SCHOOL HOURS & TARDY POLICY

School Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

VPK Hours:

Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM - 11:20 AM

Students may be dropped off as early 7:45 a.m. and should be picked up within 10 minutes of the close of the school day. If a student has not been picked up within 10 minutes of dismissal, they will be put into Aftercare for a fee. VPK students are to be picked up within 10 minutes of the 11:20 a.m. dismissal or there will be a fee charged.

Early Release- Dismissal at 12:00 P.M. (Noon): On these days we will have a 12:00 p.m. dismissal. Please consult the school calendar for these dates.

Tardy Policy:

At DAS we desire to develop habits of punctuality in all our students. Therefore, we encourage consistent punctuality and attendance. DAS is a school bound by the laws of Florida to maintain attendance records. Punctuality is important. Tardiness is a bad habit that not only lowers grades but will also cause work problems in adult life. Students should develop the life skill of arriving at school and being seated at their desks ready for school to begin at 8:00 a.m. Late arrivals are disrespectful and disruptive to worship and other class activities, thus wasting valuable time. Students and parents are held strictly accountable for prompt attendance in class. For those receiving scholarships, we are a mandatory reporting school for attendance.

- If a student is tardy to class, he/she must sign-in at the office and submit an excuse to the school.
- If a student receives three tardies, the parent will be notified.
- If a student receives more than three tardies, a fee of \$5.00 per tardy per student will be charged to your account.
- All fines must be paid before report cards are distributed.
- There is no limit to the fines you can receive in one quarter or semester.
- If a pattern develops for being tardy, the student/parent will be treated with insubordination and/or lack of cooperation.
- Attendance will be reset every quarter.
- Tardies due to pre-arranged medical appointments will be excused only if a note is presented upon returning.
- Students who have unexcused tardies may not be allowed to make up work which may have been completed in class before they arrived.
- Continual violation of this policy may result in School Board action.

Absence Policy:

- A total number of absences equaling 15 percent of the school days in a semester may result in a failing grade for the student for that semester, and they will be placed on Academic Probation.
- Scholarship students must comply with the DAS attendance policy, or their scholarships will be affected.

Parent Name:	Parent Signature:
Date:	