



2023-2024
East Carter High School
Student Handbook

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OUR VISION

East Carter High School–Extreme Commitment to Student
Success

OUR MISSION

East Carter High School is a community committed to
empowering students through positive relationships and
academic rigor.

OUR BELIEF STATEMENTS

OUR TEACHERS... Will empower ALL students for success

OUR STUDENTS... Will exemplify the Raider “R’s” (Respectful,
Responsible, Resourceful, Reliable, and Ready).

OUR PARENTS/COMMUNITY... Will be supportive,
informed, and active partners with East Carter High School

OUR LEARNING ENVIRONMENT... Will be engaging with
high expectations for all students in a clean and safe
environment.

OUR CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION... Will be engaging,
standards-based, challenging, and focused on 21st Century
Skills.

ECHS RAIDER R'S

Respectful: Respect should be shown to the instructor, peers, visitors, and yourself.

Responsible: Be responsible for you, your work, and your area.

Resourceful: Working through situations using all resources available, relying on peers and forming opinions.

Reliable: Active and trustworthy member of a group or team.

Ready: On time, prepared, materials, mentally and physically ready.

School Fight Song

*Go, Go, Go East Raiders
We want a victory
We'll fight on with courage
And our loyalty (Rah, Rah, Rah)
Red, White, Blue our colors
Spirit is our theme
The Raiders have spirit, so come on let's hear it
And we'll bring home a victory
(Fight, Fight, Fight, Fight, Fight, Fight... Fight...Fight...Fight)*

Class Dues

Every student has class dues that need to be paid each year. Students may not purchase Homecoming/Prom tickets unless their dues are paid. Dues are paid to Ms. Braun in the office or in the cafeteria at lunch. This money goes into an account for each class that helps pay for dances and all the activities for your senior year.

9th Grade—\$5

10th Grade—\$10

11th Grade—\$15

12th Grade—\$20

A student may also pay \$50 to pay for all 4 years at once. If you need help with your class dues, please see Ms. Braun in the front office.

FACULTY AND STAFF

Administrative Staff	Front Office Staff
Kelley Moore, Principal Veronica Braun, Assistant Principal Matthew Clark, Assistant Principal	Kim Gullett, Secretary Donna Kay Adams, Attendance Clerk Wanda Greer, Records Clerk
Guidance Counseling Staff	School Resource Officer
Bill Billman, A-K Counselor Belicia Sexton, L-Z Counselor	Eric Caudill/R.D. Porter
Faculty and Staff	
<p><u>Agriculture</u> Kenny Brammell Kallie Wright</p> <p><u>Business</u> Tera Baldwin Aundra Shearer</p> <p><u>Engineering</u> Breianna Shaffer</p> <p><u>English Language Arts</u> April Blevins Danielle Boggs Kim Erwin Jessie Marshall Wendy Potter</p> <p><u>Family-Consumer Science</u> Jill Jackson</p>	<p><u>Humanities</u> Heather Berry-Art Ben Hawkins-Drama and French Logan Skidmore-Band</p> <p><u>Health & P.E.</u> Brandon Baker, Athletic Director Jennifer Clark</p> <p><u>ISS</u> Tim Champlin</p> <p><u>JROTC</u> Sgt. David Morris Major Jennifer Stacy</p> <p><u>Library Media Center</u> Nikki James, Library Media Specialist Kim Stevens, Library Assistant</p>

Math

Aaron Eldridge
Daniel Geyer
Erik Kouns
Aimie Walker
Tyler Walker

Science

Lisa McNeal
Jaime Tiller
Chandra Wallace

Social Studies

Cory Jones
Brandon Marksberry
John Ramey
Jeremiah Shearer

Special Education

Vicky Barker–FMD
Cole Brammer
Connor Robinson
Debbie Spillman
Jeff Whitson
Saundrea Yoak

Support Staff

Connie Barker
Tracy Caudill
Becky Crum–Jobs Coach
Judy Davis
Connia Griffith
Debbie Hale
Courtney Harlow
Gigi Lucas
Misty Mullis

Youth Service Center

Jessica Duncan, Coordinator
Marcie Morgan, Assistant

Custodial Staff

Donnie Barker
Russell Bustetter
Laurie Fyffe
Lee Fyffe
Amy Wilburn

Cafeteria Staff

Trudy Cordle–Head Cook
Tonya Bailey
Margarete Dearfield
Sandra Middleton

Athletic Coaches and Club Sponsors

Brandon Baker, Athletic Director

Archery – Baseball –Jeremiah Shearer Basketball, Boys –Cole Brammer Basketball, Girls –Matt Clark Bass Fishing –Ryan Tomolonis Cheerleading –Jordan/Heather Goodman Cross Country –Tersa Morse Football –Tim Champlin Golf --Greg Cherry	Soccer, Boys –Grady Garrison Soccer, Girls –Tyler Walker Softball –Derek Calhoun Tennis --Jeff Porter Track --Jeff Whitson Volleyball –Jennifer Clark Unified Track -Jaime Tiller/Jeff Whitson Wrestling –Shane Davidson
Academic Team –Brandon Marksberry & Jessie Marshall Beta –Jaime Tiller Drama –Ben Hawkins FBLA –Tera Baldwin & Aundra Shearer FCA –Cory Jones FCCLA –Jill Jackson	FFA –Kenny Brammell French Honor Society –Ben Hawkins Gaming –Brandon Marksberry TSA –Breianna Shaffer Unified –Jaime Tiller Yearbook –Jessie Marshall

ATTENDANCE AT A GLANCE

	Limits	Notes
Excused Absence (parent note)	6 per school year	Note within 5 days of returning to school. Must include student name, date of absence, and reason for absence. Needs to be turned in at scanning or to the front office
Doctor-Excused Absence	No limit	Note within 5 days of returning to school. Needs to be turned in at scanning or to the front office
Unexcused Absences	<p>3 unexcused absences makes you “truant”</p> <p>6 unexcused absences makes you a “habitual truant” and will get you referred to the court system</p> <p>8 unexcused absences excludes you from being able to attend Prom (suspensions count) and for seniors it excludes you from being able to participate in the graduation ceremony (suspensions do not count)</p>	

2023-2024 Raider Theme of the Year

Step it up!

Step it up in the classroom and in your attendance.

Our attendance goal is for you to miss no more than 9 days (excused or unexcused). You are missing out if you're not here!!

Students should arrive at school prior to 7:55. After 7:55, you are tardy.

All students enter the building at the back of the school and go through the scanners from 7:20-8:15am. After 8:15am, you need to enter through the front office. If you have a backpack or bag of any kind, it will be searched prior to walking through the metal detector. If your backpack is not clear/mesh, you will not be allowed to bring it in.

Bell Schedule

1st period	7:55-8:50
2nd period	8:55-9:49
3rd period	9:54-10:48
4th period	10:53-11:47
5th period	11:52-1:16 1st Lunch 11:52-12:20 2nd Lunch 12:20-12:48 3rd Lunch 12:48-1:16
6th period	1:21-2:15
7th period	2:20-3:14

At the 3:14 dismissal bell, students who ride the bus home, need to quickly go out to the front of the school to look for their bus.

Pickups will go to the back of the school (where you enter in the mornings).

LOCKERS

- If you would like to use a locker, see Donna Kay Adams in the front office. She will assign one to you.
- Your locker is to be kept locked at all times. Students are cautioned against telling lock combinations to others.
- Each student is responsible for keeping his/her assigned locker clean both inside and outside.
- Students are cautioned not to keep money or other valuables in their lockers.
- Students must use the official school locks. Personal locks on lockers will be cut off.
- All lockers unassigned will be locked or secured by school staff.

STUDENT BUS NOTES

A bus note must be written by a parent/guardian when the student will be riding a different bus to a new/different location for one day. A note must be written for each event. The note must include parent/guardian signature along with a phone number so the note can be verified by school personnel before permission is granted.

MEDICATIONS

Students are not permitted to bring prescription or over-the-counter medications (including such medications as aspirin or Tylenol) to school unless they need to be taken during the school day. If medications are brought to school, **they must be in their original containers** and turned in to a designated school official in the counselor's office that will dispense them at the appropriate time.

DISTRIBUTION OF MEDICATION: Medication should be given at home when possible. School personnel shall keep a child's medication in a safe place and call the child to take the medication at the proper time providing there is a signed, notarized authorization to give medication form from the parent. The forms must be completed before school personnel administers medication to a student. Students are permitted to self-administer asthma medications when the school receives written authorization from the parent and health care provider. This permission shall be effective for the school year and renewed each year. All medication shall be sent to the school in its original container with the prescription label attached, which includes the physician's direction for dispensing the medication. Non-prescription (over the counter) medications may be accepted on an individual basis as provided by the parent or legal guardian so long as a completed authorization to give medication form is on file.

Severe Food Allergy Alert: For the safety of the students who have life-threatening nut allergies, please DO NOT bring ANY Nut products on school grounds at any time.

DISCIPLINE POLICY

2023-2024

All discipline at East Carter High School will be assigned according to school/district policy.

DPP—Director of Pupil Personnel, SRO—School Resource Officer, ISS—In School Suspension, OSS—Out of School Suspension (includes any school functions during the suspension time period)

A. VIOLATION—SCHOOL ATTENDANCE	SCHOOL INTERVENTION
1. Skipping class (more than 10 minutes unaccounted for)—1 period	1 st offense—4 hours detention 2 nd offense—1 day ISS 3 rd offense—3 days ISS
2. Skipping school—2 periods or more or leaving school grounds.	1 st offense—2 days ISS 2 nd offense—3 days ISS 3 rd offense—1 day OSS
3. Tardies to Class	1 st offense—Warning by teacher 2 nd offense— Assign tardy packet which is due the next day 3 rd offense—4 hours detention 4 th -9 th offense—1 Day ISS 10 th offense—Report to DPP as truant and 1 day ISS assigned for each tardy accumulated after #10.
4. Tardies to School	Tardy #1—Warning Tardy #2—Warning and conference with an administrator Tardy #3— 4 hours detention Tardy #4-9—1 Day ISS Tardy #10—Report to DPP as truant and 1 day ISS assigned for each tardy accumulated after #10.

B. VIOLATION—TOBACCO	SCHOOL INTERVENTION
<p>1. Possession of tobacco products or smoking paraphernalia (including vapor pens or e-cigs) inside/outside the school building.</p> <p>2. Smoking/chewing of tobacco products inside/outside the school building.</p>	<p>1st offense—2 days OSS and ½ day ISS</p> <p>2nd offense—3 days OSS</p> <p>3rd offense—4 days OSS and loss of privileges of attending any extra-curricular activity (sporting events, prom/dances etc.) and/or loss of driving privileges.</p> <p>**If students are caught with any tobacco product, vape pen, e-cig, etc, those items become the property of ECHS and will not be returned.</p>
C. VIOLATIONS-ALCOHOL/DRUGS	SCHOOL INTERVENTION
<p>1. Possession/use of alcohol, illegal drugs, legend drugs, look-alike drugs, drug paraphernalia, or under the influence at school/school function.</p>	<p>10 days OSS reduced to 5 days if student and parent agree to enroll in Early Intervention Program through Pathways.</p>
<p>2. Sale/transfer of illegal drugs, legend drugs, look-alike drugs, or over the counter drugs or alcohol.</p>	<p>Notification of police and 10 days OSS from school with referral to the superintendent for pre-expulsion hearing.</p>
<p>3. Possession of prescription drugs issued to the student or over the counter drugs which have not been turned in to the records clerk in the office.</p>	<p>1st offense—Medication taken from the student, student will be warned, and parent required to come to school to pick up the medicine.</p> <p>2nd-3rd offense—1 day ISS.</p>

D. FLAGRANT VIOLATIONS	SCHOOL INTERVENTION
1. Arson 2. Burglary of school property 3. Weapons (including knives of any size or blade length)—possession, use, sale, or transfer 4. Bomb threat 5. Explosive devices—possession, use, sale or transfer 6. Stolen property/theft 7. Incidents involving spread of bodily fluid	Notification of police and suspension with immediate referral to the superintendent for pre-expulsion hearing. ***Administrative discretion may be used for minor acts.
8. Falsely setting off fire alarm.	Notification of police; Charges filed and 5 days OSS
9. Any sexual activity on school grounds or at any school function.	10 Day OSS with possible referral to the superintendent for a pre-expulsion hearing.
E. VIOLATIONS— BUILDING/GROUNDS	SCHOOL INTERVENTION
1. Defacing/destruction of property	3-5 days OSS and make retribution. In incidents where clean-up is involved, multiple hours of community service may be assigned.
2. Breaking and Entering (Includes unlawful entry)	5 days suspension (ISS or OSS, administrative discretion); notification of police; retribution and community service if damage is done.

<p>3. Loitering—School grounds are not a place for public and/or student loitering. While school is not in session, no person, except Carter County Schools employees shall enter or remain inside the school building or on school grounds. Grounds are closed from sunset to sunrise, except for approved school activities or pre-approved community events. Grounds are not to be used after hours for unapproved student assemblies and/or campouts.</p>	<p>Violators will be asked to leave school grounds.</p> <p>Administrative discretion will be used depending on the actions of violators.</p> <p>Severe cases may lead to notification of police and/or charges being filed for trespassing and/or unlawful assembly.</p>
<p>F. VIOLATIONS—DRIVING</p>	<p>SCHOOL INTERVENTION</p>
<p>1. Reckless driving, excessive speed, disruptive behavior in a vehicle.</p>	<p>1st offense—Warning and 1 day ISS</p> <p>2nd offense—Notify SRO and loss of driving privileges for 20 days</p> <p>3rd offense—Notify SRO and loss of driving privileges for remainder of the school year.</p>
<p>2. Driving without parking pass.</p>	<p>4 hours detention—Must show proof of purchasing parking pass before driving again.</p>
<p>G. VIOLATIONS—INTEGRITY</p>	<p>SCHOOL INTERVENTION</p>
<p>1. False statements—written or verbal, forged note/altering names on list</p>	<p>1st offense—4 hours detention</p> <p>2nd offense—1 day ISS</p> <p>3rd offense—3 days ISS</p>
<p>2. Academic Dishonesty; Cheating; Plagiarism</p>	<p>1st offense—1 day ISS</p> <p>2nd offense—2 days ISS</p> <p>3rd offense—3 days ISS</p> <p>***Student will be required to complete the assignment, in their own work, during ISS time and return to teacher.</p>

<p>3. Unauthorized/Inappropriate use of the internet, student email accounts, or student technology such as phones, computers, iPads, etc.</p>	<p>1st offense—Warning and 4 hours detention</p> <p>2nd offense—Treat as Defiance of Authority and loss of internet privileges for the remainder of the semester</p> <p>3rd offense—Treat as Defiance of Authority and loss of internet privileges for remainder of the year</p> <p>*Depending on the severity of the offense, administration may issue ISS or OSS. The school resource officer (SRO) may be notified.</p>
<p>H. VIOLATIONS—TOWARD SCHOOL EMPLOYEES</p>	<p>SCHOOL INTERVENTION</p>
<p>1. Defiance of authority—defined as:</p> <p>a. defying, a standing up against authority and refusing to recognize or obey it, open resistance.</p> <p>b. Challenge to meet in a contest, to do something or prove something</p> <p>c. Deliberate challenge to authority by disobedience</p> <p>d. An attitude or action designed to provoke hostility</p> <p>e. A contemptuous opposition</p> <p>f. Deliberately disregarding</p>	<p>2 days suspension (Administrative discretion as to ISS or OSS depending on the severity and longevity of the defiance)</p> <p>**Multiple offenses may result in administrative discretion which could possibly include charges being filed or referral to Superintendent for pre-expulsion hearing.</p>
<p>2. Disrespectful Attitude</p>	<p>1st offense—4 hours detention and counseling session with grade level counselor</p> <p>2nd offense—1 day ISS</p> <p>3rd offense—2 days ISS</p> <p>4th offense—Treat as Defiance of Authority</p>
<p>3. Profanity/obscene gestures and/or language toward employee.</p>	<p>1-3 days OSS</p>

<p>4. Aggressive behavior toward an employee</p> <p>5. Serious or repeated verbal abuse/harassment of an employee</p> <p>6. Assault of any school employee</p> <p>7. Threatening the person or property of an employee either by word or by gesture.</p> <p>8. Sexual harassment of a school employee (physical)</p>	<p>Notify SRO</p> <p>10 days suspension with immediate referral to the superintendent for a pre-expulsion hearing.</p>
<p>9. Taking and/or posting pictures of school employees without their permission</p>	<p>1st offense—2 days suspension (ISS or OSS, administrator discretion)</p> <p>2nd offense—3 days OSS</p> <p>3rd offense—5 days OSS</p>
<p>I. VIOLATIONS—TOWARD ANOTHER STUDENT</p>	<p>SCHOOL INTERVENTION</p>
<p>1. Physically assaultive behavior (e.g., hitting/fighting)</p>	<p>1st offense—5 days OSS</p> <p>2nd offense—10 days OSS</p> <p>3rd offense—10 days OSS plus 5 days ISS. Immediate referral to the superintendent for pre-expulsion hearing.</p> <p>***Depending on the severity of first assault, administration reserves the right to proceed directly to referral for pre-expulsion hearing.</p>

2. Aggressive Behavior (e.g., pushing/shoving)	2 days suspension. Administration reserves the right to use ISS or OSS depending on severity of the matter
3. Instigation—spreading rumors or creating a situation by word or use of technology (texting, posting, sharing screenshots, etc.) which has the intent of causing a physical altercation between other students, perpetuating threats of violence related to students, school personnel, school buildings, school events, etc.	Administrative discretion, based on severity of the incident. Punishment may be as minor as detention hours assigned, but in extreme cases can constitute a 10 day OSS with possible referral to the superintendent for pre-expulsion hearing.
4. Profanity/obscene gestures and/or language toward a student or verbal fighting	1-3 day suspension (ISS or OSS depending on severity of incident)
5. Sexual harassment of another student (physical)	10 days suspension with referral to superintendent for pre-expulsion hearing.
6. Threats/Verbal Harassment (including verbal sexual harassment) of another student/Bullying	<p>1st offense—3 days ISS</p> <p>2nd offense—3 days OSS</p> <p>3rd offense—10 days OSS with referral to superintendent for pre-expulsion hearing.</p> <p>***In severe cases, we will proceed directly to suspension/referral to the superintendent for a pre-expulsion hearing.</p>
7. Taking and/or posting pictures of another student without their permission	<p>1st offense—2 days suspension (ISS or OSS, administrator discretion)</p> <p>2nd offense—3 days OSS</p> <p>3rd offense—5 days OSS</p>

J. VIOLATIONS—DETENTION	SCHOOL INTERVENTION
1. Failure to come to assigned detention	1 day ISS for each detention missed
2. Leaving detention early	Reschedule detention and add 1 hour
3. Tardiness to after school detention	Detention credit for that day does not count—add 1 more hour to total hours of detention to be served.
K. VIOLATIONS—GENERAL	SCHOOL INTERVENTION
1. Unauthorized Area—an unauthorized area may include, but not be limited to any place other than the cafeteria during lunch or morning bus duty, the hallways during class time without a signed agenda book, teacher’s lounge or work room, more than one person in a restroom stall, or any place other than the students’ assigned location without a signed agenda book	1 st offense—4 hours detention 2 nd offense—1 day ISS 3 rd offense—2 days ISS 4 th offense—Treat as Defiance of Authority
2. Disruptive behavior in a classroom or in the school building	1 st offense—4 hours detention 2 nd offense—2 days ISS 3 rd offense—3 days ISS

<p>3. Disruptive behavior during an assembly</p>	<p>1st offense—Student will be removed from assembly and assigned 4 hours detention</p> <p>2nd offense—Student will be removed from assembly, assigned 4 hours detention and banned from assemblies for the remainder of the year</p>
<p>4. Profanity, obscene language and/or gestures</p>	<p>1st offense—4 hours detention</p> <p>2nd offense—1 day ISS</p> <p>3rd offense—2 days ISS</p> <p>4th offense—treat as Defiance of Authority</p>
<p>5. Inappropriate display of affection (only hand holding is permitted)</p>	<p>1st offense—4 hours detention</p> <p>2nd offense—1 day ISS</p> <p>3rd offense—2 days ISS</p> <p>4th offense—Treat as Defiance of Authority</p>
<p>6. Student has been assigned detention or ISS on 3 occasions for the same offense</p>	<p>Punishment for violation of 3rd offense plus “Defiance of Authority”</p>
<p>7. Behavior that causes a safety hazard</p>	<p>Administrative discretion—based on severity of the incident. Punishment may be as minor as detention hours assigned, but in extreme issues can constitute a 10 days OSS with possible referral to the superintendent for a pre-expulsion hearing</p>

L. VIOLATIONS-MISCELLANEOUS	SCHOOL INTERVENTION
<p>Any violation that could be considered a public offense such as, but not limited to, terroristic threatening, criminal mischief, harassment, etc.</p>	<p>Administration may choose from the following depending upon the severity of the violation:</p> <p>OSS (May include suspension from any school function such as, but not limited to: senior breakfast, prom, field trips, club events, graduation ceremonies, etc.)</p> <p>ISS</p> <p>Notify SRO</p> <p>Referral to superintendent for pre-expulsion hearing.</p>
<p>An accumulation of multiple offenses outlined in Carter County School Board policy 09.426, for conduct that disrupts the educational process, may result in administrative discretion which could possibly include but not limited to charges being filed, alternative education placement via Carter County Virtual Academy, DPP referral or referral to Superintendent for pre-expulsion hearing. The duration of assignment shall be fixed and determined by the Principal or his/her designee and the pre-expulsion committee. Opportunities shall be provided for the student to continue regular schoolwork under the supervision of the school staff, and counseling services shall be provided to address school-related problems.</p>	

Harassment and Discrimination

The Carter County School District does not tolerate acts of harassment and discrimination based on race, color, national origin, age, religion, sex or disability. Prohibited acts include, but are not limited to, offensive conduct such as racial or ethnic slurs, jokes, derogatory comments, or other verbal or physical conduct against a member of any of the protected classes listed above.

Any student who believes they have been harassed or discriminated against should report this immediately, either verbally or in writing, to their building level Principal. Any employee who believes they have been discriminated against should report this immediately to the Superintendent.

Complaints of harassment and discrimination will lead to an adequate, reliable and impartial investigation in accordance with the specific Carter County Board of Education Harassment/Discrimination policy. Students who engage in harassment/discrimination shall be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to, suspension and expulsion. Employees who engage in harassment/discrimination shall be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to, suspension without pay and termination of employment. Retaliation against anyone who has reported harassment or discrimination, or who has provided information during an investigation, is strictly forbidden.

The district's official Anti-Harassment and Discrimination Statement is published on the district website at the following link at the "ABOUT US" drop down tab: <https://www.cartercountyschools.org/> The Carter County Board of Education

Harassment/Discrimination policies (03.162, 03.262 for employees and 09.42811 for students) are found at the following link:

<http://policy.ksba.org/Chapter.aspx?distid=3>

STUDENT DRESS CODE

1. Backpacks must clear or mesh.
2. Underwear cannot be visible at any time.
3. Cropped tops are acceptable, however no more than 2 inches of midriff may be exposed.
4. No strapless garments.
5. No baggy pants or trench coats (Board policy).
6. All shorts, skirts, or dresses must go down approximately 3-4 inches in length on the upper thigh.
7. No clothing advertising illegal products for minors is permitted. Examples: alcohol or tobacco products, or illegal drug references. No clothing with disrespectful or inappropriate pictures or sayings are permitted.
8. Shoes must be worn at all times. No slippers or bedroom shoes (house shoes) are permitted.
9. The wearing of pajamas is not permitted at school except for school activities approved by the principal (example, pajama day during Spirit Week).
10. Wearing hats in the building is permitted, but must be removed in classrooms at teacher discretion (failure to remove a hat when requested can result in disciplinary action).
11. Hoods or hats that conceal a student's identity are not permitted.
12. Any athletic gear/bags must be stored at the school's designated area immediately upon arrival at school.
13. No accessories that can be used as a weapon (including but not limited to animal chains, spiked collars, spiked bracelets, spiked rings).
14. No blankets or stuffed animals are allowed at school.

“The wearing of attire, cosmetics, presentation of extraordinary personal appearance, or any unsanitary body conditions which is the judgment of the Principal, significantly disrupts school work, interrupts scholastic endeavors, or threatens health and safety of other pupils, is prohibited.”

-from the Carter County School District Code of Acceptable Behavior and Discipline

TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES

While on school property or while attending school-sponsored or school-related activities, whether on or off school property, students shall be permitted to possess and use personal telecommunication devices as defined by law and other related electronic devices, provided they observe the following conditions:

1. Devices shall not be used in a manner that disrupts the educational process, including but not limited to, use that:
 - a. Poses a threat to academic integrity, such as cheating;
 - b. Violates confidentiality or privacy rights of another individual. This includes, but is not limited to, taking photographs, video, or audio recordings of others without the permission of the Principal/designee and the affected individual(s). An exception may be made for events considered to be in the public arena (e.g. sporting events, academic competitions, or performances to which the general public is admitted) where the activity does not materially disrupt the event, prevent others from observing the event, or otherwise violate legal rights. School social events for students, activities sponsored by student clubs, and activities during the school day that are not open to the public are not considered to be in the public arena;
 - c. Is profane, indecent, or obscene;
 - d. Constitutes or promotes illegal activity or activity in violation of school rules; or
 - e. Constitutes or promotes sending, sharing, or possessing sexually explicit messages, photographs, or images using any electronic device.
2. Unless an emergency situation exists that involves imminent physical danger or a certified employee authorizes the student to do otherwise, devices shall be turned on and operated only before and after the regular school day and during the student's lunch break.
3. When students violate prohibitions of this policy, they shall be subject to disciplinary action, including losing the privilege of bringing the device onto school property and being reported to their parent/guardian. A violation also may result in a report being made to law enforcement. In addition, an administrator may confiscate the device, which shall only be returned to the student's parent/guardian.
4. Students are responsible for keeping up with devices they bring to school. The District shall not be responsible for loss, theft, or destruction of devices brought onto school property.
5. Students shall comply with any additional rules developed by the school concerning appropriate use of telecommunication or other electronic devices.
6. Students shall not utilize a telecommunication or similar electronic device in a manner that would violate the District's Acceptable Use policy or procedures or its Code of Acceptable Behavior and Discipline.

PROM/DANCE ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES

- Attendance at the Prom or any other dance is a privilege and not a right. Behavior and/or attendance issues can keep you from being approved for the prom or other dances.
- No one below the 9th grade or above the age of 20 may attend a high school dance.
- Students with 8 or more unexcused absences (including suspensions) for the school year cannot attend prom.
- A Dance Guest Form must be completed to bring a guest not currently enrolled as an East Carter High School student. Age restrictions will apply.
- No re-entry into the dance will be permitted for any student.
- Students are to be in designated dance areas. Students found outside of the designated areas will be escorted off school property.
- All students will be observed for illegal substances prior to entry into the dance.
- Any student suspected of being under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol will be subject to evaluation.
- Administrators, if given just cause, reserve the right to conduct bag searches.
- Any student who refuses to comply will be denied entry into the dance
- Any vehicle, including limousines, can be searched with just cause at any time, by proper authorities. Passengers will be held responsible and subject to consequences for any illegal substances found within the vehicle.

CLASS OF 2024 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

ENGLISH An English class must be taken and passed each of the 4 years of high school	4
MATHEMATICS Algebra 1, Geometry, and 2 additional years of math (A math class must be taken each year of high school)	4
SOCIAL STUDIES	3
SCIENCE	3
HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION ½ Credit of Health and PE	1
HUMANITIES ELECTIVE Art or Music	1
ELECTIVES/CAREER PATHWAY Chosen from the East Carter scheduling guide. One elective must be a Math course during Senior Year	9
FOREIGN LANGUAGE* (Two years of one foreign language)	2
TOTAL CREDITS**	25

*Recommended for any student seeking admission to a college or university.

**Additional requirements include civics test and demonstrated performance-based competency in technology

KEES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM—Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES)

Students are advised to check their KEES account to insure accuracy. You may find more information at www.kheaa.com.

KEES Base Award Amounts

For each year you earn a 2.5 or better GPA, you can earn the base amount listed below. For instance, a high school freshman who earns a 3.5 GPA would have a \$375 scholarship for each year of college. Amounts may change based on available funds

GPA	Amount	ACT Score	Amount
2.5	\$125	15	\$36
2.6	150	16	71
2.7	175	17	107
2.75	187	18	143
2.8	200	19	179
2.9	225	20	214
3.0	250	21	250
3.1	275	22	286
3.2	300	23	321
3.25	312	24	357
3.3	325	25	393
3.4	350	26	428
3.5	375	27	464
3.6	400	28+	500
3.7	425		
3.75	437		
3.8	450		
3.9	475		
4.0	500		

NO PASS/NO DRIVE

The "No Pass/No Drive" statute (KRS 159.051) became law on June 25, 2007 with implementation beginning August 1, 2007. This statute involves every public and private school (including home schools) in Kentucky. Any sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) year old student applying for the first time for a Learners Instruction Permit will be required to have a (revised) School Compliance Verification: KRS 159.051 Form (dated 1-1-12), issued and completed by the school. The law specifies that a student "shall" pass four (4) courses (or the equivalent) per semester; $4/6 = 66\%$). ECHS is currently on a 7 period school day and therefore students must pass five (5) of their seven (7) classes each semester to remain eligible.

LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER

LMC hours: 7:40-3:15 (extended hours may be arranged with LMC staff). Students who wish to visit the LMC during class must have permission from his/her teacher and a purpose for the visit.

LMC Circulation: Books may be checked out for 2-week intervals and renewed for an additional two weeks. Students must present the book in the LMC to renew. Fines accrue at \$0.25 per day for overdue books. Students may not be allowed to check out additional items if they are in overdue status or owe outstanding fines. Overdue Notices are delivered to students on a weekly basis. Materials lost or damaged beyond repair are billed to the student at replacement cost.

Chromebook Policy: Students will be required to bring their own technology to class. We allow students to check out Chromebooks with parent/guardian permission to use as long as needed at ECHS. Chromebooks will not be collected for summer vacations, so students will be expected to return to school with their assigned Chromebook the following year. Chromebooks must be returned without damage beyond normal wear and tear before students graduate or leave ECHS. Students who lose or intentionally damage his/her Chromebook will be responsible for the replacement of the device. The current cost of replacement is \$225. Any issues students have with their Chromebooks should be reported to the LMC immediately as most issues are easily resolved.

GETTING IMPORTANT STUDENT INFORMATION

Everyone has access to a Google classroom for their graduating class (Class of 2024, Class of 2025, etc). If you are not already a member of your “Class of” classroom, check your email for an invitation. If you don’t have an invitation, see a counselor or administrator to add you to the class. Important information is often posted in this classroom, as well as electronic voting forms for homecoming/prom queens and kings. For seniors, scholarship information is updated regularly. This classroom should be checked often. (Freshmen may have to wait a few days after the start of school to get their invitation.)

STUDENT PARKING POLICY

In the interest of safety for all students and to provide a more convenient parking facility, the following guidelines are in effect

1. Students must have a valid driver's license.
2. Students must provide proof of liability insurance.
3. Students and parents must sign documents agreeing to submit to random drug testing.
4. Students will be given a parking tag, which must be clearly displayed in the vehicle's windshield whenever the vehicle is on campus. No parking in unauthorized areas.
5. Vehicles may be searched if drugs, alcohol, or weapons are suspected.
6. School board policy states:
 - a. A combination of 5 tardies/unexcused absences—student loses driving privileges for 10 days.
 - b. A combination of 10 tardies/unexcused absences—student loses driving privileges for 20 days.
 - c. A combination of 15 tardies/unexcused absences—student loses driving privileges for the rest of the year.
7. Driving recklessly, as determined by school personnel, will result in the loss of parking privileges.
8. Using vehicle to leave campus without permission will result in the loss of driving privileges.
9. No sitting in parked cars.
10. No one shall be in the parking lot during school hours without permission of school personnel.

COMMON AREA PROCEDURES

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Hallways</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Walk to the right/pass on the left.2. Keep your hands and feet to yourself3. Talk in a conversational tone. Avoid yelling/screaming/making loud noises.4. Use your passing time wisely. Take care of restroom/lockers before you socialize to avoid being late to class.5. Avoid blocking hallways in large groups6. Respond appropriately and immediately to adult directions.	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Afternoon Procedures</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Go immediately to your bus, personal vehicle, or assigned waiting area.2. Student drivers are to exit the campus immediately, without loitering in the parking lot.3. Students waiting for busses will congregate in front of the building and watch for their bus to come.
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Morning Procedures</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Enter through the scanners at the back entrance of the school.2. Turn in excuses for previous absences/tardies at the table by the scanner doors.3. Place sports bags in storage cabinets.4. Go directly to the cafeteria to eat breakfast and/or wait for the morning bell (7:40am).5. Sit down upon entering the cafeteria.6. Keep your hands and feet to yourself.7. Talk in a conversational tone.	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Restrooms</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Keep the restroom clean for yourself and others.2. Use the facilities properly, the way they were designed to be used.3. Avoid congregating/loitering in the restrooms.4. Report any problems in the restrooms immediately to a staff member.5. Only one person allowed in a stall at a time.
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Cafeteria</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Go directly to the cafeteria at your scheduled time.2. Be polite to cafeteria personnel.3. Avoid wastefulness by taking only the napkins/straws/condiments you need.4. Keep the tables and floors clean.5. Dispose of all trash in the proper receptacles.6. Ask permission from an adult on duty to leave the cafeteria.7. Stay seated until dismissed.	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Assemblies</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Respond appropriately to the presenter based on the type of assembly.<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Formal–Students sit quietly and attentively.b. Educational–Students interact appropriately and respectfully with presenter.c. Spirit–Students actively participate.2. Be polite and attentive.3. Questions should be relevant and pertain to the topic at hand.4. Use the aisle to get to your seat, avoiding climbing over or on the chair backs.5. Leave the top row of the bleachers empty for teachers.