STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY

**Purpose:** The overall goal of guidance and limits in the school is to help students become self-regulated individuals who can make appropriate decisions about their own behavior. The administration of student policies should be conducted in a manner that will foster the ethical development and personal integrity of students and promote an environment that is in accord with the overall educational mission of the school.

**Policy:** STUDENTS LEARN AND GROW IN A SAFE AND ORDERLY ENVIRONMENT. In order to achieve an optimal learning environment, students shall conduct themselves in a developmentally appropriate manner that contributes to a productive atmosphere for themselves and their classmates. Students are expected to be attentive, cooperative, and industrious while in the classroom.

WSU Charter Academy teaches values and concepts that encourage students to act in a positive manner. As students learn and focus on positive behaviors that make them happy, healthy, and responsible, the school’s climate takes on those same characteristics.

**General Limits:**
A. No student will be allowed to hurt another student or adult.
B. No student will be allowed to hurt himself or place himself in unsafe circumstances.
C. No student will be allowed to destroy property.
D. No student may infringe upon the rights of others - this includes but is not limited to bullying.

**Comportment:**
All students and staff will demonstrate correct behavior with regard to their physical selves. Hands and feet will be kept to oneself, and respect will be shown by walking in an orderly manner in the hallways, elevators, and in other school areas. Interaction will be friendly and helpful, without horseplay or other physical demonstrations that are inappropriate.

**Dress:**
All students are required to adhere to the guidelines set forth in the WSU Charter Academy Dress Code.

**Language and Communication:**
Students shall speak with respect and kindness at all times. Voices will be kept quiet, with no shouting or yelling inside the school. Language and communication that is positive and promotes the school’s mission will be taught, modeled, and fostered. Students and staff will notice positive behavior in others, and will commend others for their efforts. Language that builds, supports, and encourages will be frequently and consistently used.

**Assemblies and Activities:**
Assemblies and school activities are considered special student privileges where participation is contingent upon appropriate behavior. Students shall show respect to all performers. Students who disturb, disrupt, or show disrespect shall lose the privilege of attending.

**School Facilities and Equipment:**
All school property will be used appropriately in such a way that it is preserved and protected. Students may be disciplined for improper use or treatment of school facilities and/or equipment.
Sportsmanship:
Students are expected to demonstrate good sportsmanship in all competitive events and to conduct themselves according to the rules of fair play both as spectators and participants. While healthy competition is encouraged when appropriate, cheating or rude and disruptive conduct is not acceptable.