



J.M. ALEXANDER IB MIDDLE SCHOOL

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

| | Be Caring | Be Principled | Be Safe |
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| Scholars will... | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Be reflective and make good choices and encourage others to make good choices ➤ Be thinkers and give their best effort in class ➤ Communicate bullying and stand up for victims ➤ Use technology appropriately ➤ Always be in the right place at the appropriate time | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Listen and follow adult directions ➤ Communicate in a respectful manner to adults and peers ➤ Be balanced by understanding and empathizing with how others think and feel ➤ Be open-minded and accept and appreciate others for their differences ➤ Give their best effort in school | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Report any problems to adults ➤ Communicate kindly to classmates and teachers ➤ Clean up after themselves and dispose of trash around their area ➤ Walk on the right side of the hallway ➤ Follow the appropriate voice level indicated by the adult |
| Adults will... | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Focus on the scholars needs throughout the school day ➤ Understand the individual and educational needs of scholars ➤ Address inappropriate behavior fairly and consistently ➤ Believe all scholars can achieve at high levels | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Teach lessons that are relevant to scholars' lives and cultures ➤ Explain concepts in multiple ways and encourage questions ➤ Speak in a kind and considerate manner to all scholars, parents and colleagues ➤ Value all scholars' opinions and contributions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Make scholars feel safe and valued ➤ Provide an inviting environment where scholars feel safe to share their ideas and thoughts ➤ Model clear and consistent expectations of boundaries and desired behaviors for scholars |
| What does it sound like? | <p>"I need to study." "I need some help." "I can help you." "That's not a good decision." "I know you can do it."</p> | <p>"Thank you." "You're welcome." "Excuse me." "I'm sorry." "Please."</p> | <p>"Thank you." "I can help." "Great answer." "Good point." "I disagree." "I hear what you're saying..."</p> |