

**2016-2017**

***Career and Technology Center East Student and Parent Handbook***

**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

We welcome you to the 2016-2017 school year. We present this handbook in order for you to be properly informed of the policies, procedures and organization of the school. As part of Desoto County School District, all policies outlined in the student handbooks from Center Hill High, Lewisburg High, and Olive Branch High Schools apply to students while attending CTC East. Let us work together to ensure that we have the best school year possible.

Beth Turner, Principal

**ADMINISTRATION/STAFF**

Beth Turner .....	Principal
Dr. Bobby Davis .....	Assistant Principal
Natalie Humphries .....	Counselor
Debbie Moore .....	Bookkeeper
Carly Thompson.....	Reception/Attendance

**FACULTY**

Ashley Berryhill .....	Health Sciences
Jamie Berryhill.....	Industrial Maintenance
Dana Cashion .....	Health Sciences
Mike Doss .....	Transportation Logistics
Katherine Steele.....	Student Services
Matt Yardley .....	Law and Public Safety

**School Office Hours: 7:00A.M. – 3:00P.M.**

The policies and procedures implemented by Career Technology Center East are consistent with the approved policies and procedures established by the DeSoto County School Board. All students received a handbook from their high school which includes policies that also apply to students while in attendance at CTC East.

It is the policy of CTC East that all applicants are entitled to equal opportunity regardless of race, color, religion or creed, gender, national origin, age or disability.

*DESOTO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF RACE, GENDER, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, AGE OR HANDICAPPING CONDITIONS AND IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.*

## **DISCIPLINE**

Desoto County School Board Policy JD outlines the code of discipline for Desoto County students. This policy can be found in the student handbook from each high school and additionally can be found on the school website for CTC East. All policies related to the Discipline Code JD apply while students are in attendance at CTC East including bus transportation to and from each high school and job shadowing experiences.

## **SCHOOL SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT**

In an attempt to keep DeSoto County Schools safe for all students and staff, the following behaviors will not be tolerated:

- **The use or possession of gang graffiti, gang drawings, gang dress, or gang activity;**
- **Distribution of illegal drugs, prescription drugs or any substance dangerous to students (distribution include giving substances to students).**

Students who openly defy this warning will be considered a threat to the safety of students and staff and suspended, pending a disciplinary hearing. The student could be expelled from DeSoto County Schools.

## **AUTOMOBILE/DRIVING PROCEDURES**

Students are not allowed to drive to CTC East on a daily basis due to a shortage of parking. Bus transportation is provided by the transportation department from each of the high schools.

If a student misses the bus, he/she is allowed to drive to CTC East a **MAXIMUM** of 2 times.

In the event a student needs to drive to CTC East, the student must have a completed driving packet signed by the parent and student on file with CTC East. In addition, the student must have a driving permission form signed by an administrator at their high school prior to leaving. Students are to follow all guidelines set forth in the driving packet for CTC East and must sign in with the front office upon arrival. Students can obtain a driving packet from Dr. Davis at CTC East and will be issued driving forms for their high school once a completed packet is returned. Leaving the home school without permission may result in a discipline action.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

CTC East students will follow the bus policy and bus rules as outlined by their student handbook from their high school and Desoto County Schools Bus Rules.

## CHECK-OUTS

A parent or authorized person may check out a student while at CTC East by visiting the reception desk located at the main entrance. Please provide a Photo I.D. for verification. The home school will be notified of a check out for their attendance purposes.

## LATE CHECK-IN

If a student misses the bus from the home school or is late arriving at CTC East, then the student must check in at the reception desk at the main entrance. The home school will be notified for a late check in for attendance purposes and possible discipline purposes.

## SCHOOL FEES

### STUDENT FINES, FEES, AND CHARGES

**Textbooks:** Textbooks for pupils are provided by the state. State-owned books are issued at the beginning of the school year and returned at the close of the school year. Students should see that their books are not abused as a fine will be charged for any state owned book that shows unnecessary wear. In case the new book is lost, the list price of the book must be paid. Students will be required to purchase another textbook after a two-week period without a book. Charges for lost books will be adjusted on the basis of use and age. Refunds for return of lost books will.

**Fees** may be charged to students to defray expenses for courses in which students use consumable items.

All fees must be justified and itemized in writing by the teacher charging the fee. In addition, any fee must be approved by the building principal and must comply with DCS policy.

Students may be charged the following fees for consumable items-not to exceed the stated amounts:

**Materials:** Each class will have a list of materials each student needs for class participation, not to exceed the state maximum.

**Workbooks:** Not to exceed the price of the workbook plus reasonable, prorated shipping charges.

**Field trips:** No fee. Students are not required to take field trips. Cost is prorated among students who participate. (Principal's approval is required for trips.)

### CHECKS

The school will be happy to accept checks for the amount of workbooks, fees, etc. We will not be able to cash checks and provide change for students. Any returned checks for non-sufficient funds will be handled by Nexcheck.

## **VISITORS**

All visitors are to report to the office upon arrival on the school campus. Under no circumstances should a visitor enter the building except through the main office.

Students will not be permitted to bring visitors to the school during regular school hours. Only those who are registered through the office may be permitted to enter the classroom during regular school hours.

## **DELIVERIES FOR STUDENTS**

CTC East does not accept deliveries for students. This includes but is not limited to restaurant food, flowers, balloons, candy, or mail packages.

## **ATTENDANCE, DISCIPLINE, AND ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS:**

An objective of the Career and Technology Center is to prepare students to enter into a competitive workforce. In order to achieve this goal, the student must be prepared to adhere to the same work ethics of a person who is gainfully employed. Attendance requirements are especially important due to the hands-on experience they receive in the program each day. In order to comply with these standards, Career and Technology Center has set forth the following academic and attendance requirements for continuation in a CTC East program.

**Attendance:** During each semester, the student will have no more than 10 unexcused absences. Unexcused absences will be consistent with those set forth in DeSoto County Schools policies and procedures. If the student has more than 10 unexcused absences during one semester, the student will not be enrolled in the next consecutive course in the program.

**Discipline:** If a student is placed at DCAC due to an incident at CTC East (including bus transportation to and from CTC East), the student will be removed from the program. A committee will review all other students who are placed at DCAC for continuation in the CTC East program.

**Grades:** In order for a student to be a successful completer in a program, the student must successfully pass (65 or better) each of the 4 classes. A student must pass each course to be promoted to the next course in the program. For example, a student must pass the course and receive credit in December to return in January. In addition, a student must pass the course and receive credit in May to return for year two in August.

1 credit is awarded in December and 1 credit in May of each year of the program resulting in 4 possible credits earned.

### **Required State Test:**

Students must pass the Career and Technology CPAS2 test by 60% or above, or receive industry certification in order to return for the second year of the program.

Students must pass the program safety test required by the State by 100% within the first 9 weeks of the program. If a student fails to pass the Safety Test within the first 9 weeks, the student will be withdrawn from the program and will not receive a credit for that program and will be enrolled in another class at their high school.

### **Ability to Benefit:**

In the event a student fails to pass the CPAS2 or National Certification test, a CTC East Committee will review criteria to determine if the student would benefit from continuation in the program and be allowed to return for the second year of the program.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

I hereby acknowledge receipt of a copy of the 2016-2017 CTCE Handbook and by execution of this acknowledgement agree to abide by the policies and procedures outlined therein including those policies and procedures outlined in the student handbook from the enrolled high school.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read and understand the ATTENDANCE, DISCIPLINE, AND ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS stated above for continuation in a CTC East program.

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Student Name

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CTC East Program

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Student Signature

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Date

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Parent Signature

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Date

**(Please return this signed acknowledgement your CTCE teacher; driving packets can be obtained and should be returned to Dr. Davis.)**