PLAYGROUND POLICY

**Purpose:** The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the playground usage at the WSU Charter Academy.

**Policy:** WSU Charter Academy will provide appropriate playground supervision for its students. The school will provide two adults for approximately every 25 students on the playground.

Supervised school times include recess, P.E. time if applicable, and other specified school-sponsored activities. During the school day, students are not permitted to use playground equipment at any time that is not designated as supervised playground time. The playground will not be available before or after school.

WSU Charter Academy does not assume responsibility for accidents on the playground, including those involving non-students, during unsupervised times of the day, and during non-school days.

During supervised playground time, students must not:

- Play outside the fenced perimeter or other designated play area at the discretion of the supervising adult.
- Leave the designated area without the knowledge or permission of the supervising adult.
- Play with sticks, rocks, or any other sharp or dangerous objects.
- Throw rocks, dirt, sand, wood chips, or other objects not intended for throwing.
- Throw snowballs or ice.
- Climb on fences, trees, basketball standards, outside of play structure, buildings, etc.
- Wrestle, hit, kick, push, shove, or engage in any physically aggressive activity that could harm other students.
- Call names, use inappropriate language, or bully other students.
- Engage in games that are unkind, demeaning, or abusive to other students. When playing games, students are encouraged to include all students who are interested in participating.
- Use any outdoor equipment inappropriately.

Students who disobey playground rules will be subject to established discipline policy. The supervising adult should not send a misbehaving student back into the school building unsupervised. The supervising adult should not send a misbehaving student directly to the office or the Administrative Director unless there has been a severe infraction of playground rules, repeated occurrences of misbehavior, or blatant disrespect for the supervising adult, other students, or the playground rules.