

## Code of Conduct:

An effective discipline program is essential in the teaching and learning process. The staff at Upbring School has established an educational environment in which children can comfortably learn at their own level. Each student has the right to learn and play at Upbring without disruption or antagonism from other students.

The staff is committed to teaching and reinforcing appropriate student behavior. Courtesy, respect, and problem-solving strategies are practiced by all staff members and students. Students are encouraged to consistently follow school rules of conduct, set a positive example for others, and always be conscious of how their behavior affects others. Together, our goal is to assure that each child achieves success. We believe that you, as parents, play an important role in helping your child achieve our expectations, both academic and behavioral. The major role of parents in school discipline is to continually show interest in and support for their children at school.

Generally, playground supervisors and classroom teachers administer discipline, but when the situation warrants, the Campus Administrator becomes involved. Parents are not necessarily called on the first problem, as students are encouraged to take responsibility for their actions and to learn to meet the rules and expectations of the school. We believe each student has the final responsibility for the consequences of his/her behavior. If your child exhibits unacceptable behavior at school, you may be asked to help us teach your child an alternate, appropriate set of behaviors. With your cooperation and help, we can provide a positive, productive, and safe learning environment for your child. After reading the Upbring School Code of Conduct with your child, please sign and return the form inserted in this booklet to the school office.

### Upbring School Rules

1. **Take responsibility for learning.**
2. **Respect self, others, and place.**
3. **Show resourcefulness and readiness to learn.**
4. **Act in a safe and healthful manner.**

#### Student Responsibilities

Students are responsible for:

- bringing appropriate materials to class.
- obeying school/classroom rules.
- respecting the rights of others.
- their own actions.
- using appropriate language.
- respecting school property.
- complying with requests of school employees.
- dressing appropriately for school.

#### Student Rights

Students have the right to:

- an education.
- attend a safe school.
- physical safety and protection of personal property.
- not be discriminated against.
- privacy.
- fair and just treatment by school employees.

## **Expectations for Common Areas**

### **Recess Behavior**

On the playground, students will:

- Avoid rough play (play fighting, wrestling, pushing, kicking, etc.) or play that mimics violence (sword fighting, gun fights, etc.).
- Leave personal belongings, such as toys, electronic games, hard balls, bats, etc., at home. **USDL** is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- Speak kindly to others.
- Stay on the playground at recess.
- Take turns with the equipment.
- Immediately stop all play and leave the playground at the end of recess.
- Line up quickly and quietly to return to class at the end of recess.
- Respond immediately, with respect and courtesy, to instructions from adults in charge.

### **Bathroom Behavior**

In the bathroom, students will:

- Use appropriate voice level.
- Respect the privacy of others
- Use healthy hygiene habits.
- Keep the bathrooms clean and safe.

## **When Playground Expectations Are Not Met**

Students who break playground rules will discuss the incident with the adult supervisor. Students will be taught and be given the opportunity to practice expected behavior. Repeated misbehavior may have consequences (time-out on the wall, not play a particular game, etc.) while rules are being re-taught.

Students who continue to break playground rules will be referred to the Campus Administrator. Ongoing problems may result in loss of recess.

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If there are questions regarding the Code of Conduct, please speak to your Campus Administrator for clarification.

