

BOUNDARY PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT

At **Boundary Park Elementary School**, we believe that all children have the right to learn in a safe, caring and orderly environment. Our expectations are that students will maintain an attitude that is cooperative, courteous and respectful.

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

Some examples include:

- Always do your best
- Make good choices
- Be on time and ready to work
- Do your homework and use your planner

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

Some examples include:

- Be polite and wait your turn
- Treat others with respect
- Use good listening skills
- Be honest and tell the truth

Be Respectful to Property – caring about your school and your environment.

Some examples include:

- Clean up after yourself
- Take good care of materials
- Ask before borrowing

Be Safe – learn and follow school rules.

Some examples include:

- Walk calmly – no running in hallways
- Stay in designated areas
- Report dangerous situations to staff

Our Code of Conduct is designed to provide guidelines for appropriate student behavior while under the jurisdiction of the school or at any school-sponsored function.

Inappropriate Behaviour

Inappropriate behaviour can consist of, but is not limited to:

- Rudeness, swearing
- Fighting (or play fighting)
- Lack of respect for others, teasing
- Throwing objects (rocks, sticks, snowballs, etc.)
- Defiant behavior, insolence
- Running in the halls
- Unauthorized leaving of school grounds
- Littering

Consequences

Consequences will be applied in a fair and consistent manner, respecting individual rights, responsibilities, age and maturity; and be restorative rather than punitive in nature.

Inappropriate behavior typically has the following consequences:

- Review of expectations
- 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

Safe & Caring School Environments:

Are Free From Acts Of

- Bullying, cyber-bullying, harassment and marginalization
- Threat and intimidation
- Violence in any form
- Abuse in any form
- Discrimination in any form including race, color, gender, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, ancestry or national origin
- Retribution against a person who has reported incidents

Or 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 of technology if it negatively impacts on the school environment

Forms of unacceptable conduct cited above are only some examples and not an all-inclusive list.

Do Not Tolerate the Presence Of

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

Notification

As circumstances warrant, administrators have a responsibility to advise other parties following a behavior incident:

- Parent of student exhibiting major behaviours (in every instance)
- Parent of student on the receiving end (in every instance)
- Assistant Superintendent, Safe Schools team member and/or other District Staff
- Ministerial agencies and/or School Liaison Officer (Police)

DRESS CODE

A respectful and safe atmosphere is important to academic achievement and citizenship at Boundary Park. Clothing is expected to be appropriate to a working and learning environment. The school's dress code is not intended to stifle freedom of expression; however, attire should not be distracting or offensive.

Inappropriate attire includes:

- Drug and alcohol designs, suggestive designs, profanity, rude or lewd suggestions, threatening language, derogatory discriminating language and excessive make-up.

Clothes must cover:

- Underwear, cleavage, bottoms, midriiffs (front and back) and upper thigh.

Family Involvement

Boundary Park's Code of Conduct was established to ensure the safety of each child and staff members' well-being.

Parents can help in the following ways:

- Discuss the Code of Conduct with your child.
- Be in close contact with your child`s teacher.
- Encourage your child to report serious incidents to his/her teacher or principal

Strong relationships between students, parents and staff are important elements to creating a safe, caring and orderly school community.