

**Irvington UFSD
Code of Conduct
Elementary Plain Language Version**



This is the plain language version of the Irvington UFSD Code of Conduct; Board Policy 7310 adopted July 2, 2018.

This document reflects the Irvington UFSD Code of Conduct and is available in the main office of each elementary school. This document and the complete Irvington UFSD Code of Conduct are available on line at the District website.

We provide a plain language version of the Irvington UFSD Code of Conduct to support conversations with our younger students and their teachers and parents. Please take time to review this document with your child.

Student Responsibilities

- ☺ I will treat others the way I would like them to treat me.
- ☺ I will follow the directions of adults who work in the school.
- ☺ I will act in ways that do not interfere with the teaching and learning of others.
- ☺ I will not make hurtful comments about someone's race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, ability, sexual orientation, gender or sex; or treat others differently because of anyone of these characteristics.
- ☺ I will be truthful.
- ☺ I will not make up mean stories or spread rumors about students and adults.
- ☺ I will not use words to threaten others.
- ☺ I will not bring to school any object that can intimidate, threaten, hurt or harm others.
- ☺ I will use kind and respectful words and not inappropriate words.

- ☺ I will refrain from fighting, name calling, or any other behavior that could be called bullying. Bullying means any behavior which occurs repeatedly that causes harm to another person in a physical, emotional or verbal way. This includes cyber-bullying.
- ☺ I will not use computers, emails, instant messages, cell phones, texting, etc. to cause emotional distress towards other students or school staff members at school or at home.
- ☺ I will dress appropriately in school.
- ☺ I will respect the personal space, rights and properties of others and the school.
- ☺ If I need medication at school, my parents will bring it to the school nurse.
- ☺ I will tell an adult if there is a problem.
- ☺ I will come to school every day prepared to do my best, leaving at home anything that might distract me or others from learning.

We expect students to demonstrate these responsibilities throughout the school including in classrooms, hallways, cafeteria and the playground as well as on field trips.

General Consequences for Not Meeting Student Responsibilities

When students fail to follow the above responsibilities there may be consequences, including one or more of the following:

- Conversation with an adult about student responsibilities
- Verbal warning
- Time out/in-school detention as determined by the teacher
- Parent contact
- Referral to a building administrator
- Parent conference
- Administrative detention
- Loss of privilege
- In-school suspension
- Out-of-school suspension
- Superintendent's hearing
- Immediate removal from setting if student behavior threatens the health and/or safety of self or others



Student Responsibilities when Riding the Bus

- ☺ I understand that the school bus is like being at school and I am responsible for my behavior in the same ways that I am at school.
- ☺ I understand that riding the bus is a privilege; by not fulfilling my responsibilities I can lose this privilege.
- ☺ I will remain seated and use a quiet voice on the bus.
- ☺ I will keep my hands, feet and all belongings to myself.
- ☺ I will listen to my bus driver.

Bus Consequences for Not Meeting Student Responsibilities on the Bus

- Conversation with an adult about student responsibilities
- Verbal warning
- Change of seat
- Parent contact
- Administrative detention and/or bus suspension

It is our hope that by acting responsibly and with kindness that students will be able to problem solve and learn how to best handle challenging situations in positive ways. We encourage students to live by the golden rule and always treat others how they themselves want to be treated.