

Pawling Elementary School

Summary of *Code of Conduct* in Plain Language

We are a school of caring, respectful students and staff. The Code of Conduct is a set of rules we all follow to help make school a safe and comfortable place to learn.

Students are expected to:

- Know and follow school rules
- Come to school and be on time every day ready to learn
- Work to do your personal best
- Show respect and be positive to others
- Ask questions when you do not understand
- Use your words to talk out and solve problems with others
- Be honest and responsible
- Treat others the way you want to be treated
- Be responsible for your actions
- Always keep your hands to yourself
- Use appropriate language at all times



Dignity for All Students Act:

- Students are expected to be tolerant and respectful of all others
- Students are expected to refrain from bullying others physically, verbally and through the use of technology
- Students are to be polite and courteous

Things to Leave at Home:

- Money (other than amount needed for meals and school activities)
- Knives or other sharp objects
- Toys (except by invitation from teacher)
- Collectable cards (Pokémon, Yu-Gi-Oh)
- Finger toys (skateboards, Legos, etc.)
- Any real or toy weapon (including laser pointers)
- Medications (except prescribed by a doctor, brought in by parent/guardian and left in the health office, including cough drops)



Electronics:

- Video games, tablets, iPods, cell phones and other electronic devices are not to be used in school, but are permitted on the bus following these guidelines:
 - Headphones only, no sound
 - No conflicts
 - Appropriate language and subject matter
 - School is not responsible for lost, stolen or broken items

Student Dress Code:

- Dress appropriately for weather
- Dress appropriately for school activities
- Sneakers must be worn for physical education class and in the gymnasium and proper footwear is encouraged for recess



Cafeteria Rules:

- Follow directions and talk quietly
- Be courteous and respectful
- Raise your hand when you need help
- No bag popping
- Wait in line quietly
- Leave the tables and floor clean
- Stay in your seat
- Keep your hands to yourself
- Because of allergies and health concerns, please no sharing of food



Playground Rules:

- No shoving or rough play
- Ball throwing is allowed on the field and court only
- Do not throw other objects (rocks, dirt, etc.)
- Safely move around play areas
- No jumping from high areas
- Use equipment correctly
- Stay with the class or an adult
- Never leave play area or go into any driveway or parking area or bus loop

Bus Rules:

- Follow adult's directions
- Keep hands and feet to yourself
- Use respectful language
- Stay seated while bus is moving
- Use an indoor voice



Computer / Internet use in school:

All students and staff who use the internet, must agree to the following:

- Users will act responsibly, considerately and appropriately
- Will not violate copyright laws
- Will not visit social networking / chat room (Facebook)
- Will not trespass in other users' files, folders or work
- Will not damage computers or other technological devices
- Users will not post to websites anything that interferes with the operation of school or has a negative effect on the general health, safety and welfare of members of the school community

Student consequences for misbehavior may include:

- Warning
- Time out (in classroom or office)
- Classroom consequences
- Phone call home
- Loss of Privilege
- Lunch/Recess/Office detention
- Restriction from activities (this could include school trips)
- Bus suspension
- Removal from classroom by teacher
- In school suspension (ISS)
- Out of school suspension (OSS)



Remember:

- Always keep hands to yourself. No hitting, kicking, punching, pushing or shoving.
- Do not purposely damage or destroy school or personal property of others