

Powell Middle School
Tardy/Early Dismissal Policy



Tardies are coded as TR and are a Level 1 offense according to the Hernando County Student Code of Conduct. The code of conduct also states that each school will have a uniform agreement on what is defined as “tardy to class.” Violations one (1) to five (5) are Level 1 offenses. Each school will develop its own procedures and consequences for tardy 6 and beyond as long as it has been approved by the School Advisory Council.

Powell’s tardy policy, approved by the School Advisory Council, is as follows:

Number	Consequence
Tardies 1 – 4	Teacher/Student Conference and parent phone call.
5 th tardy per period	Discipline referral written by teacher with administrative warning.
6 th tardy per period	Discipline referral written by teacher with lunch detention assigned by administrator.
7 th tardy per period	Discipline referral written by teacher with after school detention or additional days of lunch detention assigned by administrator.
8 th tardy per period	Discipline referral written by teacher and ISS for 1 period assigned by administrator.
9 th tardy per period	Discipline referral written by teacher and full day of ISS assigned by administrator. Request parent conference.
10 th +tardy per period	Discipline referral written by teacher. Considered Gross Insubordination at this point. Consequences may range from loss of privileges to OSS.

Unexcused tardy from class for ten (10) or more minutes will be considered skipping (SR), a Level 2 offense in the Student Code of Conduct and will result in ISS.

Five (5) or more unexcused tardies or early dismissals from school will be considered one (1) unexcused absence.

Students on special attendance may be sent back to their zoned school if tardies become excessive.