



October 1, 2013

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Bryan ISD is making significant changes to the existing discipline program. This letter is to inform you of these changes and provide important information.

Discipline referrals will now be processed on a level-based system. Interventions and consequences will be uniform across the district and tailored to the elementary, middle or high school levels.

Each referral a child receives counts as a level. Both interventions and consequences increase with each level. Major offenses (according to the BISD code of conduct) start at Level 3 or higher. At certain levels, a child will be referred to either Campus Court or Saturday Diversion Course, which are new interventions to Bryan ISD.

Campus Court is a district's alternative to issuing a citation to a student and requiring them to appear before a judge. When a child is referred to Campus Court, they are placed on a school court docket. A student will not attend court where he/she is enrolled. The student must agree to appear before his/her peers to present his/her side of the story and receive or not receive an appropriate consequence as decided by the court. A status hearing will be conducted at a later date to determine if the student complied.

Saturday Diversion Course is another district alternative to a citation or a DAEP placement. This program takes place on two Saturdays of each month. A child referred to Saturday Diversion Course must attend both Saturdays and must be accompanied by a parent. Parents and students will receive training and support during these two days from both Bryan ISD staff and community members.

The new discipline program will begin on Monday, October 7. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your student's Assistant Principal.