

NON-NEGOTIABLE EXPECTATIONS

At KIPP DC: KEY Academy we have very high expectations for all of our students. Our high expectations for our students include not only academic expectations, but also behavior expectations.

At KIPP DC: KEY Academy we expect our students to:

- **Adhere to the Commitment to Excellence Contract.**
- **Adhere to the KEY Credo:**
 - If there is a problem, we look for a solution.
 - If there is a better way, we try to find it.
 - If a teammate needs help, we give.
 - If we need help, we ask.
- **Work Hard.** Put forth your best effort on every assignment and in every class. This means follow directions, raise your hand, ask questions, and use your best handwriting.
- **Be Nice.** Respect your teammates and everyone on our team. Always use words to solve your problems and never put your hands on a teammate.
- **Assign Yourself.** Do the right thing without being told.
- **Be on task.** In class you should be sitting up, following directions, and working hard on your assignments.
- **Track your teachers and teammates when they speak.** Always look at the person speaking and give him/her your full attention.
- **Respond appropriately to all questions.** Non-verbal actions matter. No eye-rolling, teeth sucking, or any other negative body language. Follow directions the first time they are given.
- **Tell the truth.** Being honest is one of the most important character traits here at KIPP.
- **Follow the dress code.** Our dress code is khaki pants, skirts, and shorts with our uniform shirt. Following the dress code is a sign of respect for our school and its mission.
- **Be prepared for class everyday.** Respect your books and supplies, do all of your homework every night, put your heading on all of your papers, keep all of your work in the appropriate folder, get your agenda signed every night, and get all tests and quizzes signed.
- **Come to school on time everyday.** After 8 you're late. Perfect attendance also means coming to Summer School and Saturday School.

Anytime a student breaks one of these expectations, he/she will lose money on their paycheck, spend time on the Bench (our version of In-School Suspension), or will be suspended. Multiple or continuous violations of these expectations will lead to him/her returning to his/her home school.

Parent /Guardian Signature

Student Signature