



Expectations for Behavior

To be signed by parent or guardian

It is the desire of Freedom Montessori to offer opportunities for each student to learn in an atmosphere that is most conducive to the realization of their potential. Basic to this goal is the provision of schools and classrooms that are safe and orderly, where students and staff recognize the rights of others, and where each student is free from fear, intimidation, and disruption of the educational process.

It is expected that all students will follow the rules and be respectful.

FREEDOM MONTESSORI GROUND RULES:

- Respect self, others, and the environment.
- Always use grace and courtesy.
- Carry only one thing at a time.
- Use two hands to carry an activity and/or materials.
- Use a rug for all floor activities.
- Use a table for all table activities.
- When you need a teacher, walk over to her, touch her shoulder or arm, and wait for her to respond.
- Always say “yes” or “no, thank you”.
- Always use table manners while eating.
- Appropriate playground and/or gymnasium behavior is expected.
- Wash your hands:
 - o before you eat snack/lunch.
 - o before preparing food.
 - o after using the bathroom.
 - o before and after using clay, play dough or paint.

Disrespect and fighting are serious offences at Freedom Montessori. Any student who is disrespectful to an adult in our building will be sent home for up to three days or possibly dismissed from the program. Hitting and biting may also be handled in the same manner.

CONSEQUENCES

At Freedom Montessori our teachers are trained to use positive reinforcement and redirection in their classrooms. Each teacher has their own set of consequences for misbehavior. Please refer to the teachers discipline plan.

The goal of discipline is that children will develop a sense of responsibility for their own behavior. The peace table is a “Montessori tool” that we use in each classroom for children to resolve conflict and to work out their problems. Children will be sent to the Director if behavior is unacceptable and parents will be called. Corporal Punishment is not implemented at Freedom Montessori.

DISMISSAL OF CHILD

Freedom Montessori reserves the right to dismiss children at any time. Some causes leading to dismissal may include, but are not limited to, discipline problems, children becoming a threat to themselves or others, non payment of fees, late drop off and/or pick up, and failure to follow Freedom Montessori’s policies.

I understand and agree to abide by the above stated policy.	
Signature of Parent/Guardian:	Date: