



Locker User Agreement

Use of the Cypress High School (CHS) lockers is a privilege. This document explains the school locker policy for CHS, which applies to all CHS students. Cypress High School cannot be held responsible for lost, stolen or damaged personal property. By signing the Locker Use Agreement (below), CHS students agree to abide by the terms and conditions set forth by CHS:

1. All lockers are the property of CHS.
2. Use of a locker by a person other than to whom it is assigned is forbidden. Misuse of a locker may lead to termination of locker privileges.
3. Each locker has a durable combination lock. The combination to the locker will be on file in the office.
4. Students are responsible for all contents of the locker as well as the condition of the locker itself (inside and out). Lockers must be kept free of graffiti or other damage. No permanent marking is allowed in the locker.
5. Students use the lockers at their own risk. Neither the district nor school is responsible for any loss of property kept in the locker.
6. All personal items must be stored completely within a locker. All items left outside of a locker, whether secured or not, will be removed and disposed of accordingly.
7. The following items are prohibited:
 - Drugs
 - Alcohol
 - Stolen property
 - Flammable materials
 - Dangerous chemicals
 - Perishable items
 - Anything that could be used as a weapon
 - Anything deemed by the school or police to be a danger
 - Anything else illegal to possess
8. Students should not have an expectation of privacy for their locker. Lockers are the property of CHS. CHS reserves the right to open, search, and inspect your school locker without notice to you.
9. If a CHS employee searches your locker and finds anything listed in Section 7, above, in your locker, a CHS employee may confiscate those items, secure them, and use them as evidence against you for a school discipline. A CHS employee may turn those items over to law enforcement for possible criminal investigation and charges.
10. Upon assignment and during use, students are responsible for reporting any damage or needed repairs to CHS staff. Students will assume the cost of any unreported damages.

STUDENT NAME

STUDENT ID

GRADE

STUDENT SIGNATURE

PARENT NAME



Locker Rental FAQs

Here is a list of frequently asked questions and basic information regarding the lockers:

- In the past, at Cypress, the lockers have been free for student use, and most go unused. Students just aren't interested in the lockers.
- Lockers are optional items and are not required to be provided for students. Because they are not required as part of the instructional program, and the lack of a locker does not prevent students' access to school, they are not part of the ED Code prohibiting fees. (This rental is equivalent to charging for a parking space on campus.)
- Lockers are a safety concern. Lockers can provide opportunities for serious safety concerns on campus (storage of weapons, drugs, paraphernalia, etc.) Misuse of lockers has been an ongoing issue at Cypress.
- Lockers cost valuable time. Cypress staff spends time throughout the year cutting off locks because students have lost their keys, combo, etc.
- Lockers are not used by students. This year during the summer, when we cleaned out lockers, we found moldy food, knives, alcohol, missing school Chromebooks, clothing, and so much more that demonstrated how little the lockers are used.
- Lockers cost the school money. Every year, we spend time and money cleaning, repairing, and painting lockers. This is an annual expense for a rarely used item.
- So why the change: We considered removing the lockers completely but did want to make them available to students who want them and will be responsible with their use.
- What about heavy textbooks: Most textbooks are available in an electronic version, and as a 1:1 school, all students are provided with a school-issued Chromebook where they can access the digital version of their textbooks. In most cases, the teachers want students to refrain from bringing their bulky textbooks to class on a regular basis.

For the 2023-24 school year, we are still offering lockers, but the change is that we are renting them out for \$10 for the year.

- What does the rental fee include? The rental fee includes a lock provided by the school, where we have the master key and combination. It also helps to mitigate the cost of maintenance and cleaning.
- How do locker rentals benefit students? Any profits from the rental of the lockers will be used to provide items for our new student recognition system. We want to recognize students for their positive character, academic and athletic achievements, and dedication to the school community.
- What if I can't afford the \$10, but still really want a locker? Meet with any administrator on campus, and they can help you out. This fee is not meant to encroach upon anyone's budget or access to lockers, it is simply meant to help keep the lockers safe, well-maintained, and available for those who will really use them.