



CHIPPEWA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

9TH GRADE CENTER

Choosing positively wonderful and productive days

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Hello Parents /Guardians:

Backpack Expectations

Congratulations, your child made it to the next level! Before stores shift from summer gear to school supplies, and you begin shopping, please know that for the 2023-24 school year, students will not be allowed to carry clear backpacks or backpacks of any other material into their classrooms. Only laptop carrying cases will be allowed inside of classrooms. Students may, however, bring backpacks to school, but the backpacks must be stored in the students' assigned lockers during the school day. Larger instruments or sports-related bags can be brought to the main office for storage.

Students who travel to the main building first or sixth hours for band, choir, German, or non-freshman-level courses will be allowed to carry clear backpacks (no other type i.e. fabric, mesh) to the main building. For any other type of backpack, students will need to report to their lockers before traveling to the main building first hour or return to their lockers after traveling to the main building sixth hour. Students who travel to the main building during hours two through five should carry only what is needed for that particular course. Traveling students are given additional time to reach their designated class on time, which also includes time to stop at their lockers.

Students can successfully navigate CV9 without a backpack, especially since they will have six minutes of passing time between classes. This time allows more than enough time for students to stop at lockers, use the restroom, make it to class on time, and still have a moment to chat with a friend, if they prioritize taking care of business first and then socializing. Stored backpacks also allow for better back health, supports practice with using combination locks, and it eliminates the need for students to walk in circles because they "don't know what else to do between classes" (former student, 2022-23).

Should you have any remaining questions, please feel free to contact the main office at 586-723-3100. In the meantime, choose to have a fantastic summer!

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