



COLLINGWOOD
SCHOOL

COLLINGWOOD PARENT/GUARDIAN CHARTER

Philosophy:

Collingwood's values of **courage**, **curiosity** and **community** are the fundamental beliefs that guide our community's attitudes and behaviours. At its core, Collingwood community behavior is supported by three statements of respect that we expect our students, parents and staff to abide by:

Respect for self
Respect for others
Respect for community

The Parent /Guardian Charter informs the school community of behaviour we expect of ourselves and others. The Charter is based on the principles of respect for the rights and dignity of all persons in order to promote a safe, respectful, and healthy environment within the school community.

Statement of Commitment:

The following statements support the philosophy of Collingwood School. These statements must be accepted and adhered to by all members of the community. Please read them carefully. These statements require you to make an annual commitment to the values and ideals of our school community.

By completing the signed statement each year as part of the Collingwood registration process, you accept the responsibility of this commitment.

- 1) Parents/Guardians agree that they and their families will exhibit conduct consistent with Collingwood School values by:
 - respecting the rights and dignity of all persons in the school community at all times
 - working towards the common good of all students
 - refraining from participation in or promotion of any behaviour that would threaten, intimidate, verbally assault (use of abusive language) or bully (which is an attempt to undermine an individual through cruel or humiliating behaviour, or repetitive personal attacks) that cause or could be expected to cause physical or emotional harm to any person
 - communicating respectfully with our faculty, administration and other school personnel

- accepting those decisions which are clearly stated to be final and not engaging in further discussion or argument except as provided by policy
- refraining from using any technology/media device to defame the character of any person in our community or cause harm to the character of the school community

Note: The determination of whether any conduct contravenes these standards is the right of the Head of Wentworth and the Head of Morven. Any appeal will be made to the Head of Collingwood School.

- 2) Parents/Guardians will show an active interest in their child's learning and progress as well as attend required meetings (progress interviews/conferences, etc.).
- 3) Parents/Guardians will ensure regular school attendance and full participation in all aspects of the academic program of the school in order to support their child in reaching his/her full academic potential.
- 4) Parents/Guardians will know and support school policy and procedures.
- 5) Parents/Guardians agree to pay an amount equivalent to the provincial government grant if their child is ineligible for funding because of considerable extended absences.

If any of these conditions are not met, the school reserves the right to:

- a. Refuse admission/re-admission
- b. Remove the student from the school

Any questions or concerns regarding this commitment may be brought to the Head of Wentworth or the Head of Morven.