

Mount Rainier Institute Student Expectations & Code of Conduct

To make it easier for all of us to live together and create an atmosphere where everyone feels safe and free to learn, we have one rule- **RESPECT**:

Let's RESPECT yourself and others and keep this a safe place where no one gets injured.

- Do not climb on trees, beams, and other high structures.
- Turn in all medication to your teachers.
- Use fire safety equipment only in real emergencies and do not play with or touch the sprinkler heads.
- Wear closed-toed shoes at all times while outdoors.
- Do not use "put downs" or inappropriate words, or tease others. No bullying!
- Respect other people's belongings and materials.
- Do not fight or hit anyone.
- Only enter another cabin if you are invited and an adult is present.

Let's RESPECT this beautiful natural area.

- Stay on the established trails.
- Do not pick any plants unless authorized by an instructor.
- Return all animals we are studying to their proper homes.
- Respect all living things.

Let's RESPECT the buildings and keep them looking great for other students.

- Do not write or carve on walls, beds or dressers.
- Pick up your trash and put it in the proper container.
- Do not bounce on beds.
- Leave all food and snacks at home. You may attract unwanted visitors to the cabins, like mice and ants.

Let's RESPECT our teachers, chaperones, and MRI Staff.

- Follow all program schedules and be on time.
- Stay within the campus boundaries unless you are led by an adult.
- Be good listeners to your instructors and do what they ask of you.
- If you did bring something you should not have, give it to your teacher right away.
- Remember that you must be with an adult at all times.
- Always bring your PMA (Positive Mental Attitude)

What are the consequences if I do not meet the expectations of the program?

- MRI staff, teachers, or chaperones will give me a verbal warning regarding behaviors and actions that are not allowed and, in most cases, give me an opportunity to correct the behavior.
- After a second warning-my parent/guardian may be contacted.
- A third violation of expectations will result in dismissal from the program.

The following may result in immediate dismissal from the program:

- Bullying, harassing, or using derogatory/hateful language towards another person or group of people.
- Touching a peer or adult in a physically or sexually aggressive manner.
- Possessing or being under the influence of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or weapons.
- Leaving the program area without permission from a staff member.

MRI staff commit to:

- Respectful and effective communication with all participants and their parents.
- Helping you have a safe and fun experience.
- Addressing problems that are brought to our attention.
- Creating an environment where everyone is welcomed and given the opportunity to succeed.