## Backpacks and Cinch Sacks 2024-2025



"Backpacks and Cinch Sacks are not allowed during the school day. Once students have entered the building in the morning all backpacks and cinch sacks must be stored securely in the lockers."

This school year students will <u>not</u> be able to carry backpacks or cinch sacks of any kind during the school day. However, **small purses/handbags may be carried for personal items.** This proactive measure is being taken to increase security as we strive to ensure student safety. Schools all around our country are re-working safety plans and implementing all types of new safety measures to solve serious real issues like school violence and school shootings. Our staff, faculty and administration will work with any student that may have an issue arise as they transition back into using student lockers. We understand this may initially be an inconvenience, we are here to help.

## Here are a few suggestions on how to help your child(ren) transition into using their lockers:

- ★ Discuss your child(ren's) schedule with them and plan locker stops throughout the day. It is not necessary for students to carry ALL of their books, binders, etc. with them at all times. (Room numbers starting with 1 are on the ground floor, room numbers starting with 2 are upstairs)

  Students WILL be able to carry their lunch box/bag to lunch with them.
- ★ Students that need to carry their doctor prescribed medications with them may consult with the school nurse.
- ★ Students could organize their lockers so that their AM class supplies are on the top shelf and their PM class supplies are on the bottom of the locker. This will help students pick up supplies between class time (5 minutes).
- ★ Students could create a list of materials needed for each class and adhere it to the inside of the locker so the student can reference what they need to grab and go.

- ★ If these strategies do not work please do not hesitate to address concerns with our school administrators, we will be happy to help develop strategies that will work for your child .
- ★ Developing organizational skills are an important part of the high school experience.