

Glenwood Elementary School Code of Conduct

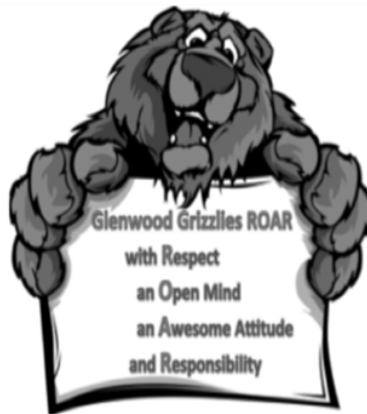
Glenwood Elementary School's Code of Conduct has been created to maintain a safe, caring, and orderly school environment. The Purpose of the Code of Conduct is:

- 1) To encourage the development of socially responsible behaviour resulting in a positive reputation for students and the school community.
- 2) To foster a safe, respectful, and welcoming learning environment for all students, staff and parents.
- 3) To clearly communicate behavioural expectations to the school community.

The Code of Conduct applies to all members of the school community at school, traveling to and from the school, at any school-related activity at any location, or any circumstance/activity that will have an impact on the school environment.

At Glenwood Elementary School we believe that character development through the teaching of positive social skills is paramount to the success of any student. Glenwood students are encouraged to learn to R.O.A.R. with success. In the pursuit of the development of these skills, students are encouraged to apply pro-social skills in all locations and are explicitly taught the following:

Glenwood Elementary School: School-wide Expectations



RESPECT

Use kind words
Listen to adults
Take care of each other
Respect personal space

OPEN MIND

Listen to others
Include others
Accept differences
Have a growth mindset

AWESOME ATTITUDE

Be a good sport
Remember your manners
Stop and think
Come ready to learn

RESPONSIBILITY

Ask for help if you need it
Make safe choices
Use your W.I.T.S.
Take care of our school

Outside/playground Expectations RECESS AND LUNCH

RESPECT	OPEN MIND	AWESOME ATTITUDE	RESPONSIBILITY
1. We let living things live 2. We leave rocks, sticks and snow on the ground 3. We think about others 4. We listen to adults	1. We listen to others 2. We include others 3. We assume good in others	1. We use kind words 2. We smile 3. We think before we act 4. We fill each other's buckets 5. We are good sports	1. We play by the rules 2. We keep our hands and feet to ourselves 3. We line up quickly and quietly when the bell goes 4. We keep the grounds clean 5. We make safe choices 6. We use our WITS

Hallway Expectations

RESPECT	OPEN MIND.	AWESOME ATTITUDE	.RESPONSIBILITY.
1. We use quiet voices 2. We use appropriate language 3. We keep our hands off the walls	1. We accept differences and leave extra spaces for those who need it.	1. We appreciate displays 2. We are polite 3. We use good manners	1. We look after our school 2. We keep our school clean 3. We lead by example 4. We keep calm and walk

Bathroom Expectations

RESPECT	OPEN MIND	AWESOME ATTITUDE	RESPONSIBILITY
1. We keep bathrooms clean 2. We use only what we need (paper/water/soap) 3. We keep the walls clean 4. We use quiet voices	1. We wait our turn patiently	1. We use good manners 2. We respect each other's privacy	1. We tidy up after ourselves 2. We inform the office of concerns 3. We wash our hands with soap

Any language (oral or written) or behaviour that deliberately degrades, denigrates, labels, stereotypes or incites hatred, prejudice, discrimination or harassment towards students or employees on the basis of their real and or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, appearance, capacity, disability, colour, ethnicity, or religion is unacceptable and will be taken care of according to our code of conduct.

Bullying Policy and Definition

At Glenwood we believe that all students and staff have the right to work and attend school in a safe, caring and responsible environment. This environment is characterized by positive relationship between students, staff and parents. ***It is recognized that bullying by anyone (adult or child) has a negative effect on the school climate and therefore is not tolerated at Glenwood.***

Bullying is defined as the following:

Bullying & Harassment: Comments or conduct that is unwelcome and often creates an intimidating, demeaning or hostile environment. Bullying is a type of harassment. **Bullying can be confused with conflict that happens between students; however, bullying can be defined as a repeated action, and/or include a power imbalance.**

Bullying can (but may not be limited to) the following:

- Physical Bullying: Hitting; kicking; tripping; pinching; pushing or damaging property.
- Verbal Bullying: Name Calling - insults; teasing; intimidation; homophobic or racist remarks or verbal abuse.
- Social/Emotional or Relational Bullying: Behavioural actions designed to harm a child's reputation or cause humiliation like: lying; spreading rumors; negative facial gestures; playing mean jokes to embarrass or humiliate a child; mimicking a child in a mean way; or encouraging social exclusion of a child.
- Cyber Bullying: Taunting or humiliation through social media sites/internet; cruel websites targeting specific youth; humiliating others while playing online games; verbal or emotional bullying through chat rooms, instant messages or texting; posting photos/videos of other youth on the internet.

*If a student engages in any of the above-mentioned behaviours the school wide discipline system will be followed, and the appropriate level of intervention will be instituted.

Dress Code

The school district is committed to providing students with learning environments that are safe, responsive, and inclusive. The district recognizes that decisions about dress reflect individual expression of identity, socio-cultural norms, and that they are personal.

Students may attend school and school-related functions in dress of their choice provided that their choices:

- Conform with established health and safety requirements for the intended activity;
- Do not represent or promote weapons, gang culture, alcohol or drugs;
- Use respectful language;
- Do not depict or promote violence, racism, sexism or discrimination; and
- Are not intimidating to others.

Ultimately, the school administration has the responsibility to apply the dress guidelines when necessary. If any person dresses in an inappropriate manner, the student should be advised personally and discretely and given an opportunity to meet school district guidelines.

Respect for Human Rights

In fostering a community of respect, inclusion, fairness and equity, we expect persons to not discriminate based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or age.

The Human Rights Codes [RSBC 1996, c210] will be respected:

Excerpt from Section 7 Discriminatory publication

7 (1) A person must not publish, issue or display, or cause to be published, issued or displayed, any statement, publication, notice, sign, symbol, emblem, or other representation that

- a) indicates discrimination or an intention to discriminate against a person, a group, or class of persons, or
- b) is likely to expose a person or a group or class of persons to hatred or contempt

Excerpt from Section 8 Discrimination in accommodation, service, and facility

8 (1) A person must not, without a bona fide and reasonable justification,

- a) deny to a person or class of persons any accommodation, service or facility customarily available to the public, or
- b) discriminate against a person or class of persons regarding any accommodation, service or facility customarily available to the public.

Electronic Device Policy

At Glenwood Elementary students are not permitted to use personal digital devices during instructional time. There may be situations when the school will permit a student to use a personal digital device for the purposes of inclusion and accessibility. Examples of those are digital literacy, communication, medical and health needs and as defined with an individual education plan.

Physical Violence/Weapons Policy

At Glenwood we believe that members of the school community are expected to use non-violent means to resolve conflict. We teach and model a hands-feet-to-self. Physically aggressive behaviour is not a responsible way to interact with others. The possession, use, or threatened use of any object to injure another person or self is strictly prohibited. Weapons and fireworks (or objects resembling) are strictly prohibited and will be confiscated.

Illegal Drugs and Alcohol Policy

Alcohol and banned substances are addictive and present a health hazard. The possession of, or under the influence of, alcohol or illegal drugs is strictly prohibited.

School Procedures Routines:

School Day Start and Entry - The warning bell for morning class goes at 8:25 am and doors will be opened for students at that time. Students are expected to be in their classroom no later than 8:30 am. If a student is not in the classroom, the student will be marked as *absent* and the parent/guardian will be phoned to confirm on the child's whereabouts (unless contact from the parent/guardian has been previously made). Please note there is no formal student supervision provided until 8:25 am.

The majority of classrooms at Glenwood have an outside entrance. Each classroom teacher will advise students and parents/guardians of the specific entry and exit routines for that particular classroom.

Late Entry/ Late Slip - Entry past 8:40 am requires the student to report to the office to sign-in.

End of Day - School ends at 2:20 pm. Students will be dismissed according to the exit routines established by the classroom teacher. For safety reasons, students are encouraged to return home at this time. There is no formal supervision provided after school.

Students Absent or Late - In the event that your child is ill or late, please advise the office before 8:30am. Parents can advise the office either by: the "Report Absence" function in your Parent Portal, emailing gl_reception@sd42.ca or by phoning **604-463-6512**. To ensure that all students are safe every day, we have a phone home program and will contact you or the emergency contacts if we have not been informed of an absent or late. It is much more efficient and helpful to the office if families contact the school first. We have an answering machine available to take a message after or before office hours. If your child has an appointment, please send a note to the teacher so arrangements can be made to dismiss your child at the required time. Thank you for your cooperation.

Chronic absences and lates are problematic, as children miss their socializing at school and the learning intentions shared at the beginning of each day when classes begin. We encourage everyone to do their best to have children arrive on time and consistently. If your child is absent for 5 days or longer due to illness or injury, please contact the office to discuss the possibility of accessing our District's Hospital/Homebound program. A teacher is available to help your child with students at home.

Students Leaving School During the Day - If your child has lunch at home on a regular basis, please inform the office or the classroom teacher in writing. We will keep the information on file to assist us with student safety. If your child usually remains at school during the lunch hour, please send a signed note for each occasion you give permission to leave the school ground. We strongly recommend that parents not give children permission to visit local stores during school hours because of safety concerns. **Students leaving the school grounds during the day are expected to have parents sign children out and back in at the office**, as we need to be able to account for all students in the event of an emergency or fire drill.

Student Health/Medication for Students

Students who become ill are encouraged to remain home until symptom-free for 24 hours. If a student becomes ill at school a parent/guardian will be contacted to pick the student up from school. For this reason, and in case of an emergency, it is **critical that the school have current phone numbers for parents and alternate emergency contacts**. Please ensure registration forms are returned quickly and the information is kept up to date throughout the year. Arrangements can be made for students who require medication to be administered at school. Please request a School District form from the office and provide the completed form and a supply of the medication (in its original container) to the office. If your child has a medical condition (allergies, etc.), please inform the office so we can arrange support and ensure your child's needs are met. Please feel free to discuss children's health concerns with the Principal or contact the Public Health Unit directly at 604-476-7000.

School Closures

The decision to close schools due to extreme weather, or any other circumstances that may affect student safety, is made by the Superintendent of Schools. Emergency closures are announced at the top of our school district homepage - www.sd42.ca, and the radio stations (below) between the hours of 6:00 am and 8:30 am on the day of the closure: CKNW (980AM) CKWK (1130AM) CBC (690AM) JACK (96.9FM). If the school is closed during the day while students are present, our "Emergency Call Back" system will take effect and we will follow the instructions requested on the 'emergency closure' section of the student registration form.

Safety in the Event of an Emergency

Schools have emergency procedures that are regularly reviewed and practiced (drills). The Emergency Procedures Manual developed for all School District 42 schools is posted in all rooms and covers potential emergency situations.

Parent Advisory Council

The PAC at Glenwood Elementary is an active, supportive group involved in work with the Principal, staff and students in a variety of ways throughout the school. All parents are members and are encouraged to attend any of the monthly PAC meetings. PAC meeting dates and times are posted in the school newsletters. Our PAC Executive welcomes volunteers willing to assist with a wide variety of activities and events throughout the year. PAC contact information is available on our school website.

Moving

Please inform the school office as soon as possible if you plan to move. It is important that the school have updated information. If your child/ren are transferring out of the school, please submit a transfer or withdrawal form. To make a formal transfer request, log in to your Parent Portal account, click on the "Registration" tab, and under "New Request" select the appropriate transfer period.

Lost items

Lost and found items are collected in the wooden box in the main hallway by the office. Small or valuable items are held in the office when found.

Office Phones

Since our school phone lines are usually very busy, especially at the beginning and ending of the school day, students are asked to make social arrangements from home only. For special circumstances, students may request a phone pass from their classroom teachers.

School Counsellor

If home or school circumstances interfere with your child's ability to learn, you may contact the Principal, Classroom or Support Teacher to make a referral on your child's behalf. The Counsellor will then contact you at home to discuss support for your child.

Traffic Safety

In order to limit traffic congestion and ensure student safety, please do not park in front of the school or in the pickup/drop off area. Please do not leave your car unattended in non-designated parking spots.

Please respect parking spots that are designated "Disabled Parking." We have many students, parents and care givers who need immediate access to these designated spaces in order to safely access the school.

Please wait until you see your child at the front of the school before leaving your parking space. If your child is not outside and ready to be picked up, please park or continue to circle the parking lot. To decrease congestion, we recommend students walk to school or use alternative safe modes of transportation if possible. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

*Students are required to **walk bikes, scooters, skateboards etc. while on school property** to assist with potential congestion and safety issues during these busy times. Students are also required to wear helmets and bring locks. Misuse of personal sporting equipment on school property will result in confiscation by administration until a time when a parent or caregiver can collect it.

