

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY'S ANTI-BULLYING PLEDGE

We believe that everyone should enjoy our school equally, and feel safe, secure and accepted regardless of color, race, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, family structure, gender, gender identity, special needs, popularity, economic status, athletic ability, academic performance, body size and religion.

Bullying can be a pattern of physical violence as well as name-calling, picking on, teasing, laughing at, making inappropriate gestures and exclusion. It often involves a difference in power between the parties involved.

Bullying causes pain and stress to children and families and is never justified or excusable as "kids being kids", "just teasing" or any other rationalization.

Washington parents pledge to:

1. Keep our child(ren) and ourselves informed and aware of school bullying policies.
2. Work in partnership with the school to encourage positive behavior, value differences, and promote sensitivity to others.
3. Discuss this pledge with our children before the first day of school.
4. Discuss regularly with our child(ren) his/her feelings about school, friendships and relationships.
5. Inform school staff of changes in our child(ren)'s behavior or circumstances at home that may change his/her behavior at school.
6. Alert school staff if any bullying has occurred.
7. Participate fully and contribute to helping prevent bullying at school.

Washington students pledge to:

1. Actively stamp out bullying at school.
2. Participate in lessons and assemblies around preventing bullying.
3. Avoid teasing, put downs and inappropriate language.
4. Use "I Messages" and our Toolbox tools to peacefully resolve conflicts.
5. Treat others as we want to be treated.
6. Tell Washington staff if we witness or experience bullying. This means if we get bullied or we see someone else being bullied, **we need to be part of the solution!**

Tools of a Peaceful Warrior

Breathing Tool	Personal Space Tool	
Quiet/ Safe Place Tool	Using Our Words Tool	Please & Thank You Tool
Listening Tool	Taking Time Tool	
Empathy Tool	Garbage Can Tool	Apology & Forgiveness Tool
Courage Tool	Patience Tool	

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY'S SCHOOL RULES

1. Respect the personal space and belongings of others. Aggressive behavior, fighting and/or play fighting is not allowed. No wrestling, throwing down or tackle football allowed.
2. Respect the personal beliefs of ALL people. Name calling, racial and homophobic slurs are not allowed. Bullying – physical, verbal or in cyberspace- is not tolerated.
3. Students are not allowed on school grounds before **8 am** or after **2:35 pm** (regular days) or 1:40 pm on Wednesdays without direct parental supervision. The after school program uses the playground after school and needs to supervise their students.
4. Students and parent/guardians are expected to follow the directions of all staff members, for everyone's safety.
5. Parent/guardians are not allowed to approach other people's children to discuss disciplinary concerns. Please report any issues to your child's teacher or to the office.
6. No toys, trading cards or electronic games are allowed at school. Cell phones must be turned off and not visible during school hours, including lunch and recess. If found to be disrupting the learning process, these items will be confiscated and kept in the office. Students may pick up items after school. If found a second time, parents must visit the office to retrieve the item(s).
7. Personal P.E. equipment (other than a tennis ball) is not allowed. Washington is not responsible for lost or stolen personal property.
8. No junk food (candy, gum or soda) or glass bottles allowed, as per BUSD Student Healthy Foods Policy. These items will be confiscated if found.
9. Students should only bring money to school for lunch if online payment is not possible. Washington is not responsible for lost money.

Be Safe!	Be Respectful!	Be Responsible!	Be an Ally!
<p>I am Safe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *I treat people and things with care. *I think about how my actions affect other people. * I make thoughtful choices. 	<p>I am Respectful</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *I care about how other people feel. *I believe other people's thoughts, ideas and feelings are important. 	<p>I am Responsible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *I follow through on things. *I make my own choices between right and wrong. *I can be trusted with important matters. 	<p>I am an Ally</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *I speak up and stand up for what I know is right. * I let an adult know what's going on.