

THE ESSENTIAL EIGHT – ELDORADO K-8 CODES OF CONDUCT
SCHOOL YEAR 2008-2009

1. **POLITE AND RESPECTFUL INTERACTIONS BETWEEN STUDENT PEERS, AND STUDENTS AND ADULTS ARE EXPECTED AS A NORMAL CODE OF CONDUCT – INCLUDING RECOGNIZING AND ACCEPTING THE DIFFERENCES IN OTHERS.** *USE OF BAD LANGUAGE, DEROGATORY COMMENTS AND BULLYING BEHAVIOR - INCLUDING NAME CALLING AND PUT DOWNS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. IF IT IS NOT POLITE ENOUGH FOR GRANDMA'S HOUSE, IT'S NOT POLITE ENOUGH FOR ELDORADO K-8.*
2. **STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR KEEPING THEMSELVES AND OTHERS SAFE AND PROPERTY BELONGING TO THEMSELVES, THE SCHOOL AND OTHER STUDENTS SAFE.** *VANDALISM AND STEALING WILL NOT BE TOLERATED, AND STUDENTS WILL NOT BRING ANY ITEM TO SCHOOL THAT IS POTENTIALLY UNSAFE TO SELF OR OTHER PEOPLE.*
3. **STUDENTS WILL TRAVEL AROUND ALL AREAS OF THE SCHOOL IN A WAY THAT KEEPS ALL MEMBERS K-8 - SAFE.** *WHEREVER POSSIBLE, STUDENTS WILL TRAVEL QUIETLY ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE HALLWAYS AND STAIRWELLS. Middle level students will make way for traveling groups of elementary students and be mindful of their presence and conversations around these younger children. ALL STUDENTS WILL KEEP THEIR HANDS TO THEMSELVES.*
4. **STUDENTS WILL DRESS APPROPRIATELY AND MODESTLY AT ALL TIMES, AND IN A MANNER WHICH IS RESPECTFUL OF PEOPLE FROM DIFFERENT CULTURES AND BELIEFS.** *HATS MAY **NOT** BE WORN BY STUDENTS OR TEACHERS **INSIDE** THE BUILDING UNLESS FOR SPIRIT DAYS/SPECIAL OCCASIONS. HATS **ARE ALLOWED OUTSIDE** IN HOT OR COLD WEATHER, BUT MUST BE REMOVED BEFORE ENTERING THE SCHOOL.*
5. **STUDENTS WILL NOT USE ELECTRONIC DEVICES IN SCHOOL AT ALL DURING THE SCHOOL DAY (8:30 – 3:30) WITHOUT SPECIFIC PERMISSION FROM A TEACHER OR ADMINISTRATION.** *CELL PHONES WILL BE CONFISCATED AND TURNED INTO THE OFFICE IF USED FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE THAN AN EMERGENCY, AND RETURNED AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY. THEY SHOULD BE KEPT IN LOCKERS/BACKPACKS UNTIL THE END OF THE DAY AS A MATTER OF COURSE.*
6. **WHILE IN THE CAFETERIUM, ALL STUDENTS WILL FOLLOW ALL THE ABOVE RULES, AND ENSURE THEY CLEAR AWAY THEIR FOOD ITEMS AND TRASH FROM TABLE TOPS AND FLOORS BEFORE THEY ARE DISMISSED FROM THEIR TABLES BY AN APPOINTED ADULT.** *WHEN EACH STUDENT FINISHES LUNCH, HE OR SHE WILL BE DISMISSED AFTER THEY HAVE RAISED THEIR HAND TO INDICATE THEY ARE READY TO LEAVE FOR THE PLAYGROUND OR OTHER AREA OF THE SCHOOL.*
7. **EATING AND DRINKING OUTSIDE OF THE CAFETERIUM WILL ONLY OCCUR WITH THE EXPRESS PERMISSION OF TEACHERS AND/OR ADMINISTRATION** *(NO GUM CHEWING IS ALLOWED UNLESS PERMITTED FOR A LEARNING TASK OR A SPECIAL OCCASION– AND **NEVER** IN THE GYMNASIUM WHERE IS POSSES A SAFETY HAZARD.)*
8. **PLAYGROUND BEHAVIOR WILL BE SAFE AND RESPECTFUL AT ALL TIMES** *IN ORDER TO ENSURE SAFETY FOR THE YOUNGER STUDENTS, MIDDLE LEVEL WILL NOT BE ALLOWED AT ALL ON THE PLAY EQUIPMENT. They may use the basketball hoops and check out different kinds balls from the office at lunchtime.*

ELDORADO PLAYGROUND RULES

GENERAL RULES

1. Be Safe
2. No tackling, pushing or excessive roughhousing
3. Have Fun
4. Try to include everyone
5. Take turns
6. Students must receive adult permission to retrieve balls or equipment outside playground boundaries
7. No TAG games on any of the equipment

MONKEY BARS

1. One at a time
2. Same direction
3. Hang by hands only
4. Staff off the top of the bars
5. No gymnastic flipping off of the bars

SWINGS

1. One at a time
2. Two hands on swings at all times
3. Bottom must be on the swing
4. Swing only forward and backward
5. NO JUMPING from swing
6. No cradles

SLIDES

1. One at a time
2. Down only
3. Feet forward

ZIP LINE

1. One at a time
2. Pass the handle safely
3. No pushing
4. If you can't reach it, you can't use it

SPINNING LOG

1. One at a time

SNOW CONDITIONS

1. Build with snow; never throw snow or snowballs
2. To play in the snow, boots and snow pants must be worn. Without these clothing items, children must stay on the plowed black top.
3. If snow is piled from plowing, no sliding or climbing is allowed.
4. No sliding on ice.
5. Colorado weather is not always predictable. Dress in layers – a warm morning may turn out to be a snowy lunchtime!