Sample Positive Schoolwide Behavior Expectations

Sample Schoolwide Behavior Expectations Matrix – Elementary School¹

	All Spaces	Cafeteria	Bathroom	Playground	Hallway	Assemblies
C Communicate Needs and Feelings	 I am patient when waiting for adults to help me. I use "I statements" to say what I need and feel when speaking to adults and peers. I ask an adult for help if I cannot solve a problem with a peer. I ask questions if I am unsure of what to do. 	 I raise my hand if I need help from a lunch monitor (spills, bathroom, opening items, etc.). I use kind language and a respectful tone when talking to adults and peers. 	 I find and tell an adult if I have an accident or there is a mess in the bathroom. 	 I report unsafe behavior to a recess monitor. I speak to a recess monitor if I need something. I use calm, respectful words to solve problems with my peers. I use the Buddy Bench when I need a friend. 	 I raise my hand if I need to speak to an adult and use a calm, level 1 voice. 	 I raise my hand if I need to speak to an adult.
A Act Responsibly	 I follow the directions of all adults. I clean up any mess I make. 	 I enter the cafeteria with a level 0 voice. I get all of my items before sitting down (straw, silverware, ketchup, etc.). I eat only my own food. I wait in my seat until my table is dismissed. 	 I go to the closest restroom to my area. I flush once and wash my hands for 20 seconds. I use only 1 pump of soap and 3 paper towels. I turn the water off and throw paper towels in the trash can. I return to class as soon as I am done. 	 I leave rocks, mulch, and sticks on the ground. I put away equipment as soon as recess is over. I line up quickly and quietly. 	 I go directly to my destination. I keep up with my class in line. I walk on the right side on the third tile facing forward. I stay in my line spot. 	 I sit crisscross. I stay in one spot. I stay seated until my class is called to be dismissed.
T Treat Self, Others, and Environment with Respect	 I use the appropriate voice level. I raise my hand when I want to speak. I use my manners (please, thank you, excuse me, you're welcome, I'm sorry). 	 I use a level 2 voice to speak with people at my table only. I listen to the lunch monitors and follow their directions. I clean up after myself (table and floor). 	 I use a level 0 or 1 voice. I close the door to my stall when going to the bathroom. I respect the privacy of others at all times. 	 I take turns on equipment. I show good sportsmanship by speaking kindly to others. I include everyone in play and share equipment. 	 I use a level 0 voice to respect others who are learning. I keep my hands and feet to myself. 	 I use a level 0 voice unless I am called on. I remain in control of my body and voice when applauding. I sit facing the presenter.
S Safety for All	I keep my body in control.I use walking feet.	 I carry my tray with 2 hands. I use walking feet. I keep my body in control. 	 I use a calm body when moving around the bathroom. I clean up any mess I make. 	 I stay in control of my body. I play safely near and on the equipment (walk near equipment and only go down the slide). 	 I use walking feet. 	 I enter and exit the gym with walking feet and a calm body. I keep my body in control. I sit in my own personal space.

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Sample Positive Schoolwide Behavior Expectations

Sample Schoolwide Behavior Expectations Matrix – Middle School²

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	School Wide	Classroom	School Grounds	Bus/Transportation	School Activities Sports, clubs, concerts				
Resilience	 Be patient with yourself and others. Wait for your turn. 	 Do your work even when you feel frustrated. Accept feedback from teachers and students. 	Challenge yourself.Try new things.Stay with your cohort.	 Be patient with calm bodies until buses arrive. 	 Do your best. Look for new opportunities (things to try). Practice good sportsmanship. 				
Ownership	 Move quietly to the correct destination. Leave areas cleaner than you found them. Use only your own materials & food. Wash your hands (all 5 fingers) for 20 seconds. 	 Do your own work & ask questions. Bring charged Chromebooks & all learning materials. Keep workspace clean. 	 Bring trash inside. Return equipment. Leave the area better than you found it. 	 Take personal belongings inside with you. Obey laws & safety rules. Only one person per seat. 	 Advocate for yourself & others. Be on time & ready. 				
Acceptance	 Honor individual differences. Acknowledge the new environment and support each other with the new expectations. Follow directions in each area of the building. 	 Celebrate others' successes. Get to know new people within your cohort. 	 Check in with groups you haven't played with before. 	 Be flexible with seating and time spent on the bus. Stay in your seat the whole ride. 	 Practice good sportsmanship. Make connections with all teammates. 				
Respect	 Use kind words. Speak using a volume that matches the environment. It's ok to disagree while following the new expectations. 	 Raise your hand & wait to be called on. Follow the rules and procedures of each learning space. Once seated, stay seated and face forward. 	 Use equipment as intended. Treat property gently. 	 Follow driver's guidelines. 	 Be a team player. 				

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