



GARDEN SPOT SCHOOLS

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

It is the goal of Garden Spot Schools to provide a positive educational environment for every student. This requires an understanding of an adherence to acceptable standards of respectful behavior that will allow learning to take place in the classroom. Every student is entitled to an education, and the right to be free of a climate that disrupts the educational environment of others.

The Garden Spot Student Code of Conduct establishes zero tolerance policy for conduct that endangers the safety of the school and/or disrupts the educational experience for other students. Every student must follow all of the rules of the Student Code of Conduct before, during, and after school. The Code applies to students in school buildings, on school grounds, at school-related activities, and on the way to and/or from school. Students must follow these rules on buses or vans that bring them to school or take them home. The Code also applies to students off school grounds (i.e. field trips, work crews, etc.) when the conduct may reasonably be expected to undermine or disrupt the proper disciplinary authority of the school or endanger the safety of a member of the school community.

The home shares the responsibility in the education of our youth; parents and guardians should be sure to know and understand the Student Code of Conduct and their child's school agenda book.

Garden Spot High School will follow a progressive discipline model, which tracks student discipline throughout the entire school year. This Code of Conduct provides definitions of behavior offences. Some definitions include examples. These examples are not intended to be an exhaustive list; the behaviors covered by the definitions include, but are not limited to, the examples given.

The safety and security of all school children are our highest priorities, and we are committed to providing a safe learning environment. Parents who have questions or concerns should contact the building principal.

Our intention is to provide corrective instruction to students who do not meet behavioral expectations.

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Behavioral Expectations and Responsibilities:

Behavioral expectations revolve around The Spartan Way – *Doing what's right / Doing our best / Doing for others*. Ultimately, we expect mutual respect where students and adults take responsibility and are accountable for their actions.

Responsibilities of Everyone

- Maintain the school climate while on campus by being:
 - Responsible
 - Respectful
 - Cooperative
 - Be aware of and clearly communicate the expectations for students and staff
 - Motivate students to follow our high expectations through positive reinforcement.

Responsibilities of Administrators

- Implement the Student Code of Conduct and all disciplinary procedures in a fair and consistent manner.
- Inform all school personnel, parents, and students of discipline policies.
- Review and act upon requests from school personal concerning violations.
- Use professional judgment to prevent minor incidents from becoming major problems.

Responsibilities of Teachers

- Maintain a learning environment that provides for academic success.
- Teach and positively reinforce rules and regulations concerning student conduct.
- Hold students accountable for disorderly conduct in school/on school grounds.
- Address rule violations with multiple strategies.
- Use professional judgment to prevent minor incidents from becoming major problems.

Responsibilities of Students

- Comply with school rules and climate expectations including the Student Code of Conduct and the ELANCO Student Calendar Handbook.
- Respect authority of all school personnel and the rights of other students.
- Comply with School District's attendance, dress code, zero tolerance, and bullying policies.
- Behave in a manner that focuses on academic success.
- Be responsible and accountable for following rules.

Responsibility of Parents, Advocates, and Guardians

- Respect and support school rules and regulations.
- Respect and support the policies of the Eastern Lancaster County School District.
- Recognize that school personnel must enforce rules and regulations.
- Teach the child to respect the rights of others.
- Emphasize the importance of being prepared for school and the adherence to school rules to foster academic success.