



## Commitment to Excellence Form

*KIPP DC: WILL Academy prepares students to be exemplary college graduates and global citizens*

### Teacher's Commitment

I fully commit to KIPP DC: WILL Academy in the following ways:

- ✓ I will communicate respectfully with the KIPP DC: WILL Academy staff, students, and parents at all times.
- ✓ I will maintain the expectation that ALL KIPP DC: WILL Academy students graduate from college, and become exemplary citizens.
- ✓ I will be a positive role model for KIPP DC: WILL Academy students.
- ✓ I will plan and execute outstanding lessons every day.
- ✓ I will teach in the best way I know how and continually research and learn ways to improve my teaching.
- ✓ I will NEVER give up on a KIPP DC: WILL Academy staff member, student, or my self.
- ✓ I will arrive at school by 7:30 AM and remain at school until the job is done.
- ✓ I will create and maintain a safe and positive learning environment for KIPP DC: WILL Academy students.
- ✓ I will make myself available to students, parents, and staff by answering my cell phone during designated hours and returning calls within 24 hours.
- ✓ I will keep parents informed about their child's performance and progress.

*I understand that failure to meet these KIPP DC: WILL Academy commitments can lead to me disappointing my students, the staff, and my self. I also understand that, failure to meet these commitments can cause my removal from the KIPP DC: WILL Academy staff.*

Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Student's Commitment

I fully commit to KIPP DC: WILL Academy in the following ways:

- ✓ I will treat my classmates, teachers, and parents with respect at all times.
- ✓ I will speak to others in a way in which I want to be spoken to.
- ✓ I will make sure that my body language is positive at all times.
- ✓ I will solve my problems with respectful and appropriate words.
- ✓ I will be honest, even when it means I may get in trouble.
- ✓ I will make sure that classwork, homework, and assessments with **my** name on them are representative of **my** work and not the work of others.
- ✓ I will do the right thing even when no one is watching me.
- ✓ I will do the right thing even when others around me are making poor decisions.
- ✓ I will give 100% of my effort to all of my endeavors.
- ✓ I will NEVER give up on myself.
- ✓ I will arrive at school by 8:00AM on Monday through Friday during the regular school year.
- ✓ I will remain at school until 5:00PM on Monday through Thursday, and 3:30PM on Fridays.
- ✓ I will attend Summer School from 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM.
- ✓ I will attend Saturday School.
- ✓ I will come to school each day with my homework completed, materials for learning, and a positive attitude.
- ✓ I will follow directions the first time they are given.
- ✓ I will ask for help when I need it.

*I understand that failure to meet these KIPP DC: WILL Academy commitments can lead to disappointing my self, my teammates, and my family. I also understand that failure to meet these commitments can cause me to lose privileges, be placed on the Bench, or removed from the school.*

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Parent Commitment**

I fully commit to KIPP DC: WILL Academy in the following ways:

- ✓ I will communicate respectfully with the KIPP DC: WILL Academy staff at all times.
- ✓ I will encourage my child speak to and treat others the way they want to be treated.
- ✓ I will encourage my child to solve his/her problems with words.
- ✓ I will encourage my child to do the right thing even when no one is watching them.
- ✓ I will encourage my child to do the right thing even when others around them are making poor decisions.
- ✓ I will maintain the expectation that my child will graduate from college, and become an exemplary citizen.
- ✓ I will do whatever it takes to make sure that my child comes to school prepared and with a positive attitude each day.
- ✓ I will be an active participant in my child's education.
- ✓ I will NEVER give up on my child.
- ✓ I will make sure that my child arrives at school by 8:00AM on Monday through Friday during the regular school year.
- ✓ I will make sure that my child remains at school until 5:00PM on Monday through Thursday, and 3:30PM on Fridays.
- ✓ I will make arrangements for my child to attend Summer School from 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM.
- ✓ I will make arrangements for my child to attend Saturday School.
- ✓ I will schedule vacations and appointments during non-school time whenever possible.
- ✓ I will attend parent nights and conferences.
- ✓ I will make sure that my child comes to school each day with his/her homework completed, materials for learning, and a positive attitude. This means that I will check my child's homework every night, sign their agenda every night, and review and sign their paycheck every Friday.
- ✓ I will ask for help from the KIPP DC: WILL Academy staff if I need it.

*I understand that failure to meet these KIPP DC: WILL Academy commitments can lead to me disappointing my child. I also understand that, failure to meet these commitments can cause my child to lose privileges, be placed on the Bench, or removed from the school.*

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_