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Dear Franklin School Parents,

I would like to thank you for your support of the change in arrival procedures. The changes have made the morning routine more efficient and safer for our students. With that said, we continue to have a significant number of students arriving late each day.

It is so very important to establish good habits with children, including arriving on time for school and other commitments. Please be mindful that a student's late arrival is detrimental to his or her educational experience and is a disruption to the rest of the class.

With this in mind, the board adopted Policy No. 5240 in July of 2005 regarding tardiness. The policy, which is attached for your reference, states that six instances of unexcused tardiness will equal one unexcused absence. Starting on Monday January 23rd, the start of the 3rd marking period, this policy will be enforced.

All students are required to arrive at school prior to 7:55 am. I ask that you make getting to school on time a priority. Please note that breakfast is available for all students starting at 7:40 every morning in the cafeteria.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



Mr. J.R. Giacchi
Superintendent

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POLICY

The Board of Education believes that promptness is an important element of school attendance. Pupils who are late to school or to class miss essential portions of the instructional program and create disruptions in the academic process for themselves and other pupils.

Tardiness to school or class that is caused by a pupil's illness, an emergency in the pupil's family, the observance of a religious holiday, a death in the pupil's family, or by the pupil's compliance with a request or directive of an administrator will be considered justified and is excused. All other incidents of tardiness will be considered unexcused.

Six instances of unexcused tardiness will equal one unexcused absence for the purpose of calculating unexcused absences for application of Board Policy No. 5410 on promotion

A pupil who develops a pattern of tardiness, excused or unexcused, will be offered counseling with an appropriate staff member to determine the cause of the tardiness.

N.J.S.A. 18A:36-14; 18A:36-15; 18A:36-25 et seq.

Date Adopted: 1/16/89

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