

Peace Power Guidelines at Crow Island School

At Crow Island School, we use Peace Power as our strategy to create a healthy, peaceful environment for learning and growing. The four main tenets of Peace Power (**Recognize, Stop Put Downs, Work Together and Make Peace**) help students develop a framework for these actions. Based on the structure that we teach and use at school, as well as the lessons you teach your children at home, we would like to work together to establish our shared expectations of appropriate behavior throughout the Crow Island community. Most important is our desire for students to learn and play in a safe environment by being smart, safe, respectful and responsible.

Be Smart, Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be Responsible!

- Be on time! Arrive in the morning by 8:37 and 12:27 (12:12 on Mondays) in the afternoon.
- Tell an adult immediately if something seems wrong.
- Keep your hands and feet to yourself. Never hit, kick, push, pinch, threaten, or hurt another person.
- Show respectful behavior by listening carefully, speaking thoughtfully and being cooperative toward everyone in our community
- Be friendly. Use good manners. Help others when needed.
- Use kind language, a kind tone of voice and kind actions at all times.
- Be quiet in the hallways.
- Accept other people the way they are. No one should make fun of you because of the way you learn. Help others join in your activities.
- Keep your locker classroom and lunchroom neat and clean. Be dependable and responsible.
- Show pride in your school by respecting school property and grounds.
- Be happy! Be true to yourself and your values. Everyone should treat you fairly no matter what. Everyone should be kind to one another. Be honest. Tell the truth.

When we think of the different environments our children are in throughout the day, the following bullets may be helpful in describing the kind of behaviors that support Peace Power and being smart, safe, respectful and responsible:

At Lunchtime or while on the Playground:

- Listen to and follow the directions of the teachers
- Never leave school grounds without permission
- Go back into school or line up promptly when the signal is given
- Use playground equipment properly and safely

On the School Bus:

- Follow the bus rules as outlined in the letter sent from the District Office
- Listen to the bus driver
- Remain seated when the bus is moving
- Use a polite and quiet voice

On the Way to School and Home:

- Be aware of your environment and make good choices about crossing the street, playing in the snow and walking with friends.
- "Early birds" (third and fourth grade only) need to follow grade level instructions as given by their teacher
- Follow the Traffic and Bicycle Guidelines as outlined in the Directory

We hope to work together with all of our families to ensure a safe and productive environment for all of our students. Your signatures below indicate your willingness to contribute to creating such an environment at Crow Island School.

Student _____ Parent _____ Date _____