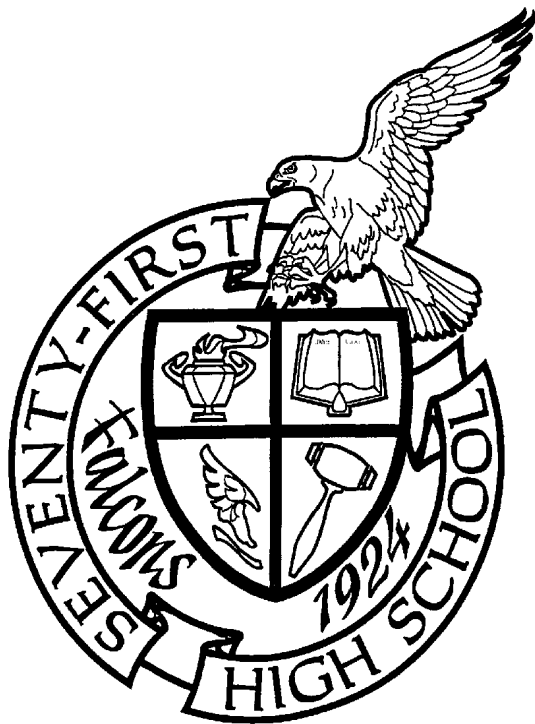


# Seventy-First High School

## STUDENT HANDBOOK



**2024 - 2025**

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Student Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Homeroom Teacher (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Room #: \_\_\_\_\_

# Welcome to Seventy-First High School

Home of the **Falcons!**

We would like to personally extend a warm welcome to all parents, guardians, and students. We have many great things in store for our students as they begin the new school year. Academic success and safety for your child are our top priorities.

Our primary responsibility is student learning and offering all of our students the educational opportunities that will maximize their potential. Our teachers are student-centered, caring instructors who make Seventy-First High School an enjoyable place for students to learn and grow. The staff sets high expectations for all students and provides vigorous lessons to help them reach their highest potential. Our staff of professionals works collaboratively to provide a positive and productive learning environment.

The demands of today's world require students who think critically and we are challenging them in their learning experiences so they can work to achieve their dreams. The level of success at Seventy-First High School requires the joint efforts of our students, parents, guardians, staff, and community. This collaborative partnership working together as a team, can accomplish our goal of achieving excellence in our curricular and co-curricular areas. We truly believe that being involved is one of the most important aspects of your child's school year. **Please come by and get involved!**

This handbook has been prepared as a guiding tool to ensure students are aware of school, county, and state policies and procedures. In order to maintain a safe and orderly environment it is necessary to acquaint yourself and your student with this handbook. Please stress to your child the importance of following the policies and procedures in this handbook. Keep this handbook as a quick reference and if you have any questions do not hesitate to contact any member of the administrative team.

Thank you for entrusting your child to us. We are looking forward to a wonderful school year together!

With respect and appreciation,

James Blue  
**Principal**

Amber Gavin  
**Assistant Principal**

Quantisha Spencer  
**Assistant Principal**

Qusheba Collins  
**Assistant Principal**

Travis Greene  
**Assistant Principal/Athletic Director**

# **VISION STATEMENT**

**Seventy-First High School  
contributes to the academic and  
social development of all  
stakeholders.**

# **MISSION STATEMENT**

**Seventy-First High School stakeholders are committed to providing a safe and caring school environment that promotes growth and a successful future.**

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# Who to Contact

## **Administrative Team**

Principal .....	Mr. James Blue
Assistant Principal .....	Ms. Qusheba Collins
Assistant Principal .....	Mrs. Quantisha Spencer
Assistant Principal .....	Mrs. Amber Gavin
Assistant Principal/Athletic Director .....	Mr. Travis Greene
Safe School Coordinator .....	Mr. William Edwards

## **Student Services**

Lead Counselor .....	Mrs. Tiara Parker
School Counselor .....	Mrs. Natalie Haire
School Counselor .....	Mrs. Shakima Virgil
School Counselor .....	Ms. Danielle Willis
School Social Worker .....	Mr. Khalil Shakeel
AIG Coordinator .....	Ms. Shana Matthews
EC Case Manager .....	Ms. Mechel Brown
Counseling Center Receptionist .....	Mrs. Latonya Reece
Data Manager .....	Mrs. Joanna Alicea

## **Support Staff**

Principal Secretary .....	Ms. Shareia Ross
Attendance Clerk .....	Ms. Elizabeth White
Bookkeeper .....	Mrs. Jennifer Purdie
Discipline Clerk .....	Ms. Elizabeth White
Main Office Receptionist .....	Ms. Laura Snow
Remediation Assistant .....	Ms. Lakelli Butler
GradPoint Facilitator .....	Ms. Teionnah Mathis
Head Custodian .....	Mr. Richard King
Cafeteria Manager .....	Ms. Nadia Mercado

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT OFFICERS**

President	_____
Vice-President	_____
Secretary	_____
Treasurer	_____

**SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS**

President	_____
Vice-President	_____
Secretary	_____
Treasurer	_____

**JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS**

President	_____
Vice-President	_____
Secretary	_____
Treasurer	_____

**SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS**

President	_____
Vice-President	_____
Secretary	_____
Representative	_____

**FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS**

President	_____
Vice President	_____
Secretary	_____
Representative	_____



### **Duties of Student Officers**

**President:** ultimately is responsible for all class activities; creates meeting agenda and presides over meetings; delegates duties and acts as the representative for the class

**Vice-President:** fulfills the duties of the President in their absence; performs duties assigned by the President

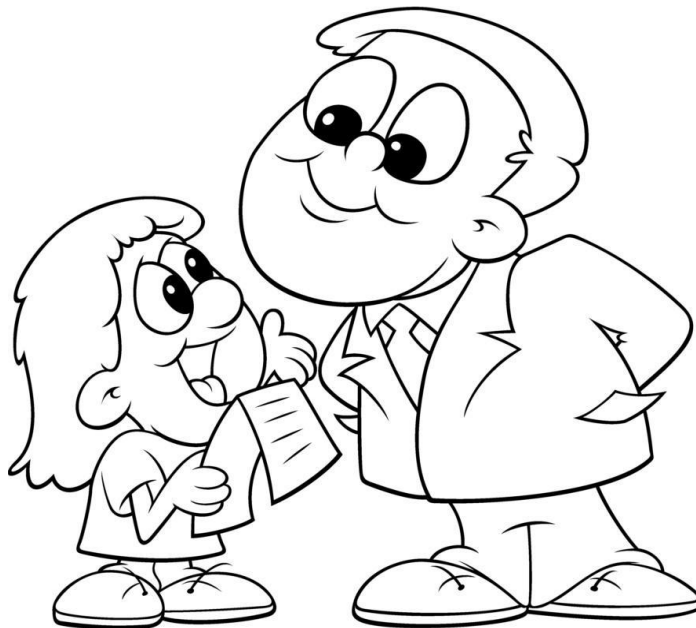
**Secretary:** takes meeting minutes; maintains correspondence and attendance records; keeps class activity calendar; responsible for all sign-in and sign-up sheets

**Treasurer:** establishes budget; gives financial status report at class meetings

**Sergeant at Arms:** maintains order and decorum at meetings

**Historian:** records and writes a narrative of activities and events; maintains a scrapbook of documents & memorabilia; coordinates activities with the school newspaper and yearbook staff; and publicizes activities

**Faculty Advisor:** acts as a liaison between the class and the administration, ensures that the group's actions and activities follow the rules and policies of the school and district; works with the President when setting meeting agendas and ensuring that meetings are handled in a timely manner; provides encouragement, direction, support, and ideas as needed





**2024 – 2025 CUMBERLAND COUNTY SCHOOLS**

<b>DATES</b>	<b>DAYS</b>	<b>EXPLANATION</b>	<b>TEACHER PLANNING DAYS</b>	<b>REQUIRED ANNUAL LEAVE DAYS</b>	<b>HOLIDAYS</b>
August 12 & 16, 19 - 23	Monday & Friday Monday – Friday,	Workdays	7		
August 13, 14, 15	Tuesday - Thursday	Required Workdays (System-Wide PD)	3		
August 26	Monday	First Day for Student			
September 2	Monday	Student/All Staff Holiday			1
October 18	Friday	End of Grading Period			
October 21	Monday	Student Holiday/Telework Workday	1		
October 22	Tuesday	Student Holiday/Required Workday (System-Wide PD)	1		
November 5	Tuesday	Student Holiday/Workday	1		
November 11	Monday	Student/All Staff Holiday			1
November 27	Wednesday	Student Holiday/Telework Workday	1		
November 28 - 29	Thursday - Friday	Student/All Staff Holidays			2
December 20	Friday	Student Two-Hour Early Release/End of Grading Period			
December 23 – December 31	Monday - Tuesday	Winter Holidays (Student/Teacher) Required Annual Leave		4	3
January 1	Wednesday	Student/All Staff Holiday			1
January 2 - 3	Thursday - Friday	Student Holidays/Workdays	2		
January 20	Monday	Student/All Staff Holiday			1
February 17	Monday	Student Holiday/Telework Workday	1		
February 18	Tuesday	Student Holiday/Required Workday (System-Wide PD)	1		
March 12	Wednesday	End of Grading Period			
March 14	Friday	Student Holiday/Workday	1		
April 14 - 17	Monday – Thursday	Student Holidays/10 Month Required Annual Leave/11 & 12 Month Optional Annual Leave		4	
April 18	Friday	Student/All Staff Holiday			1
April 21	Monday	Student Holidays/10 Month Required Annual Leave/11 & 12 Month Optional Annual Leave		1	

May 23	Friday	Last Day for Student/Student Two Hour Early Release/End of Grading Period			
May 26	Monday	All Staff Holiday			1
May 27 – May 30	Tuesday - Friday	Required Workdays (Retest Assessments and Closeout)	4		
June 2 - 6	Monday – Friday	Workdays	5		
Totals			28	9	11

## TRADITIONAL 10-MONTH CALENDAR

**Schedule of Required Teacher Workdays for System-Wide Professional Development / Retest Assessments and Closeout:**  
August 13, August 14, August 15, October 22, February 18, / May 27, May 28, May 29, May 30

**Additional Teacher Workdays:**

August 12, August 16, August 19, August 20, August 21, August 22, August 23, October 21, November 5, November 27, January 2, January 3, February 17, March 14, June 2, June 3, June 4, June 5, June 6

**Make-Up Days if Needed:**

November 27, January 3, February 17

### Important Dates:

**OPEN HOUSE Meet the Teachers - Wednesday, August 21, 2024,**  
9th grade: 9am-11am  
10th, 11th, & 12th grade 2pm-4pm

**1st Day of School Aug 26, 2024**

### **PARENT CONFERENCES**

One Parent-Teacher conference is scheduled for each semester. However, the principal and the teachers may request conferences at any time with parents to discuss the progress and problems of the student. Parents may arrange conferences with the individual teachers during their planning periods, or schedule conferences through administration.

#### **Parent-Teacher Conference Dates:**

##### **1<sup>st</sup> Semester**

**Fall** – Thursday, **October 24, 2024**, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
Thursday, **November 21, 2024**, 4:00 pm -6:00 pm

##### **2<sup>nd</sup> Semester**

**Spring** – Tuesday, **February 11, 2024**, 4:00 p.m. –6:00 p.m.  
Thursday, **April 24, 2024**, 4:00 p.m. –6:00 p.m

## BELL SCHEDULES

Regular Schedule	
8:20 a.m.	Morning Bell
8:30 a.m.-10:07 a.m.	First Period
10:07 a.m.-10:13 a.m.	Hall change
10:13 a.m.-11:50 a.m.	Second Period
11:50 a.m.-11:56 a.m.	Hall change
11:56 a.m.-1:59 p.m.	Third Period
11:56 p.m.-12:24 p.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Lunch
12:24 p.m.-12:27 p.m.	3 min hall change
12:27 p.m.-12:55 p.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lunch
12:55 p.m.-12:58 p.m.	3 min hall change
12:58 p.m.-1:26 p.m.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Lunch
1:26 p.m.-1:29 p.m.	3 min hall change
1:29 p.m.-1:59 p.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Lunch
1:59 p.m.-2:05 p.m.	Hall change
2:05 p.m.-3:40 p.m.	Fourth period

2 Hour Delay Schedule	
10:20 a.m.	Morning Bell
10:30 a.m.-11:31 a.m.	First Period
11:31 a.m.-11:37 a.m.	Hall change
11:37 a.m.-12:38 p.m.	Second Period
12:38 p.m.-12:44 p.m.	Hall change
12:44 p.m.-2:33 p.m.	Third Period
12:44 p.m.-1:09 p.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Lunch
1:09 p.m.-1:12 p.m.	3 min hall change
1:12 p.m.-1:37 p.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lunch
1:37 p.m.-1:40 p.m.	3 min hall change
1:40 p.m.-2:05 p.m.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Lunch
2:05 p.m.-2:08 p.m.	3 min hall change
2:08 p.m.-2:33 p.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Lunch
2:33 p.m.-2:39 p.m.	Hall change
2:39 p.m.-3:40 p.m.	Fourth period

2 Hour Early Release Schedule	
8:20 a.m.	Morning Bell
8:30 a.m.-9:31 a.m.	First Period
9:31 a.m.-9:37 a.m.	Hall change
9:37 a.m.-10:38 a.m.	Second Period
10:38 a.m.-10:44 a.m.	Hall change
10:44 a.m.-12:33 p.m.	Third Period
10:44 a.m.-11:09 a.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Lunch
11:09 a.m.-11:12 a.m.	3 min hall change
11:12 a.m.-11:37 a.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lunch
11:37 a.m.-11:40 a.m.	3 min hall change

11:40 a.m.-12:05 p.m.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Lunch
12:05 p.m.-12:08 p.m.	3 min hall change
12:08 p.m.-12:33 p.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Lunch
12:33 p.m.-12:39 p.m.	Hall change
12:39 p.m.-1:40 p.m.	Fourth period

Homeroom Schedule	
8:20 a.m.	Morning Bell
8:30 a.m.-10:01 a.m.	First Period
10:01 a.m.-10:07 a.m.	Hall change
10:07 a.m.-11:38 a.m.	Second Period
11:38 a.m.-11:44 a.m.	Hall change
11:44 a.m.-11:54 a.m.	Homeroom
11:54 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Hall change
12:00 p.m.-2:01 p.m.	Third Period
12:00 p.m.-12:28 p.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Lunch
12:28 p.m.-12:31 p.m.	3 min hall change
12:31 p.m.-12:59 p.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lunch
12:59 p.m.-1:01 p.m.	3 min hall change
1:01 p.m.-1:29 p.m.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Lunch
1:29 p.m.-1:33 p.m.	3 min hall change
1:33 p.m.-2:01 p.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Lunch
2:01 p.m.-2:07 p.m.	Hall change
2:07 p.m.-3:40 p.m.	Fourth period

Pep Rally Schedule	
8:20 a.m.	Morning Bell
8:30 a.m.-9:50 a.m.	First Period
9:50 a.m.-9:56 a.m.	Hall Change
9:56 a.m.-11:16 a.m.	Second Period
11:16 a.m.-11:22 a.m.	Hall Change
11:22 a.m.-1:23 p.m.	Third Period
11:22 a.m.-11:50 a.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Lunch
11:50 a.m.-11:53 a.m.	3 min hall change
11:53 a.m.-12:21 p.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lunch
12:21 p.m.-12:24 p.m.	3 min hall change
12:24 p.m.-12:52 p.m.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Lunch
12:52 p.m.-12:55 p.m.	3 min hall change
12:55 p.m.-1:23 p.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Lunch
1:23 p.m.-1:29 p.m.	Hall Change
1:29 p.m.-2:48 p.m.	Fourth Period
2:51 p.m.	Begin calling students to pep rally
3:40 p.m.	Dismissal Bell

Students are expected to be in class, **NO LATER THAN 5 MINUTES AFTER THE LUNCH BELL RINGS**, signifying the end of their lunch period. **TEACHERS, BE AT YOUR DOOR** when the lunch bell sounds to assist getting students into your class.

#### **Breakfast: 7:45 – 8:20**

Students who desire to eat breakfast must do so during the breakfast period.

The cafeteria will be closed at 8:25 and all students will report to class unless they have a late bus pass, a pass from an administrator or teacher.

## 1. LOCKERS AND LOCKS

Students will not be assigned lockers this 2024-2025 school year. The best practice by the student is to not bring valuable items to school.

School authorities, for any reason, may conduct periodic general inspections at any time without notice, without student consent, and without a search warrant.

## 2. THEFT & VANDALISM

In order to deal more effectively with the problem of theft and vandalism at Seventy-First, we are asking each student to report theft or vandalism to the office. Any such incident should be reported immediately to an administrator and/or SRO/SSC. Students should not bring money to school other than for lunch, unless necessary. The best method of theft prevention is to be conscious of the possibility of theft occurring and try to eliminate these opportunities. Each student and employee of the school has a responsibility in the area of theft prevention; however, the school cannot be responsible for items that are lost or stolen. Listed below are some hints to prevent theft:

- a. Never leave cameras, cell phones, jewelry, money, or any other valuables where it can be seen or taken.
- b. Never leave anything other than clothing in the physical education dressing rooms. **Valuables should never be brought to school. If this is necessary, it should be given to the instructors.**
- c. Musical instruments should never be left unprotected.
- d. If you take off rings to wash your hands, be sure that when you leave you have not left them.
- e. Never leave your purse/backpack unattended.
- f. Never leave anything of value on your desk while you go to assembly programs, whiteboards, library, restroom, etc...
- g. If you are staying after school for practice or club meetings, practice the same theft prevention habits you would follow during school.
- h. **The best practice; DO NOT bring valuable items to school.**

## 3. STUDENT DRESS CODE

Students are expected to exhibit good grooming and good taste in personal appearance. Students are expected to dress in such a manner that neither disrupts nor infringes upon the educational environment, health and safety of themselves and others. **(Cumberland County Policy 4316-R4)**

Parents are reminded that student behavior improves as dress improves and students are also being prepared for life after high school. Therefore, upon entering the building, students are to follow the dress code below:

1. Absolutely no sagging will be allowed. Pants are to be worn at the natural waist with no sagging.
2. **No undergarments, shorts, gym shorts, etc...should be visible at any time.**
3. Shorts, dresses, and skirts may be above the knee but must extend past the wearers fingertips with arms at their side. If the skirt/dress has a slit, the top of the slit should measure the same.
4. Tops worn with leggings must be fingertip length all the way around.

5. Sleeveless tank top-style shirts may be worn by males or females without an extra shirt for covering, providing the **width of the shoulder strap is at least 3" inches.**
6. No "Spaghetti Straps", halter/tube tops, off-the-shoulder tops, exposed cleavage, midriffs, or back.
7. See-through clothing.
8. No towels, shirts, or bandanas around neck.
9. **Head Coverings:** No bandanas, sweatbands, hoods, or headgear which may be considered a distraction for males and females are not to be worn inside the building. Religious belief head coverings (e.g., hijabs or yarmulkes), cultural expression (e.g., geles), or medically/disability related issues (e.g., protective helmet) may be worn.
10. Adornments or accessories, such as chains or spikes that could reasonably be perceived to be a weapon or could be utilized as a weapon are prohibited.
11. Students may not wear or carry clothing, jewelry, book bags, backpacks, or other personal articles that depict or display profanity, vulgarity, obscenity, nudity of any degree, violence, alcoholic beverages, tobacco, controlled substances, firearms, or any illegal activity, or which advertise products or services illegal to minors.
12. Any symbols, styles, or attire frequently associated with gangs, intimidation, or violence which are disruptions to the educational environment are prohibited.

**First impressions are lasting impressions**

**Consequences for Dress Code Violations:**

1. **Parent contact and student must get a change of clothing**
2. **Parent conference**
3. **2 days In-School Suspension**



**4. BOOK BAGS, PURSES, & TOTE BAGS**

**ALL** bookbags and large tote bags or purses must be clear or mesh.

*Possible consequences by administration for violating policy:*

1. *Warning*
2. *Call parent*
3. *ISS/OSS*

**5. SEARCH POLICY**

School officials have the authority to conduct reasonable searches of students and to seize students' unauthorized materials for the purposes of maintaining a safe, orderly environment and upholding standards of conduct established by the board or school. **(Cumberland County Policy 4342)**

A “school official” is a school administrator or a school resource officer acting in conjunction with and under the direction of the school administrator. A search of a student is lawful if there are reasonable grounds for suspecting that the search will turn up evidence that the student has violated or is violating a specific law or school rule. If reasonable suspicion exists as outlined above, searches may be conducted of a student’s person, personal effects, including purses, book bags, outer clothing, wireless communication devices, and motor vehicles subject to the requirements of the policy. Strip searches are strictly prohibited. Periodic general inspections of desks, lockers and other school-owned equipment may be conducted by school officials for maintenance or health/sanitation reasons.

## **6. LOST AND FOUND**

Students who find lost articles are asked to take them to the office where the owner can claim them. Items not claimed by weeks end will be disposed of. The school will not be responsible for lost items.

## **7. CONFISCATED ITEMS**

***Any items that interfere, distract, or disrupt the learning environment of Seventy-First High School will be confiscated.***

The school board recognizes that cellular phones and other wireless communication devices has become an important tool through which parents communicate with their children. Therefore, *students are permitted to possess such devices on school property so long as the devices are not activated, used, displayed, or visible during the instructional day or as otherwise directed by school rules or school personnel.* Wireless communication devices include, but are not limited to, cellular phones, electronic devices with internet capability, paging devices, two-way radios and similar devices. Students are personally and solely responsible for the security of their wireless communication devices. The school system is not responsible for the theft, loss, or damage of a cellular phone or other personal wireless communication devices. ***(Cumberland County Policy 4318)***

Parent/Legal Guardian or Student may pick up from the front office any inappropriate item(s) confiscated. Pick up times for parents, anytime during the school day or no later than 4:00 p.m.; for students, pick up time is from the end of the school day bell till 3:45 p.m.

***Cell phones/Electronic devices*** - confiscation is appropriate ONLY when a student is utilizing the device at a time when they should not be. *Cell phones/Electronic devices will be turned off and put away before crossing the threshold of any classroom, administrative and/or guidance offices.*

### **Consequences for confiscated items are as follows:**

Item(s) will be held for **five (5) school days** (does not include weekends, holidays, or other non-school days).

## **8. TRANSPORTATION**

School buses are state property and are the means of transportation provided by the state. Students who ride the buses are expected to conduct themselves in an orderly manner. The school principal, assistant principals, or principal’s designee, have the authority to suspend students from riding the bus for the following infractions as well as any others announced during the year:

- a. Delaying the bus schedule.
- b. Fighting, smoking, using profanity, or refusing to obey the instructions of school authorities or bus driver while riding the bus.
- c. Tampering with a school bus.
- d. Refusing to meet the bus at the designated stop.
- e. Unauthorized leaving of the bus when traveling from home to school or from school to home.
- f. Playing, throwing trash, paper, or other objects while the bus is in operation.
- g. Violation of Cumberland County Board Rules

h. Failure to observe established safety rules and regulations

Once the bus has been parked and students have disembarked, the vehicle is off limits for all students until the dismissal bell sounds at the end of the school day. **\*Bus doors will close, and buses will start rolling out at 3:48 p.m.** The school bus is not a student lounge or a lunchroom. **Riding the bus to school is a privilege and not an inherent right. Students may lose this privilege by violating bus conduct rules.** Buses are provided for students living beyond walking distance of the school. The bus driver has full charge over all students riding his/her bus. Suspension from the bus may last from one day through the remainder of the school year, depending on the nature of the offense. All Seventy-First High School Rules for student behavior apply for riding the bus and at the bus stop.

Cumberland County buses have scheduled times of arrival for stops on their routes. On a normal school day, students should allow a 10-minute leeway before and after their scheduled time of pick up. Remember to allow more time throughout the school year on inclement weather days and problems that may arise due to mechanical problems. Please feel free to call the administrator in charge of buses if you have any questions or concerns.

## **9. STUDENT DRIVING AND PARKING RULES**

The privilege of parking a personal vehicle on school grounds may be exercised only after the student has met all the established requirements. The student parking lot is located on the east side of the campus, furthest from the school building. Students are to avoid parking in any area that is marked with yellow paint. Students may not park in staff parking or in front of the school.

1. Each student driving and parking on campus must display an authorized parking decal (**hanging from the rearview mirror facing out**) on their vehicle. A Student Parking Agreement may be obtained from the front office. Once processed and approved, the parking decal can be obtained at the cost of \$50.00 (**non-refundable fee**) from the office before school from 8:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m., during the student's lunch, or after school from 3:45 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Students must present a **VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE (NO LEARNERS PERMIT)**, current **VEHICLE REGISTRATION**, and current **STUDENT ID** to purchase a **DECAL**
2. Students are not to be in the parking lot or in parked cars during the school day. The parking lot is not a place for loitering. If you are not on campus for extra-curricular activities, you need to vacate the premises; failure to do so may result in disciplinary proceedings.
3. A student **shall not exceed a maximum speed of 10 miles per hour** when driving a vehicle on campus.
4. Students **will not use cell phones** while operating automobiles on school grounds.
5. Violation of the rules or illegal use of a vehicle on school grounds may result in permanent suspension of school parking privileges. The first offense or violation of parking will result in an automatic loss of driving privileges for a minimum of two weeks. Loss of parking privileges may result in having to reapply for a parking decal. Student vehicles illegally parked on school campus (*example: no decal, under suspension, unauthorized area*) will be **towed at the owner's expense.** (**Parking and Driving on Campus: Secondary Students Policy 6325R**)
6. Temporary parking permits are available for purchase in the front office from 8:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. at a cost of \$2.00 per day. Students must present a **VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE (NO LEARNERS PERMIT)**, current **VEHICLE REGISTRATION**, and current **STUDENT ID**, to purchase a **TEMPORARY PARKING PERMIT (each time)**.
7. Students are not permitted to loiter in their cars or in the parking lot at any time of the day. During school hours, students must have administrative approval to go to their vehicle or to the parking lot. (**Late passes will not be issued to students due to the purchase of a temporary parking decal.**)
8. Students are personally and solely responsible for the security of their vehicles.
9. Neither the school nor the school system is responsible for theft, loss, or damage relative to personal vehicles on school grounds.

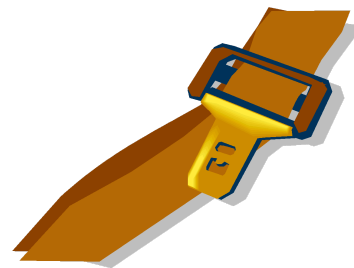


ALL STUDENTS MUST LEAVE CAMPUS AFTER SCHOOL – NO LOITERING IN THE SCHOOL PARKING LOT.

STUDENTS ARRIVING IN CLASS AFTER 8:30 a.m. WITHOUT A VALID REASON COULD LOSE THEIR DRIVING PRIVILEGES!

THE WEARING OF SEAT BELTS IS MANDATORY IN NORTH CAROLINA.

## **REMEMBER: CLICK IT OR TICKET**



### **10. CAFETERIA**

**FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH FOR ALL STUDENTS** for 24-25 school year.

#### **PREPAY OPTIONS**

Student cafeteria accounts are identified by the student's PowerSchool number. Parents may pay for student a la carte items in advance by adding funds to the student's account. Prepayment can be made in the cafeteria or online at [www.k12paymentcenter.com](http://www.k12paymentcenter.com). Upon request from the parent within 60 days from the date of student withdrawal, positive balances will be refunded to the parent by Child Nutrition Services.

#### **Cafeteria Rules**

There is designated breakfast time (7:45a-8:20a) and lunch periods and students must eat during the period assigned to them. Please observe the following rules in the cafeteria. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action.

- All food and drink **MUST BE** consumed at the lunch table.
- No food or drink is to be taken from the cafeteria unless approved by administration.
- Have your money ready, **no credit**.
- Students *must enter school ID to purchase food in the cafeteria*.
- Everyone must dispose of his/her paper, dishes, eating utensils, and trays when he/she has finished eating.**
- Other than bagged/boxed lunch brought from home; students are not allowed to bring food or drink from off campus locations. Any such food should be consumed or disposed of by the student before he/she enters the building.
- Parent or Guardian wishing to eat lunch with their child may do so only during the student's lunch period. Parent/Guardian must sign in at the office and get a visitor's pass before going to the cafeteria.
- Student behavior in the cafeteria should be based on courtesy and cleanliness.
- NO cutting in line; NO running to/from or in the cafeteria.
- Students must remain in the cafeteria during their lunch (no roaming of halls or going to their lockers).

Meal Prices	Breakfast	Lunch
Grades 6 - 12 (paying)	No charge (all students)	No charge (all students)
All Grades (reduced price)	No charge	No charge
Adults	Al a Carte Pricing	Al a Carte Pricing
Extra Milk	\$ .50	\$ .50
Extra Coffee, Tea, Flavored Drinks, 50% Fruit Juice	\$ 1.00 or more	\$ 1.00 or more

### **11. FACULTY LOUNGE / FACULTY WORKROOM**

Students **are not allowed** in the teachers' workrooms or lounges for any reason before, during or after school, or during after-school activities. Teachers will be responsible for keeping students out of these areas and should not send a student to the lounges or workrooms for any reason. ***The lounges and workrooms are places for school personnel only.***

## **12. MEDIA CENTER**

Students present in the Media Center will be expected to conduct themselves in a quiet and orderly manner. Failure to do so may result in suspension of library privileges. ***Library policy allows only 4 students per teacher with a pass for research purposes only. No passes will be given to students using the media center between classes.***

## **13. FIRE DRILLS**

Fire Drills at regular intervals are required by law and are an important safety precaution. One long continuous ring of the bell or alarm firebox system will alert all personnel. Routes for the nearest fire exit are posted in each room. Students should vacate the building in an orderly manner. There shall be no talking or cell phone use when leaving and returning to the building; students should remain with their class.

## **14. TORNADO DRILLS**

Tornado Drills will be signaled by a continuous series of three rings of the bell. All personnel will congregate in their designated areas on the ground floor. Classes are to remain together and under the supervision of the teacher. Students are to sit in *the appropriate* position. Students must sit close together and remain quiet.

## **15. LOCKDOWN DRILLS**

Lockdown Drills will be conducted as required by the school district and on an as needed basis. Students are expected to follow all instructions of staff during lockdown/drill.

## **16. STUDENT ACCIDENTS**

All accidents must be reported and documented by a school official. Anyone injured while on school property must immediately report it to teacher/coach or any other school personnel and an Accident Report must be completed. These reports are forwarded to the Risk Management Office. *Cumberland County Schools does not provide medical/accident insurance coverage on its students for accidents.* Student accident insurance is available through voluntary participation. Parents are encouraged to make arrangements for accidental injuries that may occur. Students receive an insurance brochure/information at the beginning of the school year. Enrollment is also available throughout the school year online by going to the Cumberland County Schools website clicking on the **Parent Section** and selecting **Student Accident Insurance**.

## **17. SCHOOL DISMISSAL**

Students are to exit the building immediately after school unless they are participating in a club, tutoring, or athletic activity. All students who are involved in after school activities should report to those activities immediately after school. Only students riding the bus should be on the bus lot. **Unsupervised students will be charged with truancy in accordance with the Cumberland County Schools Policy 4330 Student Code of Conduct.**

**At the end of each school day and at the end of all extra-curricular activities, students are to meet their rides in front of the school building.**

***When crossing Raeford Road before or after school, students are to utilize the crosswalk by the traffic light in front of the school.***

## **18. STUDENT FEES and CHARGES**

**Notice of fees:** Student fees, dues and/or charges, both optional and required, shall be listed and described annually in the student handbook or in some other written form. Fees, dues, and/or charges are to be paid within 30 days after enrollment. As necessary the principal or designee shall contact the parents or guardians of the student, in writing, by U.S. mail, and notify them of the debt and penalty for non-payment. The notice shall further advise students that required fees might be waived for indigent students (***Cumberland County Policy 4600***) by the principal upon the written request of the student's parent(s), guardian(s), or custodian(s).

Fees will be charged for the following:

1. Lost & Damaged Book Fees & Charges – *varied costs*

2. Lost & Damaged Materials, Supplies, Equipment Fees, & property damage to school – *varied costs*
  3. 1st Student ID Card is free
  4. Replacement ID Card - \$5.00
  5. Musical Instrument Rental Fees – *varied costs*
  6. Publication Fees (Yearbook, School Newspaper) – *varied costs*
  7. Student Pictures – *varied costs*
  8. Student Parking Permits - \$50.00/school year
  9. Temporary Parking Permits - \$2.00/day
  10. Transcript Fees – Transcript #1-5: FREE; Transcript 6 or more: \$5.00 each
  11. Senior Dues – \$80.00
  12. Cap & Gown – approximate cost: \$50.00, 8/26/2024-12/19/2024; \$60.00 *after* 12/19/2024; order at [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com); Additional Graduation Items – *varied costs*; order at [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com)
  13. Prom - \$60.00 (+\$5.00 every month)
- All sales end on March 1, 2025
14. Class or Club Dues – varied costs
  15. Extra Class Activities Fees – varied costs
  16. Admission to Athletic Events – \$8.00; <https://ccs.hometownticketing.com>

Current school year Student ID Card is **required to attend grade-level assemblies and social functions** such as school performances, PEP Rallies, etc.... Student ID cards are also required for students to check-in and check-out of school and are required to present their any faculty or staff member upon request.

**Fees to be carried forward** -- any fee or charge due to be paid to any school in the system and not paid at the end of the school year shall be carried forward until the next school year, as such debts are considered to be debts of the student to the school system and not to a particular school. Fees will be paid prior to graduation.

## **19. BOOKS AND SUPPLIES**

Some materials necessary for your public school education are provided for you by the state of North Carolina. Textbooks are school / state property and must be paid for if lost or damaged.

Students assigned a textbook will be responsible for it until it is returned to the teacher at the end of the semester/school year. If you stop attending school or transfer to another school, be sure to return all textbooks to the teacher who issued them to you. Under regular circumstances, all books will be collected at the end of the semester/school year. Certain materials, which are needed for special courses are not provided for by the state and must be paid for by the individual students enrolled in these courses.

## **20. CARE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY**

Responsible students and good citizens need not be reminded that Seventy First High School has an excellent school building that should be respected in every way and kept in top condition. Defacing or damaging walls, desks, doors, lockers, walkways, books, and other school property is a sign of idleness and poor citizenship. Each year a great amount of money must be spent to refinish, repair, and replace equipment that has been needlessly damaged by irresponsible persons. School property should be treated with all due respect and care. At Seventy-First we respect our school and try our best to see that it is protected from needless abuse. Anyone who damages or destroys school property will be expected to pay for that property. According to the seriousness of the offense, additional disciplinary action may be taken.

## **21. OFF -LIMITS AREAS**

There are certain areas on campus that are off-limits to students during the school day unless supervised by appropriate personnel. These areas include, but are not limited to:

1. Agriculture Building unless supervised
2. Bus parking lot

3. Football bleachers and football field
4. Gym unless supervised
5. Main cafeteria (except during lunch periods)
6. No wandering halls during lunch or class periods without a pass
7. Softball and baseball fields, tennis courts
8. Student and faculty parking lot
9. Teachers' lounges & workrooms
10. Underneath the stairs

***STUDENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO LEAVE CAMPUS WITHOUT PROPER AUTHORIZATION DURING THE SCHOOL DAY. Students who do so will face a truancy violation which can result in disciplinary action of ISS/OSS. DISCIPLINARY ACTION OF ISS/OSS. THIS DEFINITELY INCLUDES LUNCH PERIODS.***

## **22. SELLING OR SOLICITING ON SCHOOL CAMPUS**

***STUDENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO SELL ANY ITEMS OR TO SOLICIT BUSINESS FOR INDIVIDUAL OR ANY GROUP FOR ANY REASON WITHOUT THE EXPRESSED WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION.***

## **23. HALL PASSES**

***All students*** must have a valid hall pass signed by a teacher or school staff member, when traveling through any part of the building while school is in session. You must have your hall pass from a teacher in order to leave class. *Going to a locker, getting a drink of water, using the restroom, etc..., should be done before class.* These are not considered legitimate reasons to leave the room. If you are excused from a class, you are expected to carry out your business as quickly as possible. ***Students must remain in class the first 10 minutes and the last 10 minutes of class.***

## **24. SCHOOL PHONES**

Students are not allowed to use school phones during the day; all emergency calls will be made by the office staff.

## **25. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE "Every Minute Counts...from Start to Finish...Class Time Matters"**

Attendance in school and participation in class are essential parts of a student's academic achievement and the teaching-learning process. Regular attendance to school is mandatory and develops patterns of behavior essential to success in life. All students are expected to attend school regularly and are expected to arrive on time. Daily attendance is directly linked to student achievement. Absenteeism critically impairs the ability to be successful in school.

Parents or legal guardians have the responsibility for ensuring that students attend and remain at school daily. State law also prohibits any person from encouraging, enticing, or counseling a child to be unlawfully absent from school. ***(Cumberland County Policy 4400)***

To achieve an efficient and workable program regarding student attendance, the following procedures will be implemented:

- A. Once a student has arrived on campus during the school day, the student becomes the responsibility of the school.
- B. In order to participate in special school events, in athletic contests, drama productions, musical productions, etc., the student must be present for one-half of the school instructional day. *Students absent on the day of school events will not be allowed to practice or participate in that activity.* It is the responsibility of the sponsor or coach to be aware of the attendance of his/her students.
- C. The homeroom teacher, classroom teacher, and the school office will keep records of attendance, check-ins, check-outs, and early dismissals. If a student is absent after the 3<sup>rd</sup> absence, the teacher will call the parent. *When the student is absent 5 and 7 days, the parent will receive a letter in the mail related to the absences. When the student is absent 10 days, a referral will be made to the School Social Worker who will take appropriate action.*
- D. Students who are absent ten consecutive days without notifying the school will be dropped from the roll. Students under the age of 16 will be considered truant and turned over to the District Attorney's Office.

E. All student absences will require a note from a parent/guardian, explaining the reason for the absence. Any extended absences will require satisfactory evidence of the excuse. According to state law, a student must be in attendance for a minimum of 90% in each class in order to earn a unit of credit. (State Board of Education Policy TCSL 000, 002, 003 and Cumberland County Policy 4400.)

## **26. LAWFUL ABSENCES:**

1. personal illness or injury that make the student physically unable to attend school
2. isolation of the student as ordered by the local health officer or by the State Board of Health
3. death in the immediate family, including, but not limited to, grandparents, parents, brothers, and sisters
4. medical or dental appointment
5. participation as a party to an action or under subpoena as a witness in a court proceeding or administrative tribunal
6. a minimum of two days each academic year for observance of an event required or suggested by the religion of the student or the student's parent or legal guardian with written approval from the principal. The superintendent or designee may approve additional absences, provided they do not interfere with the education of the student. The student shall have the opportunity to make up any tests or other work missed due to the excused absence for a religious observance
7. participation in a valid educational opportunity, such as travel or service as a legislative or Governor's page, with prior approval from the principal or designee and in accordance with any requirements established by the principal or superintendent
8. absence due to pregnancy and related conditions or student parenting, when medically necessary.
9. a minimum of two days each academic year for visitation with the student's parent or legal guardian if the student is not identified as at risk of academic failure because of unexcused absences and the student's parent or legal guardian **(a)** is an active duty member of the uniformed services as defined by policy **4050**, Children of Military Families, and **(b)** has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or has immediately returned from deployment to a combat zone or combat support posting

In addition, a student whose parent or legal guardian (a) is an active duty member of the uniformed services as defined by policy (**Cumberland County Policy 4050**), Children of Military Families, and (b) has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or has immediately returned from deployment to a combat zone or combat support posting will be granted up to five additional excused absences upon approval by the superintendent or designee to visit with his or her parent or legal guardian.

In the case of excused absences and out-of-school suspensions, the student will be permitted to make up his or her work in accordance with policy. *The student is responsible for finding out what assignments are due and arranging a time with the teacher to make up assignments missed during class time.*

**(Cumberland County Policy 4400, Section B)**

Absences due to extended illnesses generally require a statement from a physician.

## **27. UNLAWFUL ABSENCES:**

1. A student's willful absence from school with or without the knowl must be completed within five school days of the student's return to school. In the case of excused absences and out-of-school suspensions, the student will be permitted to make up his or her work in accordance with policy. The Edge of the parent

2. A student's absence from school for any reason other than those listed under "Lawful Absences". Parents who refuse to comply with the health regulations of a community, such as compulsory vaccination, thereby causing a student to be excluded from school, or parents who permit a student to stay at home or to be employed in any way contrary to the Child Welfare Law, shall be responsible for the nonattendance of the student. The Board Policy for student attendance further incorporates by reference any additional rules and regulations of the State Board of Education governing compulsory school attendance and student accounting.

*"Every Minute Counts...from Start to Finish...Class Time Matters"*

**Why Attendance Matters:** better grades, better job, stay out of trouble, graduate

## **28. MAKE-UP ASSIGNMENTS**

Makeup of any missed assignments student is responsible for finding out what assignments are due and arranging a time with the teacher to make up assignments missed during class time. **(Cumberland County Policy 4400, Section B)** If the teacher is unable to give a student the original assignment as makeup work, then the teacher shall provide an alternative but comparable assignment to be completed by the student. A teacher may allow for an extension of makeup assignment deadlines in the case of valid, extenuating circumstances. **(Cumberland County Policy 4400, Section D)**

## **29. TARDY TO CLASS 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> periods. "Every Minute Counts...from Start to Finish...Class Time Matters"**

All students are expected to arrive to school and to class in a timely manner. A student, who arrives after the late bell rings, is considered tardy. *Keep in mind that 4 tardies will result in Administration taking disciplinary actions.* Tardy begins immediately following the ringing of the late bell:

- ❖ **1<sup>st</sup> Tardy** – Teacher *will* give student a warning.
- ❖ **2<sup>nd</sup> Tardy** – Teacher *will* call parent and/or assign detention
- ❖ **3<sup>rd</sup> Tardy** – Teacher *will* assign detention (minimum 1hr)
- ❖ **4<sup>th</sup> Tardy and beyond** – Teacher *may* refer to administration

## **30. Check-In Policy (1<sup>st</sup> period only):**

Students checking in after **8:30** a.m. will be coded as unexcused, unless documentation of a lawful excuse is submitted or the student's custodial parent/legal guardian signs them in.

A student may check-in excused with valid documentation of a professional appointment (*i.e., doctor, dentist/orthodontist, lawyer, court/legal note*).

All other check-ins will be considered unexcused unless approved by Administration. ***A student who accumulates three or more unexcused check-ins he/she is subject to disciplinary action by administration.***

## **31. Check-Out Policy:**

In order to protect our students, **all parents, legal guardians, or emergency contacts must provide a photo ID** to check the student out of school **(NO Exceptions)**.

**For students that drive to school;** if you must leave early for an appointment, a written note by your parent or legal guardian must be presented to the Attendance Office Clerk **before** the school day starts (8:30 a.m.). ***No check-outs can be done through a phone call.***

Check-outs will not be permitted after 3:15 p.m., unless documentation of a professional appointment can be provided.

## **32. Early Arrivals:**

### ***NO STUDENTS SHOULD ARRIVE TO SCHOOL PRIOR TO 7:45 AM.***

Students arriving at school between 7:45 am and 8:20 a.m. must report immediately to the gym or cafeteria. *Only students eating breakfast report to the cafeteria*; all others report to the gym. At the ringing of the bell, students will then go to their lockers and/or directly to class.

### **33. FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)**

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that governs the maintenance of student records. Under this law, parents of students or students (if they are at least 18 years of age) have both the right to inspect records kept by the school about the student and the right to correct inaccuracies in the records. Access to the records by persons other than the parents or the student is limited and generally requires prior consent by the parents of the student. ***(Cumberland County Policy 4700)***

[Complaints about failures of the Cumberland County Schools to comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act may be made, in writing, to FERPA Office, Department of Education 330 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201.]

### **34. SECTION 504/ AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT**

No otherwise qualified individual with a disability shall, solely by reason of his or her disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination from any program or activity of the school. Qualified disabled students are entitled to a free appropriate public education. Disabled persons who believe they have been subjected to discrimination on the basis of disability may appeal to the person in the school designated to hear said grievances. If still unresolved, grievances may then be appealed to the school district

ADA/Section 504 Coordinator: ***(Cumberland County Policy 1710/4021/7230)***

Cumberland County Schools

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[www.ccs.k12.nc.us](http://www.ccs.k12.nc.us)

### **35. CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Any student who changes his/her address or phone number must immediately inform the Counseling Center Secretary. Student's Parent/Legal Guardian must provide proof of a change of address. Acceptable proof includes:

1. Buying
  - a. Deed of Trust
  - b. Current monthly utility bill/statement (i.e., electric or gas)
  - c. Proof that you have vacated your previous residence
2. Renting
  - a. Rental/Lease agreement from a company: signed by agent with phone numbers & address of agent
  - b. Renting from an individual – notarized statement with full name, address, & phone number of individuals
  - c. Current monthly utility bill/statement (i.e., electric or gas)
  - d. Proof that you have vacated your previous residence

### **36. REFUNDS**

To receive a refund the yellow school receipt must be returned or an email receipt from school cash online must be presented or no refund can be awarded.

***(Reminder: hold on to all yellow school receipts)***

### 37. DISCIPLINE

If a student is on an Out-of-School Suspension (OSS) or in In-School-Suspension (ISS) on any given day, they are not eligible to participate in any extracurricular activity sponsored by the school, including athletics, until the following day after completion of their suspension.

### 38. DRIVER'S ELIGIBILITY

Driving Eligibility Certificate is needed to obtain a Learner's Permit from the DMV after completion of Driver's Ed. This form is available in the Counseling Office between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The certificate shows that the student is making adequate progress and has not dropped out of school. The parent/legal guardian must be in attendance along with the student and present the following items: • original/certified copy of the student's birth certificate, Parent/guardian State issued ID or Military ID • Driver Education Completion Certificate • the parent/legal guardian will be required to sign the Driving Eligibility Certificate in our office. The Driving Eligibility Certificate is *only valid for 30 days*. If the certificate expires a new certificate can be reissued by bringing in the old certificate.

### 39. DELIVERIES TO STUDENT(S) DURING SCHOOL HOURS-will not be allowed

To provide a safe and orderly learning environment in which disruptions to instructional time are kept to a minimum. For safety's sake, access to schools during school hours must be carefully regulated. In the interest of security and minimizing disruptions to the instructional environment, only the parents/guardians on file with the school shall be permitted to make deliveries to or for their student(s) only. Commercial deliveries to or for students are not permitted. Deliveries of flowers or balloons are not permitted, and deliveries of food shall be limited to lunch items only. NO outside food from restaurants. Any deliveries of student medications by parents/guardians must conform to the requirements of CCS Policy 6125 and Regulation 6125-R. (*Cumberland County Policy 5020-R*)

### DISCLAIMER

Seventy-First High School has used reasonable efforts to ensure that the information contained in this handbook is accurate and complete at the time the handbook was created and modified. However, Seventy-First High School reserves the right at any time to make changes, as it deems appropriate.

**What's your learning style?** Check out [www.edutopia.org](http://www.edutopia.org)

### ***Study Tips***

- ❖ Choose a study area that has minimal distractions, should be comfortable, quiet, and well-lit.
- ❖ Have all your study materials (paper, pens, pencils, notes, highlighters, calculator, etc...)
- ❖ Always study in the same place
- ❖ **Review, review, review** what you have done in class
- ❖ Prioritize your assignments
- ❖ **Flashcards work well:** vocabulary lists, foreign language words, math & science formulas, dates events

### ***Read to Learn***

- ☐ Read review questions before reading text and look for the answers while reading.



- ☐ Look up words you don't understand
- ☐ Study photos, charts, illustrations, and maps to help you understand the material.

### ***Listen for Cues***

- ☐ "Because of this..."
- ☐ "Don't forget this."
- ☐ "Let's go over this again."
- ☐ "Listen to what I'm saying."
- ☐ "Remember..."
- ☐ "This is important."
- ☐ "This will be on the test."

### ***Test Taking***

- ☐ Answer easier questions first (if possible)
- ☐ Budget time to answer all questions
- ☐ Change answers only if you are sure they are wrong
- ☐ Eat a good breakfast (candy + soda  $\neq$  breakfast)
- ☐ Get a good night's sleep (8 hours is always best)
- ☐ Guess if you don't know
- ☐ Listen to teacher directions
- ☐ Look for answers in the test; might be included in the answer to another
- ☐ Read all directions carefully
- ☐ Unsure about a question, mark it and come back
- ☐ Use all time allowed; check answers, reread directions

When in doubt or you don't understand; **ASK, ASK, ASK!**

**WARNING**  
**DUE DATES ARE CLOSER THAN**  
**THEY APPEAR**  
*Don't miss the deadline date.*

# TIPS FOR COLLEGE

## TALK, TALK, TALK

~Talk with your parent/guardian about college planning and exploring avenues for financial aid.

~Talk with your teachers about their college experiences.

~Talk with your guidance counselor about opportunities and deadlines for applying for college and for securing financial aid.

## Financial aid

Don't assume you won't qualify for financial aid.

Aid is available from the federal government, your state, directly from colleges, and from private sources.

### Financial aid sources

**Loans** are borrowed monies you must repay once you complete your college education. Some loans are based on need while others are not.

**Work-Study** gives you the chance to work and earn money to pay for college. Work-Study is based on your family's ability to pay and the amount of funding available at the college.

**Grants** are financial aid you do not have to pay back. Grants are awarded on the basis of need.

**Scholarships** are private aid awarded on a local, state, or national level based on academic achievement, artistic or musical talent, athletic ability, membership in an organization, or other achievements.

Important web sites:

[www.cfnc.org](http://www.cfnc.org)

[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships](http://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships)

[www.scholarships.schoolconnection.com](http://www.scholarships.schoolconnection.com)

## What is ACT & SAT?

ACT and SAT are tests important in determining admission to colleges and scholarship awards. [YOU CAN DO IT!]

ACT (American College Testing): This test covers 4 areas; English, Math, Reading, & Science. [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test): This test covers 3 areas; Writing, Critical Reading, & Math. [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

# Be Successful – S.O.A.R.

- Be in class, on time, every day. (**CLASS TIME MATTERS**)
- Learn how to adapt to different teaching styles.
- Know each teacher's class rules and procedures.
- Bring everything you need with you to class.
- Always do all of your homework and classwork.
- Participate in class.
- Don't leave class with unanswered questions.
- Treat others with courtesy and respect.

## S.O.A.R. - FALCONS - S.O.A.R.!

Be **S**afe

Be **O**rganized

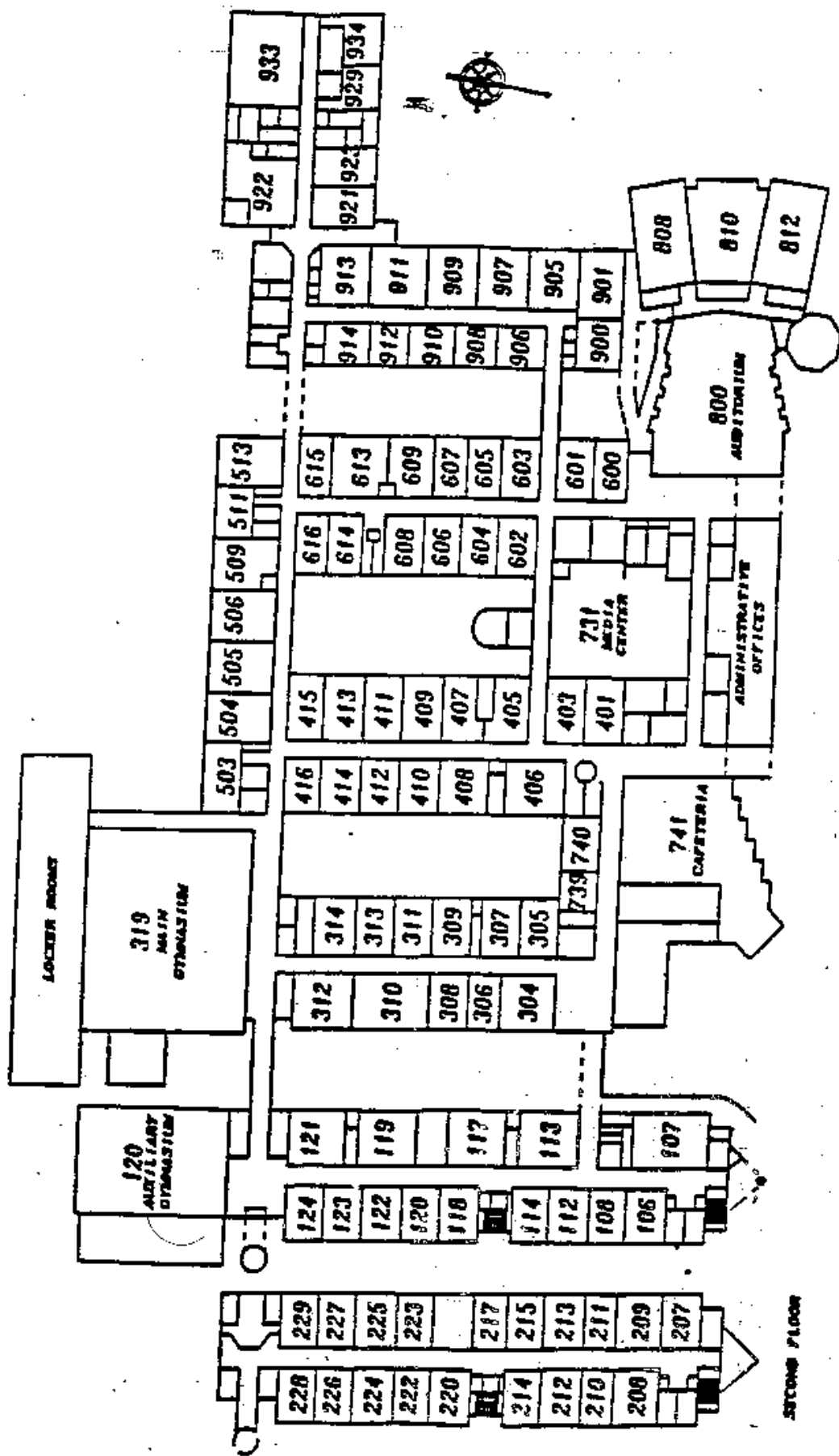
Be an **A**chiever

Be **R**espectful

### Student Habits for Success

- » Set Short- & Long-Range Goal(s)
- » Plan your Time
- » Have your Supplies for Class
- » Take Notes in Class
- » Study Daily
- » Be Committed
- » Arrive Early & Be Ready

**SUCCESS 101:** Set yourself a goal, set your mind to that goal, visualize achieving your goal, and don't stop until you do!



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## 2024 2025 CUMBERLAND COUNTY SCHOOLS

## TRADITIONAL I O-MONTH CALENDAR

DATES	DAYS	EXPLANATION	TEACHER PLANNING DAYS	REQUIRED ANNUAL LEAVE DAYS	HOLIDAYS
August 12 & 16, 19 -23	Monday & Friday Monday - Friday,	Workdays	7		
August 13, 14, 15	Tuesday - Thursday	Required Workdays (System-Wide PD)	3		
August 26	Monday	First Day for Student			
September 2	Monday	Student/All Staff Holiday			1
October 18	Friday	End of Grading Period			
October 21	Monday	Student Holiday/Telework Workday	1		
October 22	Tuesday	Student Holiday/Required Workday (System-Wide PD)	1		
November 5	Tuesday	Student Holiday/Workda	1		
November 11	Monda	Student/All Staff Holiday			1
November 27	Wednesda	Student Holida /Telework Workday	1		
November 28 - 29	Thursda - Friday	Student/All Staff Holida s			2
December 20	Friday	Student Two Hour Early Release/End of Gradin Period			
December 23 December 31	Monday - Tuesday	Winter Holidays (Student/Teacher) Required Annual Leave		4	3
January 1	Wednesday	Student/All Staff Holida			1
Janua 2- 3	Thursda - Frida	Student Holida s/Workdays	2		
Janua 20	Monday	Student/All Staff Holida			1
February 17	Monday	Student Holiday/Telework Workda	1		

February 18	Tuesday	Student Holiday/Required Workday (System-Wide PD)	1		
March 12	Wednesday	End of Grading Period			
March 14	Friday	Student Holiday/Workday	1		
April 14-17	Monday - Thursday	Student Holidays/10 Month Required Annual Leave/11 & 12 Month Optional Annual Leave		4	
April 18	Friday	Student/All Staff Holiday			1
April 21	Monday	Student Holidays/10 Month Required Annual Leave/11 & 12 Month Optional Annual Leave		1	
May 23	Friday	Last Day for Student/Student Two Hour Early Release/End of Grading Period			
May 26	Monday	All Staff Holiday			1
May 27- May 30	Tuesday - Friday	Required Workdays (Retest Assessments and Closeout)	4		
June 2-6	Monday - Friday	Workdays	5		
Totals			28	9	11

Schedule of Required Teacher Workdays for System-Wide Professional Development / Retest Assessments and Closeout:

August 13, August 14, August 15, October 22, February 18, / May 27, May 28, May 29, May 30

Additional Teacher Workdays:

August 12, August 16, August 19, August 20, August 21, August 22, August 23, October 21, November 5, November 27, January 2, January 3, February 17, March 14, June 2, June 3, June 4, June 5, June 6

Make-Up Days if Needed:

November 27, January 3, February 17

***Graduation Wednesday, June 4, 2025 . @ 11:00 a.m.***

2024-2025  
PROGRESS REPORT AND REPORT CARD SCHEDULE  
Traditional Calendar Schools

First Day for Students	Monday, August 26, 2024
Progress Reports Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Monday, September 23, 2024
End of 1st Grading Period	Friday, October 18, 2024
Report Cards Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Friday, October 25, 2024
Progress Reports Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Wednesday, November 20, 2024
End of 2nd Grading Period (End of Semester 1)	Friday, December 20, 2024
Report Cards Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Friday, January 10, 2025
Progress Reports Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Thursday, February 06, 2025
End of 3rd Grading Period	Wednesday, March 12, 2025
Report Cards Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Wednesday, March 19, 2025
Progress Reports Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Wednesday, April 23, 2025
End of 4th Grading Period/Last Day for Students/ Elementary Report Cards Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Friday, May 23, 2025
Final Middle School Report Cards Mailed Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Friday, June 06, 2025

## High Schools 9-12

### 4X4 Block Schedule

Alger B Wilkins, Cape Fear, Cumberland Academy 6-12 Virtual, Douglas Byrd,

E.E. Smith, Gray's Creek, Jack Britt, Massey Hill Classical, Pine Forest,

Ramsey Street, Seventy-First, South View, Terry Sanford, and Westover

#### First Semester

First Day for Students	Monday, August 26, 2024
Progress Reports Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Monday, September 23, 2024
End of 1st Grading Period	Friday, October 18, 2024
Report Cards Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Friday, October 25, 2024
Progress Reports Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Wednesday, November 20, 2024
End of 2nd Grading Period	Friday, December 20, 2024
Report Cards Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Friday, January 10, 2025

#### Second Semester

Progress Reports Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Thursday, February 06, 2025
End of 3rd Grading Period	Wednesday, March 12, 2025
Report Cards Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Wednesday, March 19, 2025
Progress Reports Go Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Wednesday, April 23, 2025
End of 4th Grading Period/Last Day for Students	Friday, May 23, 2025
Final High School Report Cards Mailed Home/Grades available in Campus Parent/Student Portal	Friday, June 06, 2025



## **ATHLETICS**

### **United 8 Athletic Conference**

Cape Fear HS; Douglas Byrd HS; Gray's Creek HS; Jack Britt HS  
Lumberton HS; Purnell Swett HS; Seventy-First HS; Southview HS

Athletic Director: Mr. Travis Greene

Athletic Assistant: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*\*Student athletes must have a sports physical submitted before participating in athletics. \*\*\*\***

<https://cumberland-nc.finalforms.com>

#### **FALL SPORTS**

- ❖ Cheerleading: Junior Varsity & Varsity
- ❖ Cross Country: Varsity
- ❖ Football: Junior Varsity & Varsity
- ❖ Golf: Varsity (Girls)
- ❖ Soccer: Junior Varsity & Varsity (Boys)
- ❖ Tennis: Varsity (Girls)
- ❖ Volleyball: Junior Varsity & Varsity

Admission Cost \$8.00

Tickets

<https://ccs.hometownticketing.com>

#### **WINTER SPORTS**

- ❖ Basketball: Junior Varsity & Varsity (Boys)
- ❖ Basketball: Junior Varsity & Varsity (Girls)
- ❖ Bowling: Varsity
- ❖ Cheerleading: Junior Varsity & Varsity
- ❖ Indoor Track: Varsity
- ❖ Swimming
- ❖ Wrestling: Junior Varsity & Varsity

#### **SPRING SPORTS**

- ❖ Baseball: Junior Varsity & Varsity
- ❖ Golf: Varsity (Boys)
- ❖ Outdoor Track: Varsity
- ❖ Soccer: Junior Varsity & Varsity (Girls)
- ❖ Softball: Junior Varsity & Varsity
- ❖ Tennis: Varsity (Boys)



## ***SEVENTY-FIRST HIGH SCHOOL SONG***

**Live for her honor,**

**Work for her fame,**

**We pledge devotion to her name.**

***SEVENTY-FIRST!***

**Her colors; red and white,**

**Leads forth her sons and daughters,**

**In the right.**

