

Minneapolis Public Schools

Secondary Student Behavior Acknowledgement

Each year Minneapolis Public Schools shares its Behavior Standards Policy with students so that you can be aware of the expectations that the district has for student behavior. The goal of school discipline is to teach students to behave in ways that contribute to your academic achievement and to support a school environment where students and staff are responsible and respectful. We believe that all students, families, staff and community members share rights and responsibilities to ensure that all members of our school communities are safe, able to learn, and are treated with respect, dignity and kindness. **Please read the information below carefully and then sign your name at the bottom and return this form to your teacher.**

I have reviewed the Behavior Standards Policy and understand the behaviors that are expected of me at school, including:

- Coming to school every day, on time, ready to learn.
- Dressing in an appropriate manner.
- Taking responsibility for my behavior.
- Working to achieve at high levels.
- Following school and classroom rules.
- Treating myself and others with respect.
- Helping others understand my culture and learning about the culture of others.
- Following reasonable requests from school staff.
- Doing assigned homework.
- Talking to my family about what is happening at school.

All school rules and expectations apply anywhere on school grounds, on the bus, OR at any organized activity sponsored by the school regardless of the location.

I understand that the following misbehavior WILL result in suspension and may result in a recommendation for expulsion:

- Possession of a weapon including: guns, knives, clubs, metal knuckles, numchucks, throwing stars, explosives, stun guns, ammunition or mace. **Note:** A student who finds a weapon on the way to school or in the school building, and who reports it to school staff immediately shall NOT be considered in possession of a weapon.
- Assault: a direct attack on another person, either physical or sexual in nature.
- Possession or sale of alcohol or other drugs.
- Making bomb or terroristic threats.
- Robbery

I understand that the following behaviors MAY result in suspension or other consequences:

- Threats or physical aggression or fighting
- Defiance, verbal abuse or disrespect
- Harassment
- Trespassing
- Property offenses, including vandalism, theft, possession of stolen property, or unauthorized use of school equipment.
- Possession of tobacco (except when permitted for cultural or religious purposes and approved by parents and the principal)
- False fire alarms
- Inappropriate use of personal electronic devices

If you have questions or concerns about the Behavior Standards Policy, please talk to your teacher or a school staff member who you trust.

I have reviewed the Behavior Standards Policy and understand the expectations for proper behavior that my school has.

(Please fill out the information and sign below)

Printed Student Name

Date

Student's Signature

School

Homeroom