



Matsqui
Elementary School

Matsqui Elementary School Code of Conduct

Statement of Purpose

At Matsqui Elementary, we have a Code of Conduct to establish and maintain a safe, caring and orderly environment for purposeful learning and the development of citizenship skills.

Reference to the BC Human Rights Code

Students are responsible for respecting the rights and dignity of others in learning environments free from discrimination as set out in the BC Human Rights Code and becoming actively and productively involved in their own academic learning and social growth.

Acceptable Conduct

Students are expected to be respectful and responsible at school, on the way to and from school, and while attending any school function or field trip. We believe that students should be self-directed good citizens by showing compassion, tolerance, kindness and honesty.

Unacceptable Conduct

Examples of unacceptable conduct are behaviours that interfere with the learning of self and others or are disrespectful or create unsafe conditions in the school community. Acts of bullying, harassment, physical violence or intimidation will not be tolerated. Any illegal acts such as theft or damage of property will involve serious consequences at the school level and may consequently involve the police.

Rising Expectations and Consequences

As students become older, more mature and move through the successive grades, we expect an increasing level of personal responsibility. Consequences will depend on the severity and frequency of the unacceptable conduct as well as the age and maturity of the students.

Responses to unacceptable conduct will be consistent and fair. Disciplinary action is intended to help students learn from their mistakes and be restorative rather than punitive.

Parents/guardians will be notified of any serious breaches of the Code of Conduct. School district officials and the police may consequently be involved in serious incidents. The board will take all reasonable steps to prevent retaliation against a student who has made a complaint of a breach of the code of conduct.