



# Statement of Conduct

At The Brick Farmhouse School, we are committed to fostering a safe, respectful, and positive community where all students can thrive academically, socially, and personally. Our Statement of Conduct outlines the expectations for student behavior to ensure a positive and supportive learning environment. All members of our school community are expected to uphold these standards.

## Core Values

Our conduct expectations are grounded in the following principles:

- **Respect:** Treat all individuals—peers, faculty, staff, and visitors—with dignity and kindness.
- **Responsibility:** Take ownership of your actions, academic work, and contributions to the school community.
- **Integrity:** Act honestly and ethically in all endeavors, both in and out of the classroom.
- **Safety:** Prioritize the physical and emotional well-being of yourself and others.
- **Excellence:** Strive for personal growth and commitment to high standards in all activities.

## Expectations for Student Conduct

1. **Respect for Others:**
  - Demonstrate courtesy and respect in all interactions, including in-person, online, and written communication.
  - Refrain from bullying, harassment, discrimination, or any behavior that undermines the dignity of others.
  - Value diversity and promote inclusivity in all school activities.
2. **Academic Integrity:**
  - Complete all assignments, tests, and projects honestly, avoiding plagiarism, cheating, or unauthorized collaboration.

- Acknowledge and properly cite the work or ideas of others.
- Seek help from teachers or academic resources when needed, rather than resorting to dishonest practices.
- 3. **Responsibility and Accountability:**
  - Attend classes and school events punctually and prepared.
  - Follow school rules, including dress code, attendance policies, and classroom expectations.
  - Accept consequences for actions and work to make amends when necessary.
- 4. **Safe and Positive Environment:**
  - Refrain from using or possessing prohibited items, including weapons, drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products.
  - Report unsafe behaviors or situations to a trusted adult immediately.
  - Use technology and social media responsibly, avoiding actions that harm others or the school's reputation.
- 5. **Care for School Property:**
  - Treat school facilities, materials, and resources with care and respect.
  - Report any damage or issues to school staff promptly.
  - Contribute to maintaining a clean and welcoming campus.

## **Expectations for Parent Conduct**

At The Brick Farmhouse School, we believe that a strong partnership between parents/guardians and the school is essential for fostering a supportive, respectful, and enriching environment for our students. The following expectations outline the roles and responsibilities of parents/guardians to ensure alignment with our school's mission, values, and Statement of Conduct.

### **1. Support the School's Mission and Values**

- Familiarize yourself with The Brick Farmhouse's mission, vision, and Statement of Conduct, and model these values in your interactions with the school community.
- Encourage your child to uphold the principles of respect, responsibility, integrity, safety, and excellence both at school and in the broader community.
- Support the school's commitment to a positive learning environment.

### **2. Foster Open Communication**

- Maintain regular communication with teachers, classroom assistants, and administrators regarding your child's academic & social needs.
- Respond promptly to school communications. The majority of TBFS communications will be done through the Class Dojo App. Parents/Guardians should download the Class Dojo App upon enrollment so that communications are not missed.
- Share relevant information about your child (e.g., health concerns, family circumstances) that may impact their school experience, while respecting privacy boundaries.

### **3. Support Academic and Behavioral Expectations**

- Reinforce the importance of academic integrity, encouraging your child to complete their work honestly and seek help when needed.
- Review and support the school's Behavior Policy, addressing any behavioral concerns with your child and collaborating with the school on solutions.
- Ensure your child adheres to school policies, including attendance, punctuality, dress code, and technology use.
- If a student is absent, they will be expected to make up missed work prior to returning to school. Please notify the Education Director through Class Dojo if a student will be absent.

### **4. Engage Actively in the School Community**

- Attend parent-teacher conferences, school events, and meetings to stay informed and involved in your child's education.
- Participate in both required and optional volunteer opportunities, parent organizations, or school initiatives when possible to strengthen the school community.
- Respect the school's staff and their professional expertise, addressing concerns constructively through appropriate channels.

### **5. Promote a Safe and Respectful Environment**

- Model respectful behavior in all interactions with school staff, students, and other parents, both in-person and online.
- Refrain from actions or communications that undermine the school's reputation or create a negative environment, including inappropriate use of social media.

- Report any concerns about safety, bullying, or misconduct to school staff promptly to ensure a timely response.

## **6. Fulfill Financial and Administrative Responsibilities**

- Meet all financial obligations, including tuition and fees, in a timely manner as outlined in enrollment documents. .
- Submit required forms, permissions, and documentation (e.g., health records, emergency contacts) by established deadlines.
- Notify the school of any changes in contact information or family circumstances.
- Fulfill fundraising obligations per agreement on application.

## **7. Support Your Child's Growth and Well-Being**

- Encourage a balanced approach to academics, extracurricular activities, and personal well-being, fostering resilience and independence.
- Provide a home environment that supports learning, including designated time and space for study.
- Collaborate with the school to address any academic, social, or emotional challenges your child may face.

## **8. Respect School Policies and Procedures**

- Adhere to school policies, including those related to drop-off/pick-up, visitor protocols, and facility safety measures.
- Follow the school's process for addressing concerns or grievances, starting with the appropriate staff member (e.g., teacher) before escalating to administration.
- Support disciplinary actions outlined in the Behavior Policy when applicable, working with the school to guide your child toward positive choices.

## **Consequences for Misconduct**

Violations of the Statement of Conduct (by student or parent) will result in disciplinary actions, which will be handled fairly and consistently. Consequences may include, but are not limited to:

- Verbal or written warnings
- Meetings with parents/guardians
- Restorative actions, such as apologies or community service

- Suspension or expulsion, in cases of serious or repeated violations

The school administration reserves the right to determine appropriate consequences based on the nature and severity of the infraction, in accordance with school policies.

## Review and Updates

These expectations are reviewed annually to ensure they reflect the needs of our school community. Updates will be communicated to parents/guardians in a timely manner.

*This set of Parent Expectations is effective as of 6-9-2025 and may be updated as needed.*

## Commitment to the Community

By enrolling at The Brick Farmhouse School, students and their families agree to uphold this Statement of Conduct. We encourage open communication between students, parents, and faculty to address concerns and promote a culture of mutual respect and understanding.

Together, we can create the ideal educational environment where every student has the opportunity to grow, learn, and succeed.

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Parent Signature

Date:

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Student Signature

Date:

## Commitment to Partnership

By enrolling your child at The Brick Farmhouse School, you agree to uphold these Parent Expectations and work collaboratively with the school to support your child's success. We value your partnership and encourage open dialogue to address any questions or concerns.

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Parent Signature

Date: