

Harrisburg School District - Cougar Academy
Code of Conduct

The mission of the Harrisburg School District is to achieve excellence in education and to prepare its students to become productive and contributing members of society. To this end, the Harrisburg School District seeks to implement an educational program which promotes lifelong learning, effective decision making and communication, and respect for self and others. All people have the right to an equal opportunity for quality education. The Harrisburg School District provides its educational programs with the expectation of excellence and in accordance with a student's abilities, interests, and needs, consistent with available resources. Education in Harrisburg must be a contract among the Board, students, teachers, administrators, parents and community to deliver services for the ultimate benefit of students within the schools. The Harrisburg School District recognizes that educating students must be its primary goal, and thus, all students should be treated with dignity and respect and be recognized for their individual uniqueness. Similarly, the Harrisburg School District recognizes that disciplined behavior is essential to the continued development of its students, and thus, must be an integral component of its educational program in preparing students to become orderly and productive citizens.

The School District recognizes it must hire and develop administrative, teaching, and auxiliary staff who are competent, concerned about students and willing to share responsibility for implementing the aforementioned values and beliefs as well as the following goals: achievement, attendance, communication skills, mathematics/ science, critical thinking, self-esteem, and understanding others.

The following infractions on the code of conduct may result in disciplinary action:

- Cheating-acting dishonestly, copying, or using someone else's work
- Violating the Academic integrity/Plagiarism Policy
- Insubordination- not accepting directions; refusing to cooperate with school staff and other agents
- Theft- taking property of another without right or permission
- Fighting-participating in physical contact with one or more students, faculty or staff
- Vandalism-purposeful destruction of misuse of Harrisburg School District property
- Violating Acceptable Use Policy
- Harassment or profane/obscene language or gestures towards students/staff/teachers/others
- Wrongful conduct- any action or inaction not specifically referenced in the listing above that impedes, obstructs, interferes, or violates the mission of Harrisburg School District or is disrespectful, harmful, or offensive to others or property
- Possession of drugs alcohol, tobacco or illicit substances at school related events or on school property
- Possession of Weapons on school property or school related events
- Hazing- any intentional, knowing, or reckless act meant to induce pain, embarrassment, humiliation, deprivation of rights or that creates physical or mental discomfort and is directed against a student with the purpose of being initiated into, affiliated with, holding office in, or maintaining membership in any organization, program or club
- Bullying- Bullying is a form of harassment and is defined as repeated intimidation of others by real or threatened infliction of physical, verbal, written, electronically transmitted, or emotional abuse, or through attacks on property of another. Bullying may include but is not limited to name calling, verbal taunts, extortion of money or possessions, and exclusion from peer groups

We have read and understand the above policy and agree to abide by the rules of this policy.

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date