

## **School Student Code of Conduct**

Halton Waldorf School

At Halton Waldorf School (HWS), we believe in creating a nurturing, respectful, and inclusive community where every student can thrive academically, socially, and personally. The Student Code of Conduct is designed to help all members of our school community uphold values of integrity, empathy, and personal responsibility.

### **1. Respect for Others**

- Treat all students, teachers, staff, and community members kindly and respectfully.
- Embrace diversity and celebrate differences in culture, background, and perspective.
- Listen carefully and thoughtfully to others, valuing everyone's voice and opinion.
- Refrain from engaging in bullying, harassment, or exclusion.

### **2. Respect for the Environment**

- Maintain a clean and orderly space by taking responsibility for personal belongings and school property.
- Respect and care for natural spaces by respecting gardens, trees, trails, and outdoor areas.
- Participate in sustainability efforts, such as recycling, composting and reducing waste.

### **3. Responsibility for Learning**

- Approach all academic tasks with curiosity and determination.
- Take responsibility for completing assignments on time and to the best of your ability.
- Ask questions and seek help, recognizing that learning is collaborative.
- Be prepared for class by bringing the necessary materials, a nourishing snack, and lunch, and be mentally and physically ready to engage.

### **4. Integrity and Honesty**

- Always act with honesty in academic work, including giving credit for ideas and work that are not your own.
- Do not engage in cheating, plagiarism, or any dishonest behaviour.
- Be honest about mistakes and take responsibility for your actions, understanding that learning is a process.

### **5. Kindness and Compassion**

- Practice empathy, understanding, and patience with others, even in difficult situations.
- Show appreciation for the work and effort of others, including teachers, classmates, and staff.

### **6. Safety and Well-being**

- Respect school rules and guidelines designed to keep everyone safe.
- Refrain from any behaviour that could cause harm to yourself, others, or the environment.
- Follow guidelines regarding physical activities, both indoors and outdoors, to ensure safe and respectful play.

- Speak up if you witness unsafe or inappropriate behaviour, seeking help from a teacher or staff member when necessary.

### **7. Good Citizenship**

- Follow the rules and expectations set by teachers and staff for maintaining a positive, respectful environment.
- Participating actively and responsibly in class, school, and community activities.
- Respect the property and belongings of others, both at school and in the wider community.
- Show respect for the school's traditions and cultural practices that shape the HWS experience.

### **8. Conflict Resolution**

- Address conflicts calmly and respectfully, focusing on understanding and resolution.
- Speak to a teacher, staff member, or trusted adult to resolve conflicts when necessary.

### **9. Personal Growth**

- Be open to personal development and self-reflection, acknowledging strengths and areas for growth.
- Engage in activities and experiences that promote physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being.
- Strive to be the best version of yourself, understanding that mistakes are part of the learning journey.

### **10. Respect for the School Community**

- Follow the school's dress code, ensuring appropriate attire for a respectful, practical, focused learning environment.
- Arrive on time for class and school events, understanding the importance of punctuality and commitment.
- Participate actively and respectfully in school events, including festivals, plays, and assemblies.

By upholding these principles, students at Halton Waldorf School help foster a community rooted in care, creativity, and intellectual curiosity. We encourage all students to remain mindful of these values and to reach out to teachers or staff whenever support is needed. Together, we can ensure that Halton Waldorf School continues to be a place where everyone is able to learn, grow, and thrive.