



## **Sierra Vista Junior High School**

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### **Sierra Vista Tardy Policy**

Dear Sierra Vista Families,

Responsibility is one of the pillars of character that we try to promote and teach here at Sierra Vista Junior High. Just like in the real world, punctuality is very important. Being on time shows readiness and a willingness to learn. Here at Sierra Vista, students are given a five minute passing period to move from class to class. This is plenty of time for students to use the restroom and/or get a drink of water. Many years ago, a five minute passing period was established so students would have enough time to switch books out of their lockers. Since lockers vanished years ago, arriving to class on time should not be a problem. The following tardy policy has been established to assure that students arrive to school on time:

#### **First Tardy**

Teacher warning

#### **Second Tardy**

Teacher consequence

#### **Third Tardy**

Teacher contacts parents.

*(If parents cannot be reached, teachers will send home a Tardy Letter)*

#### **Fourth Tardy**

Counselor Referral

#### **Fifth Tardy and Beyond**

Administrator Referral

Starting the third week of school at Sierra Vista, the tardy policy will be implemented. In addition to the above consequences, students who reach 4 tardies in a single quarter will be in jeopardy of earning a "N" on their progress report and/or report card. If tardies continue to become excessive, students will also be in jeopardy of earning a conduct grade of "U." Students who are assigned "N's" and "U's" will lose school privileges, i.e. field trips, team activities, and dances, etc. They may also incur serious consequences from the administrators. Because Sierra Vista focuses on many positive aspects of school, occasionally prizes will be given throughout the year to classes who have positive attendance. As always, we appreciate your support in making Sierra Vista Junior High School *"the best school in the valley."*

Cordially,

Mark Crawford  
Principal

Brenda Bennett  
Assistant Principal

Thomas Flores  
Assistant Principal