**Valley Middle School After-School Detention**

Dear Parents & Guardians,

As we begin a new school year with many students new to Valley Middle School, I would like to take this opportunity to inform/remind our parents and students about After-School Detention. Valley Middle School runs After-School Detention in accordance with the Hazleton Area School District Secondary Student Discipline Policy.

VEMS will begin the implementation of After-School Detention starting the week of September 18th, 2023. If merited, teachers and administration will assign a student after-school detention using the criteria described at the end of this letter.

After-school detention will run **Monday through Thursday from 3:00pm-3:50pm**. Parental notification of After-School Detention will be made via the main office.

The faculty and staff will review and explain the implementation of After-School Detention to our students.

**Detention Criteria:**

**Students can be assigned one or more days of after-school detention for the following behaviors. Students cannot be given after-school detention and a prosocial write-up (it must be one or the other). *This list is not all encompassing and additional behaviors may permit a student to receive detention sessions.***

* **Work refusal/non-compliance with classwork or assignments**
* **Multiple missed homework assignments (2 or more consecutively)**
* **Non-compliance with school and/or classroom rules and procedures**
* **Non-compliance with teacher directions**
* **Nuisance/disruptive/distracting behaviors**
* **Late to class, excessive lates to school**
* **Hallway behavior and/or locker compliance**

Thank you,

Christopher Yourechko

Principal