

Sycamore Valley Elementary School

Campus & Playground Rules

Follow Sharky's three R.A.D Rules to guide all conduct:

- Respect Others and Property
- Act Safely and Responsibly
- Do Your Best

Come to school ready to learn

1. Treat everyone with courtesy and respect at all times. Use your manners!
2. Leave toys at home.
3. Be respectful of all school and student property.

Use safety and courtesy in the Hallways and on Campus

1. Stay on the yard during recess. Students are not permitted to wander the campus during recess times.
2. All play, including throwing and bouncing balls, takes place on the blacktop only.
3. Walk on paved areas at all times. Please do not walk on the grass.
4. Observe a quiet campus during school hours.
5. Only use MPR bathrooms during recess.

Help keep our school clean

1. Pick up papers or garbage on the grounds, floors, or walkways and dispose in the nearest container.
2. No chewing gum.
3. No playing or hanging out in the bathroom.

Playground

1. All playground activity is to take place in the view of Yard Supervisors.
2. Use all large equipment safely.
 - a. Do not jump from or between play equipment.
 - b. Use rings and bars with hands only, no legs. Rings/bars are one-way to the end, no return.
 - c. Only slide down the slide, feet first.
 - d. Do not keep other students from climbing on an apparatus or going across the bars.
 - e. No running or playing tag in the tan bark. Tag may be played on the field only.
3. Use game equipment carefully.
 - a. Use teacher approved equipment only.
 - b. PE rules must be observed.
4. A "turn" on the swings is 50 forward swings.
5. Wait in line for a turn without pushing or shoving or interfering with a game.
6. Play tag and football on the field only.
7. Kicking of balls is only allowed on the field.
8. Balls that go over the fence into the street or other yard areas are out of bounds. The Yard Supervisor will decide what to do.

9. Bicycles may not be ridden through school grounds before, during or after school hours. A student riding a bicycle to school must lock it in the bike cage with their own lock. The school does not assume responsibility for lost, stolen or damaged items. Bicycle riders are required by law to wear helmets.
10. Observe safe behavior near drinking fountains. Give each person drinking plenty of room.
11. Tackling, hard body contact games and fighting are not permitted at school. Pretend kicking or fighting is prohibited.
12. Use the MPR restrooms during recess and lunch. Do not enter the campus to use the restrooms by classes.
13. At the bell/whistle, first grades **only** immediately freeze. A second whistle will be blown to signal 1st grade students to walk to their line. Grades 2– 5 are to walk to their line immediately following the bell. Teachers will walk **all** students to their classrooms daily.
14. Games in which students are a target are prohibited.

Foul language and taunting

The Sycamore Valley Staff believes that foul language and taunting have no place on our campus. Therefore, the following steps will be taken, should a child use profane language and/or persist in taunting another child or group of children.

- First time, verbal warning.
 - Second time, principal or teacher will make a phone call home.
 - Third time, the child will be suspended for the remainder of the day.
1. There is zero tolerance for any bullying on the SY or any SRVUSD campus.

Lunch and snack

Snack rules are as follows:

- Students may bring a small, healthy snack out to morning recess.
- All snacks must be eaten on the Outdoor Stage.
- No food is permitted on the playground.
- Students are required to throw all trash away in the garbage cans next to the PE office when finished eating.

The Cafeteria etiquette is as follows:

- Remain seated until dismissal.
- Use an “inside” voice.
- Eat only your own food.
- Clean up after yourself.
- Remain off the stage.
- Walk at all times in the MPR.

Cell phones

Cell phones may be used before or after school. No cell phones are allowed on campus during school hours. Cell phones must be on ‘silent’ mode and should be kept in student’s backpack. Phones which disturb the learning environment will be taken by the child’s teacher and returned at the end of the same school day. Further disruptions, a phone call will be placed home to parents by the classroom teacher or principal. Telephones are placed in every classroom for use as needed during the school day.