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R 5500 EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENT CONDUCT

The following specific behaviors exemplify the conduct expected of students, in accordance with Policy No. 5500.

- A. Students will prepare themselves mentally and physically for the process of learning by:
 - 1. Being well-nourished, rested, clean, and properly dressed and groomed;
 - 2. Being free of drugs and alcohol and refraining from smoking; and
 - 3. Developing attitudes that will prepare them for listening, participating, and learning.
- B. Students will respect the person, property, and intellectual and creative products of others by:
 - 1. Being always honest, forthcoming, and courteous;
 - 2. Displaying care for the property of others;
 - 3. Acknowledging the intellectual work of others when it is incorporated into their work:
 - 4. Accepting the rights of others to their own opinions and beliefs;
 - 5. Resolving disputes and differences peacefully;
 - 6. Displaying loyalty and good sportsmanship; and
 - 7. Helping to maintain school facilities that are neat and clean.
- C. Students will take responsibility for their own behavior and learning by:
 - 1. Recognizing that academic endeavor is the primary purpose of school attendance;
 - 2. Completing all homework, classwork, and assigned projects on time;
 - 3. Preparing for each class by bringing necessary supplies and equipment;
 - 4. Making personal choices that are based on sound reasoning and decision-making;



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- 5. Accepting constructive criticism; and
- 6. Acknowledging and accepting the consequences of their own actions.
- D. Students will use time and other resources responsibly by:
 - 1. Attending school regularly and promptly and striving for a perfect attendance record;
 - 2. Using study periods and library time for school work; and
 - 3. Using books and other equipment appropriately.
- E. Students will share responsibilities when working with others by:
 - 1. Cooperating with others in the work of the group;
 - 2. Contributing talents and services as appropriate;
 - 3. Accepting leadership when appropriate; and
 - 4. Respecting the rights and opinions of others in a group setting.
- F. Students will meet the requirements of each course of study by:
 - 1. Participating actively and appropriately in the scheduled class;
 - 2. Following the rules and procedures established for the class by the teacher;
 - 3. Bringing to class the textbook, clothing, and other materials necessary for participation; and
 - 4. Observing school rules for the safe handling of class equipment and materials.
- G. Students will monitor their own progress toward school objectives by:
 - 1. Carefully planning courses of study and schedules;
 - 2. Promptly seeking staff assistance as required; and
 - 3. Maintaining records of progress.



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- H. Students will communicate with parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and appropriate school staff members about school matters by:
 - 1. Discussing progress in school with parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and relaying necessary information to parent(s) or legal guardian(s);
 - 2. Transmitting school letters, forms, and notices to parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and returning required responses to school staff members;
 - 3. Conferring with appropriate staff members when a problem occurs; and
 - 4. Developing with parent(s) or legal guardian(s) a clear idea of their educational goals.

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