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DESIRED RESULTS FOR STUDENT LEARNING

1. **LIFE–LONG LEARNING** —INDICATORS

- Students make a commitment to creating quality work and striving for excellence.
- Students use a variety of learning strategies, personal skills, and time-management skills to enhance learning
- Students gather, organize, analyze, evaluate, and reflect on information to solve problems and make improvements.

2. **PERSONAL AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**— INDICATORS

- Students take responsibility for personal actions and act ethically.
- Students respect themselves and others and understand and appreciate the diversity and interdependence of all people.
- Students act as responsible citizens in school and in the community by dealing with the diversity of opinions and beliefs in responsible ways.

3. **EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION SKILLS**— INDICATORS

- Students communicate with clarity, purpose, and understanding of audience.
- Students integrate the use of a variety of communication forms and use a wide variety of communication skills.
- Students recognize and evaluate various forms of communication.

BELIEFS AND MISSION STATEMENT

OUR BELIEFS:

- All students can learn.
- Teachers, staff, administrators, parents, students, and community members share in responsibility for providing a supportive learning environment within our school.
- Each student has unique social, emotional, and intellectual needs.
- High expectations for all students will yield high achievement.
- Students learn in different ways and must be provided with a variety of instructional and assessment approaches to support their learning.

OUR MISSION:

Our mission at EskDale High School is to provide students with the educational opportunity to become informed and responsible citizens engaged in life-long learning.

AN EHS STUDENT'S *Rights and Responsibilities*

**YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO
A SAFE ENVIRONMENT.**

**YOU HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO
FOLLOW SAFETY RULES.**

**YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOICE
YOUR OPINION.**

**YOU HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO
RESPECT THE OPINIONS OF OTHERS.**

YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO FAIR TREATMENT.

**YOU HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO
TREAT OTHERS FAIRLY.**

**YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO USE SCHOOL
BOOKS, MATERIALS, AND EQUIPMENT.**

**YOU HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO
TAKE CARE OF THE SCHOOL & MATERIALS.**

**YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO A
GOOD EDUCATION.**

**YOU HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO
DO YOUR BEST.**

POLICIES

LISTED ALPHABETICALLY

ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

Academic dishonesty will NOT be tolerated at EskDale High School under any circumstances. Cheating, copying, or plagiarism of *any* form will result in failure of the assignment, disciplinary referral, and parent contact. A second offense may result in failure of the course for the quarter and a possible suspension. A record of any cheating or plagiarizing incidents shall be maintained throughout each student's high school career.

ACADEMIC POLICY FOR ATHLETICS

Students must maintain a 3.0 GPA and satisfactory citizenship in all courses for the current semester. "D" or "F" grades will place the athlete on academic probation and jeopardize future participation on the team. At the weekly grade check, students not meeting the above requirements may be declared ineligible for the following eligibility week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & MESSAGES

Important announcements and messages will be made during class time. Notices for parents will be sent via email on the private EHS News and Alerts email group.

ATTENDANCE

On-time attendance is a critical element for student achievement success. **Excused** student absences can be arranged in two ways: 1) a parent call or email to the school office; 2) a signed excuse absence form submitted *prior* to the absence. Please limit parent-excused absences that are not of a medical nature to **two or fewer per quarter**. We encourage families, whenever possible, to plan appointments and vacations so that students are not taken out of school.

Students who participate in school-sponsored activities are considered to be present when calculating attendance. However, they are expected to complete all missed assignments and testing as arranged with individual teachers.

Unexcused absences are considered truancy and are against Utah state law, which requires students between the ages of six and eighteen to attend school until graduation. Parent(s) will be notified in the event of truancy. Habitual truancy will result in:

1. Meeting between school officials and parent(s).
2. Interventions such as schedule changes/online remediation
3. Dismissal from school

BEHAVIOR

It is imperative that everyone at EHS be treated with dignity and respect. Discrimination or bigotry in respect to ethnicity, religious beliefs, or sexual orientation will not be tolerated. All students at EHS are expected to be courteous, considerate, and respectful in their interactions with other students, teachers, and any school visitors. Extreme cases of disrespect or misbehavior will result in suspension according to the provisions set forth in the Millard Safe Schools policy.

BULLYING / HAZING

No student or school employee may engage in bullying, cyber bullying, or hazing of any students or school employees. Violators will be open to disciplinary actions, which includes mandatory suspension and removal from school-sponsored activities and teams. Detailed descriptors and provisions can be found in the Millard Bullying/Hazing policy.

CELL PHONES AND MOBILE DEVICES

EHS recognizes the importance of technology, communication, and collaboration, and therefore provides Chromebook devices for students to be productive in the classroom. To keep the focus on academics and to reduce unnecessary distractions, the school enforces the following:

Cell phones and **all mobile devices, smart watches, and headphones** shall be **turned off** or on **airplane mode** and checked into the device holder in the office before the first class. Students can collect their devices before the departing bus at the end of day. If a student needs to make an emergency call during the day, they are to come to the office. Additionally, parents trying to reach their children should contact the office.

Students caught violating this policy will have their devices confiscated per Millard School District policy. First infraction: device taken, parents notified, device returned at the end of day. Second infraction: device taken, must be picked up by a parent. Third infraction: suspension, possible ban.

Science supports this "Away For The Day" policy. When students do not have the freedom of accessing their phones during school hours, they are more engaged socially and academically.

— This policy is now supported by Utah State Law SB-69 (July 2026). —

CHECKING OUT OF SCHOOL

Students must check out with the administrator if they are leaving the school unscheduled and check in when they return. A student must also check in at the office if they are late to school. Parents must call in to excuse the student. If a parent chooses to excuse a student early from school, the student should not be in the school but leave the building as they are excused from school. It is not appropriate for a student to be excused from school and then wander the building.

Parents or legal guardians are the only people allowed to pick up a student unless the school is informed of prior parental approval. Students cannot drive other students without prior parental consent *every single time*.

No cars or motorcycles will be driven during school hours unless the students have permission from parents and faculty to leave the campus for lunch. Students should use the paved road only, avoiding use of EskDale Community private roads.

CLASSROOM TIME

Classroom time is devoted to learning and requires concentration and commitment. Therefore, personal business should be conducted before or after the school day, during breaks, or during the student's lunch period. The student should make appointments where appropriate.

No student may be excused from any class without the permission of the teacher of that class. No teacher can excuse a student from another teacher's class without approval.

ENERGY DRINKS

Energy drinks are not necessary for the school day and can negatively affect student health, sleep, behavior, and academic performance. Students at EskDale High School are not permitted to bring or consume energy drinks on site or while on school trips. Drinks that are in violation of this policy will be confiscated and disposed of. Multiple offenses will result in parent meetings, possible suspension, and exclusion from school trips.

EXCESSIVE SHOW OF AFFECTION

Excessive demonstrations of affection are inappropriate in school. Parents may be called to discuss inappropriate behavior. Multiple offenses will result in suspensions according to Millard School District Student Discipline guidelines.

FIGHTING

Fighting by students is disruptive to the school and dangerous for the participants; it is prohibited. Students will be dealt with according to the Millard School District Safe School Policy. Any participation in a fight has an *automatic* mandatory suspension and possible referral to law enforcement.

FOOD IN THE BUILDING

No food or drink, except for water, is allowed in the study hall or classrooms without faculty permission every time. Violators will be disciplined. Food may be eaten in tiled hallways or outdoors on the picnic tables. Please clean up all litter and food scraps and dispose of waste appropriately. Cans should be recycled in the designated containers.

FOOD SERVICES

Lunch is not provided through the school. Students must bring a lunch each day. The school provides a refrigerator and a microwave for student use as well as a picnic area outdoors. Student tables and microwave are also provided at the EskDale Center.

GROSS DISOBEDIENCE, MISCONDUCT, OR DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR

Gross Disobedience, misconduct, or disruptive behavior occurs when school authorities believe that student's behavior is causing, or might cause, a major disruption or interfere with school activities. Frequent or flagrant willful disobedience, defiance of proper authority, foul, profane or abusive language, or any other conduct that interferes with instruction, safety, or the rights of others. This includes activities in the school, or within 1,000 feet of school property, on a school bus, or at any school sponsored function. The Millard School District Safe School Policy states that students may be suspended or expelled for gross disobedience or misconduct.

HOMEWORK

Students are expected to assume personal responsibility for getting assignments from an excused absence or school function. Students should consult individual teachers about the acceptable time frame for completing make-up work. Per district policy, no make-up work will be allowed for unexcused absences, sluffs, or time spent on a suspension.

ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES

The possession or use of any controlled or illegal substance is prohibited. This includes all cigarettes and vaping devices. A Drug Free Zone has been designated at 1,000 feet around EskDale High School as well as in the surrounding EskDale Community. Any person or persons violating this zone will be dealt with according to provisions of the Millard School District Safe School Policy, which includes automatic suspensions, law enforcement referrals, and possible expulsion.

IMMUNIZATION

A student whose immunization records are delinquent will not be admitted to school. During the school year, a student's immunization record must remain current. Failure to maintain a current immunization record will result in the student being removed from school until the record is brought up to date.

LOCKERS

Students can choose lockers at the start of each school year and are responsible for keeping their lockers neat and clean. At the end of the school year an inspection of the locker will be made. Failure to keep the locker clean inside and out may be subject to loss of privilege, a fine, or both. Students are not allowed in other students' lockers without permission. EHS assumes no responsibility for items lost or taken from lockers.

PARKING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

The following rules apply to all student drivers:

1. Students must park in student parking lot only.
2. As in any parking lot, cars are parked at the owner's risk. The school is not responsible for theft or damage.
3. Any student who drives recklessly or uses excessive speed in the parking lot or surrounding EskDale Community may have his/her driving privileges on campus and community property restricted.

STUDENT DRESS CODE

All students should be able to dress comfortably for school without fear of unnecessary discipline or body shaming. The school should be an environment where teachers can focus on teaching without the additional and often uncomfortable burden of dress code enforcement. Dress guidelines and standards shall not discriminate on the basis of any legally protected classification.

Student Dress Guidelines:

- Students shall be fully dressed. This includes a clothing top and bottom that effectively covers nudity, partial nudity, and undergarments of any kind. Thus, tops must have straps of some sort and must adequately cover the chest and any undergarments there, and bottoms must adequately cover the posterior and any undergarments there.
- Students shall not wear apparel, jewelry, accessories, and/or markings or groom themselves in a manner that depicts obscenity, lewdness, hate, bigotry, violence, or illegal substances.
- Students shall not wear attire with messages targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, or any other protected classification.
- Footwear must be worn. Bare or only socked feet are prohibited.

TAG TIME

Every Monday, students with two or more assignments marked as “missing” or “incomplete” from the previous week and/or students with grades below a C will be “tagged” for the week, and parents will be notified. When possible, tagged students will have mandatory study halls during the tagged period.

TARDIES

Research has shown that most learning takes place in the first ten minutes of a class; therefore, it is extremely important that students get to class on time. Students will be marked tardy if they arrive late but during the first ten minutes. Students will be marked with an unexcused absence after ten minutes. Students cannot be excused by a parent for being tardy. It is also the responsibility of the student to get a tardy slip from the office or a teacher if they are going to be late to a class after being held in the previous class or in the office for any reason.

TECHNOLOGY MISUSE

Unauthorized, unsafe, disruptive, dishonest, or inappropriate use of district technology, personal technology, networks, accounts, software, internet access, artificial intelligence tools, cameras, recording devices, or electronic communications systems, including bypassing filters, sharing passwords, invading privacy, damaging systems or using technology to violate law or district policy is all prohibited and will result in suspension and restricted technology access.

VANDALISM

A student who vandalizes or abuses school or community property will result in mandatory suspension and restitution processes. The length of the suspension will be determined at a parent conference. The student must pay for the damage and may face expulsion proceedings and law enforcement referral. Be aware that damage done to private community property will result in legal and monetary consequences beyond those dictated by the school or district.

VALEDICTORIAN /SALUTATORIAN SELECTION PROCESS

Ranking for Valedictorian and Salutatorian for graduation will be determined at the conclusion of the 3rd quarter of the senior year. To be considered, a student must be a full time student at EskDale High School, which means they must be enrolled in at least 5 credit classes up through the 4th and final quarter and be on line for graduation with the proper number of required credits.

Selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Full time student status
- GPA
- ACT Composite Score

Grade point average (GPA) is determined by cumulative points. Note that classes at EskDale High School are not weighted. All students are included in the calculations of the GPA. For seniors, the class ranking will be determined by their overall grade point at the end of the third term and their best ACT composite score. All incompletes, teacher initiated grade changes, etc. must be taken care of prior to the end of the third term to be considered in the class ranking.

EXAMPLE:

Student	GPA	ACT	TOTAL	Val/Sal Rank
A	4.0	30	34	1 (Valedictorian)
B	4.0	27	31	2 (Salutatorian)
C	3.99	25	28.99	3

If two or more students have the highest same overall GPA and ACT Composite score, they will be named co-valedictorians. The same can be said for the salutatorian, if two students have the same overall indicators for the number 2 rank in class, they will be listed as co-salutatorians.

VISITORS

Due to the disruptions caused, and the liability incurred, student visitors will not be allowed during school hours unless approved by faculty and administration prior to the visitor's arrival. The bringing of small children or babies to school for purposes of baby-sitting or other reasons is generally inappropriate and allowed only in special circumstances with prior approval.

WEAPONS

No weapons or items resembling weapons are permitted in the school, on the school property, in vehicles in parking lots, or at any school related activity on or off school grounds.

