

T. H. BELL JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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Office hours 7:15 AM – 3:15 PM

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VISION STATEMENT

As a school community, we work collaboratively to support all students in maximizing their academic, social, and emotional potential.

MISSION STATEMENT

Together we Help all students Become Empowered Life-long Learners

HISTORY

T.H. Bell Junior High School is named after a former Weber School District Superintendent, Dr. Terrel H. Bell, who was also the former U.S. Secretary of Education. Construction of T.H. Bell Junior High School was completed in 1963. The school colors are Red, White, and Blue and the school mascot is the “Minuteman.”

**T.H. Bell Jr. High School
STUDENT GOVERNMENT and CHEERLEADERS
2023-2024**

Student Body Officers

Braxton Morris – Student Body President
Noah Carrera – Vice President
Jayda Field – Vice President
Mason Keller – Vice President

9th Grade Officers

Avy Van Vleet – Class President
Christian Jensen
Sailor Johnston
Whitney Richards
Noah Sandberg
Nick Staten

8th Grade Officers

Gavin Barber – Class President
Jack Bushman
Rees Hansen
Cy Nielson
Dani Wight
Carson Wilkins

7th Grade Officers

Guy Casperson – Class President
Elisabeth Ellis
Ameila Graff
Beck Jensen
Juliet Krim
Hudson Miller

Cheerleaders 9th Graders

Ella Bruin
Berkely Butterfield
Libby Dixon
Allie Morris
Kaylyn Pulsipher
Laivrey Ritter
Kiyah Seeley
Addy Stanger
Lola Stewart
Jacee Wardle
Brinlee Woods

8th Graders

Oaklee Boots
Aspen Deschamps
Alexis Hovey
Kaylee Lawrence

STAFF AND FACULTY

ADMINISTRATION

Nichole Warren-Doman – Principal
Ryan Waite -Assistant Principal
Andrew Penland -Assistant Principal

COUNSELORS

Natasha Davis (A-L) Jacob Kennard (M-Z)

TEACHERS

Samantha Allen.....English	Robert MoschettiChoir/Drama
Austin BarronSpecial Ed	Kristen Evans.....Spanish
Boyd Barrow..... Social Studies	Anthony Nelson.....Special Ed
Emily Burns Special Ed	Claudette Nielsen.....Science
Cindy Charlton... ..Special Ed	Emily Ozmun.....Art
Jennifer Duke.....English	Ariana Sears.....P.E./LIA
Alejandro Edwards....Tech/CTE	Faria Shao..... Math
Karen Eilander.....Science	Ben Sherman.....Science/Math
Lisa FolkerEnglish	Ashton Sparrow.....PE
Shawn Fowers.....Math	Kevin Stuart.....German
Nicole Fulgham.....English	Marci Swenson.....Science
Linda Gallego.....ESL	Julie ThorngrenBusiness/CTE
Amy JamisonMedia	Matt Thorngren.....Social Studies
Tim Koster.....Band/Orch	Rachel Vega Math Amy
Lloyd.....FACS/Clothing	Ruth Martinez.....FACS/CTE
Angeleia Lombardi.....Art	

RESOURCE OFFICER

Todd Dickerson

OFFICE STAFF

Lisa Koopmans – Head Secretary Kristine Hirschi– Registrar
Brook Hayes – Assistant Secretary Mindi Dixon – Options
Corianne Orozco – Attendance Secretary

AIDES

Kristy Burns -Life Skills	Kevin Reader -Life Skills
Anthony Nelson -Life Skills	Suzanne Smith -Student Advocate
Virginia Abbott --Life Skills	Melanie Williams – Tech Services
Aspen Burnett -Life Skills	Andrea Prevo -ELL Aide
Sophia Neff -Life Skills	

SCHOOL CALENDAR

New student registration (By appointment)....August 14-18
Back to School NightAugust 21
School beginsAugust 23
Labor Day (no school) September 4
School picturesSeptember 5
Midterm September 19
Parent Teacher Conference September 27
Picture make-up day October 10
Fall Break (no school)October 12-13
First term endsOctober 26
Prof Learning Day (no school)..... October 27
Second term beginsOctober 30
Thanksgiving vacation November 22-24
Midterm November 30
Winter Break December 21 – January 1
Second term ends January 11
Prof learning day (no school)..... January 12
Third term begins January 16
Martin Luther King Day (no school)..... January 15
Midterm..... February 6
Parent Teacher Conference February 14
Teacher Comp Day (no school)..... February 16
President's Day (no school) February 19
Third term ends March 15
Fourth term begins March 18
Teacher Comp Day (no school).....March 29
Spring Break April 1 -April 5
Midterm April 24
School ends/Early out.....May 24

**Early Out Days:
School Ends at 12:15 PM
The first 4 days of school: Aug. 23-25 are EARLY OUT--12:15 PM**

August 23, 24, 25
September 9, 20
October 11, 25
November 15, 29
December 13
January 3, 17
February 7, 21
March 6, 20
April 10, 24
May 1, 15, 24

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

September 27, 2023
1-6:30 pm

February 14, 2024
1 -6:30 pm

School will be dismissed at 12:15 pm on these days

BELL SCHEDULES 2023-2024

MONDAY & TUESDAY "BELL TIME" SCHEDULE

3rd Period Bell time goes from 10:10AM to 10:35AM
5th Period 1st lunch goes from 11:25AM to 11:55AM
5th Period 2nd lunch goes from 12:15PM to 12:45PM

Period	Time	Minutes
Warning Bell	7:40 AM	0
1st	7:45 -8:30	45
2nd	8:35 -9:20	45
3rd	9:25 -10:10	45
3rd Bell Time	10:10 -10:35	25
4th	10:40 -11:25	45
1st lunch	11:25 -11:55	30
5th	12:00 -12:45	45
5th	11:30 -12:15	45
2nd lunch	12:15 -12:45	30
6th	12:50 -1:35	45
7th	1:40 -2:25	45

Total in-class instructional minutes 315

BELL SCHEDULES 2023-2024

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY SCHEDULE

5th Period 1st lunch goes from 11:51AM to 12:29PM

5th Period 2nd lunch goes from 12:09PM to 12:39PM

Period	Time	Minutes
Warning Bell	7:40 AM	0
1st	7:45 - 8:34	49
2nd	8:39 - 9:28	49
3rd	9:33 - 10:22	49
4th	10:27 - 11:16	49
1st lunch	11:16 - 11:46	30
5th	11:51 - 12:29	48
5th	11:21 - 12:09	48
2nd lunch	12:09 - 12:39	30
6th	12:44 - 1:32	48
7th	1:37 - 2:25	48

Total in-class instructional minutes 340

BELL SCHEDULES 2023-2024

EARLY OUT SCHEDULE

5th Period 1st lunch goes from 10:00AM to 10:30AM

5th Period 2nd lunch goes from 10:36AM to 11:06AM

Period	Time	Minutes
Warning Bell	7:40 AM	0
1st	7:45 - 8:15	30
2nd	8:20 - 8:50	30
3rd	8:55 - 9:25	30
4th	9:30 - 10:00	30
1st lunch	10:00 - 10:30	30
5th	10:35 - 11:06	31
5th	10:05 - 10:36	31
2nd lunch	10:36 - 11:06	30
6th	11:11 - 11:41	30
7th	11:46 - 12:15	29

Total in-class instructional minutes 210

T.H. BELL AWARDS

The **Minuteman of the Month** award is a departmental award given to a deserving student nominated by his or her teacher for outstanding achievement and behavior. These students become candidates for the Minuteman of the Year.

The **Minuteman of the Year** award is given to one boy and one girl from each grade, selected from the monthly winners awarded by teachers in each department.

The **Blue Bell Award** is given to anyone who receives a first place in any district or state activity for an academic, athletic, or school sponsored extracurricular event.

The **White Bell Award** is given to anyone who maintains a 3.5 GPA for all four terms of the current academic year.

The **Red Bell Award** is given to students who earn a minimum of four "H's" in citizenship in all four terms of the current academic year.

The **Bell Scholar** is given to 9th grade students who have received a 4.0 GPA on their entire transcript through all 3 years.

The **Four Sport Award** is given to any student who is named to and successfully completes the season in four of the following TH Bell teams: football, softball, volleyball, basketball, baseball, track, or NAL.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

SCHOOL HOURS

Building hours: 7:30AM – 3:00PM

Students remaining in the building outside of these hours must be under the direct supervision of a staff member.

SCHOOL LUNCH POLICY

Students have the responsibility to conduct themselves in a respectful and orderly manner in the cafeteria. Misconduct may result in suspension of cafeteria privileges. **All food items purchased in the cafeteria must be consumed in the cafeteria.** Students must have their own identification and account number with them at all times. It is the student's and parent's responsibility to check their lunch account balance to ensure that funds are available for them to eat lunch. Parents will be notified if their child's account has a negative balance. Account balances are available at wsd.net at the Weber School

District web site-click on **MyWeber**. Students are not allowed to have DoorDash or similar services deliver food to campus.

	Lunch	Breakfast
Adult	\$4.25	\$2.50
Student	\$2.50	\$1.75
Reduced	\$.40	\$.30
Free	\$.00	\$.00

VISITORS AT SCHOOL

T.H. Bell Jr. High School is committed to the safety of our students. All adult visitors must check in at the front office. All staff members will wear identification badges. School age individuals not enrolled at T.H. Bell Jr. will not be allowed on campus during school hours. Any individual found on campus that has not checked in through the office and is not wearing an authorized visitor's pass may be cited for trespassing.

BUS TRANSPORTATION

Weber School District bus drivers are not authorized to allow students to change buses stop at unassigned stops. **Students not on the regular passenger list will not be permitted to ride the bus. This includes transporting students for the purpose of attending personal activities.** School conduct policy applies to students while riding buses, and violations of these policies may result in loss of bus privileges.

GRADING AND REPORT CARDS

Each teacher will provide students and parents with a disclosure statement at the beginning of the class which outlines course expectations. A midterm grade will be sent home to parents. Progress reports will be continually available online through the district's information portal (PowerSchool). At the end of each term, students will receive a report card showing progress in each class.

CITIZENSHIP GRADES

A citizenship grade will accompany the academic grade each term. Citizenship grading guidelines have been established according to teacher expectations in order to achieve consistency among teachers as they evaluate students. The purpose of citizenship grading is to teach and assess proper conduct and to keep parents informed. Citizenship grades evaluate classroom behavior as well as compliance to school rules,

attendance, and class participation. Marks given for citizenship grade include: "H" (Honors), "S" (Satisfactory), "N" (Needs Improvement), and "U" (Unsatisfactory).

The following guidelines are used to assess student behavior and determine citizenship grades:

H

- Consistently is a positive influence on classroom behavior.
- Consistently shows respect to classmates, teachers, substitute teachers, guests, and school property.
- Consistently follows school rules (i.e. dress code, safe and drug free schools, etc.)
- Consistently brings materials to class each day.
- Consistently participates in class.

S

- Is a positive influence on classroom behavior.
- Shows respect to classmates, teachers, substitute teachers, guests, and school property.
- Follows school rules.
- Brings materials to class each day.
- Participates in class.

N

- Is disruptive in class.
- Shows disrespect to classmates, teachers, substitute teachers, guests, and school property.
- Violates school rules.
- Is consistently tardy to class (3 or more times per quarter).
- Comes to class unprepared and without materials.
- Truancy.
- Limited participation in class

U

- Consistently a disruptive influence in class.
- Consistently shows disrespect to classmates, teachers, substitute teachers, guests, and school property.
- Consistently violates school rules.
- Is habitually tardy to class (5 or more times per quarter).
- Multiple trancies.
- Does not participate in class.

FIELD TRIP POLICY

If a student is struggling academically, is frequently tardy, and/or is having significant behavioral issues they may not be eligible to go on field trips. Field trips provide

opportunities to students they may not otherwise get, but it is important to understand that academic and behavioral success in the classroom are of the utmost importance.

Students would be eligible to attend a curricular field trip (Band/Choir, Science, etc.) with:

One: N, U or one of each

Two: N's

Not eligible with: Two U's or three N's or any total N's or U's above that.

If the field trip is an extracurricular field trip (German Club, FBLA, O-Tech, etc.) the citizenship requirements remain the same but a student also may not have more than two F's across their seven classes.

OFFICE GUIDELINES

Students may speak with an administrator or a counselor by coming to the counseling window and scheduling a conference. Students will then be called from class when the counselor or administrator is available. Students that have office business should come to the front office windows for assistance.

SCHOOL TELEPHONES

Office phones are for school business and student emergencies. Students and teachers will not be called to the phone during class. However, messages will be taken and delivered promptly. Please make prior arrangements for student transportation so the need for calling home is minimized.

ATTENDANCE

Parents should verify student absences with a phone call to the attendance secretary. If students need to leave campus during school hours, they must be checked out through the office by a legal guardian or their designee appearing on the emergency information record. Students returning to campus or arriving late during school hours will check in through the attendance office before going to class and obtain an admission slip to class. Students determined not to be where they are supposed to be at the time they are supposed to be there will be considered truant. After a student is truant three times they may be suspended from school. T.H. Bell is a **closed campus**. Students are not allowed to leave campus without their parent or guardian notifying the attendance office and following student checkout procedures. Washington Terrace City's ordinance requires students found off campus to have documentation from the school verifying that they have checked out. If students do not have proper documentation they may be cited by law enforcement for violation of daytime curfew.

SICK ROOM

Parents should keep students home who are unable to be productive at school because of illness. Every effort will be made to contact parents when students become ill at school. Sick room facilities are available for students until their parents come and check them out through the attendance office.

VENDING MACHINES

Vending machines are available for student convenience during lunches. Vending machines may be turned off if students do not maintain the cleanliness of the school building and grounds. The office will not provide change or be responsible for students who lose money in the vending machines.

LOCKERS

Lockers will be assigned upon request, and students are responsible for them for the duration of the year. Students will not share the combination or the locker with anyone. Students will be charged \$5.00 for combination changes or locker reassignments. Lockers are provided for the convenience of students and are the property of Weber School District. Students vandalizing, writing graffiti, using adhesive that may damage the locker, or misusing their lockers will be assessed fines and/or may forfeit their locker privileges. Lockers are subject to periodic inspection and must be free from inappropriate pictures, graffiti, or controlled substances. T.H. Bell Jr. High School is not responsible for personal property placed in student lockers. **Do not keep valuables or large amounts of cash in your locker, and do not disclose your locker combination to anyone.**

HALL PASSES

Hall passes are required for students to be in the hall during class time. Students are allowed to use the hall pass four times per quarter per class. Students have five minutes between each class and are encouraged to use the restroom and get a drink on their way to their next class. We value instructional time and want all students and teachers to be able to utilize that time to the fullest.

CHECK OUT PROCEDURE

T.H. Bell Jr. High School is a **closed campus**, requiring students to follow check out procedures any time during school hours. This includes lunch time. Washington Terrace City's ordinance requires students found off campus to have documentation from the school verifying that they have checked out. If students do not have proper documentation they may be cited by law enforcement for violation of daytime curfew.

TARDY POLICY

Students are expected to be on time to class. Students have 5 minutes in between classes. Teachers expect students to be present and prepared when the bell rings so that instruction can begin. Student's citizenship grade will be affected if students are tardy to class on a consistent (3 or more times per quarter=N) or habitual basis (5 or more times per quarter=U). Students may have a conference with a parent and an administrator if the student is habitually late to class. The student may be put on a contract if he/she continues to be tardy to class.

IMMUNIZATIONS

Students are required to meet all state immunization requirements. Diseases that can be prevented by immunizations are an unnecessary health hazard to the students in the classroom and the school. New students to the school will be required to show proof of compliance with up to date immunization records. If a student fails to show proof of compliance, then they may be excluded from attending. Students can work with the school nurse to determine if the minimal required doses have been met.

DIGITAL MEDIA DEVICE POLICY

The use of digital media devices (cell phones, Chromebooks, cameras, tablets, video game devices, etc.) has increased in our community and in the schools. While digital media devices are beneficial, their misuse can be disruptive to a positive learning environment and may infringe on the privacy and rights of others. If any digital media device is disruptive to the classroom environment, it will be considered a misuse of the device.

Students are not permitted to misuse digital media devices on the school campus during regular school hours. (7:30 A.M. -2:25 P. M.). These devices will be confiscated if students are found misusing them during these hours. Cellular phones, tablets, video game devices or any other digital media device may be confiscated by any district employee at any time during regular school hours or during any school sponsored event. Students that are in the office for disciplinary reasons are not allowed to have personal media devices while they are in the office. The device will be confiscated while the student is in the office, stored in a secure area, and returned to the student when the student is allowed to return to class or at the end of the day. There may be circumstances when a device is taken away from a student by a teacher during class. Teachers may bring the device to the office where it will be stored in a secure area, and the student may pick up the device at the end of the school day. If the student has repeated offenses of the media device policy, the device will not be returned to the student. A parent or guardian will be required to meet with an administrator or counselor to discuss the misuse of devices at school before the device will be returned. Incidents will be documented and students with multiple offenses may be put on a school contract. Multiple offenses may also result in a suspension.

***T.H. Bell Junior High is not responsible for damage or theft of any personal property brought on campus. This includes phones, headphones, AirPods, etc.**

School administrators or designee may search digital media devices based on reasonable suspicion that they contain evidence of a violation of school rules or policy or if there is reason to believe the device may contain images or information that are criminal in nature. A device may be confiscated on a first offense if there is reasonable suspicion that there is information or images of a criminal nature on the device. A parent/guardian will be notified if a phone is confiscated under these circumstances.

Misuse of a digital media device may be detrimental to the learning environment and is addressed in the Weber School District Student Discipline Policy (Including Safe School Policy). The policy's purpose is to foster a safe, positive environment for learning. Behaviors prohibited by the policy include, but are not limited to:

- Willful disobedience or violating a school or district rule (such as cheating)
- Disruptive behavior
- Defying authority
- Posing a significant threat to the welfare, safety, or morals of a student, school personnel or the operation of the school
- Inappropriate exposure of body parts
- Sexual, verbal or other harassment

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Student Government Candidates must have:

- Maintained a 3.0 GPA or better for the current school year. After being elected, officers are expected to maintain a 3.0 GPA each quarter.
- No more than two “N’s” and no “U’s” total for the current school year.
- No violations of the Safe Schools Policy and/or the Drug and Alcohol Policy, or a pattern of misconduct.
- No “F’s” and maintain these standards while in office.

Cheerleader requirements:

- Only 7th and 8th grade students will be permitted to try out during the 4th quarter of the school year.
- Candidates must submit a compliance and permission document signed by a parent/guardian.
- To try out, candidates must have a cumulative 2.0 GPA average at the end of the first three terms of the tryout year (8th grade). After making the team, Cheerleaders are expected to maintain a 3.0 GPA each quarter.
- Candidates must not have a “U” or more than two “N’s” by the end of the first three terms of the tryout year (8th grade).
- Candidates may be determined ineligible if they have violations of the Safe Schools Policy and/or the Drug and Alcohol Policy or a pattern of misconduct.
- Candidates must attend all tryout clinics.

Athletic Eligibility – To represent T.H. Bell Jr. High School as an athlete, a student must meet eligibility requirements as outlined in the Weber School District Board of Managers Policy. Those guidelines are outlined below:

Citizenship

A student participating in junior high sports would be eligible with one “U”; or one “N” and one “U”; or two “N’s” for the previous quarter and current quarter.*

Scholastic

A student should attain and maintain a 2.0 GPA or better the previous quarter, or a cumulative 2.0 GPA computed from the four previous quarters (not semesters) and receive not more than one “F” for the previous and current quarter. The printed report card will be the basis for determining eligibility. Incomplete grades, “I”, must be resolved prior to eligibility consideration.**

Conduct

An athlete may be removed from participation for any conduct that results in dishonor to the athlete, the team, or the school. Acts of unacceptable conduct, such as but not limited to, theft, dress code violations, truancy, vandalism, disrespect, immorality, or violations of the law, tarnish the reputation of everyone associated with the athletic programs and will not be tolerated. Coaches and advisors may set higher standards which must be followed.

Due Process

If a question arises as to a student's eligibility due to something beyond the student's control & would have been eligible on any other prior term, the athlete and parent have the right to a hearing by the Standards Committee and a review by a school administrator. Students must apply for appeal through the Standards Committee prior to tryouts. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of eligibility and apply for review with the Standards Committee in a timely manner. Students can submit an application for the Standards Committee, which will be reviewed by the administration. If the application is approved, a Standards Committee meeting will be scheduled; if an application is not approved, the student will be notified in writing. The Standards Committee will make the final determination if an ineligible student may participate in tryouts. The Standards Committee may approve the student's appeal and permit the student to try out, or they may reject the student's appeal, at which time the student would not be permitted to try out. Students that have been approved by the Standards Committee to try out are not guaranteed a spot on the team/squad. Students can go before the Standards Committee no more than 1 time per school year.

Fees

Athletes who make the team must pay the participation fees before they participate in any games. If a student is a "Redshirt" on a team, they will only pay the transportation (bus) fee.

* Current quarter is defined as when the term grades fall during the season.

* * Grade disputes must be resolved within 7 days of grades being posted.

Clubs and Crews

Clubs are directly related/tied to the school's state approved curricula. Therefore, they are sponsored and supported by the school/district and are fully recognized within the school. Crews are not directly related to the school's state-approved curricula and are initiated by students enrolled at T. H. Bell.

Crews are not sponsored or supported by the school or district but are recognized for purposes of granting a place within T.H. Bell Junior High School to meet during non-instructional time.

*Any proposed new Club or Crew must fill out an application and be approved by Student Government and school Administration.

STUDENT BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

ASSEMBLY BEHAVIOR

Assemblies are planned for student learning and enjoyment. Students are expected to be orderly while entering the gymnasium. Students who disrupt the assembly will be removed and will not be permitted to attend the next assembly. A second violation may result in the student forfeiting their opportunity to attend assemblies for the remainder of the year.

GAME BEHAVIOR

We follow the UHSAA Sportsmanship Policy regarding game expectations and behavior:

Acceptable Behavior

Cheer For Your Team

Positive School Spirit = + climate

Cheers that lift & inspire your players

Respect the game; respect the participants

Applaud during introductions

Show concern for injured players

Give a hand-up & not a put-down

Accept all decisions of the officials

Treat the contest as a game not a war

Recognizing this is a game

“Humble in Victory, Gracious in Defeat”

Regardless of outcome, shake hands

Be a good sport; it’s up to you!

Unacceptable Behavior

Cheers directed AGAINST Your Opponent Negative cheers = poor sportsmanship/
-climate Cheers to humiliate or degrade an individual or team

Using profanity, displaying anger, being disrespectful Yelling or chanting, turning backs
during game Taunting, walking off, laughing or name-calling

Booing, making derogatory yells, chants or gestures

Treating the opponent as the enemy

Blaming the loss on officials, coaches, players

Refusal to shake hands or recognize good performance

Boasting or in-your-face attitude

DANCES

Only current 7th , and 9th grade T.H. Bell students may attend a dance at T.H. Bell. The
dress code will be strictly enforced.

HALL AND PASSING TIME BEHAVIOR

Students are expected to walk in the halls between classes and at lunchtime. Students
may not run to the lunchroom, chase each other in the halls, or run between classes.
Students are expected to use passing time appropriately. Students have 5 minutes
between classes to go to their locker to get needed supplies, use the restroom and/or
get a drink. Students need to use this time wisely to take care of needs and still be on
time to class.

THINGS NOT TO BRING TO SCHOOL

Students are welcome to ride their bicycles to school (for safety, when arriving on
campus, please walk bikes to the racks). However, do not bring skateboards, roller

blades, scooters or similar items to school. For the safety of students, patrons, and staff, these activities are prohibited on campus at any time.

SAFE AND DRUG FREE SCHOOLS

Every student has the right to attend school free from threats, bullying, extortion or harassment. Students who commit these and other violations of the Weber School District Safe School Policy are subject to appropriate discipline and possible suspension and referral to the district. Fighting will not be tolerated and will result in the suspension of all students involved. Provoking or instigating a fight will also result in suspension. Watching and recording fights is also a violation of this policy.

WEAPONS

Bringing any weapon (including a look-a-like) is a violation of the Weber School District Safe Schools Policy. Those who bring chains, knives, tasers, firearms, bombs, any type of weapon, or any item that can be used as a weapon to school will be suspended and may be referred to law enforcement and student services at the district office.

GANGS

Any gang related conduct as determined by our resource officer and the administration will not be tolerated. Gang related activity may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- Wearing, possessing, using, distributing, displaying, drawing, doodling, or selling any clothing, jewelry, emblem, badge, symbol, signs, identifiers, or other things which are evidence of gang membership or affiliation.
- Use of a name which is associated with a gang.
- Designating turf or an area for gang activities, occupation, or ownership.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Students found in possession of a controlled substance, including tobacco, prescription medication that is not prescribed to the student and/or is not in a properly labeled container, or any paraphernalia while at school or at school activities will be referred to law enforcement and suspended from school. Using, distributing, or being under the influence of controlled substances is a violation of the Safe and Drug Free Schools Policy. Violators will be required to participate in an assessment by Weber Human Services or an equivalent private assessment to remain in school and will also be subject to suspension and appropriate discipline. Students who are in violation of the

drug and tobacco policies may be subject to district level discipline and/or alternative education placement. E-cigarettes are considered to be equivalent to cigarettes and are prohibited.

THEFT, EXTORTION AND VANDALISM

Any student involved in stealing, panhandling, begging, or extorting money or school or personal property may be suspended and referred to law enforcement. Any student who destroys or defaces school or personal property will be responsible for restitution and may be referred to law enforcement.

ARSON

A student involved in causing fires of any nature is in violation of the safe schools policy and will be suspended and referred to law enforcement. Students found in possession of any incendiary device such as matches or lighters are also in violation.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Any unwanted verbal or physical advances, inappropriate language or gestures can be sexual harassment. Sexual harassment shows disrespect for victims, whether they are male or female. Sexual harassment should be reported immediately. Students found to be sexually harassing others may be suspended and/or referred to law enforcement and/or Weber School District Student Services for disciplinary action.

HARASSMENT, HAZING AND INITIATIONS

Harassment is defined as unwanted verbal or physical advances or threats. The difference between fun and harassment is how it makes the victim feel. Harassment, hazing, or initiations of any type are not permitted in school or extra-curricular activities. Students guilty of harassment of any type, threats, hazing, intimidation, or initiations may be suspended and/or referred to the school resource officer or Weber School District Student Services for disciplinary action.

ROUGHHOUSING IN THE HALLS

Shoving, pushing, running, play-fighting, and other forms of roughhousing in the halls are prohibited at all times. Students who engage in such behavior will be subject to disciplinary action.

ACCEPTABLE USE VIOLATION

Students and staff are subject to the Weber School District Acceptable Use Policy regarding access to computers and networks. Each student must agree to follow the policy on an online compliance document. Violations to the policy may result in forfeiture of computer access.

PUBLIC DISPLAY OF AFFECTION

Student displays of affection, such as kissing, prolonged hugging, sitting on the lap of another student, etc., are inappropriate in school and subject to school discipline with the administration.

HABITUAL DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR

A **Notice of Disruptive Student Behavior** may be issued to a student who has engaged in disruptive behavior (that does not result in suspension or expulsion) three times during the school year or engaged in disruptive behavior that results in suspension or expulsion. A **Habitual Disruptive Student Behavioral Citation** may be issued to a student who has received a Notice of Disruptive Student Behavior and continues to misbehave.

DRESS CODE

Student's appearance must be appropriate for the school setting. These standards apply to all school activities. Students will not be allowed to wear clothing that may create a substantial disruption to the learning environment of school.

A. Students must wear:

1. Tops that have fabric in front (covering the majority of the chest and abdomen), on both sides (under the arms), and in the back (covering the upper and lower back) and straps over both shoulders.
2. Bottoms that cover the buttocks when standing, sitting, and bending over; and
3. Footwear that protects the student from injury.

B. The following is **prohibited** at school and school activities:

1. Clothing that intentionally shows private parts (nipples, genitals, buttocks) or undergarments. Clothing must cover private parts in opaque (not able to be seen through) material

2. Clothing or attire, jewelry, or personal items that display obscene, vulgar, or lewd words, messages, or pictures or are pornographic
3. Clothing or attire, jewelry, or personal items including attachments, or accessories that could be considered weapons, contain threats or promote violent conduct such as unlawful use of weapons (ie, chains, dog collars with spikes, spurs)
4. Clothing or attire, jewelry, or personal items that advertises or promotes drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or drug paraphernalia
5. Clothing that covers the student's face to the extent that the student is not identifiable
 - a) clothing/headwear worn for a bonafide religious or medical purpose or when directed by health organizations are not subject to this prohibition.
 - b) Sunglasses on the face or head when worn pursuant to a physician's prescription are not subject to this prohibition.
6. Clothing, jewelry, or personal items that demonstrate hate group association/affiliation and/or use hate speech targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, or other protected groups
7. Any other grooming or dress that causes actual disruption or which creates a significant safety risk or is disrespectful of others' religious or cultural beliefs
8. Clothing, jewelry, or personal items that include gang symbols, monikers, insignias, or other gang identifiers
9. Any apparel or style of clothing that school officials, in light of the totality of the circumstances, and after consultation with law enforcement authorities, view denoting gang membership or affiliation
10. Costumes or costume accessories, other than designated holidays as allowed by school administration.

Students are allowed to wear hats at T.H. Bell. Hats need to be small enough (i.e. baseball caps/beanies/etc.) that they do not obstruct the view of other students while in class. Teachers have the option to enforce a "no hat" rule in their classrooms. Students in hooded coats or sweatshirts that wear their hoods up in class will be asked to put them down. Blankets are not appropriate to use as clothing or accessories.

Students who are noncompliant with the dress code may be instructed to leave the classroom briefly to change clothes and parents/guardians will be contacted by school administration.

DISCIPLINE AND DUE PROCESS

Students found in violation of a school and/or classroom policy will be given fair, impartial treatment and their rights to due process and confidentiality will be protected.

Students will be given the opportunity to tell their side of the story and disciplinary intervention will be appropriate to the situation. The discipline level is as follows:

1. Warning/ conference with teacher/ administrator or counselor. Teacher will contact the student's parents to report and problem-solve the situation. The student's citizenship may be affected.
2. Classroom time out (CTO). Parents will be notified of this incident by the teacher and the student's citizenship may be affected.
3. Students will be referred to school administration, parents will be notified. A student may be placed on a behavior contract and/or suspended from school.
4. The student may be suspended and referred to Weber School District Student Services.

*** Levels and actions taken may be modified at the discretion of the administration.**

T.H. Bell School Song

Onward Minutemen

Onward Minutemen We'll Stand Up Proud
And Show Our Colors.

Onward Minutemen We'll Show Our Love For Thee.

And Through Our Halls Will Walk The
Mighty Champions; And Out Will Ring Our
Song Of Victory.

So Forward Minutemen To Spread Our Fame Throughout The Land

As Minutemen, We'll Proudly Stand.

School Colors

Red, White, and Blue