

Code of Conduct



Target: Students Version: 3

Topic: Professional Code of Conduct

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Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that Horizon Private School - Branch operates fairly and appropriately in its decision regarding professional code of conduct of any adult on nursery premises.

Definitions

Code of conduct is a set of rules outlining the social norms, responsibilities of, and/or proper practices of an individual.

Professionalism

Teachers are expected to deal professionally with students, colleagues, parents and the administration. This includes issues such as confidentiality, punctuality, impartiality, conduct, and dressing appropriately. The teacher should be a model of the values and attitudes expected of the students including good citizenship, fairness, honesty, and responsibility as well as prompt fulfillment of duties and respect for others.

Inappropriate Behavior in KGs

Inappropriate behavior includes any action that interferes with other's learning, safety or well-being and it will be handled through steps. It includes the following:

- Being disrespectful to an adult.
- Disregarding directions or instructions, etc.
- Using inappropriate language.
- Harassing, teasing, name-calling, threatening another student.
- Disrupting classroom instruction or discussions by calling out, making excessive

noise such as humming, whistling, tapping, playing with objects, throwing objects, leaving one's seat without permission.

- Running in the halls.
- Using aggressive behavior such as pushing, shoving, tripping, spitting, and kicking.
- Misusing playground equipment and/or disrupting another's play at recess.

Actions Taken in KGs

Step 1: When a student interferes with the learning, safety or well-being of another student in the class, the student will be asked to take a seat away from the academic setting. The student is to spend a short time quietly thinking about the problem. If successful in doing this, then the student may return to the learning center, desk, etc. and continue working.

Step 2: If a student fails to take advantage of this time away from work, the teacher then sends the student to the Section Coordinator's office to have a talk.

Step 3: If the student does not follow the expectations for step 2, the Section Coordinator will refer the student to the social worker.

Step 4: the social worker will call the parent, so that they may talk with their child and help her/ him get back on track.

Step 5: A conference is set up with parents, students, and teachers.

Code of Conduct in Elementary

Level 1 Offense	Level 2 Offense	Level 3 Offense
☐ Incomplete assignment	☐ Inappropriate & unethical behavior	☐ Leaving school without permission
☐ Failure to get learning materials	☐ Showing disrespect to a staff member	☐ Possession and/or use of dangerous items
☐ Unexcused tardiness to class	☐ Damaging school property	☐ Verbally assaulting a staff member
☐ Playing in the KG hallways	☐ Damaging someone's property	☐ Physically assaulting a student
☐ Not wearing the uniform	☐ Emotional bullying	☐ Physical bullying
☐ Chewing gum	☐ Physical bullying	
☐ Leaving class without permission	☐ Stealing	
☐ Eating & Drinking in the KG hallways	☐ Cheating in assessments	
☐ Running & shouting in the hallways	0	<u> </u>
☐ Littering	٥	o o
☐ Not tidying the area around desks	<u> </u>	
☐ Disrupting class activity	٠	o o

☐ Failure to abide by classroom rules	٥	٥
☐ Disobeying the teacher	٠	٠
☐ Disrespecting peers	٥	
☐ Exercising dishonesty		
☐ Copying assignment		

Actions Taken in Elementary

The Intervention Ladder below depicts the disciplinary consequences resulting from a student committing a certain level of offense or the student's disciplinary record.

- 1.1 A **Level-1** offense committed for the first-time results in a **verbal warning**.
- 1.2 A Level-1 offense committed after 3 verbal warnings result in an Incident Report.
- 1.3 **Three (3)** Incident Reports obtained by Level-1 offenses result in **30-minute community service.**
- 2. After obtaining a level-2 offense for the first time, the teacher/Section Coordinator will call the parents.
- 3. After obtaining (3) level-2 offenses, a meeting will be scheduled with the parents for further actions.
- 4. After obtaining a level-3 offense, a meeting will be scheduled with the parents and the social worker for further actions.

The school reserves the right to deprive any student with disciplinary misconduct from taking part in a certain school event, activity, and/or trip.

Code of Conduct in Middle School & High School

Level 1 Offense	Level 2 Offense	Level 3 Offense
☐ Disrupting the learning environment	□ Bullying	☐ Stealing/theft
☐ Misusing technology	☐ Cheating	□ Bullying
☐ Violating dress code	☐ Plagiarism	☐ Harassment
☐ Disrespecting school member(s)	☐ Skipping class deliberately	☐ Leaving school without permission
☐ Disrespecting peers	☐ Leaving classroom without permission	☐ Reckless endangerment towards others
☐ Hitting or pushing	Misbehaving that endangers students or staff	☐ Indecent exposure
☐ Failing to abide by the rules	☐ Damaging school property	☐ Possession/use of tobacco or prohibited substance
☐ Being repeatedly off-task	☐ Using inappropriate language or gestures	☐ Physical attacking or harming
☐ Chewing gum	☐ Fighting	□ Vandalism
☐ Eating/drinking in undesignated areas	☐ Using profanity and rde language	☐ Verbally assaulting staff member
☐ Found unattended	٥	٥
☐ Being late	0	0

☐ Littering on school premises	٥	٥		
☐ Exercising dishonesty with staff and peers				
☐ Copying assignments	٥	٥		
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☐ Being unprepared for class time	٥	٥		
☐ Misusing school property	0	0		

Actions Taken in Middle School & High School

The Intervention Ladder below depicts the disciplinary consequences resulting from a student committing a certain level of offense or the student's disciplinary record.

- 1. A Level-1 offense committed for the first-time results in a verbal warning.
- 2. A **level-1** offense committed for the second time results in a Notification.
- 3. A **Level 2 3** offense committed for the first-time results in a Notification.
- 4. The collection of 6 offense points will result in an Incident Report which will be reflected on the Report Card.
- 5. After obtaining an Incident Report, any additional Notification results in a scheduled phone call and/or meeting with the parents to discuss further actions.
- 6. Offenses related to social-emotional matter will result in the intervention of the social worker and/or Section Coordinator.
- 7. Students repeating offenses of the same nature will sit and reflect on their actions using "Stop and Think" Form.
- 8. After obtaining 2 Incident Reports, in-school detention will be scheduled.

The school reserves the right to take immediate action in specific situations.

General Guidelines

- 1. When applying disciplinary measures, the school should follow three levels and apply the Student Behavior Regulations issued by the Ministry of Education in cases that are not mentioned in ADEC's Guidelines and Policies.
- 2. The school must form a School Disciplinary Committee to review and discuss student behavior issues, provided that the disciplinary actions by the committee must be fair and equitable to all students without exception.
- 3. The school's Disciplinary Committee shall keep a record of the disciplinary offenses of each student and the actions taken in response, on the Esis system, including uploading all supporting reports for all offenses and actions taken. The School, the ADEC and any supervisory authorities shall treat all information about students' behavior as strictly confidential.
- 4. Students with special education needs must not be subject to more severe consequences than those imposed on the rest of the students, for comparable violations.