

Behavioral Policy

At The International School of First Orlando, we want to help you grow into the person God created you to be respectful, responsible, and ready to learn. These guidelines are here to keep our school safe, encouraging, and focused on what matters most: Honoring God.

How We Treat Others

"I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way." – Psalm 101:2

At school (and everywhere else!), you're expected to:

- Respect adults Listen to your teachers, parents, bus drivers, and other leaders even if they're not watching.
- **Be responsible** Do your work and help where needed.
- **Be kind** Treat classmates, teachers, and guests with respect.
- Take care of your things Keep your space clean and respect others' property.
- Make good choices Have fun in a way that honors God.

Discipline: Why It Matters

We all mess up sometimes, but discipline helps keep things running smoothly so everyone can learn and grow.

You could get suspended or even expelled if you:

- Use tobacco, alcohol, marijuana, or any illegal drugs
- Lie, cheat, or steal
- Are disrespectful to adults
- Constantly disrupting class

Your teachers will clearly explain classroom rules and treat everyone fairly.

What to Wear: Dress Code

"Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord..." - Colossians 3:23

Your clothing says something about your attitude. At The International School of First Orlando, we want you to dress in a way that shows you're ready to learn and live for God.

Here's what that means:

- Represent our school- School will have uniforms, and all students must wear standard uniforms for all activities in and outside school.
- Look ready to learn Don't wear clothes that look like pajamas, gym wear, or are super worn out.
- Be modest Keep your back, belly, chest, and bottom covered. Don't wear clothes that are too tight or revealing.

The goal isn't to be strict, but to help you think about your heart and how your choices reflect your love for God.

Getting to and from School

- **Doors open** around 7:15 A.M.
- **Be in your seat by** 7:55 A.M. *That's when the tardy bell rings, and devotions begin*
- Late? Check in at the office before going to class.

Dismissal:

- VPK: A Group will leave at 12:00 P.M. B Group will leave at 4:00 P.M.
- **Pre-School:** Leaves at 12:00 P.M.
- K-12:
 - Bus riders: Dismissed at 2:45 P.M.
 - All others: Leave at 3:00 P.M. unless you are staying in the aftercare program.

Attendance: Being Here Matters

You're expected to be in school unless you're sick or have a valid reason.

- Miss a day? Bring a note from your parents or doctor explaining why.
- Late after 9:00 A.M. or leaving before 1:30 P.M.? That counts as a half-day absence.
- Miss more than 10 days? You'll need a doctor's note for each additional absence.
- Miss work? You must make it up. If it's an unexcused absence, you have 3 days, or you'll get zero.

Going away? You can request up to 5 pre-arranged absence days with permission.

Weather's Days & Delays

If school is closed or delayed because of the weather, we'll send an email and post on local radio (School Website and App). The International School of First Orlando follows the **Orange County School District** for weather updates.

Recess

We go outside for recess unless the weather is dangerous. If you need to stay inside, you'll need a note from your parents.

Chapel & Assemblies

The chapel happens every week from 8:00 to 8:30 A.M. It takes place in the Auditorium. Be quiet and respectful when you enter and throughout the service. Your parents are always welcome to attend!

Grades & Report Cards

Kindergarten – Your teacher tracks your progress and sends a report home twice a year.

Grades 1-2:

- O = Outstanding
- S = Satisfactory
- N = Needs Improving
- U = Unsatisfactory

Grades 3-8:

- A = 94-100%
- B = 86-93%
- C = 78 85%
- D = 70-77%
- F = Below 70%

Specials (Art, Music, PE, etc.): Use the O-U scale too.

Report Cards: You'll get one every quarter (4 total each year).

Honor Roll (Grades 5-8):

- **Distinguished**: All grades 94% or above
- Honor Roll: All grades 86% or above

Health & Medication

- Shots You need a TB test and Hepatitis B vaccines when entering school.
- Medicine All meds must go through the office.
 - **Prescriptions**: Must be in the pharmacy bottle with a note from your doctor and parent.
 - Over-the-counter meds: Must be in the original box and include a note from a parent.
 - Tylenol or antacids can be given if your parents signed the Emergency Form.

Lunch & Snacks

- Bring your own lunch every day.
- Pre-K & Kindergarten also get a morning snack.

Phone Use

You can only use the school phone with permission. If someone needs to reach you, they'll leave a message with the office unless it's an emergency.

