

Online Student Code of Conduct Agreement

This class will use online discussions to complement in-class instruction to achieve higher level thinking skills. You will regularly engage in discussions and collaborative group work with your peers. To establish a safe space in our classroom site, we all need to agree to uphold specific expectations for conduct online.

I _____ agree to:
[neatly print your first and last name]

- Actively engage in the conversations taking place online.
- Read and think deeply about my peers' ideas, questions, suggestions, and comments.
- Address my classmates by name when responding to their ideas.
- Maintain an appropriate tone and stay on topic to further productive discussions.
- Respectfully disagree with ideas. I will not attack my peers because their ideas are different from or contrary to my own.
- Be open-minded. I believe I can learn from the diversity of perspectives in this class.
- Attempt to think "outside the box" to present new ideas and perspectives.
- Respect the privacy of my peers. I will not republish (i.e. cut and paste content from our discussions to other social networking forums) or discuss conversations that take place in our classroom site.
- Support my classmates in their learning process. I will not tease or make fun of my peers.
- Encourage discussion by asking interesting, thought-provoking questions.
- Seek help from my peers and/or the teacher if I have concerns or questions.
- Only attach information (i.e. documents, images, videos, etc) that is appropriate to the educational setting.
- Submit work that is reflective of my intellect. I will follow the appropriate conventions of English (i.e. spelling, grammar, sentence structure, word choice, etc.) to ensure that my postings clearly communicate my ideas.

My signature verifies that I have read, understand and agree to comply with the above code of conduct. I understand that I must play an active role in establishing and maintaining a safe space in our classroom site to ensure that all students feel comfortable actively participating.

If I violate any of the above expectations for my conduct in our online site, I am aware that I will be held accountable for my actions.

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature _____