

# MIDSTREAM COLLEGE

## PRIMARY SCHOOL

### PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

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#### INTRODUCTION

As parents, your involvement and support play a crucial role in the success and well-being of your child during their primary school years. To ensure a positive and harmonious relationship between parents, learners, and the school community, we have established this code of conduct for parents. This code outlines the expectations and guidelines for your behaviour, communication, and collaboration with the primary school. By adhering to these principles, we aim to create a supportive and inclusive environment that nurtures the academic, emotional, and social growth of all learners. We encourage you to familiarize yourself with this code of conduct and actively participate in the journey of your child's education. Together, we can create a thriving educational community where every learner can reach their full potential.

#### 2. THE AIM OF THIS POLICY

This code of conduct serves as a guideline to foster a positive and supportive relationship between parents and Midstream College.

#### 3. OPERATIONAL PRINCIPLES

##### 1. Respectful Communication

- 1.1. Engage in respectful and professional communication with all school staff members, including teachers, administrators, support staff, and volunteers.
- 1.2. Use appropriate channels of communication, such as email, phone calls, or scheduled meetings, to address any concerns, questions, or feedback.
- 1.3. Avoid discussing sensitive or confidential matters in front of learners or other parents.

1.4. Listen attentively to staff members' perspectives and seek common ground when resolving issues.

## 2. Collaboration and Partnership

2.1. Foster a collaborative partnership with the school to support your child's education and overall development.

2.2. Attend parent-teacher conferences, school meetings, and events to stay informed about your child's progress, curriculum, and school activities.

2.3. Actively participate in parent-teacher organizations, advisory committees, or other parent groups to contribute positively to the school community.

## 3. Positive Role Modelling

3.1. Demonstrate positive behaviour and attitudes that align with the values and expectations of the school community.

3.2. Encourage your child to respect classmates, teachers, staff members, and the school environment.

3.3. Promote ethical behaviour, integrity, and empathy at home and in the community.

3.4. Uphold and reinforce the school's policies on honesty, fairness, inclusivity, and respect for diversity.

## 4. Attendance and Punctuality

4.1. Ensure that your child attends school regularly and arrives on time.

4.2. Notify the school in advance if your child will be absent or late, following the school's procedures for reporting absences.

4.3. Support the school's efforts to maintain high attendance rates and academic engagement.

## 5. Confidentiality and Privacy

5.1. Respect the privacy and confidentiality of learners, parents, and staff members.

5.2. Refrain from sharing sensitive or personal information about individuals within the school community without proper authorization.

5.3. Maintain discretion when discussing school-related matters, particularly on public platforms or social media.

## 6. Constructive Conflict Resolution

6.1. Address any conflicts or concerns in a constructive manner, focusing on finding resolutions that benefit all parties involved.

6.2. Follow the school's established procedures for conflict resolution, such as scheduling meetings with the relevant staff members or administrators.

6.3. Maintain a calm and respectful demeanour during discussions, listening to different perspectives and working towards mutual understanding.

#### 7. Support for a Safe and Inclusive Environment

7.1. Encourage a safe and inclusive environment at home that promotes respect, empathy, and acceptance of differences.

7.2. Reinforce the school's efforts to maintain a positive and secure learning environment free from bullying, harassment, or discrimination.

7.3. Familiarize yourself with the school's policies on learner behaviour and disciplinary measures, supporting their implementation when necessary.

#### 8. Compliance with School Policies and Regulations

8.1. Familiarize yourself with the school's policies, rules, regulations, and codes of conduct.

8.2. Ensure that your child understands and complies with these policies, promoting responsible behaviour and academic integrity.

8.3. Support the school's disciplinary measures and work collaboratively with staff members to address any behavioural issues.

#### 9. Financial Responsibilities

9.1. Fulfil financial obligations promptly, including payment of school fees, supplies, or other financial commitments agreed upon with the school.

9.2. Seek appropriate channels to address any financial concerns or difficulties that may affect your ability to meet these obligations.

#### 10. Continuous Self-Reflection and Improvement

10.1. Engage in self-reflection regarding your role as a parent within the school community.

10.2. Continuously strive to improve your knowledge, skills, and understanding of your child's educational journey.

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