By respecting the time of others, we all succeed.

One of our Bishop Community Core Values is RESPECT. Among other objectives, respect encompasses being aware of and respectful of the time of others. And, we emphasize this for our students with a simple phrase --- **We respect the time of others by being punctual.** This is a wonderful value, which we can all improve on, in even little ways. As an example, while sometimes unavoidable, we have noticed that some families or students rush into the parking lot consistently at 8:15 am or thereafter. Students are required to be in class at 8:20 am and, unfortunately, students who arrive with less than 5 minutes before class begins will typically be late. Generally, students need, at a minimum, 15 minutes once they arrive on campus, giving the student the chance to visit their academic locker, print an assignment in the library, take their athletic gear to the locker rooms, visit and say hello to their friends, and more. Keep in mind the school extended the start time of school from 7:50 am to 8:20 am to allow for those early morning dentist appointments, traffic and other morning needs.

When walking in late, students not surprisingly disrupt the classroom environment and the teacher. We want our students to learn to RESPECT not only the student's time, but also the teacher's time. Teachers have limited amount of time per period and are diligent with presenting their academic lesson for the day. Missing portions of those lessons impact a student's chance for success as well. This includes the Morning Prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance and other school announcements students need to know for the school day. As a matter of RESPECT, and in helping us teach this lesson, we hope to enlist your support in being conscientious of the time and encouraging your son or daughter to do so as well – perhaps leaving an extra 10 to 15 minutes early to make sure they’re in class on time and “ready to go”.

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