

## OAKVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT REQUIRED OF PARENTS AND OTHER PERSONS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Schools should be places where students, staff, parents and visitors to the school should feel safe and happy. Ensuring that our school remains a pleasant and safe place for all is the responsibility of all who enter the school grounds.

Parents and visitors to the school are expected to:

- 1. Treat all persons associated with the school (staff, students and visitors) with respect and courtesy
- 2. Keep clear of all buildings and entrances
- 3. Communicate with appropriate staff prior to removing their child/ren from the school grounds
- 4. Report to the school office to notify their presence on the school site (for interviews and prolonged stays)
- 5. Make appointments in advance to see teachers or executive staff
- 6. Leave the grounds when requested
- 7. Allow staff to supervise, investigate and manage students without interference
- 8. Follow the proper complaints procedures when expressing a concern about the school ie class teacher to executive teacher to principal to School Education Director
- 9. Never interfere with school-related, home-related, or welfare issues of children not their own, whether it be of a reward or punishment nature as the school will deal with issues between students as part of the school's Reward, Discipline and Welfare policies
- 10. Never enter the school grounds smoking or under the influence of drugs or alcohol
- 11. Never swear or use intimidating language
- 12. Follow school procedures governing entry and behaviour on school grounds, including any restrictions that may be imposed.

This Code of Conduct is intended to ensure that students, staff, parents and other visitors are not subjected to behaviours that cause stress, arouse anger, resentment, disgust or outrage.

Failure to abide by this Code of Conduct will lead to the provisions of the Inclosed Lands Protection Act (1901) and its Amendments being followed when any of the following occur:

- Actual physical assaults or threatened physical assaults on students, staff, parents or community members at the school or during the course of school activities;
- Behaviour in a manner in the presence of students, staff, parents or other visitors to the school that causes alarm or concern to the students, staff, parents or other visitors;
- Use of offensive language (i.e. swearing) in the presence of students;
- Persistent interruptions to the learning environment of the school such as entering classrooms without permission;
- Persistent entry to the school site without permission or legitimate reason.