

## **Student's Rights and Responsibilities**

1. Each student has the right to an education. Therefore it is each student's responsibility to listen, learn, practice, complete assignments and to accept remedial assistance when necessary. It is unacceptable to disturb, disrupt or interfere with the instruction of teachers and/or the learning of fellow classmates.

Student work is to be original. Ideas or information taken from other sources must be appropriately cited. There will be consequences for students who choose to 'pass off' someone else's work as their own.

2. Each student has a right to be treated with dignity and respect. Therefore, it is each student's responsibility to treat others and their belongings with polite consideration. It is unacceptable to laugh at, tease or put down other people, whether students, staff or other adults.

3. Each student has the right to hear and be heard. Therefore it is each student's responsibility to help maintain a calm and quiet school. It is unacceptable to interrupt, shout or make noises when others are speaking to trying to listen.

4. Each student has the right to be safe and secure. Therefore, it is each student's responsibility to respect the physical safety of himself and others in the school. Threats, intimidation, or any physical attempt to harm others is unacceptable.

5. Each student has the right to free expression in learning about himself or herself and others. Therefore, in fulfilling their responsibility to learn about themselves and others, they are free to express their feelings and opinions as long as they are truthful, not rude, disrespectful, intolerant or disruptive.

6. Each student has the right to be valued for his uniqueness. Therefore it is each student's responsibility to respect others as individuals and treat them fairly.

7. Each student has the right to privacy and his or her own personal space. Therefore, it is each student's responsibility to respect others' personal property, and to accept their right to privacy.