

Discipline Contract

In order for each and every child to learn and reach their maximum potential, it is imperative that students learn and follow the expectations and rules established by our school and by individual teachers. In our classroom, I explicitly teach the routines, procedures and rules to our class during the first weeks of school using the Time to Teach model. We will review and practice rules & routines throughout the year.

Our school has chosen to use the PBIS Model (Positive Behavior Intervention System) for our school-wide discipline system. We have three school rules that will apply in all areas of the school:

1. Be Respectful
2. Be Responsible
3. Be Safe

In our classroom we have added a fourth, to Care. Caring in one's self, family, school, community, country, and world is a very important trait to possess.

As a school we will reinforce positive behavior with acknowledgement and reward activities (such as lunch with the teacher/principal, PALS awards, pictures on the wall...). Students who are not using expected behaviors will experience the following consequences.

1. Verbal redirection
2. Refocus- time out with reflection
3. Possible Office Referral

If your child is breaking the rules in our classroom or other areas of the school, I will send home a copy of his/her referral form. I do not expect you to "punish" your child when he/she gets home. But, I do expect you to talk with your child and help me develop a plan that will enable your child and the rest of the class to learn. It is my goal that you will have a general idea of how your child behaves each day when he/she is away from you and your home environment.

If your child is repeatedly breaking rules or defying teachers at school, I will invite you and your child to conference with me and create a written behavior contract that is more specific to your child. If the

behavior contract is ineffective, your family will be invited to conference with Mr. Pierantoni and/or our BIT team (Building Intervention Team).

Children deserve to be taught what is expected of them in each environment they participate in. It is our duty as adults to establish boundaries and enforce expectations **consistently**. By following this contract as a team, we will aid your child in becoming a successful and responsible learner.

Please cut on the dotted line and return only the bottom portion so that you have this information to refer to.

I have read and discussed this contract with my family and agree to follow the rules and routines taught by Mrs. Price and/or other Thayne Elementary Staff.

Student Signature

Parent Signature