



**Cleveland  
Traditional  
College and Career  
Readiness  
Magnet**

*After-School  
Detention Policy*

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## Why detention?

As a staff, we strive to create a positive and respectful learning environment where all students can succeed both academically and behaviorally. In our school setting, we strive to: set clear expectations, teach our students how to meet those expectations, provide feedback as to how they are doing, and practice, if needed. Unfortunately, despite our positive intentions and consistent efforts, some students still struggle.

At Cleaveland Traditional Magnet, students who consistently struggle to follow school rules or meet expectations will receive detention.

## What is detention?

Detention is served after school, from 4:20-4:50 p.m., in the classroom of a certified teacher. Your student will have the opportunity to reflect on his/her behavior and make a plan for change and success in the future.

If your student is issued a detention, you will be contacted by phone the day the detention is issued. The teacher will also place a note in your student's agenda. Your student will serve detention the following school day. (*You will always be given 24 hours notice of your student's detention.*)

If your student is assigned to detention, ***it is your responsibility to pick your student up promptly at 4:50 p.m.*** Bus transportation home will not be provided and students are not permitted to attend Latch Key immediately after serving a detention.

## What warrants a detention?

Behaviors that could warrant a detention are (but not limited to):

- ◆ Being rude/insolent/disrespectful/noncompliant with/to adults
- ◆ Unsafe/playing in the restroom
- ◆ Aggressive/unsafe play on the playground
- ◆ Hurting another student

- ◆ Disrupting teaching/the classroom learning environment
- ◆ Profanity
- ◆ Temper tantrums
- ◆ Misbehaving for substitute teachers
- ◆ Lying
- ◆ Stealing
- ◆ Misbehaving in detention
- ◆ **Every third missing homework assignment (3, 6, 9, 12, etc.)**
- ◆ **More than 3 warnings regarding uniform violation (4+)**
- ◆ **Every third unexcused tardy (tardy no. 3, 6, 9, 12, 15., etc.)**

The purpose of detention is to give the student a chance to think about and fix the behavior. Typically, detention resolves the issue(s). Sometimes, however, detention is not successful in changing the behavior.

## So my student continues to receive detentions, now what?

In the event a student receives four detentions, a conference between the student, parent/guardian, and principal will be scheduled.

With the fifth and sixth detentions, a student will be assigned in-school suspension for 1-2 days.

Seven or more detentions could warrant in-school or out-of-school suspension, pending the determination of the principal.

*As a school of choice, we have very high expectations for behavior. We believe the most important form of behavior is self-discipline. We will provide the expectations and structures for successful behavior choices. Ultimately, it is up to the student to demonstrate self-discipline by making smart choices at school.*