

# Classroom Rules and Behavior Plan



Dear families,

I anticipate a wonderful year and daily the children will have opportunities for involvement with people, books, technology, and a wide array of materials. In order to assure a safe, equitable educational environment, the following rules, and discipline plan will be in effect at all times.

## Classroom Behavior Rules

1. Be safe.
2. Be respectful
3. Work Hard

## Consequences for Rule Breaking

1. The 1<sup>st</sup> time the student breaks a rule:
  - a. The name is noted and the child is warned. All children make mistakes, and the first step is meant to correct the behavior before it gets out of control.
2. The 2<sup>nd</sup> time the student breaks a rule:
  - a. Student moves their behavior pencil and places it into the warning slot.
3. The 3<sup>rd</sup> time the student breaks a rule:
  - a. Student moves their pencil from warning and places it into the 5-minute recess slot and 5 minutes of recess is lost.
4. The 4<sup>th</sup> time the student breaks a rule:
  - a. Student moves their pencil from 5 minutes and places it into the 10-minute slot.
5. The 5<sup>th</sup> time the student breaks a rule:
  - a. Student moves their pencil from 10-minutes and places it into the Loss of Entire Recess and Call Home slot.
6. The 6<sup>th</sup> time the student breaks a rule:
  - a. Student moves their pencil from Loss of Entire Recess and Call Home slot and moves it into Principals Office slot and will then be sent to the office.

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I do not anticipate needing to send a child to the office for breaking the rules this year. I firmly believe in taking care of discipline problems on my own without needing to resort to sending a child to the principal. With your help and support this system will work. There are adequate opportunities for the student to correct their behavior and move in the right direction.

On the other side of all of this, there are many, many rewards the children can earn. I am an advocate of empowering the children to make the right decisions because they are the right things to do, not because of rewards attached. That being said, I do believe in rewarding students who follow the rules.

I have a prize box that is loaded with incredible prizes and treats. Students who follow the rules will receive chance tickets. Every Friday I will select 5 tickets at random from the chance bucket and the students who are selected will be allowed to choose anything from the prize box.

As you can see, I believe in fairness. I do believe in rewarding students that do what is right. If you have any questions about these rules please feel free to contact me. If you think your child will need adaptations please let me know so we can work together to help your child succeed in my class!