

Princess Margaret Junior School Code of Conduct

STUDENTS

EXPECTATIONS

Students should expect to:

- be treated with respect and dignity;
- learn in a clean and safe environment;
- work in an environment that is free from physical and verbal harassment and bullying;
- be disciplined in a fair and reasonable manner by caring teachers and administrators.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Students are expected to:

- behave in an honest, courteous manner that respects the rights and feelings of other students and those in authority;
- attend school regularly and be punctual;
- be prepared for class with the proper equipment and assigned work completed;
- use polite and appropriate language with students and staff;
- follow school and classroom rules/routines and Code of Conduct;
- show respect for the property of individuals, school, and public;
- remove hats or caps once inside the school building;
- keep electronic equipment at home (iPods, Game Boys);
- turn off cell phones during school hours;
- solve problems without fighting;
- promote positive school spirit;
- help keep the school free of litter and vandalism;
- respect community members and their property while on excursions off school property and while traveling to and from school;
- wear appropriate clothing which does not display profanity, violence, discriminatory messages, and which is not provocative or revealing

STAFF

EXPECTATIONS

Staff members should expect to:

- be treated with courtesy and respect by students, parents, and other staff members;

Princess Margaret Junior School's Code of Conduct is based on the provision of a safe, nurturing, respectful, and positive school culture and environment. It is consistent with the standards established in the Toronto District School Board's Safe Schools policy, the Toronto District School Board's Code of Conduct, and the Provincial Code of Conduct.

- work in a clean and safe environment;
- have students come to class on time and prepared to learn.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Staff members have a responsibility to:

- demonstrate respect for all students, parents, and staff members;
- help students attain their full potential and develop their self-worth;
- communicate regularly and meaningfully with parents;
- provide a positive, inviting, and safe classroom environment;
- provide stimulating and challenging programs based on the Ontario Curriculum Guidelines;
- be a positive role model for students.

PARENTS

EXPECTATIONS

Parents should expect to:

- be treated with courtesy and respect;
- meet with staff by appointment and have questions answered thoroughly and concerns addressed quickly;
- have their children involved in challenging programs appropriate to ability and needs;
- have their children disciplined in a fair and reasonable manner by caring staff.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Parents have a responsibility to:

- make certain their child attends school regularly and arrives on time;
- show an active interest in their child's school work and progress;
- help their child be neat, appropriately dressed and prepared for school;
- encourage and assist their child in following the rules of behaviour;
- assist school staff in dealing with disciplinary issues;
- help their children develop a positive attitude toward learning;
- treat students, staff and other parents with courtesy and respect
- follow rules set out for the safety of children within the school, e.g., signing in at the office and wearing a visitor tag, providing peanut free snacks, obtaining a police check if volunteering, keeping hallways clear