

PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The Phoenix Home Education Foundation (hereafter called Phoenix) has high expectation for standards of behavior for its organization, which includes students, parents, staff members, volunteers, and Board members. Phoenix will not tolerate any form of abuse, harassment or unacceptable behavior by anyone associated with Phoenix.

The Parent Code of Conduct includes:

- a) Expectations of parent behavior;
- b) Expectations of responsible delivery of their child(ren)'s education program;
- c) The consequences faced by parents when they are found responsible for unacceptable behavior.

Scope of Responsibilities

Parents are expected to:

- a) Co-operate fully with everyone authorized by Phoenix to provide education programs & other services;
- b) Account to their teacher for their delivery of their child(ren)'s education program;
- c) Comply with the rules of this policy;
- d) Ensure their child(ren) complies with the rules of the centre and the Student Code of Conduct.

Parents may be held responsible and accountable to Phoenix and its agents for their behavior and conduct:

- a) While they are involved in Phoenix sponsored activities;
- b) At Phoenix facilities;
- c) While travelling to and from Phoenix activities;
- d) Beyond the hours of Phoenix operations, if the behavior or conduct detrimentally affects the governance, climate, or efficiency of Phoenix.

Unacceptable Behavior

- a) May be observed by anyone at Phoenix, including students, other parents, staff and visitors;
- b) May be conducted in person, in writing, or via electronic means;
- c) Must be reported to a Phoenix staff member or member of the Board of Directors.

Some examples of unacceptable behavior include:

- a) Possession of or active contact with a weapon on a person or in a locker or desk;
- b) Threats;
- c) Conduct which endangers others;
- d) Use of or display of improper, obscene or abusive language;

- e) Distribution or display of offensive messages or pictures;
- f) Theft;
- g) Willful damage to Phoenix' or others' property;
- h) Use of, possession of, distribution of, under the influence of or any active contact with drugs, alcohol, or inhalants in the Phoenix facility or in the context of any Phoenix activity;
- i) Personal or sexual harassment;
- j) Extortion.

Consequences for Breaching the Parent Code of Conduct

Consequences for Breaching the Parent Code of Conduct will be determined by the Principal or Administrator. At the Principal's or Administrator's discretion, the Board of Directors may be asked to review and/or apply disciplinary action. Consequences may include one or more of the following:

- a) A warning letter from the Principal or Administration staff;
- b) Suspension from attending programs, classes, fieldtrips, etc with their children;
- c) Legal action

ECS Programs

The ECS program is not a mandatory educational program in Alberta and doesn't fall under the School Act. The Principal or Administrator reserves the right to apply disciplinary action, as above, to anyone for breaching the Parent Code of Conduct

As stated in Section 30 (3) of the School Act:

If a child referred to in subsection (1) (a) of the School Act attends a program under this section, the child is not, by reason of attending that program;

- a) A resident student of the board, or
- b) Entitled to any of the rights or benefits given to a student under the Student Act.

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Board Chair: _____

Board Secretary: _____