

YBMS STUDENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

LOCKER POLICY

The Board of School Directors acknowledges the need for safe in-school storage of books, clothing, school materials, and other personal property; and therefore, the district may provide lockers for such storage. All lockers are and shall remain the property of the school district. As such, students shall have no privacy in their lockers. The Board of School Directors reserves the right to authorize its principals to inspect a student's locker at any time for the purpose of determining whether the locker is being used for storage of contraband, an illegal substance, or any material that poses a hazard to the safety and order of the school.

Students and parents are required to be notified annually, or more often if necessary, concerning the contents of this policy. Students shall be required to sign a waiver in order to have the use of a school locker.

STUDENT HANDBOOK/CODE OF CONDUCT (Available online)

During the first several days of school, we will be reviewing the Student Handbook/Code of Conduct with the students. In addition, we strongly encourage your family to review and utilize this handbook so that together your family can make the most of the academic, social, and extra-curricular opportunities that are offered at Yellow Breeches Middle School. This handbook, located on the district website, outlines the policies and educational programs of the South Middleton School District which are most important to the parents, students, faculty, and staff of Yellow Breeches Middle School. In addition, it includes the rules, regulations, and procedures which stem from those policies. The Student Handbook/Code of Conduct was developed in order to promote an orderly, safe, scholastic, and productive learning environment while stressing student self-discipline through an understanding of their rights and responsibilities. Please be aware that the Student Handbook/Code of Conduct does not include all policies of the South Middleton School District. If you have any questions about the details of specific policies in this handbook or questions about additional policies, please contact the building principal.

PHOTO/VIDEO RELEASE FORM

With the many accomplishments of our students and staff, there are opportunities for South Middleton students involved in various activities to be included in photographs or video footage. The photographs and video may be used in district publications, video productions, newspapers, the district web site and on television.

We request that you indicate your desire regarding permission to have your child photographed and/or videotaped for publications, newspapers, video productions, or electronic media. This release form will remain in effect during your child's term of enrollment in the school district unless rescinded in writing.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Students are able to take full advantage of the educational opportunities offered to them only if they follow a policy of regular attendance. Any child who has attained the age of eight (8) years prior to February 1st of any school year, or who has entered school at an earlier age and who has not yet attained the age of seventeen (17) years, nor graduated, shall be required to attend school regularly during the entire school year.

This document outlines attendance requirements, excused and unexcused absences, tardies and early dismissals, and Educational Field Trips.