Downtown Middle School's After-School Program: Student Community Practice Agreement SY 2024-25

At WTMS After-School Programming, we want to ensure our students are building respectful and supportive relationships within an inclusive and engaged community. This is foundational to a positive learning environment. **Please review the Community Norms below with your student(s) at home:**

- WE show up
- WE are on time
- WE are engaged
- WE are respectful
- WE are a caring community
- WE prioritize safety
- WE value our community

Upholding the Dignity for All Students Act (DASA)

In accordance with New York State's "Dignity for All Students Act" ("DASA") the After School Program affirms that all students have the right to attend a safe and supportive school environment free of bullying, bias, harassment, and/or discrimination based on real or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, sex, or gender identity/expression.

Our policies and practices will ensure that all students have equal access to their camp experience and a sense of belonging in their camp community. Please go over the following definitions with your child(ren), helping understand these are all DASA violations and would break the camper agreement:

- BULLYING = Intentionally aggressive and harmful behavior, repeated over time, that creates a hostile learning environment for the target and interferes with their education. Bullying may be physical or verbal.
- MEAN BEHAVIOR = Unkind words, teasing, and social exclusion. May become bullying if repeated or targets a specific student.
- BIAS = Everyday slurs, stereotypes, put-downs, and microaggressions that put down someone's culture, ethnicity, race, gender, sexual orientation, sex, religion, religious practice, home language, weight, body shape, disability.
- HATE = Bias that includes known hate symbols or words, and/or calls for violence against specific groups of people because of their identities.

Please read through the guidelines on the second page with your student and sign our community practice agreement...

Student Information:

I _____(student name) agree to the behavioral guidelines below for the All Access - After School Program at Brooklyn Prospect Charter School.

By agreeing to the terms and conditions of the program expectations, all parties understand and accept that they are bound by the contract and are not free to vary from the terms and conditions:

1. I agree to meet in the Commons no later than 5 minutes after the start of the program.
2. I will sign in every day with the After-School staff before I participate in any activity. If I am late I will report directly to Room 304.
3. Once I am signed in, I understand that I am NOT allowed to leave the school building without permission from a guardian or school official until being dismissed from After School.
4. I understand that there is no cell phone usage or technology that is not for the after school class. My cell phone will be collected after snack time (first 15 mins) when I transition to clubs.
5. I will respect the same guidelines that are enforced for the Commons during the day school while in the after-school program.
6. I will respect my school building by keeping it clean and not damaging school property.
7. I will wait for my club instructor to dismiss me from the Commons to my club.
8. I must ask for permission to leave the classroom and I will utilize my club hall passes. If I am in the hallway without a pass, I will be subjecting myself to possible consequences.
9. I understand that foul language will NOT be tolerated.
10. I understand that bullying, harassment, and intimidation (verbal or physical) will NOT be tolerated.
11. I will uphold the standards of The Dignity for All Students Act (DASA).
12. I will treat others the way I would like to be treated.
13. I will respect the property of others. Stealing and/or damaging someone's property will result in automatic After School suspension and the matter will be referred to the Dean's.
14. I understand that by breaking any of the rules listed, that I am subject to receive detention, call home, and/or suspension from the After-School program.

I _____ (student name), agree that should I violate this contract by failing to adhere to the above behavioral guidelines, the following consequences will apply:

A. Verbal Warning
B. Conference / Check-in outline expectations
C. Activity Removal & Phone call to parent and/or guardian
D. After School Suspension and/or In-School Parent Meeting
E. After School Community Removal

(Note: Some student actions may result in automatic suspension or expulsion depending on severity)

_____   _____
                    Student Signature   Date

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                Parent/Guardian Signature   Date