



School District of Manawa

Students Choosing to Excel, Realizing Their Strengths

Dear Little Wolf High School and Manawa Middle School Parents,

I am writing to provide details and information about the Honor Pass System. The thrust of the program is to provide student choice, incentivize academics, and reward and encourage positive behavior. The staff and students believe that this program is helping to support the school's Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program as well as prepare students for the rigors, responsibilities, and privileges of adult life. The Honor Pass system is designed to utilize school, community, and parental oversight to provide students with choices and rewards while at school.

How does the Honor Pass System work? To qualify for the Honor Pass, the following criteria must be fulfilled:

- GPA of 3.25 (LWHS) and 3.00 (MMS)
- Completed Application Form
- No unexcused absences or less than 10 tardies
- Teacher recommendations
- Parental approval

What are the privileges that a student can earn with an Honor Pass?

- Open campus lunch for students. (grades 9-12)
- Opportunity to leave campus during Response to Intervention (RtI). This is available for students (grades 11-12) – provided you are not claimed by a teacher for an academic purpose, currently in a structured RtI program, or club meeting time.
- Opportunity to go to the gym, commons, or the student lounge in the library during RtI. (grades 6-12)
- Opportunity to meet with an instructor of their choice for enrichment, remediation, homework assistance or Advanced Placement (AP) classes. (grades 6-12)

How does this system help ALL students in the school?

- Academic needs allow teachers to request students for RtI, regardless of HONORS STATUS.
- Teachers can claim students and provide a more immediate response to academic concerns. Students benefit by having access to all teachers.
- By having a period available for students to meet with teachers, it encourages students to explore other elective areas of interest in their daily schedule.
- Reduction in Homeroom Periods. Clubs and student organizations can meet for an extended period without taking away instructional time in the form of a homeroom.

Can an Honor Pass be revoked? Honor Passes can be revoked by any School District of Manawa staff member for the following reasons listed below. Parents and the police also have the option of revoking the privilege by contacting the school.

- Failing grades
- Tardiness
- Discipline referral

Please feel free to email or call if you have any questions or concerns regarding this program.

Sincerely,

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