PRE-SCHOOL BEHAVIOR POLICIES

Students are expected to behave in a manner appropriate for their age group and environment. Teachers will work cooperatively with parents to make sure that students learn and grow emotionally as well as academically, in a safe and nurturing environment.

ACTIONS TAKEN BY TEACHERS WHEN A CHILD IS NOT BEHAVING APPROPRIATELY OR IS BEING DISRUPTIVE:

- Immediately after the child misbehaves or fails to abide by a particular rule or policy, the Teacher will speak to the child and ask him/her if he/she is aware of what they did wrong. Depending on child's age and circumstance, the teacher may assign an immediate consequence or provide him/her with an opportunity for improvement.
- Parent may be contacted and informed of their child's actions. A meeting may be scheduled and consequences may be assigned.
- Parent(s) will cooperate with Teacher and strategize appropriate actions.
- Students that demonstrate continuous disruptive behaviors that are disturbing the right to a peaceful learning environment for the rest of the students, will face the consequences listed below.

POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES:

- The child may be placed on "quiet time" in the "thinking chair" inside the classroom for a maximum time of minutes that matches the child's age.
- The child may lose the privilege of outdoor or indoor play time.
- The child may be suspended, expelled or asked to withdraw from the school if: they're continuously disruptive or destructive; they repeatedly pose a threat or bully other children or faculty members; they pose a threat to themselves; and/or if they attempt to leave school grounds without permission. In any of these cases, neither registration fee nor tuition payments will be refunded.
- All decisions made with regards to consequences will be at the full discretion of Highpoint Academy's Administration.

TEACHERS UNDERSTAND THAT:

- They are encouraged to use as much "positive reinforcement" as possible.
- All forms of physical, verbal or emotional type of abuse is strictly prohibited.
- Children cannot be disciplined by taking away their food or snacks.
- Children cannot be used as negative examples in front of other children.
- Children must be reprimanded in a respectful manner.
- Negative or derogatory words cannot be used at any time when speaking to a child.
- They must maintain low and controlled voices and will speak tenderly and lovingly to children.
- They must communicate with parents as often as possible and must complete a "Daily Behavior Log" for parents when and if they feel it's necessary.

NOTES TO PARENT(S):

- Age-appropriate incidents of misbehavior will be dealt with appropriately by the teacher and not necessarily be reported to parents.
- Incidents of non age-appropriate or non-typical inappropriate misbehavior will be reported to the Administration and to the Parent(s) and a meeting will be scheduled with all parties as deemed necessary.
- Highpoint's Main Campus does not provide indoor facilities at any time to accommodate speech & language, physical, psychological, psychiatric, behavior or Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Therapists.
- Although every effort will be made to assist and guide students with diagnosed or undiagnosed disruptive behaviors, including ODD, ADHD, and other behavior disorders, all children are expected to abide by Highpoint's "Behavior Policies" and will face consequences, including expulsion, for continuous policy violations.
- All Highpoint students are entitled to learn in a safe, respectful, and peaceful environment.