

One of our goals at CHIS is to ensure that students are in a safe environment at all times. While we believe that students build social skills and get a much-deserved break during lunch each day, we must also ensure that structures are in place so that students will remain safe while they eat. The adults in our lunchroom have been trained to maintain this structure by making sure that students follow certain procedures each day. They also continually walk around the tables at lunch to make sure that conversations remain appropriate, students are being kind and respectful, and that no one is choking or having an allergic reaction. We would appreciate the support of our teachers and parents in re-emphasizing the rules and consequences below periodically with your students to help us maintain a pleasant and safe lunch time for all.

Cafeteria Rules:

- 1) Students are to talk in a "classroom" voice to students at their own table and keep noise at a reasonable level.
- 2) Students are to stay seated unless they need to dispose of their tray or get necessary items.
- 3) Students should leave their area clean and dispose of all trash toward the end of the lunch period.
- 4) Students should keep their hands, feet, and other objects to themselves and never touch or alter another student's lunch.
- 5) Students will be dismissed by table and/or grade.

When individual students break any of the rules above, the following consequences may be issued:

- 1) A warning may be issued.
- 2) The student may be assigned an alternate area for seating.
- 3) The student may be assigned a "lunch detention."
- 4) The student may be assigned an after school detention.
- 5) The student may be given an office referral if the above consequences are not effective after an extended period of time, and parents will be notified.

When more than 1/2 of the student population in the cafeteria continues to break the above rules after being warned, the following consequences may be issued:

- 1) All students may be assigned a more specific seating arrangement.
- 2) Noise levels may be lowered by intermittent "no talking" times.