and faculty-- show up to do every single day.

We are excited for the year ahead!

Best,

HS Culture Team

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