

**BEATTIE MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**7800 Orange Street**  
**Highland, CA 92346**

**GENERAL INFORMATION 2016-2017**

Phone (909) 307-2400  
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 School begins at 8:45 A.M. and ends at 3:15 P.M.  
 School office hours are 7:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

**REGULAR DAY SCHEDULE A**

Teachers Check –In	8:15
First Bell	8:40
First Hour	8:45 - 9:44
Second Hour	9:49 - 10:43
Third Hour	10:48 - 11:42
<b>First Lunch</b>	11:47 - 12:18
Fourth Hour	12:23 - 1:17
Fifth Hour	1:22 - 2:16
Sixth Hour	2:21 - 3:15

**REGULAR DAY SCHEDULE B**

Teachers Check –In	8:15
First Bell	8:40
First Hour	8:45 - 9:44
Second Hour	9:49 - 10:43
Third Hour	10:48 - 11:42
Fourth Hour	11:47 - 12:41
<b>Second Lunch</b>	12:46 - 1:17
Fifth Hour	1:22 - 2:16
Sixth Hour	2:21 - 3:15

**MINIMUM DAY SCHEDULE**

Teachers Check –In	8:15
First Bell	8:40
First Hour	8:45 - 9:20
Second Hour	9:25 - 10:00
Third Hour	10:05 - 10:40
Fourth Hour	10:45 - 11:20
Fifth Hour	11:25 - 12:00
Sixth Hour	12:05 - 12:40

**SCHOOL CALENDAR 2016 - 2017**

First Day for Students.....	August 10
Open House (6 <sup>th</sup> ) / Minimum Day.....	August 24
Open House (7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> ) Minimum Day.....	August 25
Labor Day.....	September 5
Minimum Day.....	September 22
Staff Professional Day*.....	September 23
End of First Quarter.....	October 7
Minimum Day.....	October 27
Veterans' Day Holiday Observed.....	November 11
Thanksgiving Recess.....	November 21-25
Minimum Day.....	December 8
End of First Semester.....	December 15
Staff Professional Day*.....	December 15
Winter Recess.....	Dec. 19 – Jan. 6
School Reopens.....	January 9
Martin Luther King Day Observance.....	January 16
Minimum Day.....	January 26
Presidents' Day.....	February 20
Minimum Day.....	February 16
Spring Recess.....	March 13-24
School Reopens.....	March 27
End of Third Quarter.....	March 31
Minimum Day.....	April 27
Memorial Day Observance.....	May 29
End of Second Semester/Minimum Day*.....	June 8
Staff Professional Day*.....	June 9

\*Students are not in attendance. Staff is on duty and involved in professional activities as directed by the District.

**BEATTIE MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**GOAL STATEMENT**

The staff and parents of Beattie Middle School are committed to providing students with a well-rounded program that offers the maximum opportunity to build self-esteem, regard for others, and personal and social responsibility. Concurrently, students will develop skills and knowledge necessary to be contributing members of society.

**WELCOME**

The staff of Beattie Middle School would like to welcome our students. We at Beattie Middle School believe that students are responsible for their own learning, and project an awareness of this responsibility through their attitude, attendance, behavior, and dress. We expect that all students will do their best to live up to the high academic and behavioral standards at Beattie Middle School.

**INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM**

Sixth grade teachers will work in teams. Students will have one teacher for two subjects, such as math/science, and another for English/social studies. Team teachers will coordinate their programs in order that students may have the best opportunity to achieve in all subjects. The district's academic grade level expectations will be covered in detail in a separate handout.

To further student success, teachers have developed a special program of exploratory classes for sixth graders. These include study skills (time management, goal setting, test taking, and other tools necessary for academic achievement), life skills (problem solving, conflict resolution, communications, friendships, responsibilities, and cultural awareness), math (basic skills and concepts), and reading (comprehension, evaluation of different reading materials, and computer skills). Instrumental music classes will be scheduled at the same time as the exploratory classes, so students taking music will not miss any core curriculum instruction. All students are on a daily rotation schedule.

Students will participate daily in one period of PE under the leadership of a PE teacher. Students will dress in regular PE clothes for this class. All students will have a locker in the PE locker room in which to store their clothes. Students are given a lock at the beginning of the year to lock their locker for security. **Students are responsible for these locks and must replace them at a cost of \$5 if lost.**

Students will have one teacher for every subject, including math, science, English, and social studies. Teachers will coordinate their programs in order that students may have the best opportunity to achieve in all subjects.

Seventh and eighth graders will be eligible for Leadership, Yearbook, and Journalism electives as well as the WEB program and attending dances.

**SCHOOL POLICIES**

School schedules, services, and procedures regarding attendance, discipline, dress code, and other important information will be discussed in detail in other handouts and at student and parent meetings. Only 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are eligible to attend school dances, try out for Auxiliary Squads, Tall Flags, Comedy Katz, or Leadership.

There will be sixth grade activities planned for our students in lieu of the school dances.

#### USE OF THE INTERNET/COMPUTER SAFETY

We are pleased to offer students of Beattie Middle School access to the school, district, and the county computer networks for use of the Internet. To gain access to the Internet, all students must obtain parental/guardian permission. Students are responsible for good behavior on the school computer network just as they are in a classroom or a school hallway. Communications on the network are often public in nature. General school rules for behavior and communications apply.

As outlined in Redlands Unified School District Board Policy 6162.7 (copies of which are available in the school office), the following are not permitted:

- Sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures
- Harassing, insulting, or attacking others
- Damaging computers, computer systems, or networks
- Violating copyright laws
- Using another's password
- Trespassing in another's folder, work, or files
- Intentionally wasting limited resources
- Employing the network for commercial purposes

Violations may result in a loss of access as well as other disciplinary or legal action.

Computers and the internet are powerful tools to use for academics. However, they are also filled with dangers that parents must be aware of and help their children with. We urge ALL parents to closely monitor their children at home while on the computer and discuss safety procedures that protect your child while using computers and the internet.

#### SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Additional programs, including SAI, ELD, AVID, WEB, GATE, and "Honors" classes will be available for identified students. Teacher specialists for SAI and their instructional aides will assist identified students in classrooms and in pullout programs. Sixth grade GATE students will be placed in classrooms with certificated GATE teachers.

#### AGENDAS

Each student should have an agenda to write down all assignments as well as a calendar with activities and commitments. The agendas also contain information, which will help improve organizational and study skills. A replacement agenda will cost \$5.00. Parents can use the agendas to keep track of what is being done in class and what needs to be done for homework.

#### CLEAN CAMPUS

We ask that Beattie students take pride in the appearance of their campus. We expect each student to accept personal responsibility for maintaining a clean campus. Campus supervisors expect your full cooperation. ***Beattie's no gum policy will be enforced at all times.***

#### BEATTIE I. D. CARDS

Students are expected to carry their Student Identification Card at all times. **Replacement cards will be issued for \$5.00 and must be obtained one day [24 hours] prior to any school activity the student plans to attend. No replacement I.D. cards will be issued the day of an event.**

#### You are required to present this card:

1. When requested to do so by any school official or teacher.
2. At all school events such as dances and any other events on or off campus.
3. When checking out books from the library.
4. When buying tickets at school for school-sponsored events.
5. This card will be confiscated without refund if loaned or otherwise misused.

#### DAILY BULLETIN

Daily announcements are made in the Student Bulletin, which should be read or broadcast to all students during first hour. These announcements include information of importance to students, such as meetings and club information, lunchtime activities, upcoming events, and much more. It is the student's responsibility to know and be aware of the daily announcements. Every bulletin for the year can be found on the Beattie web site: **[www.beattie.redlandsusd.net](http://www.beattie.redlandsusd.net)**.

#### ATTENDANCE

##### Absences and Tardiness

When students are absent, parents or guardians should call the school (between 7:30 A.M. and 8:15 A.M.) each day a student is absent. If parents do not call, students are asked to bring a written excuse stating the date and reason for their absence on the morning they return. After two days, unexcused absences will be recorded as truancies.

##### Tardiness to school

If tardy for the first hour of the day, a student must report to the Attendance Office/Student Center. An unexcused tardy will be charged unless a note signed by the parent is presented at the time of the tardy, OR a parent phone call or note is received within 24 hours. The reason for the excuse must be due to circumstances beyond the student's control. After the first hour, teachers will record student tardies to class during the school day.

##### Tardiness to Class

Adequate time is provided between class periods to pass from room to room. Students are required to be in their seats and ready to work when the tardy bell rings. Any student with six or more tardies in the 45 school days prior to any extracurricular activity, such as dances or respective grade-level activities, will not be allowed to attend.

Always check in and out of school at the Attendance Office/Student Center if it is necessary for a student to leave school before the end of the day.

#### MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

In case of sudden illness or accident, a student may come directly to the Attendance Office. If medication needs to be taken at school, the student is to bring the medication with a doctor's note to the attendance clerk before school. Medication cannot be taken at school without a doctor's note and parent note giving the school permission to administer the medication. **Inhalers:** Students may carry inhalers providing the following criteria are met:

1. School staff feels the student is responsible.
2. The parents and doctor have completed an Authorization for Self-Administration of Medication form. This can be obtained through the Attendance Office.

3. The parent and student have been informed that carrying the inhaler is a privilege that can be revoked if the medication is abused in any way.

### CLOSED CAMPUS

Beattie Middle School is a closed campus. This means that students may not leave the campus for any reason without a written request from their parents, which has been approved by an administrator or through the Attendance Office. This applies to before school, during lunch, and passing periods, as well as during class time. Once students arrive on campus in the morning, they may not leave. This applies to bus riders also.

### STUDENT ACTIVITY ATTENDANCE

Students must attend school on the day of a school activity in order to participate in such activity. **If a student is absent more than three periods the day of the dance or activity, he/she will not be able to attend. If a student has more than 5 unexcused tardies, has been suspended (class, in-house, or off campus), has received a citation or has 10 or more lunch detentions during the previous 45 school days, he/she will not be permitted to attend the activity. In addition, students may not have any overdue library books or fines**

### ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

To ensure the integrity of Beattie's educational program, a strict policy of academic honesty is enforced school-wide. Students will be expected to:

1. Do their own academic work, unless authorized to work in groups.
2. Avoid plagiarism (which means copying another author's writing and claiming it as yours).
3. Adhere to classroom academic standards when testing. Failure to adhere to the above standards may result in the loss of credit for an assignment and/or the lowering of an academic grade.

### CAMPUS CONDUCT

Beattie is a community of students gathered for the purpose of formal learning. Self-respect and mutual respect are the rule. All students are expected to:

1. Use appropriate language. We expect you to talk with the adults and students on this campus with respect.
2. Practice common courtesy and safety in their conduct to and from school.
3. Be punctual in attendance to all classes.
4. Respect all personal and school property, including textbooks, instructional materials, desks, and the interior and exterior of the school. This includes the property of neighbors.
5. Move in an orderly and quiet manner throughout the campus.
6. Follow the directions of all staff members on a daily basis.
7. Keep displays of affection to a minimum. **(NO hugging and NO kissing).**
8. Keep food and drink in the lunch area only.
9. Comply with directions for seating, conduct, and dismissal at assemblies or group activities.
10. Maintain a clean campus by depositing trash in a proper container. **No gum will be allowed on campus.**
11. Comply with school dress regulations.
12. Comply with bicycle regulations.
13. Exhibit orderly and safe behavior while waiting at bus loading areas on and off campus.

14. Refrain from engaging in body contact activities or sports. **Any form of horseplay at any time will not be tolerated.**
15. Bring only necessary items to school. For example, toys, aerosol cans (hair spray), radios, tape recorders, cell phones, iPods, cameras, electronic games, pagers, and laser pointers are not appropriate for school. They are easily lost, misplaced, or stolen. These items will be confiscated and will only be released to a parent/guardian upon request. The only exception to this rule may be at certain activities where special permission may be granted prior to the activity.
16. **Arrive no earlier than 8:15 A.M.** unless you are involved in a "0" period activity and are, therefore, in a class.
17. Leave campus immediately after school is dismissed unless involved in a school activity. Loitering on campus is not allowed.
18. Walk on campus.
19. Exhibit orderly behavior during lunch. Throwing food and any other unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated.
20. Possess an official campus pass when out on campus during class time.
21. **DO NOT CHEW gum on campus.**
22. Unless sponsored by a Beattie club or activity, the selling of anything on campus is not permitted.
23. Bicycle riders will be expected to wear helmets and follow established rules.

### ASSEMBLIES

Each assembly has a purpose that requires students' attention and orderly behavior. Students earn the right to attend the next assembly by demonstrating good behavior in the last assembly. Assembly behavior includes:

1. Entering and exiting in an orderly manner.
2. Coming to order quickly when asked.
3. Giving full attention to the presentation or speakers.
4. Booing and whistling are **NOT** appropriate assembly behaviors.

### DRESS STANDARDS

Beattie Students are expected to dress appropriately and adhere to the following Redlands Unified School District Student Dress Guidelines at school, as well as on the way to and from school:

1. Shoes must be worn at all times. A substantial sole, enclosed toe and heel footwear are suggested.
2. Extremely brief garments that are distracting to the educational setting are not appropriate. Halter tops, spaghetti straps, or bare midriffs are not allowed. All tank tops will be required to have a shoulder strap of at least two inches, and must fit tight under the arms; tank tops cannot be low cut down the side. Shorts must be as long as the fingertips when arms hang naturally at the sides; additionally, no jeans with holes higher than the fingertips when arms hang naturally at the sides are allowed. Sagging pants are not acceptable. **Clothing shall be sufficient to conceal undergarments at all times.**
3. Garments with violent, suggestive, or obscene statements will not be allowed; this includes pictures of guns, knives or other weapons. Garments or accessories with slogans or pictures depicting or promoting drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or controlled substances are not appropriate or allowed.
4. Earrings, jewelry, or accessories, which present a safety hazard to the wearer or others, are not suitable

for school wear. This includes long spike studs behind earrings (i.e., stretchers).

5. Identified gang attire such as (but not limited to) bandanas or any gang paraphernalia are prohibited.
6. Hats and headgear are not to be worn on campus without the express permission of the principal/designee. Sun protective hats are allowed, but must meet district guidelines.
7. No homemade/hand decorated shirts with writing in pen, decorative ink or ink bottle will be allowed.
8. No handwritten messages on backpacks or clothes.

### PERSONAL PROPERTY

Students are asked to write their names on their personal belongings. Students assume the responsibility for loss or damage of their clothing, books, instruments, etc. **The school attempts to protect all personal property, but is not responsible for it.** Large sums of money or items of sentimental value should not be brought to school. When items of value must be brought to school, they should be taken to the office for safekeeping until they are needed.

### LOST AND FOUND

Articles, which have been found on campus, are to be turned in to the Student Center. Students should inquire there if they have lost items. Unclaimed clothing is donated to charities.

### CELL PHONES/TELEPHONE

The school telephones are for school business. Students may only use the office phone with the permission of the principal/designee and only in the case of an emergency.

*Cell phones may only be used by students outside the black school gates.* Any student use of a cell phone *within* the black school gates will result in confiscation of the cell phone. Parents will be contacted and they will need to recover the cell phone from the Student Center. Multiple violations of this policy will result in disciplinary action.

### VISITORS

Parents and guardians of students attending our school are welcome to visit the school. They must first report to the office to obtain a visitor's pass. Classroom observations require a 24 hour notice to the teachers. Parents who wish to confer with teachers may do so before or after school, or during the teacher's planning period. To make an appointment for a conference, please call the school office. Friends of Beattie students are **not** allowed to visit school before, during, or after regular school hours.

### BICYCLES

The following rules apply:

1. Riding bicycles is not allowed on campus.
2. Bicycles must be parked in the bicycle parking area. It is necessary for you to lock your bicycle for protection. All bicycles should have city licenses on them. Every effort is made to safeguard your bicycle while it is parked at school, but as with other personal property, the school cannot assume responsibility for theft or damage. No loitering is allowed around the bicycle parking area. **By law, helmets must be worn and students should always use caution when riding a bicycle.**

### SKATEBOARDS, ROLLER BLADES, AND SCOOTERS

Skateboarding, roller skating, roller blading, "Heelies" (skate shoes) and scooters, are not allowed on campus at any time. The Redlands Unified School District does NOT permit skates, roller blades, or skateboards on any school grounds. Violators may be cited and fined, skates or boards confiscated, or other actions may be taken as necessary.

### GRAFFITI

According to School Board policy, the principal (or designee) may issue a citation, suspend and/or recommend for expulsion any student who defaces any school property. Students may not bring felt-tip pens, markers, or White Out to school. These items will be confiscated and returned only at parent's request. Further defiance will result in disciplinary action. Full restitution by student or parent for repairing property may be imposed. The district may withhold the grades, diploma and transcripts of the student until the student or parent has paid for the damage.

### DANCE / GRADE-LEVEL ACTIVITY RULES

Rules for school dances and activities are as follows:

1. Beattie dances are for Beattie students only. No guests are allowed. Beattie I. D. cards are required.
2. Dances will be held for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders only.
3. If a student is absent the day of the dance or activity, has any overdue library books or fines, has more than 5 unexcused tardies, has received a citation, or has 10 or more lunch detentions during the prior 45 school days, he/she will not be permitted to attend the dance or activity.
4. No students will be allowed to loiter outside of the multipurpose room or elsewhere on campus.
5. All students should arrange for transportation home prior to the dance or activity. **Any student picked up more than 30 minutes late will be excluded from the next dance or activity.**
6. A student with a class, in-house, or off campus suspension will not be eligible to attend a dance or activity for 45 school days from the date of the suspension.

### AWARDS

We are proud of Beattie students. We offer awards for attendance, citizenship, service, sportsmanship, and athletic achievement. Students are honored weekly, monthly, in classrooms, and at the eighth grade awards assembly.

### OBLIGATIONS OF THE STUDENT

Homework is an opportunity for students to show their real capabilities and to further their educational growth. Teachers can provide enriching assignments, and parents can provide encouragement and good study conditions; however, it is ultimately the student's obligation to complete the assignments.

To do a good job with homework, it is the student's responsibility to:

1. Listen carefully to all homework directions and explanations.
2. Ask questions if assignments are unclear.
3. Keep their Agendas up to date including due dates and specific requirements.
4. Set a definite time and quiet place for study.
5. Budget time wisely and keep a schedule study time.

6. Begin assignments promptly and turn them in when they are due, in acceptable form.
7. Use libraries, dictionaries, maps, general reference materials, and question people who are authorities or who are experienced in various fields.
8. Take the initiative in making up missed work. After three consecutive days of absence, homework requests may be made by a parent.
9. Study independently.
10. Strive to put all homework assignments in their own words and avoid copying other student's work.
11. Establish priorities and a timeline to complete long-term assignments.
12. Use a three-ring notebook with subject dividers.

### COUNSELING SERVICES

Students and parents should make use of the counseling services as needs or concerns arise. Appointments may be made by contacting your student's counselor by phone or email. Counselors may help parents arrange for a parent/teacher conference. Students should complete a "Request to see your Counselor" slip located in the student center if they wish to talk with their counselor.

Conferences with students may be private and devoted to getting acquainted, discussing school plans, or personal concerns. Students should feel free to ask their counselors for help with any issue. Counselors frequently help students understand their needs and enable them to make better academic and personal decisions.

### REPORT CARDS AND PROGRESS REPORTS

Report Cards are distributed four times a year. Progress Reports will be mailed midway through each quarter to provide notification that students are in danger of failing the course. Teachers may send home personal progress reports any time during the school year. Students who have outstanding fines will have their report cards held by the school, per Ed Codes 48904.3 and 48904 (b) 1, which states "Any school district or private school whose real or personal property has been willfully cut, defaced, or otherwise injured, or whose property is loaned to a pupil and willfully not returned upon demand of an employee of the district or private school authorized to make the demand may, after affording the pupil his or her due process rights, withhold the grades, diploma, and transcripts of the pupil responsible for the damage until the pupil or the pupil's parent or guardian has paid for the damages...."

### CALIFORNIA JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIP FEDERATION

Membership in the California Junior Scholarship Federation shall be open to all students who qualify according to C.J.S.F.'s requirements. Students take part in an initiation ceremony. California Junior Scholarship Federation emphasizes high academic achievement, public service, and good citizenship. Membership requirements are published, and it is the student's responsibility to sign up with the faculty advisor each semester.

### ELIGIBILITY FOR CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Any student who wishes to participate in any co-curricular activity must have maintained at least a 2.0 grade point

average on the previous quarter's report card. Any student with six or more tardies, ten or more lunch detentions, or a class, in-house, or formal suspension from school for 45 days prior to the event will not be allowed to participate. Additional criteria may be used for exclusion from participating in grade level activities.

8<sup>th</sup> Graders - In order to be eligible to participate in any extra-curricular activities in high school, students **must** maintain a cumulative GPA of at least a 2.0.

### CAFETERIA

Eating is restricted to a given area with the understanding that students will be expected to keep litter off the campus. Beattie recycles, and we ask that aluminum cans and plastic bottles are placed in special recycling trash cans. Students must have a pass from a teacher in order to leave the lunch area.

Breakfast and lunches may be bought at school or brought from home, and may be purchased daily using a prepayment plan or paying cash.

**Breakfast - \$1.50** - includes a main item and a side item.

**Combo Lunch - \$2.75** – includes all of the following: A choice of one main entrée (at least two choices are made available daily), plus fruit or fruit juice, a vegetable portion, and a choice of regular or chocolate milk.

Milk, juice, and/or water may be individually purchased. **The cost of milk or juice is 30 cents, and a bottle of water is 50 cents.** Students must line up to buy their food. Saving places or taking cuts in line is not allowed. Money may not be passed to those in line. Responsible behavior and good table manners are expected. Be courteous. Clean the eating area. Throw away trash.

The cafeteria will only give change for bills up to \$5.00. The office will not give change. Bring the correct amount of money whenever possible. ***Beattie has a "No Party" Policy. For health concerns and safety reasons, parents/guardians/family members who bring lunch for their children are requested to drop off the lunch in the Student Center. Parents are not to enter the quad to deliver lunches, nor are students allowed to leave the quad area to receive lunches due to the campus disruption that may occur. Parents/Guardians may only bring food (i.e., pizza, fast food lunches, donuts, cupcakes, cookies, etc.) to school for their own children.***

### BOOKS

Textbooks and library books are issued without charge with the understanding that the student will pay for the loss or damage of any book. If a book is lost, the student needs to immediately:

1. Report the loss to the teacher.
2. Inquire in the library to see if it has been returned.
3. Inquire at the Student Center to see if it has been turned in to the Lost and Found.
4. Make arrangements to pay for lost textbooks and library books in the library.

The student is liable for lost, stolen, or damaged books. The student's responsibility is to keep all books covered for protection. Each student should also write his/her name in the space provided inside the front cover of each book. It is not necessary to write anything else on or in the actual

book. Fines will be assessed if writing is found in a book. Parents or guardians are held liable for all fines owed by their student. Teachers may also assign each student a book from the classroom set to be used during class time only. It will be the student's responsibility to take care of the book used in the classroom as well as the book left at home. Students should not trade books with friends. A student's books are checked out to him/her and each individual is responsible to return his/her respective books to the library.

### **LIBRARY**

The library is open before school, during lunch and after school. Encyclopedias, reference, and supplementary texts may be checked out overnight. Useful information for reports, speeches, and research as well as books for recreational reading and book reports may be checked out for a period of two weeks. Books lost or damaged are the responsibility of the borrower. Although fines are not levied on overdue books, students are expected to return library books on time. Students must use their identification card to check out books.

### **DISCIPLINE**

#### Philosophy

We believe proper behavior on the part of every student is essential in order for teachers to teach effectively and for students to learn to their maximum potential. Our mission is to develop each child to the fullest extent of his/her capabilities in a positive school environment. We believe middle school education should be broad in scope and offer various educational opportunities.

We believe that students learn by example and can use good judgment when choosing appropriate behavior. We believe that all students have human dignity and worth. We believe students can be responsible and exhibit respect for others and their property. We believe that conflicts should be resolved in a non-violent manner using persuasion and good communication skills. We believe both good and unacceptable behavior should have consequences and we believe that student discipline should instruct the student in appropriate solutions to problems inside and outside of the classroom.

### **BULLYING**

"AB 86 specifies that bullying means one or more acts by a pupil or group of pupils directed against another pupil that constitutes sexual harassment, hate violence, or severe or pervasive intentional harassment, threats, or intimidation that is disruptive, causes disorder and invades the rights of others by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment, and includes acts that are committed personally or by means of an electronic act." **Violation of this law is a potential suspendable offense.**

### **DISCIPLINE POLICY**

Beattie students are expected to follow school rules and exercise good judgment regarding their behavior at all times. If a student chooses to break the rules or interferes with the learning process of other students, then he/she chooses to accept the consequences for his/her actions.

The teachers may utilize the following corrective measures:

1. The student will be warned regarding inappropriate behavior, counseled regarding appropriate behavior, and may receive disciplinary measures such as detention.
2. The student's parent/guardian will be contacted by phone or note and the student may receive disciplinary measures such as detention.
3. The student will be referred to the counselor and/or administrator for further disciplinary intervention measures.
4. Serious problems such as bringing drugs, alcohol, or weapons to campus will result in immediate suspension.

### **SUSPENSIONS**

Students **may** be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion **and/or issued a citation** when they are involved in any of the following activities:

1. Disruption of school activities or otherwise willfully defying the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, or administrators.
2. Attempting to cause, or threatening to cause physical injury to another person.
3. Committing robbery or extortion.
4. Possession or the use of tobacco.
5. Committing an obscene act or engaging in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
6. Causing or attempting to cause damage to or stealing or attempting to steal school or private property.
7. Knowingly receiving stolen school or private property.
8. Defacing school property.
9. Sexual harassment: Any student who engages in the sexual harassment of anyone in or from the District may be subject to disciplinary action up to – and including - expulsion. **Sexual harassment can include suggestive/inappropriate comments and/or behavior, unwanted touching, or the demanding of acts that are sexual in nature.**

Students **will** be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion **and may be issued a citation** when they are involved in any of the following activities:

1. Possessing, selling, using, or otherwise furnishing or being under the influence of any controlled substance (as defined in Section 1107 of the Health and Safety Code), including alcoholic beverages, tobacco or intoxicants of any kind.
2. Possession of any drug paraphernalia.
3. Possessing, selling, using, or otherwise furnishing any firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object.

A student may be suspended, **issued a citation** or expelled for the above offenses if the offense occurs at any time including but not limited to:

1. While on school grounds.
2. While going to or coming from school.
3. During the lunch period, whether on or off campus.
4. During or while going to or coming from any school-sponsored activity.

**Students suspended (class, in-house, or off campus) or issued a citation for any reason will forfeit their right to extracurricular activities for 45 school days from the date of the suspension.**

### **GANG-RELATED ACTIVITY**

Gang-related activity such as intimidation, whistling, tagging, graffiti, and wearing of inappropriate apparel (see "Dress Standards") will not be tolerated. Students who

persist in exhibiting gang-related behavior will be recommended for an alternative placement on another campus.

### **BUS RIDERS**

In the State of California, bus transportation to and from school is a privilege. The bus driver's first concern is safety. Respectful behavior and conduct on buses is essential. All school rules apply to bus riders. Bus riding privileges may be denied due to misconduct. The following rules apply:

1. Students shall arrive at the bus stop not more than five (5) minutes before departure time.
2. Students shall board the bus in an orderly manner at the scheduled time and only at their scheduled stop. A student may not ride a bus unless assigned regularly to that bus.
3. Each student shall be seated as directed by the bus driver and every pupil shall remain seated until he/she has reached his/her destination. A school bus may not be put into motion until all pupils are seated.
4. Students are under the authority of, and directly responsible to, the bus driver as stated in the regulations of the State Department of Education.
5. Student passengers may talk to each other in conversational tones while the bus is in motion.
6. A student is not permitted to bring any glass containers on the bus.
7. A student may not leave his seat until the bus comes to a complete stop.
8. Students may not take any live animal (including insects, spiders, or sea life) aboard the bus except for a licensed guide dog for the blind.
9. Students shall leave the bus in an orderly fashion. If necessary to cross the street, students shall do so only in front of the bus as directed by the bus driver.
10. Students may not leave the bus at any place other than their designated stop without parental written consent approved by the principal or designee.
11. A student may ride a different bus if he has a signed, dated note from a parent/guardian. The note must be presented to a counselor or principal for approval the morning of the change.
12. **All students must have a valid bus pass at all times in order to board and ride the bus.**

### **DISORDERLY CONDUCT OF BUS RIDERS**

The bus driver, by State Board regulation, is responsible for the orderly conduct of pupils. Continued disorderly conduct or persistent refusal to submit to the authority of the driver shall be sufficient reason for a pupil to be denied transportation.

The following are some examples of disorderly conduct:

1. Opening of emergency doors.
2. Manipulating or disturbing any of the instruments in the driver's compartment.
3. Operating the door mechanism or interfering in any way with its operation.
4. Exposing arms or body outside the bus window.
5. Refusing to cross the street as directed by the bus driver.
6. Throwing objects at, inside, or out of school bus windows.
7. Spitting.

8. Continuous boisterous conduct, fighting, shouting, using profanity, obscene gestures, etc.
9. Refusing to remain seated while bus is in motion.
10. Lighting matches or cigarettes.
11. Consuming food or beverage while on the bus.

### **REDLANDS INDEPENDENT STUDY EDUCATION (R. I. S. E.)**

Parents may request short-term independent study, R.I.S.E., for students who will be absent for five days or more for emergencies such as funerals, vacations, or family illness. Parents need to request this contract at least one week prior to the start of the absence.

### **FIRE DRILLS**

When individuals hear a continuous series of five short bells, a fire drill is in progress. Students should exit to the outside area designated by their teachers, walking out of the classroom quickly, but quietly and orderly. If students are the last one out of the room, we ask that they please shut the door. Once outside, students should remain quiet while waiting for the "all clear" signal.

### **DISASTER DRILLS**

The principal will initiate the drill over the PA system. Students will then need to "Drop and Cover" beneath their desk, chair, or table with their backs to the windows. Students should remain calm and quiet and follow the instructions of the teacher in charge.

### **PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

The physical education programs allow each student the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities at a level of skill that produces a feeling of satisfaction and achievement. In addition to the regularly scheduled program, students are encouraged to join intramural sports. Students must purchase PE uniforms. **Students are expected to dress out and participate in PE each day.** Limited physical education activities are planned for very hot or smoggy days.

### **P.E. LOCKERS**

A locker is provided as a convenience during Physical Education class for each student and is assigned during the first week of school. Students should not keep anything other than their PE clothes in their lockers after their PE class is over. Locks will be provided in the PE class. **If a lock is lost or stolen, students will be charged a \$5.00 fee to replace their lock.**

### **THE FAMILY**

Beattie Middle School recognizes that the foundation of good education begins in the home. We expect our students' families to communicate with us. Please tell us what you like about the school and what could be improved.

We invite you to get involved, volunteer in the classroom, serve on our School Site Council, attend PTSA meetings, or serve on the Board. You are welcome to visit your student's classes. Please call and arrange your visits with your student's counselor, preferably 24 hours in advance as a courtesy. Most of all, we support a school, parent, and community coalition dedicated to creating an environment of excellence to guide the youth of today who will become the adult citizens of tomorrow.

## SUPPORT PROGRAMS

**PBIS** (Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports) is a framework for establishing the social culture and behavioral supports needed for a school to be a learning environment for all students.

**AVID** (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is a program designed to prepare students in the academic middle who have the potential and desire to be prepared for high school and on the path to college or a university.

**WEB** (Where Everybody Belongs) is an opportunity for students to be leaders on our campus. It asks students who are going to be 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> graders next year to help incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders feel welcome through various activities at the beginning of the year and throughout the school year. WEB leaders are students who will maintain a 2.0 or "C" grade point average or higher and be outgoing enough to interact with 6<sup>th</sup> graders in small groups and at lunch.

**Chain Links Club** is the middle school version of Rachel's Challenge, a nation-wide, high school program designed to build peace, acceptance, and community service. The program was started by Rachel Scott's parents (Rachel was the first student killed at Columbine). Chain Links primary challenges are:

The Six Challenges:

1. Look for the best in others – Eliminate Prejudice
2. Dare to Dream – Set Goals – Keep a Journal
3. Choose Positive Influences – Input Determines Output
4. Kind Words & Actions - Power Words/Basic Manners/Look for Opportunities
5. Start a Chain Reaction with Family and Friends
6. Stand Up!! Speak Out for PEACE and KINDNESS!!

## Important Information

**Username:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Password:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Locker Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Locker Combination:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Lunch Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Computer Login:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Computer Password:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Attach Your**

**Schedule Below**