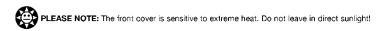
# Cahaba Elementary Student Handbook 2021-2022

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#### **VISION STATEMENT**

The Vision of Trussville City Schools is that educators, staff, parents, and the community will work together to help students move forward on a positive path toward college and career readiness.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of Trussville City Schools is to educate all students using high standards in a safe, nurturing environment fostering academic and career competencies that prepare them to be productive citizens.

# TRUSSVILLE CITY SCHOOLS BELIEFS

# **Learning Organization**

We believe the school system is a learning organization that teaches academics and develops character and skill.

# School/Community Partnerships

We believe that parent and community involvement is vital to continuous improvement and successful change.

# Collaboration and Communication

We believe in mutual respect in communication and collaboration between and among adults and students. Learning Environment

We believe in innovation, creativity, rigor, and equity in a safe, positive learning environment.

# Culture of Success

We believe in fulfilling our designated roles with a logical, enthusiastic, and outstanding work ethic.

#### ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

The official opening of school each day is 8:00 a.m. Students arriving after 8:00 a.m. will be marked tardy. Please make every effort to arrive at school so that your child is in his/her seat in the classroom when the 8:00 a.m. bell rings. Morning activities begin promptly at 8:00 a.m. for all grades.

Teachers will be on duty to supervise students beginning at 7:20 a.m. Upon arrival, students eating breakfast should report to the cafeteria. All other students should report to the designated wait area for their grade level.

In accordance with the Highway Safety Program Guideline No. 17 Pupil Transportation Safety, each school will have restricted loading and unloading areas for school and charter buses which are separate from the established vehicle loading and unloading points.

Parents picking up children by car should have a sign in the window of the vehicle with the student name and teacher name so that your child is promptly loaded. For the safety of our students, we asked that you refrain from using your cell phone while in the carline.

**Walkers and Bike Riders:** An important note for those who are considering allowing their children to walk or bike ride to school: There is no off campus supervision of students by school personnel. Students are supervised by school personnel ONLY while they are on Trussville City Schools property.

Your child will be required to return a permission form to their teacher each day they will bike or walk. If your student's normal transportation will be to walk or ride a bike, you may write a blanket note for the entire school year to the teacher stating that will be the normal way home. You also must include an inclement weather plan for transportation home (bus or car rider). The principal will also reserve the right to make a decision from time to time not to allow students to walk or bike home in the afternoon

if the threat of heavy rain is a possibility around our dismissal time.

## Morning Procedures for walkers and bike riders:

Walkers and bike riders will cross from the flagpole to the historic front porch under the supervision of the teacher who is on duty on the front porch. They will secure their bikes and enter the historic front porch doors to the school. **Afternoon Procedures:** 

Walkers and bike riders will be given a "pass," a piece of paper with the red sneaker on it, by their teacher. This will be the walker or bike rider's pass to get out the historic front porch door. The teacher on duty will collect the cards and assemble the walkers and bike riders and watch them cross to the flagpole. When these students have gotten to the flagpole, bus riders and car riders will be dismissed.

## ATTENDANCE AND ABSENCES

State law requires that every child enrolled in school (grades K-12), regardless of age, comply with the Alabama Compulsory School Law. Future attendance patterns are developed at a very early age, thus we strongly encourage parents to help children achieve good scholarship and attendance habits during their elementary years.

We urge parents to make routine doctor and dental appointments after school hours.

#### **School Absences**

The Board of Education acknowledges that regular school attendance is imperative to each child's learning and educational progress. Accordingly, each student is expected to attend school every day school is in session. However, the Board of Education recognizes that absence from school may occasionally be necessary, but absences from school shall only be allowed for good and justifiable reasons.

#### ABSENCES MUST BE EXPLAINED

(EXCERPT FROM TITLE 16, CODE OF ALABAMA 16-28-15.) Every parent, guardian or other person having control or charge of any child required to attend public school, private school, denominational school or parochial school, shall as soon as practical explain the cause of any absence of the child under his control or charge which was without permission of the teacher and a failure to furnish such explanation shall be admissible as evidence of such child being truant with the consent and connivance of the person in control or charge of said child, unless such person can show to the reasonable satisfaction of the court that he had no knowledge of such absence and that he has been diligent in his efforts to secure the attendance of such child. Every student who is absent from school must present to the principal's designee (school office attendance secretary), a written explanation for the absence within three (3) school days upon the student's return to school.

It is not the teacher's responsibility to forward personal emails to the school attendance secretary. You may send parent notes to excuse absences to Mrs. Estell at Nancy.Estell@trussvillecityschools.com

#### **EXAMPLES OF EXCUSED ABSENCES:**

- Student illness, physician or dental appointment;
- Inclement weather which makes it dangerous for students to attend school as determined by the superintendent of education regarding emergency closings (ref. BOE Policy A-10);
- Legal quarantine;
- Death in the immediate family (obituary notice from local paper may be required);
- Emergency condition as determined by the principal or superintendent of education;
- Absence to observe traditional religious holidays, of a local, national or international origin when written verification is received from the student's minister or religious leader.

The principal will have the opportunity to review any written permission request or the written explanation for the absence to determine whether the absence shall be excused or unexcused.

Any absence not falling into one of the categories listed above, specific to an individual school, or otherwise excused by the principal or the superintendent or his or her designees will be unexcused.

All excuses must be original. No faxed or scanned copies will be accepted unless it is sent from the agency providing the services. All excuses must be legitimate instances of services provided to a student (i.e. physician treatment).

<u>Falsifying and/or forging excuses is punishable through</u>
<u>Jefferson County Family Court.</u>

Parents may only write up to 6 parent excuses in a school year. Once 6 parent notes have been recorded within a school year, a physician's excuse will be needed to excuse any additional absences for the school year.

Students sent home with fever by the nurse will be clinic excused for the next 24 hours. After that period, the parent must provide a written excuse for the absence or have a physician's note for the absence to be excused.

#### PARENT NOTE POLICY:

Parents may write an excuse for six (6) absences within one school year according to the following conditions:

- 1. A parent may not use more than three (3) parent excuses (3 days) on consecutive school days.
- Any student enrolling on or after December 1<sup>st</sup> will receive only three (3) parent excuses for the remainder of the same academic school year.

Parents are encouraged to schedule family vacations when school is not in session. Absences due to vacation will be recorded as unexcused if you have exhausted all parent excuses for the academic school year.

#### **EXCESSIVE ABSENCES**

In compliance with the Alabama Compulsory School Law, the following Trussville City Schools Truancy Program Steps are currently in effect:

- 1. Parent Education- Trussville City Schools discloses the current attendance policies for the system each year to parents via the annual student registration portal and also, through the TCS Code of Conduct located on the district's website. Parents are required to acknowledge the policies, procedures and the code of conduct during the registration period each year. Trussville City Schools keeps these acknowledgements on file.
- 2. Parent Automatic Notification Phone Calls-Trussville City Schools uses an automated call system for attendance. Attendance automated calls are sent to parents daily when their student has been marked absent from school. The automated call confirms the student's absence and reminds parents to explain the absence by sending an excuse when their student returns to school.
- 3. **Family Letters-** Trussville City Schools will remind a parent by letter when five (5) of the six (6) parent notes allowed has been exhausted for their student. In addition, TCS will notify a parent by letter when all six (6) parent notes have been exhausted for their student; the letter reminds the parent that absences can then only be explained by another sufficient method such as a doctor's excuse. Parents are restricted to using a maximum of three (3) parent notes on consecutive days.
- 4. **Pre-Referral Conference-** When a student accumulates five (5) unexcused absences, TCS enrolls the student in their "District Watch" program for a minimum of one (1) school year. The attendance of "District Watch" students are carefully monitored by the Student Services Department. In addition, a pre-referral conference is held with a parent by a school administrator. The pre-referral conference is held to explain Alabama Compulsory School Law to the parent, and discuss goals to correct future attendance.
- 5. Early Warning Court- Once a student accumulates six (6) unexcused absences, Student Services Department will refer the family to Early Warning Court proceedings for immediate intervention. The Early Warning proceeding is conducted by the TCS Student Support Specialist and City of Trussville Municipal Judge. Early Warning Court is the last step before a formal complaint is filed against a family for Truancy or Education Neglect.
- Family Court Complaint and Filing- If a student accumulates seven (7) unexcused absences, TCS Student Support Specialist will file a formal complaint for Truancy or Education Neglect. The family and/or the student will then be served and required to appear in Jefferson County Family Court.
- Chronic Absenteeism- The state of Alabama defines chronic absenteeism as eighteen (18) or more days absent, excused or unexcused by a student in single school year. Trussville City

Schools will address chronic absenteeism with correspondence to parents and possible intervention plans for students that meet this criteria.

8. <u>Truancy</u> is defined as staying away from school without explanation or good reason.

**Perfect attendance** is awarded to students who have met the TCBOE criteria for attendance. These students must have attended school without any absences, tardies, or checkouts during the entire school year.

Tardies/Check-In: Morning instruction begins promptly at 8:00 a.m. Students who arrive after 8:00 a.m. are tardy. Please plan your morning arrival so that your child is seated and ready to work when the 8:00 a.m. bell rings. A parent must accompany students who arrive tardy to the office when checking in. Each parent should complete check-in form in the office. We will then issue a tardy slip to the child that must be given to the teacher. Elementary aged students arriving after the tardy bell will be marked as unexcused tardy unless a physician's note is provided. Checking in with a doctor's excuse will be excused and will not count as an accumulated tardy.

Checkouts: Students are not to leave the school campus during the school day unless they have been checked out through the school office. Any adult who checks out a student must show a photo ID and be listed on the student checkout list. If a person is not listed on the checkout list, a written note from the parent or guardian is required in order to release a student. The student must be signed out on the student checkout sheet and office personnel will call for the child. No one will be allowed to take a student from the classroom without filling out the checkout sheet in the office.

Makeup Work: A student shall have the opportunity to make up examinations or work that occurred during an absence. Makeup work must be completed as soon as possible after returning to school. It shall be the responsibility of the student or student's parents or guardian to arrange with the teacher to make up work. A teacher may require the student to make up work after school hours in which case advanced notice will be required to allow the student to arrange necessary transportation. If your child is absent <u>3 or more days</u>, you may call the school office for your child's makeup assignments between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. The assignments may be picked up after 2:00 p.m. on the same day.

#### **BUS TRANSPORTATION**

Bus transportation services are a privilege, not a right. The school bus is considered an extension of the classroom and all TCBOE rules apply while being transported and while waiting at the bus stops.

- 1. Students are **not** permitted to ride any bus other than their regularly assigned bus without approval of Permission Forms found in the Transportation Department's section of the TCS website.
- 2. The location of bus stops shall be determined at the sole discretion of Jim Kirkland or his designee. All requests for a new/changed bus stop location must be submitted to the Department of Support Services. Jim Kirkland or his designee will make the final decision after conferring with the local school principal.
- 3. Video cameras may be placed on school buses to be used as an aid to monitor behavior.

4. Electronic devices will be allowed on the buses. However, they must not disturb others and the school is not responsible for lost or stolen devices.

Please refer to the Trussville City Schools Code of Student Conduct for a complete listing of the School Bus Code.

\*Riding the bus is often a new experience for younger students, and for this reason, we try to use bus infractions as opportunities to teach appropriate bus riding behavior. Our procedure for addressing bus infractions differs slightly from the Code of Student Conduct. Please note the following: First and second bus infractions will result in a notice home for a parent's signature. A third bus infraction will result in a three day suspension from the bus. If a pattern of misbehavior continues, a student may be removed from the bus permanently.

#### **CHANGE IN TRANSPORTATION**

Changes in the way a student should go from school will be approved only with a written note from the parent or guardian. Requests to ride a bus other than the home bus requires approval of Permission Forms found in the Transportation Department's section of the TCS website. Any "going home messages" regarding changes in transportation must be received one hour prior to dismissal. Without a note or going home message, students will be sent home their usual way.

#### **CHECKS**

Student ID number, the teacher's name, and your driver's license and telephone numbers should be written on all checks. All checks should be made out to the school unless otherwise indicated. Checks for meals should be made out to school lunchroom, and checks for the PTO should be made to the school PTO. Combined checks cannot be accepted. Postdated checks are not accepted. A \$30 fee will be charged for any check that is returned due to insufficient funds and no further checks will be accepted from the individual until the matter is resolved. Individuals who fail to make payment for the full amount of the worthless check, plus the \$30 NSF processing fee, will be turned over to The District Attorney's Worthless Check Unit.

#### CLINIC

The school nurse and personnel who have received training manage the clinic. Only first aid treatment is allowed. Medication may be administered to students when requested in writing by parents/legal guardians or physician. Consultation shall be obtained from an attending physician or other appropriate medical or professional personnel when dictated by the circumstances.

YOU MUST COMPLETE A "SCHOOL MEDICATION PRESCRIBER/PARENT AUTHORIZATION" FORM AVAILABLE IN THE CLINIC or at www.trussvillecityschools.com if it will be necessary for your child to receive any medications at school. We **do not** stock over the counter (OTC) medication (i.e. Motrin, Tylenol, cough drops, etc.). If a student requires OTC medication, the parent must see the school nurse. Medications must be delivered to and retrieved from our clinic by an adult. All medications must be in the original container.

The guidelines below will be followed by the clinic employee when contacting parents about illnesses and injuries.

A parent or guardian shall be contacted in the event of:

 temperature of 100 degrees or higher (child must be fever free for 24 hours without taking fever reducing medication before returning to school),

- severe nausea or vomiting,
- unusual or sensitive situation,
- injury or illness which may require medical attention(ex. pinkeye, cuts, contusions),
- evidence of head lice, or
- special request by a parent or teacher.

Temperatures below 100 degrees, general complaints with no apparent symptoms, and minor injuries may not be deemed serious enough to require parental contact. Students sent home with fever by the nurse will be clinic excused for the next 24 hours. After that period the parent must provide a written excuse for the absence or have a physician's note

**Change of clothes:** Occasionally the nurse may "loan" a student a change of clothing. Please wash and return the clothing the next school day.

**HEAD LICE**: Unnecessary absenteeism from school is often caused by head lice. It is very important to check for lice on a regular basis at home because when students are at home with head lice, not only do they miss school, but parents must often miss work to treat their child and clean their home. Please help us prevent the problem by teaching your child not to share combs, caps, brushes, etc. Please check your child for lice or nits every Friday evening. Notify the school nurse when evidence of head lice are found.

http://www.babycenter.com/2 how-to-treat-your-child-for-lice 10360033.bc is an excellent video on how to effectively remove nits from the shaft of the hair. Absences due to head lice after the initial day of treatment will be coded as unexcused.

#### CONDUCT

Students are expected to conduct themselves in an orderly manner at all times while under the supervision of school personnel. Please refer to the Trussville City Schools Code of Student Conduct and the local school discipline plan for disciplinary guidelines and procedures.

# **CUSTODY PAPERS**

A copy of custody papers **must** be on file with the school if a child is residing with a legal guardian or a custodial parent. Any new, updated or modified custody paperwork should be brought to the school office or the Student Services Department for review. Trussville City Schools will abide by all orders of the court.

Please ensure that all parties approved to check out or pick up the child is on file with the teacher and the office.

#### COMMUNICATION

The most effective way to receive emergency messages and other communication from our school and the district is to subscribe to "Notify Me." If you did not sign up for this free service during the registration process, you may visit the school or district webpage and click on "Notify Me" to subscribe.

# **CONFERENCES / VISITORS**

If you wish to discuss your child's progress, please contact the teacher for a conference. Conferences may be requested at any time during the grading period. Visitors and parents are welcomed on our school campus. However, we have several safety procedures in place that all visitors must follow. All exterior doors remain locked during the school day. ALL VISITORS MUST ENTER THE SCHOOL AT THE OFFICE ENTRANCE.

We ask that you not bring siblings or other children with you to work in a teacher's classroom, as it is a disruption to instructional time. Once at the office counter, all visitors must produce their driver's license which will be scanned into a security monitoring system. A photo ID sticker will be issued for you to wear while you are in the building. You should sign out at the front desk when you exit the building. Video surveillance is used throughout the building and grounds for the safety of our students and staff.

#### **CRISIS PLAN**

Safety is a top priority for Trussville City Schools. All schools have an extensive plan for any emergency situation. Faculty and staff are trained annually on the emergency procedures in the plan. Emergency drills are conducted for fire, tornado and intruder so that students and staff will know how to respond should an actual emergency occur. A School Resource Officer is assigned to each school to help ensure that our students and staff are safe.

#### **DEFIBRILLATOR**

A defibrillator is located in the gymnasium of our school. It is maintained by the Trussville Fire Department. Members of our staff have been trained to use the defibrillator which is designed for children or adults.

# **DRESS AND GROOMING**

Guidelines for dress are simple for elementary children. Shorts, skirts, and shirts should be appropriate for work and play. All students attend PE and recess; therefore, **no flip flops or open back shoes** are allowed. Students may change into tennis shoes for PE. Students who do not wear appropriate shoes for PE will sit out for safety reasons. To be safe in the gym, we require our students to wear shoes safe for exercise. Please think of the types of shoes that YOU wear when you are exercising! Shoes must:

- Completely cover the toes
- Completely cover the heel (no straps)
- No heel height
- No boots
- Rubber bottom

If the clothing or grooming of a student is in question, the administration will decide about appropriateness.

The definition of appropriate clothing and grooming will vary with the age of the student and the program of instruction. If a student's dress or grooming violates code, the parent or guardian will be called to help correct the situation. According to Trussville City Schools Code of Conduct, nonconformity to dress code is a Class 1 Offense.

# **ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

Personal electronic devices are not needed for classroom instructional time. If any personal electronic devices (smart watches/phones etc.) interrupt instructional time, they will be confiscated. Students should access only TCS approved apps and websites. Failure to use electronic devices according to school and board regulations will result in confiscation of the device. The school is not responsible for lost or stolen electronic devices.

<u>Cell phones that ring during class are distracting and will be confiscated.</u>

#### **FIELD TRIP RULES**

Field trips will be offered to the student and are an integral part of our instructional program. Money and permission slips must be turned in to the teacher in accordance with the letter you receive regarding each individual trip.

School personnel shall supervise all field trips. No children will be permitted on a field trip other than the students of the teacher/class requesting the field trip. **Only students' parents or guardians may assist as chaperones**. Any parent or guardian who agrees to serve as a chaperone will be expected to observe some general guidelines which will be provided by the teacher. The age of the students, regulations involving special needs students, and safety considerations on the field trip shall dictate how many chaperones will be required for a particular trip. Each grade level will determine the number of chaperones needed for a field trip. The principal will have final approval of that number.

Students must be transported to and from school field trips using Trussville City Board of Education buses or any other properly insured, franchised, public transportation company. TCBOE bus rules apply to all field trips. No refunds will be given for field trips since reservations and deposits for admissions and buses are made well in advance of the trip.

#### **IDENTIFICATION NUMBER**

Each student is assigned a unique student ID number upon enrollment. The student will use this ID number to purchase lunches, login to computers, and check-out library books. Please write the ID number and the teacher's name on all checks written to the school.

#### **INCLEMENT WEATHER**

The Superintendent of Trussville City Schools makes decisions regarding the closing of school during inclement weather. The most effective way to obtain emergency information is to subscribe to "Notify Me" where you will receive an automated call, text, and/or email should schools closed or delayed. To subscribe go to www.trussvillecityschools.com and click "Notify Me" on the gray navigation bar. All local TV and radio stations will broadcast this information as well. In addition, the local school and system websites will post emergency information. In the event that a tornado warning is issued during regular school hours, students will be required to remain in safety position until the warning expires. Parents arriving on campus during a tornado warning will be allowed to check in through the office and we will direct you to the area that is designated as your child's tornado location so that you may wait with him/her until the warning is cancelled. In the event of school cancellation due to weather, a decision regarding school work for the day will be made based on the individual weather event circumstance.

# **INTRADISTRICT TRANSFERS**

Any questions about intradistrict transfers should be directed to our Student Services Department's District Residency Office. The telephone number is 205-228-3782.

#### LIBRARY (MEDIA CENTER)

Students have regular access to the library. Parents will pay for a library book if lost or damaged. Students with overdue books may not check out another book until the overdue book is returned.

#### **LOST AND FOUND**

Please LABEL all clothing and items that are brought from home with the student's first and last name. Labeled items found will be returned to the student. Lost items will be placed in a designated area. At the end of each grading period, items with no identifying label that are left unclaimed will be given to a charitable organization.

#### LUNCHROOM

Balanced breakfasts and lunches are served each day. Students may purchase ice cream on designated days. Water is also available for purchase, along with extra milk. These items are not considered part of the lunch meal and their cost will be deducted from your child's lunch account. A menu listing the breakfast and lunch choices for the month are posted at <a href="https://www.trussvillecityschools.com">www.trussvillecityschools.com</a>.

Restaurant fast foods and carbonated drinks may not be brought into the lunchroom by anyone under any circumstances. This is a violation of the Federal Lunch Program guidelines and could jeopardize the receipt of the program monies by our lunchroom.

Lunch visitors should sign in at the school office and wait at the lunchroom doors. We ask that you not wait outside classrooms as this distracts the students. Parents should eat with their student at our designated Visitor Table.

If you have any questions about your child's lunchroom account, please call the school lunchroom at 228-3495. You may also elect to participate in the My School Bucks program. This would allow you to make online deposits into your child's meal account, as well as check account balances. Visit <a href="mayer-mys

# MESSAGES TO STUDENTS/TEACHERS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

Our first and foremost priority is offering a curriculum where maximum learning occurs. Therefore, we ask your cooperation in keeping classroom interruptions to an absolute minimum. With our phone and computer systems, you will be able to leave a voice message or email directly with the teacher in his/her classroom. However, you should NEVER leave transportation changes on voice or email as the teacher checks messages as time permits, and that could be after dismissal! Should you need immediate assistance, you may call the main office.

# STUDENT PROGRESS

A standards-based report card is utilized in kindergarten through second grade to report student progress toward end of year goals. A combination of academic standards and numeric grades is utilized in grades 3 through 5. Students will receive a report card every 12 weeks. The report cards will be sent home on the Thursday after the grading period ends. Parents should review the report card, sign it, and return it promptly. Students who are not successful in their current program may be referred for Response to Intervention (RTI). Teachers, counselors, administrators, students, and/or parents may make referrals. Through this process, the problem(s) may be identified and a plan of intervention devised, implemented, and monitored.

#### **HOMEWORK**

Homework assignments are based on one or more of the following purposes:

- Additional practice to strengthen new skills introduced in the classroom.
- 2. Practice reading skills by reading books nightly.
- 3. Complete unfinished classroom assignments.
- Work on projects of short-term or long-term nature such as book reports, reading assignments, projects, etc.

# **PROMOTION GUIDELINES**

Achievement of minimum knowledge and skills in each grade or course determines a student's eligibility for promotion or retention. A Placement Team (the Response to Intervention Team (RTI) or the Individual Education Plan (IEP) Team, the student's legal custodial parent, the student's teacher(s), the counselor, and the principal or assistant principal) shall consider situations in which students may not be promoted to the next grade.

(TCBOE policy I-22)

# **CES DOGS**

Please follow the suggestions of our <u>C</u>ahaba <u>E</u>ncouragement <u>S</u>quad. These students are carefully selected to help with loading and unloading our car riders and with directing our traffic flow in and around the school. They are on duty each morning and afternoon to assist parents and students.

#### **SCHOOL PARTIES**

Parties will be under the direction of the classroom teacher with assistance from the room mothers. Please remember that school parties are for the students. If you are contacted to help with this activity, please do not bring preschool siblings or other guests. NO FOOD (cakes/cupcakes) or BALLOONS SHOULD BE BROUGHT INTO THE SCHOOL FOR STUDENT BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS as this interferes with instructional time and causes hurt feelings when all students do not have the opportunity to celebrate at school. Also, party invitations may be distributed at school only if an invitation is given to each member of the class.

#### SNACK

Students will be allowed to eat a small, reasonable snack during the day at the teacher's discretion. Students may bring containers of water to keep at their desk or in their locker. No juices or other drinks are allowed. We suggest fruits, vegetables, cheese/crackers, Granola/cereal bars, Fruit Roll-Ups, yogurt, etc.

# **TECHNOLOGY USAGE**

Trussville City Schools provides students with a variety of technology resources to support the educational and instructional environment. Because these resources must be used in ethically and legally appropriate ways, a parent signature is required during online registration for a student to have computer/internet access while at school.

# WITHDRAWAL FROM SCHOOL

Parents planning to withdraw children from school should contact the school office at least one day in advance of the withdrawal. Transfer and immunization forms, along with copies of birth certificate and social security card may be picked up at school the last day your child attends.

Cumulative records will be sent upon written request to receiving schools

# **TOBACCO FREE ENVIRONMENT**

Smoking and other tobacco use is prohibited on buses and on school grounds at all times. This applies to employees, students, and visitors.

#### DRUG FREE AND GUN FREE SCHOOL ZONE

Violators will be prosecuted under local, state and federal laws.

# **NON-DISCRIMINATION NOTICE**

It is the official policy of TCS Board of Education that no person on the grounds of race, color, disability, sex, religion, national origin, age, or other legally protected status be

excluded from participation in, be the denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program, activity, or employment. Questions, comments, or complaints regarding compliance and/or Title IX issues should be directed to:

Compliance/Minority Affairs/Title IX Coordinator Dr. Rachel Poovey Trussville City Schools 113 North Chalkville Mountain Road Trussville, AL 35173

Questions, comments, or complaints regarding compliance with requirements under Section 504 concerning students with disabilities should be directed to:

Dr. Rachel Poovey Homebound/504 Services Trussville City Schools 113 North Chalkville Mountain Road Trussville, AL 35173