

## *Chantrell Creek Elementary*

### **Philosophy Statement and Student Code of Conduct**

At Chantrell Creek Elementary School, we believe that all children have the right to learn in a safe, caring and orderly environment. As a community, we are focused daily on respecting the rights of others, ourselves, and property.

**Be Respectful To Yourself** – caring about your learning and yourself, including safety.

- ❖ Use good manners in speech and action
- ❖ Be a good friend, fair, trustworthy, reliable and inclusive
- ❖ Make good choices
- ❖ Be on time and ready to work
- ❖ Do your homework and use your planner
- ❖ Eat healthy food and get exercise
- ❖ Dress appropriately for school and for the weather

**Be Respectful To Others** – considerate of others' personal feelings and properties.

- ❖ Be polite and wait your turn
- ❖ Treat others with respect
- ❖ Use good listening skills
- ❖ Be honest, tell the truth, and take responsibility for your actions
- ❖ Respect others' personal space and belongings

**Be Respectful To Property** – caring about your school and your environment.

- ❖ Clean up after yourself
- ❖ Take good care of materials
- ❖ Ask before borrowing
- ❖ Do not litter
- ❖ Respect the school facilities

**Be Safe** – learn and follow school expectations.

- ❖ Walk calmly – no running in hallways
- ❖ Stay in designated areas
- ❖ Report dangerous situations to staff
- ❖ Report any intruders or trespassers to supervisors

Our **Code of Conduct** is designed to provide guidelines for appropriate student behaviour while under the jurisdiction of the school, or while at any school-sponsored function. Students have a responsibility to respect the rights and dignity of others, and to become as actively involved in their learning and their own social-emotional growth.

**A Safe and Caring School is Free From Acts of:**

- ❖ Bullying, cyberbullying, or harassment
- ❖ Threat and intimidation
- ❖ Violence in any form
- ❖ Abuse in any form
- ❖ Discrimination in any form, including race, colour, gender, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, or ancestry
- ❖ Retribution against a person who has reported incidents

**A Safe and Caring School Does Not Tolerate the Presence of:**

- ❖ Theft or vandalism
- ❖ Intoxicating and banned substances
- ❖ Weapons or replica (toy) weapons and explosives
- ❖ Intruders or trespassers (All visitors must first report to the office.)

**A Safe and Caring School Does Not Tolerate the Misuse of:**

- ❖ Cyberspace, cell phones, electronic devices, computers
- ❖ Students are to be aware that they may be subject to discipline (or, if applicable, confiscation of personal property) for misuse/abuse of technology if it negatively impacts on the school environment

**Consequences**

Consequences will be applied to unacceptable behaviour in accordance with the Surrey School District Safe and Caring Schools Disciplinary Guide. Discipline methods will be based on the severity and frequency of the behaviour, as well as the age of the student. Consequences will focus on being restorative rather than punitive in nature.

**Unacceptable behaviour typically has the following consequences:**

- ❖ Review of expectations and a timeout
- ❖ Review of expectations, written assignment and/or loss of privileges
- ❖ Parents are informed
- ❖ Meeting with the parents
- ❖ Short-term (in school or at home) suspension up to 5 days
- ❖ Long-term suspension (over 5 days) or referral to district program
- ❖ Consultation with police and/or fire department
- ❖ Expulsion

## **Notification**

As circumstances warrant, administrators have a responsibility to advise other parties following an incident. These may include:

- ❖ Parents/guardians of the student offender(s)
- ❖ Parents/guardians of the student victim(s)
- ❖ School Board officials
- ❖ Police and other agencies required by law
- ❖ School staff and school community as deemed appropriate by school and/or district administration

## **Dress Expectations**

Students and staff are expected to dress in a manner appropriate to establish a positive learning atmosphere at an elementary school. Appropriate clothing allows for active learning and that is not restrictive for engaging in activities. Clothing for school should follow these guidelines:

- ❖ Hats and hoods are worn outside the school building.
- ❖ Bandanas should not be worn.
- ❖ Clothing should be free of alcohol or drug references, or any other inappropriate wording or images.

Chantrell Creek staff will use their discretion when enforcing the dress code. In the event of an infraction, the issue will be dealt with in a respectful and discreet manner.

## *Chantrell Creek Elementary* **School Behavioural Expectations**

Students are to behave in a safe and responsible manner inside the school, on the grounds and during off-site activities.

Students are to remain on the school grounds at recess and lunch.

Students are expected to leave the building upon dismissal unless supervised in an extra-curricular activity.

Students are to play in designated areas and avoid out of bounds areas such as the forest.

Bicycles, scooters, and rollerblades are to be walked on school grounds between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Students are to walk quietly and in an orderly manner in the school building.

Appropriate clothing will be worn at school. Chantrell Creek staff will use their discretion when enforcing the dress code. In the event of an infraction, the issue will be dealt with in a respectful and discreet manner.

Students are expected to be punctual and attend school each day unless excused by parents.

Enroute to and from school, students are expected to observe safety by-laws and regulations, to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner and to respect private and public property.

Cameras or any other electronic devices capable of recording visual images are not permissible at school (unless permission has been received by the classroom teacher with respect to a classroom project).

Our school has wireless internet availability. **With the teacher's permission**, personal electronic devices (e.g. phones, iphones, ipads) may be used throughout the year for educational purposes. They are not to be used for social media. Students are ultimately responsible for these items; **the school will not be responsible for any lost or stolen items.**