

A word from our Administrator . . .

I am excited about having your student in the Central Baptist School. I want you to know that we are here to help you in training your student. Below are some things we have noticed about students who do well:

1. The student does not miss school.
2. The parents attend Parent-Teacher Fellowship meetings.
3. The parents see to it that homework is done.
4. The student is always on time.
5. The parents push the student to do his/her best and not just to get by.
6. The student is involved in the sports program.
7. The student and his family attend church faithfully.

It is my desire that those of us here at Central Baptist work hand in hand with the parents in fulfilling the admonishment in Proverbs 22:6, "*Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.*" Please call me any time that you do not understand something or if you need to know how your student is doing.

Bro. Chad Farber

THE CENTRAL ADVANTAGE . . .

- Teachers that know the Lord and are dedicated not only to the academic growth but especially to the spiritual growth of the student.
- Curriculum that is God-honoring. Central uses the A Beka and the School of Tomorrow curriculum. In the past five years, our school has scored above the national norm and grade equivalency on achievement tests, some grades two or three grade levels higher.
- Teachers at Central Baptist average twenty years of experience. This experience has lent to the stability of Central Baptist School and its ministering to the needs of Central Baptist Church and the community since 1973.
- Student athletes who compete in the Gulf Coast Christian Conference. We provide a Christ-like attitude towards athletic competition.
- Membership of both the American Association of Christian Schools and the Mississippi Association of Christian Schools (MACS). The MACS sponsors a state-wide student competition in the areas of speech, Bible, music, art, academic testing and athletics. Central students annually compete in this competition and have brought home numerous trophies and awards.
- Advantage of a place that focuses on the Lord Jesus Christ throughout the day. "If God be for us, who can be against us?"

If you like the spiritual advantage of having your children in a God-honoring, Bible-believing school, then Central is the place for you. Come grow with us.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Central Baptist School was founded as a ministry of the Central Baptist Church in 1962 by Dr. C. R. Williams. The school is dedicated to the training of boys and girls spiritually as well as academically to serve our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. All school policies are determined and supervised by the Central Baptist Church.

SCHOOL VERSE

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of Central Baptist School is to equip Christian students spiritually, academically, physically, and socially through encouragement, discipline, and by example so that they may become more like our Saviour and strong, effective laborers for His service (Luke 2:52, Matthew 9:37-38). Our motives are to win lost students to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, to teach saved students the convictions and standards held by the Central Baptist Church, and to give an education comparable to that offered locally.

CHRISTIAN PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

Central Baptist School holds that the Bible is the infallible, divine Word of God and that salvation by faith in Christ is the initial step in the Christian life. The Bible clearly states that spiritual growth into the image of Christ (Romans 8:29) is the work of the Holy Spirit (II Corinthians 3:18). This growth begins with the initial act of saving faith and continues throughout life. The Holy Spirit makes the Christian conscious of Biblical instruction for a holy life which fulfills both God's moral law and high law of love (Matthew 22:37-39; Romans 13:8-10; Galatians 5:14). The result is a life consecrated unto God and separated from the world.

It is therefore the spiritual objective of Central Baptist School to provide an environment conducive to the spiritual growth and development of young people who are not yet mature Christians. All of the activities of the Christian must be subordinated to the glory of God who indwells us (I Corinthians 8:9,12,13; 10:32). The Christian will endeavor to avoid practices which cause the loss of sensitivity to the spiritual needs of the world and loss of the Christian's physical, mental, or spiritual well-being (I Corinthians 9:27). A standard of conduct based on the following Biblical imperatives is necessary to provide such an environment.

To accomplish our objective, Central Baptist School will seek:

1. To teach the Bible as God's inspired Word and to foster attitudes of love and respect toward it.
2. To teach the basic doctrines of the Bible.
3. To lead the pupil to a decision of confessing Christ as Saviour and Lord.
4. To foster a desire to know and obey the will of God as revealed in the Scriptures.
5. To equip the student to carry out the will of God daily.
6. To impart an understanding of each Christian's place in the church and his obligation to obey the Great Commission in spreading the Gospel of Christ.
7. To develop the mind of Christ toward Godliness and sin and to teach the student how to have victory over sin.
8. To encourage the development of self-discipline and responsibility in the student based on respect for and submission to God and all other authority.
9. To help the student develop for himself a Christian world view by integrating life and studies with the Bible.

A sense of the need for spiritual growth in light of our objective has led Central Baptist School to adopt the following standards which we believe are conducive to the environment that will best promote the spiritual welfare of the student. **The school therefore expects each student, whether at school, home, or elsewhere, to**

1. Maintain Christian standards in courtesy, kindness, morality, and honesty.
2. Refrain from swearing, indecent language, smoking, drinking alcoholic beverages, drug abuse, gambling,

dancing, viewing PG-13, R-rated or X-rated movies, listening to rock and roll, country, or so called "Christian" rock music, and immodest dress.

The preceding list is by no means exhaustive. Central Baptist School believes, however, that these activities are forms of conduct which are detrimental to the standards established as its objective. Students are expected to abide by these standards throughout their enrollment at Central Baptist School.

In this atmosphere of definite and positive Christian standards of conduct, good scholastic planning, and intimate, personal interest between faculty and student, there is a fine opportunity for development of strong Christian character.

CHURCH AFFILIATION

Students and parents are expected to belong to and attend regularly a Bible-believing church. Central Baptist School teaches the beliefs and convictions of the Central Baptist Church.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Without apology, Central Baptist School holds to the statement of faith and belief of the Central Baptist Church of Hattiesburg, Mississippi. (The King James Version 1611 is the only accepted Bible in Central Baptist School.)

WE BELIEVE in the verbal, plenary inspiration and authority of the Scriptures. (II Timothy 3:16)

WE BELIEVE that the Bible reveals God, the fall of man, the way of salvation, and God's plan and purpose for the ages. (Romans 5:6-12)

WE BELIEVE in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19)

WE BELIEVE in the deity and the virgin birth of Jesus Christ. (Matthew 1:20-21)

WE BELIEVE that salvation is by grace plus nothing and minus nothing. The conditions of salvation are repentance and faith. (Ephesians 2:8-9)

WE BELIEVE that men are justified by faith alone and are accounted righteous before God only through the merit of our LORD and Saviour Jesus Christ. Justification establishes an eternal relationship that can never be broken. (Romans 5:1-2)

WE BELIEVE in the visible, personal, and pre-millennial return of Jesus Christ. (I Thessalonians 4:14-18; II Thessalonians 2:1-5)

WE BELIEVE the rapture of the church will be before the tribulation period.

WE BELIEVE in a literal Heaven and a literal Hell. (I Thessalonians 4:14-18)

WE BELIEVE that prayer is vitally important to undergird the oneness we have in Christ as a Central Baptist School family.

WE BELIEVE parents are the primary educators of their children, spiritually, academically, physically, and socially.

WE BELIEVE that the Bible and religious training are a part of every aspect of the Christian school program.

Each student is encouraged to take the “Plan” test in the 10th grade, and the “SAT” and “ACT” in the 11th and 12th. All seniors will be required to take the ACT.

FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

REGISTRATION (Fees cover books, insurance, yearbook & t-shirt) Grades K-4 through 12th	\$350.00
New student testing fee	30.00
Grades K-4 – 12 th application fee (new students only)	25.00

**All of the above fees are nonrefundable.*

TUITION

MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN

Scheduled payments begin 8/1/12 and continue through 5/1/13.

K-4 thru 12 th student (\$2,400 per yr.)	\$240.00
Second student (\$2,000 per yr.)	\$200.00
Third & consecutive students (\$1,600 per yr.)	\$160.00

- Students attending one or more days in a month will owe for the entire month.
- Graduation fees will be determined by the cost of the cap and gown at the time of graduation.
- The sports fee will be determined at the time of each sport.
- We will have mandatory school-wide fundraisers, and we ask that parents help with these so that we may keep our fees reasonable. You may choose not to participate in fundraisers and pay the non-participation fee of \$150 per semester or \$300 for the year.
- A 10% discount will be given if total yearly tuition is paid in advance of August 1, 2012.
- All charges are due on or before the 1st of each month. A \$15.00 late fee will be charged on all accounts not paid by the 10th of each month, and the child will not be allowed to return to school until the account has been paid or arrangements have been made with the Administrator.
- A \$40.00 fee will be charged on all returned checks as well as the \$15.00 late fee.
- If an account becomes more than ten days late, the student will not be allowed to attend classes unless arrangements are agreed to *in writing* and signed by the parents and the Administrator.
- All lunches and snack items will be billed to the student’s account and will be added to the monthly statement.

AFTER-SCHOOL CARE

After-school Care supervision begins at 3:30 p.m. and ends at 5:30 p.m. each Monday through Friday that school is in session. The duties end each day when the last child is picked up by the parent or person assigned by the parent.

After-school Care (for ages 4-10) per hour (3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.) (\$5.00 per 15 minutes after 5:30 p.m.)	\$ 4.00
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Those parents participating in the After-school Care will receive a statement at the first of each month stating the number of hours and cost accrued in the previous month.

WITHDRAWALS

1. All withdrawals must go through the school office. Parents are to fill out a withdrawal form stating the reason for withdrawal.
2. On the day of withdrawal, the student should pick up a form to take to all classes obtaining a signature from each teacher when all textbooks and materials have been returned and all fees and fines have been paid.
3. All school fees must be paid before the release of school records.

II. DRESS CODE

A part of Christian training is learning to dress appropriately for specific occasions. When attending church, recitals, special programs, or other activities, a Christian should be properly dressed. Central Baptist School wants students who are concerned about their modesty and neatness, both at school and away from school, and expects its students to dress accordingly at all times.

Students must wear the CBS uniform at all times while at school, unless permission is given by the Principal. The dress code is also in effect on school property and at any after-school activity, including ball games played at home or away. The Administration reserves the right to be the final judge of what is appropriate for any school activity.

MERITS OF SCHOOL UNIFORMS

1. Uniforms contribute to higher academics. Students have less concern for their dress and concentrate more on academics.
2. Uniforms contribute to greater self-control in students. A sharp-looking, neatly dressed student will tend to act that way; a sloppy appearance tends to foster undisciplined character.
3. Uniforms reduce clothing costs and make it easy for students to know what to wear each day. Quality uniforms can often be worn from one to three (or more) years.
4. Uniforms build esprit de corps (sense of being a part of).
5. Uniforms eliminate competition in dress. Peer pressure regarding clothing is minimized.
6. Sharp uniforms command respect. They relay a message that our school is professional.
7. Sharp uniforms can help to improve the student's self image and give him/her a sense of personal worth.
8. Uniforms standardize the dress code. This eliminates conflict over what students can and cannot wear.
9. Modest uniforms help students learn to dress appropriately, preventing immodest apparel and slovenly appearance at school.
10. Uniforms help establish a pattern of life whereby students may select other appropriate clothing throughout life. They can help build convictions on what kind of clothing is modest, conservative, and appropriate.

We respectfully request that parents assist the school by insuring conformity to the following guidelines on behalf of their children and themselves when participating in or attending school activities. These standards have been established in the interest of modesty, Christian appearance, and behavior and are aimed at contributing to a respectful school atmosphere.

UNIFORMS

All uniforms should be purchased from Parker Uniform Company.

The following dress code is to be worn each school day:

GIRLS:

Shirts: Royal blue from Parker Uniform Company.

- Khaki skirts (Parker Uniform Item # 5214, 5254, 5271, and 5359)
- Skirts must touch the ground in a kneeling position.
- Skirts must be without designs, embroidery, etc. on the fabric.

Hemlines must be to the bottom of the knee.

Shoes and Socks (*K-4 through 6th grades*):

- Girls should wear neat and clean, conservative tennis shoes, casual shoes or dress shoes (no backless shoes of any type will be permitted).
- The shoes should match the uniform that each student wears.
- No crocs, flip flops, sandals, or open-toed shoes of any kind.
- No boots, heeled shoes, light-ups, jellies, or character shoes.
- Solid white bobbie socks, knee socks or tights (no leggings or legwarmers).

Shoes and Hosiery (*7th through 12th grades*):

- Nylon shades must be white, off-white, or of a natural skin color.
- Shoes are to be black or brown flats or low heels (no higher than 1 inch) (no backless shoes of any type will be permitted).
- No crocs, flip flops, sandals, boots, open-toed shoes, or excessively-decorated shoes will be permitted.
- Tennis shoes may only be worn during the physical education class.

Hair

Girls' hair must be neat and clean. Fad hairdos, cuts, or colors are not permitted. Extreme designs, partially-shaved patches, or completely shaven heads are not acceptable.

Other:

- Girls are to dress modestly.
- Girls may only have the top button of their shirt unbuttoned.
- Girls are expected to come to school in school uniform.
- Girls may wear only one earring in each ear and the earring must be on the ear lobe.
- Earrings are to be nickel-size or smaller.
- Girls' make-up must be in good taste. Girls below the 7th grade may not wear make-up.
- Hair should not be dyed to an unnatural color.
- Nails and nail polish must be conservative. Girls below the 7th grade may not wear press on or acrylic nails.
- Jackets, shirts and sweaters other than the uniform fleece are not to be worn in class.
- No long sleeve shirts are to be worn under short sleeve uniform shirts. Long sleeve shirts may be purchased at Parker Uniform Company.

BOYS:

Kindergarten through 12th grades

Shirts: Royal blue from Parker Uniform Company

Pants: Khaki (pleated front) pants (Austin Brand) from Academy Sports or purchased from Parker Uniform Company (Item # 60040, 60050, 60060, 60070, 60090, 60180, and 60430)

Socks, Belts, and Shoes:

- Belts and socks must be worn every day. Exception: Pants without belt loops (Kindergarten only).
- The socks, belts, and shoes should match the outfit that each student wears.

- Boys should wear neat and clean tennis shoes, black or brown casual shoes or dress shoes. *Tennis shoes may be worn to school in kindergarten through 6th grades only.*
- Tennis shoes may only be worn during the physical education class for grades 7 through 12.
- No boots, heeies, light-ups, or character shoes of any kind are permitted.
- No crocs, flip flops, sandals or open-toed shoes of any kind are permitted.

Hair

Boys' hair must be clean and neatly cut. The hair should not be shaggy or bushy, may not touch the eyebrows in the front, nor the collar of the shirt in the back, nor the ears. No tails will be allowed. No "punk" or "faddish" haircuts are permitted. Line cuts in the hair, shaved portions, "bowl cuts," hair dyed with peroxide, or any other radical styles or fashions will not be allowed.

Other:

- Shirts must be tucked in at all times.
- Boys may only have the top button unbuttoned on their shirts.
- Boys are not allowed to wear earrings, necklaces, or bracelets.
- Jackets, shirts and sweaters other than the uniform fleece (Parker Item # 8649 & 8650) are not to be worn in class
- No long sleeve shirts are to be worn under short sleeve uniform shirts. Long sleeve shirts may be purchased at Parker Uniform Company.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORMS

(Grades 5 through 12)

1. Girls will be required to wear culottes/shorts and a CBS t-shirt (purchased from the school office) for physical education class. The culottes/shorts must be baggy and come to the knee. **Culottes/shorts should be royal blue, navy blue, or black.**
2. Boys will be required to wear either **royal blue, navy blue, or black** nylon warm-up pants or shorts and a CBS t-shirt (purchased from the school office). The warm-up pants may not have snaps along the side; however, the pants can have zippers. Absolutely no sweat pants or cut-offs are allowed at any time on the school or church campus. All shorts must be baggy and come to the knee. No denim jeans or shorts.

GENERAL

At times during the school year, changes and subjective decisions concerning modesty and dress regulations may be made by the Administration.

There are times in the school year when our uniforms will not be practical. These times will include banquets, ballgames, and funerals. For these times, certain standards should still be followed. No student should dress out of dress code without the Principal's permission. The following apply to non-uniform apparel:

1. All students are asked to label all personal items (lunchboxes, bags, clothing, etc.)
2. No dresses or skirts with slits above the bottom of the knee
3. The front neckline on a top may not come lower than three fingers from the bottom of the neck.
4. The back neckline on a top may not come lower than four fingers from the bottom of the neck.
5. No tight-fitting tops or skirts.
6. All tops must have some sort of sleeve. Cap sleeves are permissible.
7. No tops and skirts that show the midriff are allowed.
8. A member of the faculty must approve all banquet and Homecoming dresses. This includes dresses of any non-Central Baptist School students who will be attending any school-sponsored banquets.
9. No apparel promoting other schools is allowed.

DRESS CODE ENFORCEMENT

1. A hair slip will be issued to any elementary student violating the hair code. The student's hair violation is to be corrected within 3 days in order for the student to be allowed to attend classes.
2. Any student violating the dress code rules will be sent to the office and will be asked to phone his/her parents to ask them to bring proper attire so that he/she may change before returning to class.

III. DISCIPLINE

This is not a corrective institution; consequently, we ask that a child not be enrolled with the idea that we will reform him/her. We are here to work with the home, but not to take the place of parents who have experienced difficulty in fulfilling their roles.

All students (returning students and new students) are admitted on probation for nine weeks.

The student must at all times conduct himself/herself in a manner becoming to a Christian. Gripping is not tolerated! If your child does come home complaining about a policy or discipline, please follow these procedures:

1. Give the staff the benefit of the doubt.
2. Realize that what your child is reporting is emotionally biased and may not include all the information.
3. Realize that the school has reasons for all rules and that they are enforced without partiality.
4. Support the Administration and call the school for the facts.

When a child's attitude is not in accord with school policies or principles, the child will be placed on probation and parents will be called for a conference. If the Administration feels the situation has not changed within two weeks, parents will be asked to withdraw the child.

High school students, in particular because of their testimony before younger children, are trained to adhere to the school's philosophy and Christ-centered program. Such adherence includes abstinence from smoking, use of alcoholic beverages, use of narcotics, listening to secular or religious rock or country music, dancing, swearing, viewing or discussing secular movies, and other questionable practices.

When a teacher thinks a problem warrants more drastic action than he or she is allowed to administer, the child will then be referred to the Principal. The Principal has, among other options, the authority to administer corporal discipline, give detentions, suspend, or expel.

This school is dedicated to the training of children in programs of study, activity, and living that is Christ-centered. Our staff maintains standards of behavior through kindness, love and genuine regard for the students. However, when disciplinary action becomes necessary, it is firmly carried out, tempered by good judgment and understanding.

"Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers..." Romans 13:1

"Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves..." Hebrews 13:17

"For the commandment is a lamp, and the law is light, and reproofs of instruction are the way of life." Proverbs 10:17

"He is in the way of life that keepeth instruction, but he that refuseth reproof erreth." Proverbs 10:19

"Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for his crying." Proverbs 19:18

"Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child, but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him." Proverbs 22:15

ATTITUDE

1. Students at Central Baptist School are expected to comply with the rules and regulations with a positive and respectful attitude.
2. If a student has a question about a teacher's action, he should personally and politely make an arrangement to talk with the teacher after school or during school hours at a free time.
3. The spirit and attitude of our school is so vital that a student will not be retained who, after being warned, continues with a poor spirit.

BEHAVIOR

The Central Baptist School has established rules and regulations, based on Biblical principles and designed to protect the Christian students from wrong. If a student does not observe these regulations, he/she is made aware of his/her offences and punished accordingly. **Attending Central Baptist School is a privilege, not a right.**

CONDUCT

- Gum may not be chewed in any part of the school building at any time and is not permitted in the church building during school hours.
- Students are not to talk loudly in the hallway while other classes are in session.
- There is to be no running or horseplay in the classrooms or hallways.
- Students are to keep their hands and feet off the walls.
- All students are required to attend chapel.
- Each student is expected to clean up his eating area and push in his chair before leaving the lunchroom.
- Students are not to play or loiter in remote locations of the campus.
- Students are expected to bring all materials needed for class at the beginning of class.
- Before the tardy bell rings, talking should be done in an orderly manner.
- No student is to be in the parking lot during school hours.
- Any form of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs is not to be in the student's possession or to be used at any time on or off campus.
- Stealing or deliberate destruction of property warrants suspension and may result in expulsion. Students must pay for damaged or destroyed property.
- Students should not use "slang" words and should take care not to use idly any name or attribute of Christ or God.
- All electronic appliances, games, CD's, video tapes, magazines, playing cards and books unrelated to school should not be brought to school or to school activities without the permission of a teacher.
- No weapon of any kind, such as a gun, knife, etc. is permitted on campus at any time.
- No cell phones, ipods, etc. are to be in the possession of the student during school hours.
- If the items mentioned above are brought to school, they will be taken to the school office and in most cases not returned.
- Students should take care not to leave textbooks lying on the playground, in the gym, in the hall, etc. All items will be taken to the lost and found room.
- Students should keep all personal items LOCKED in a locker.

CORPORAL DISCIPLINE

Corporal punishment or spanking is a scriptural method of correction and is administered with care at Central Baptist School. It will only be used with the parent's permission on file.

The following guidelines will be followed:

1. Each parent must sign a permission/hold harmless agreement before his or her child can be paddled.
2. Students will be made fully aware of the reason for the spanking. A student who refuses corporal punishment will not be allowed back in class.
3. The parent will be called at home or work.

4. A male staff member (boys) and a female staff member (girls) will administer a maximum of three firm swats with a flat, wooden paddle.
5. The students will not be physically restrained. If he or she refuses to submit, they will not be allowed back in class.
6. A staff witness will be present.
7. A written record will be made of the date, the offense, the number of strokes, and the name of the correcting administrator and witness.

Spanking may be administered in addition to demerits for serious offenses. Spanking may be used if demerits, detention, etc. fail to remedy the problem.

DEMERITS

The demerit system is designed to give the student and parents an objective picture of the student's general behavior. Demerits are accrued on a semester basis. An accumulation of 100 demerits before the final ten school days of a semester will result in automatic expulsion and loss of credit. If the 100th demerit is earned within the final 10 school days of a semester, the student is not expelled but begins the next semester with 50 demerits. Parents will be notified each time that a student accumulates 10 demerits.

25 demerits:	Letter sent home
50 demerits:	Letter sent home, one- (1) day suspension
75 demerits:	Letter sent home, three- (3) days suspension
100 demerits:	Expulsion

Absences accumulated during suspension will be considered unexcused. Any student who accumulates 75 demerits will have twenty (20) demerits removed if he receives no demerits for a three-week period (21 days) after earning the seventy-fifth demerit. A second suspension will not be given if the student's demerit total exceeds 75 a subsequent time.

*A list of demerit offenses is on the last page of the Handbook.

DETENTIONS

Detentions will be served from 7:20—7:50 a.m. Monday through Friday. Parents will be given notice of a detention on the day before the detention is to be served. The parent must sign and return the detention notice the next day. The detention will be served upon receipt of the signed notice.

DISCIPLINE SUMMARY

The list of offenses and penalties does not constitute an exhaustive list of every infraction that a student may be disciplined for at Central Baptist School. When an offense occurs, an effort will be made to "tailor" the punishment to the offense. Parents are asked to cooperate fully with the school officials in the disciplining of their child or children.

EXPULSION

The removal of any student from the school is a serious matter. Situations that bring great discredit upon the school warrant expulsion. Some examples of offenses which may result in expulsion are listed below. This list is not meant to be all-inclusive.

Fighting; stealing; use or possession of tobacco, illegal drugs, or liquor; continuous misconduct resulting in several suspensions; any female student found to be pregnant; any male student found to have fathered a child; any student found to be sexually active; any student who marries (see NOTE below); any conviction of criminal activity; failure to remain consistent in church attendance.

NOTE: By way of policy, the school does not deem it in the best interest of the students enrolled to allow

anyone who chooses to marry to continue their education at CBS.

RE-ENROLLMENT AFTER EXPULSION

A student who has been expelled may not re-enroll for the current school year but may request enrollment for the following year by submitting a letter to the Principal explaining why he should be admitted. (A student and/or parent may submit this letter.)

SUSPENSIONS

Serious infractions of school regulations or repeated offenses may result in suspension. The length of suspension will depend upon the offense. Students on suspension may not attend or participate in any extra-curricular activities (including athletic practices and events) during the time of suspension except by permission from the Administrator.

Offenses that can result in immediate suspension are listed below. This list is not meant to be all-inclusive but contains examples of behavior that may result in suspension. Ultimately, the Principal decides which offenses will result in suspension.

Fighting, theft, cheating, lying, destroying school property, excessive absences, frequent failure to complete assignments, disobedience, insubordination, open rebellion, disrespect to a teacher

Insubordination – open rebellion: defined as any overt, verbal, or physical indication that the student refuses to comply with instructions given by the teacher. Some examples might be: “I won’t do it!” “You can’t make me do that!” or walking away when a teacher is speaking directly to the student, slamming a door or throwing a book when instructed to do something.

Disrespect: Physical gestures, facial expressions and words are all ways a student may exhibit disrespect and rudeness.

When a student is to be suspended, the Principal will notify the parents stating the reason for suspension. The Principal may require a conference with the student and his parents before allowing the student to re-enter school.

A record of the suspension will be kept in the student’s file.

Continuous misconduct that results in more than one suspension may result in expulsion. Expulsion for the remainder of the school year will be mandatory after three suspensions.

IV. GENERAL INFORMATION

ABSENCES DUE TO TARDINESS

1. A student is considered tardy if he is not in his seat when the bell rings.
2. Four unexcused tardies will be equivalent to one unexcused absence. Four excused tardies will be equivalent to one excused absence.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Valedictorian—highest grade point average
Salutatorian—2nd highest grade point average

GUIDELINES FOR THESE AWARDS:

1. Two years in attendance at CBS

2. College prep program
3. Based on grade point average (4 point scale) (must have 2.5 or better)
4. Semester grades averaged from grades 9 through 12
5. Must have a composite score of 18 or above on ACT

BREAK RULES

1. Students should not be where there is not an adult. If students go outside and no one is there, they must come in until an adult can go outside. Anyone in a place without adult supervision will be given a demerit for each offense per #26 of the Code of Conduct—Demerit System.
2. No one is to throw anything at another.
3. Students are not allowed in the office.
4. No horseplay allowed in the school.
5. Students should use this time to go to the restroom.
6. Students should not ask to go to the restroom when break is over.

CHECKING OUT AND RETURNING TO SCHOOL

Students who are leaving the campus must sign out on the appropriate sheet. Permission for leaving must have been given by a parent or guardian of the student. If the student does not drive, either a parent or someone designated by the parent or guardian (in writing) must pick up the student in the office. Punishment can be given for not following procedures. No student may leave campus at any time without permission from parents and Principal. Students are not to leave during athletic events unless going home.

Parents are encouraged to check their child out of school only if the child is sick, a family emergency occurs or for a medical appointment. Checking a student out for any other reason constitutes an unexcused absence. A full school day consists of seven hours. Time missed for a partial day will be added together to determine days of absence and counted in the total number of absences per quarter.

CHILD CUSTODY

The intent of CBS is to abide by existing limitations regarding parental child custody. Parents or students of families who are determined to consistently create disharmony or disruption in the daily school routine may be asked to withdraw by the Administration.

CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS/MAKE-UP WORK

1. When a student is absent, it is his/her responsibility to make up any test, quiz, or classwork missed. Students will be given one day for each day they were absent up to a total of one week to make up missed assignments, etc. If the classwork, test, or quiz is not made up by this time, or if special arrangements have not been made with the teacher, a zero will be given.
2. When a student is absent on the day a test or quiz is given, but was present when the test was announced, the student will be expected to make up the quiz or test the day he returns to school, unless otherwise approved by the Administrator.
3. If a test or quiz is scheduled on the day the student returns from an absence, he/she is expected to take the test or quiz on time.
4. Any student who must be absent from school for any reason except illness, doctor's appointments, or an emergency must bring a request to be excused to the office at least one week **PRIOR TO THE ABSENCE**. If the request is approved by the Administration, arrangements will be made at that time for making up classwork missed during the absence.
5. Students are responsible for obtaining homework assignments and quiz and test schedules while absent.

CLOSED CAMPUS POLICY

1. Students are not to leave campus at any time during school hours without permission from the office.

2. Any student who has the authorization to leave campus must sign the check-out sheet in the school office prior to leaving and again when returning.
3. No student is allowed to leave campus before, during, or after school with another student unless permission is obtained from both students' parents and the office is notified.
4. No student is to go to the church building without specific permission from a member of the school staff.
5. All visitors (prospective students, parents, alumni of Central Baptist School) are to check in at the office upon arrival.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

While it is not the desire of CBS to discriminate against any student, we are faced with the challenge of providing a safe haven for those students entrusted to our care by their parents. Our purpose is to protect our students from exposure to mortal illness.

We recognize also, that CBS with its limited finances is not equipped to physically care for the needs of very ill students or any student with a serious continuing or chronic communicable disease. Therefore, because we are moved with deep sympathy for the sick child, and for the well child, it will be the policy of CBS to deny admission or to require dismissal from the school any child with a serious communicable disease. (If at the time CBS has a Home Study Program, this may be considered as a possibility for retaining the student under our supervision.) The concern is twofold: it is that other students not infected with transmittable diseases not be infected and that the student with the infection to be infected with other diseases transmitted by fellow students or others within the school family.

Children enrolled at CBS or those who seek to enroll at CBS who are diagnosed to be carrying any serious communicable or potentially lethal disease shall be denied admission or dismissed from the school. They will not be permitted to enroll or re-enroll in regular CBS classes until they have been medically diagnosed as no longer carrying the communicable disease.

This policy is to apply to diseases such as, but not limited to, syphilis, gonorrhea, Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS), etc. Students who test positive for antibodies of HIV (Human Immunodeficiency) or who are infected with ARC (AIDS Related Complex) are included in this policy.

It is the responsibility of the parent or guardian of a student to inform the school of a student's infection or serious continuing communicable disease upon enrollment (of a new student) or at the time of diagnosis.

In adopting this policy, CBS recognizes that the state of medical knowledge about AIDS and other serious communicable disease is rapidly changing. The school will therefore update the policy statement in light of significant new information on such disease.

Any child found to have head lice will not be allowed to return to school without a release from the Health Department.

COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS

In order to insure the best possible means of communication, Central Baptist School requests that parents cooperate with us in the following areas:

1. If a parent desires to see a teacher, he is to make arrangements ahead of time with the teacher via the school office.
2. In the event that a problem is not resolved to the parent's satisfaction after he has discussed the situation with the faculty/staff member directly involved, it is his right and responsibility to contact the Administrator for a meeting with both the faculty/staff member and the Administrator. In extreme cases, the Pastor will be asked to sit in on the meeting as well. Central Baptist School feels that this is a Scriptural way of handling any difficulty.

CONTACTING STUDENTS

1. Messages or items that need to be delivered to students are to be brought to the school office.
2. Under no circumstances are parents to go to the student's classroom to contact a student.

DATING POLICY

During the year, events will be scheduled to which some students may choose to bring a date. The following will apply for all events:

1. All persons must dress according to the school dress code.
2. All students dating must be accompanied by an approved adult chaperone.
3. If a student comes as a single date, a note from the parent of each person should be given to the school. (This includes students who do not attend CBS.)
4. If a person is dressed inappropriately, he/she will be asked to leave.
5. All rules of the school apply.

EARLY DISMISSAL

1. If a student must leave for a doctor's appointment or similar needs during any part of the school day, parents must personally notify the office.
2. Upon returning to school, the student must sign in at the school office.
3. Parents should not go directly to the classroom, but should stop at the office and the secretary will send for the student.
4. Parents are asked not to pick up between 2:30-3:00.

EXCUSED ABSENCES

All absences are either excused or unexcused. Reasons for excused absences include illness of the student, death in the family, medical or dental appointments, and Administration-approved absences. Work missed during excused absences may be made up for credit if done so within the allotted time. Make-up work must be turned in on the day of the students return to school. All tests and quizzes must be taken during the student's study hall time on the day of the student's return to school.

Parents should contact the office the morning a student is ill. The student must bring a written excuse from his parents explaining the absence to the school office upon returning to school.

If a student is absent for any reason other than those mentioned above, the absence is unexcused. Each day a student is suspended is an unexcused absence. A zero will be given on quizzes and missed assignments when a student receives an unexcused absence. If a student has more than 5 unexcused absences in a quarter (9 weeks), he/she will be put on probation. Absences totaling up to 20 days, whether excused or unexcused (unless the student has an extended illness) will cause the student to be put on probation. If the student misses two or more days after being put on probation, he/she may be expelled. No absences will be allowed during exams, SAT's and special projects.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

1. Participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege and carries certain responsibilities.
2. The student is a representative of the school and therefore his attitude and actions should be glorifying to the Lord.
3. A member of a team or club has an obligation to that group and is to be present at all meetings, practices, etc. unless ill or excused by the Administrator, coach, or sponsor.
4. In order to prevent misunderstanding, each member of a team or club may be required to sign an agreement defining his/her rights, responsibilities, and obligations. This agreement will also be signed by the parents.
5. All participating members of a team or group are to ride in school transportation to and from school activities. They may ride with their parents or relatives only with permission from the sponsor.
6. All school rules of dress and conduct apply to any school activity.

- 7 It is not the responsibility of faculty and staff to provide transportation from school to a student's home after an activity. Parents are to arrange for the students to be picked up promptly when the activity is over.
8. Participation in extracurricular activities will involve additional expense for out-of-town trips, meals and, at times, special attire.

HANDBOOK DISCLAIMER

This Handbook is used as a guide and not the letter of the law. The Word of God is the only thing that never changes; therefore, this Handbook is not finished or all inclusive. As the school year progresses, it may be necessary to change some rules or add new ones. If a rule is changed, the Administration will make every effort possible to inform the parents as well as the students of the change.

HOMEWORK

Students can expect some homework in each grade level. Most students will find that they will be given sufficient time at school to complete their assignments; however, if a student is not diligent at completing his required assignments, he may find his homework load quite heavy. No homework will be assigned on Wednesdays.

1. If incomplete homework is a continual problem, the student may receive detentions or other corrective measures.
2. If a student has a reasonable excuse for not doing his homework, the parent is requested to write a note to the teacher. Allowing the excuse will be at the teacher's discretion.
3. If a parent has a question about homework or some other problem, he should call the school office and leave a message for the teacher.

HONOR ROLL

Each 9 weeks an honor roll is posted. The following determine the different honor rolls:

1. 94 percent or above — "A" honor roll
2. 88 percent or above — "A/B" honor roll

ILLNESSES

1. First aid will be administered by teachers or staff members only. We do not give any kind of internal medicine (including aspirin or Tylenol) to any student without written permission from parents. A student taking prescription medicine is to leave the medication with the school secretary.
2. Any student who is ill must check in with the school office before his parents are contacted. The office will contact the student's parents if it is necessary for him/her to go home.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Please listen closely to WDAM television and your local radio stations for information on school closures. As a general rule, if Hattiesburg public schools are closed due to inclement weather, Central Baptist School will also be closed.

LOST AND FOUND

The Lost and Found is maintained by the school office. All students should see the school secretary to retrieve lost items at a cost of 25¢ per item. At the end of each quarter, all unclaimed articles will be disposed of at the discretion of the Administration.

All personal belongings should be labeled and clearly marked with the child's full name whenever possible.

LUNCH ROOM

GRADING SCALE

A+ 100	C+ 87	F 0-69
A 95-99	C 79-86	
A- 94	C- 78	
B+ 93	D+ 77	
B 89-92	D 71-76	
B- 88	D- 70	

*CORE CURRICULUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

BIBLE.....	4 CREDITS
ENGLISH	4 CREDITS
MATHEMATICS	4 CREDITS
SCIENCE	3 CREDITS
SOCIAL STUDIES	3 CREDITS
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	4 CREDITS
ELECTIVES	<u>2 CREDITS</u>
24 Credits (for incoming freshmen)	

*Even though a student may have 24 credits, he/she may have to repeat the senior year if all the requirements for the core curriculum have not been met.

The high school grade level is determined by the number of credits a student has earned. Below is a chart showing the high school grade placement:

<u>Placement</u>	<u>Credits</u>
Freshman	0 to 6
Sophomore	7 to 12
Junior	13 to 18
Senior	19 to 24

KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 8TH GRADE RETENTION

Our school policy for retention is as follows:

An “F” in any two core subjects (Bible, Language, Math, Reading) will result in retention at the present grade level.

ACCREDITATION

Accreditation by a state governmental agency is an administrative mechanism designed as an attempt to attain uniform education for all children in governmental schools. It was established as a governmental means of causing local public school districts to meet what the state educational agencies determined to be minimum academic and facility standards for government schools. Accreditation teams therefore investigate and approve or disapprove according to the criteria developed by secular educational administrators who may not be Christian.

Accreditation of a private Christian school is not necessary for a graduate of the school to enroll in a college or university. Registrars of such institutions are interested in the academic merits of individual students, not in the name of their school of graduation. Thus, they evaluate each applicant’s aptitude through nationally standardized tests. As members of the American Association of Christian Schools (AACS) and the Mississippi Association of Christian Schools (MACS), Central Baptist School is pursuing accreditation through this Christian-oriented organization. The Mississippi Association of Christian Schools accreditation is recognized by the State of Mississippi.

Students may bring their lunches or may purchase vendor-type food in the lunchroom. A list of the items sold in the lunchroom is posted at the kitchen window. No monies will be collected from those purchasing lunch items or snack items.

LUNCH ROOM RULES

1. Once the bell rings for the lunch period, students should be in the lunchroom within 2 minutes.
2. No one is allowed in the kitchen area without permission.
3. No food will be thrown at any time.
4. Students may not stand and talk in the kitchen area, but must be seated at a table during lunch.
5. When using the microwaves, put a paper towel over the food. If food spills in the microwave, clean it up.
6. No horseplay during lunch.
7. At times, a special seating arrangement may be necessary for students.
8. Each student must clean his area completely before leaving the lunch table.
9. Students are not allowed to touch another student's lunch.
10. Anyone whose parents are taking them out to lunch must sign in and out.
11. Visitors are asked to follow class lunchroom rules.

RESTROOM POLICY

1. Students are to use the restroom during breaks, before school starts, and during lunch.
2. Students may go to the restroom during class time only in an emergency.
3. For everyone else's benefit, students should flush the toilet after use, wash hands, and put used paper towels in the trash can.
4. If the restroom needs attention, students should let their teacher know.

SCHOOL OFFICE

1. No student is to be in the school office except for official school business. Students are not to wait in the office after school.
2. The telephone in the school office is for official school business only. Students may use the phone only if it is absolutely necessary.

SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES

Students' social networking accounts (i.e. Facebook, Twitter, etc.) must be accessible to church and school staff members who are allowed to monitor throughout the year. This safeguard is to discourage students from posting or saying things that would be contradictory to the standard of discipline in conduct and attitude of Central Baptist School as described in the handbook. Anything posted by CBS students (conversations, pictures, music, etc.) that does not conform to the standards of conduct and attitude for Central Baptist School students will result in disciplinary action. As listed in the "Christian Philosophy of Education" section of the handbook, the school expects each student, whether at school, home, or elsewhere (online), to live up to the standard of conduct of our school. **Parents are strongly encouraged to monitor their student's online activity very closely.**

TESTS AND EXAMS

1. Semester and final exams will be given in most classes. These exams are cumulative and make up an important part of the student's grade. Exam schedules will be given to the student in advance.
2. Progress reports are sent out mid way through each quarter. Report cards will be issued after each nine weeks.

TOYS AT SCHOOL

Students are not to bring toys to school without permission of the teacher. Any toys having the effect or appearance of a weapon are prohibited.

CENTRAL BAPTIST SCHOOL
SUPPLY LISTS

K-4 & K-5

1. Three boxes *Crayola* crayons—8 pack PRIMARY colors only
2. One pack #2 pencils (please no paper or plastic covered pencils) (K-5)
3. Small scissors, pointed
4. Two glue sticks
5. Three large boxes of tissue
6. Red/Blue Standard nap pad (no jumbo size), travel size pillow, and beach towel
7. Three refill packs of baby wipes (150+ count)
8. Two solid color plastic folders with inside pockets
9. Two bottle hand sanitizer (large)
10. Pencil/supply box
11. Backpack—Regular size
12. Lunchbox
13. Steno pad
14. Complete change of clothes stored in a large Ziploc bag

1st & 2nd Grades

1. Steno pad
2. One box *Crayola* crayons—(24 count)
3. One pack of #2 pencils (please no paper or plastic-covered pencils)
4. Scissors
5. One small bottle *Elmer's* glue
6. Two large boxes of tissue
7. Pencil/supply box (small)
8. Two large **rubber** erasers
9. Ruler (inches and centimeters)
10. King James Bible (not “New King James” version)
11. Backpack
12. Lunchbox
13. Four paper folders with pockets
14. 3 packs loose leaf notebook paper
15. 2 bottles Germ-X
16. 1 package pencil top erasers

3rd & 4th Grades

1. One box *Crayola* crayons
2. #2 pencils (No mechanical pencils)
3. Scissors, pointed
4. Glue stick
5. Three boxes of tissue
6. Pencil pouch (no boxes)
7. Erasers
8. Ruler (Needs inch and centimeter markings)
9. Loose leaf paper (wide rule only)
10. Two 3-ring binders (1 1/2” with clear pocket cover)
11. One pack of construction paper
12. One pack each of black and blue pens
13. Webster’s New International Student dictionary
14. King James Bible (not “New King James” version)
15. Backpack
16. Lunchbox
17. One vinyl/plastic folder with prongs
18. Germ-X
19. Colored pencils

5th & 6th Grades

1. #2 pencils/Mechanical pencils and lead
2. Scissors, pointed
3. One glue stick
4. Two large boxes of tissue
5. Pencil pouch (no boxes)
6. Erasers
7. Ruler with inches and metric
8. Loose leaf paper — no spiral-bound notebooks
9. Pens (Blue, black, and red)
10. Highlighters (yellow)
11. Webster’s Dictionary (60,000 words or more)
12. King James Bible (not “New King James” version)
13. Backpack
14. Lunchbox
15. 3 Ring 2” Binder
16. 1 folder with prongs
17. Composition Notebook
18. Metal Compass (6th) (No Plastic)
19. Clear, plastic protractor (6th)
20. Clear cover vinyl/plastic report folder with prongs
21. 3x5 Note cards

Junior and Senior High Classes

1. Two packs #2 pencils
2. Pens (blue or black) (1 pack)
3. Loose leaf notebook paper (wide rule)
4. 3-ring binder
5. King James Bible (not “New King James” version)
6. 3” x 5” ruled index cards
7. Colored pencils (for maps, etc.)
8. Pencil box or pouch
9. Calculator (scientific may be required for upper math classes)
10. Ruler with inches and metric
11. Graph paper
12. Pocket dictionary
13. Protractor
14. Compass
15. Two boxes of tissue
16. Journal

***Each teacher may request additional items for his individual class.**

PARENTS, PLEASE BE SURE THAT ALL ITEMS ARE LABELED WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME.

PLEASE DO NOT PURCHASE ITEMS WITH SECULAR ENTERTAINERS OR QUESTIONABLE CARTOON CHARACTERS (i.e., Harry Potter, Pokemon, Hannah Montana, etc.). IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE AT 544-0161.

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2012—2013 School Calendar

August 20-24	Teacher Orientation
August 24	Parent-Student Orientation (7:00 p.m.)
August 27	First Day of Classes
September 3	Labor Day (no school)
September 27	Mid-term Progress Reports
October 26	Fall Festival
November 14	Mid-term Progress Reports
November 16	Ladies Shopping Trip (no school)
November 19-23	Thanksgiving Break (no school)
December 21—January 4	Christmas Break (no school)
January 7	Classes Resume
February 14	Mid-term Progress Reports
February 18	Presidents' Day (no school)
March 18-22	Spring Break (no school)
April 1	Easter Monday (no school)
April 3-5	Stanford Achievement Tests
April 25	Mid-term Progress Reports
May 21	Kindergarten Graduation
May 22	High School Graduation
May 23	Awards Night (7:00 p.m.)
May 24	Last Day (1/2 day)

Half Days

December 20, 2012
May 24, 2013

Nine Week Terms

Aug. 27 — Oct. 19
Oct. 22 — Dec. 20
Jan. 7 — Mar. 15
Mar. 18 — May 24

Teacher Refresher Days (No classes)

October 29, 2012
March 9, 2013

Dates are subject to change. If there are any questions, please call the school office at (601) 544-0161.

Central Baptist School

Alma Mater

Tim LeJeune

Traditional

1. In these halls of Cen - tral Bap - tist lives a spir - it rare.
2. By the chang - ing pow'r of God's word lives have been trans - formed.

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Dear to us our cher - ished mem - 'ries. Deep the love we share.
Armed with wea - pons of His war - fare the gates of Hell we'll storm.

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JE - SUS Christ, our Lord, we love thee, With our hearts we wor - ship you.
JE - SUS Christ, our Lord, we love thee, With our hearts we wor - ship you

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And we hon - or CEN - TRAL BAP - TIST by a life that's true.
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CODE OF CONDUCT—DEMERIT SYSTEM

Category 1: 5 Demerits

1. Messy desk/locker	10. Working on unrelated material	19. Using cell phones
2. Talking in class	11. Unapproved literature on campus	20. Out of seat without permission
3. Writing/passing notes	12. Making unnecessary noise	21. Throwing objects
4. Shoving or scuffling	13. Littering	22. Eating without permission
5. Chewing gum	14. Unprepared for class	23. Incomplete homework
6. Negativism	15. Sarcasm	24. Worldly conversation
7. Griping	16. Insults	25. Teasing
8. Rudeness	17. Horseplay	26. Off limits
9. Failure to return demerit slips, report cards, etc. when due	18. Dress Code violations	27. Running in hallways

Category 2: 25 Demerits and Spanking

1. Listening to or possession of rock music materials such as CD's magazines, pictures, videos, etc.	13. Public immodesty (tight clothing, any clothing that exposes the thigh, low-cut, see-through, mixed swimming, etc.)
2. Bringing improper things to school (knives, videos, CD's DVD's, literature, etc.)	14. Blatant and open non-verbal disrespect to a staff member or adult authority
3. Cursing, vulgar notes, gestures, or comments	15. Cheating or participating in a cheating scheme whether it is completed or not
4. Disrespect	16. Stealing or knowingly receiving stolen goods
5. Single dating	17. Use or possession of tobacco
6. Fighting	18. Skipping class
7. Defacing property	19. Leaving campus without permission
8. Reckless driving	20. Bringing or possessing vulgar literature at school
9. Gambling	21. Alone in secluded location with the opposite sex
10. Dancing	22. Verbal disrespect to a staff member
11. Violation of 6-inch rule except in an obvious emergency	23. Intentional and willful disobedience
12. Deliberate dress code violation	24. Lying, or any form of withholding the truth

Category 3: 50 Demerits to Expulsion

1. Possession of or viewing pornography	4. Failure to immediately leave any social activity where alcoholic beverages or drugs are present
2. Disrespect with vulgarity directed toward a staff member or adult authority	5. Vandalism directed toward faculty or staff homes or vehicles
3. Entering building through any way other than an unlocked door.	6. Attending or viewing PG-13 or R-rated movies

Category 4: Expulsion

1. Striking or attempting to strike a staff member	4. Vandalism, willful and purposeful, causing damage to school or church property
2. Use, possession, or distribution of narcotics or alcoholic beverages	5. Homosexual acts
3. Fornication	

The Administration reserves the right to make necessary rule changes during the school year. Students will be notified through announcements of any change or addition to the Handbook.