

Douglas Park Community School

Code of Conduct

“Preparing students for a successful future.”

The goal at Douglas Park Community School is to prepare students for a successful future. To achieve this goal and to support students in their learning we strive to create a school climate where students feel safe, happy and challenged. Our students have both rights and responsibilities that impact their school experience. Their right to a quality education and their responsibility to work hard and conduct themselves appropriately are guided by the Code of Conduct.

All students are subject to our Code of Conduct while at school, traveling to and from school and while attending all school-sponsored games and functions. Our Code is guided by the need for all students to contribute to the classroom and school community in a positive way. The students practice responsible behaviour through our **STAR** program that represents the following:

- Safety (safe behaviour in all areas of the school and playground)
- Team work (cooperation, sportsmanship)
- Accountability (responsibility for actions)
- Respect (respect for people and property)

Conduct Expectations

It is the responsibility of each student to:

- Treat staff, students and property respectfully
- Follow the instructions of all adult supervisors
- Participate in class and not disturb the learning of others
- Be truthful
- Avoid physical contact with other students
- Follow the school dress code

Consequences and Notification

Poor conduct will result in disciplinary action. The severity and frequency of unacceptable conduct as well as the age and maturity of students is considered in determining appropriate disciplinary action. On occasion, school officials may have a responsibility to advise other parties of serious breaches of conduct. It is unacceptable for students to:

- Bully, intimidate or threaten others
- Be physically aggressive
- Insult or disrespect others
- Endanger the safety of others
- Disrupt the learning environment
- Use or be in possession of alcohol or illegal drugs

This list includes examples of unacceptable behaviours but is not exclusive.