**Lawn Ave. School R.O.C.Ks!**

“We **R**espect, **O**wn it, rise to **C**hallenges and are **K**ind.”

Dear Lawn School Families,

 Every student, teacher and staff member at Lawn Ave. School R.O.C.Ks! This simple pledge captures the essence of our comprehensive, school-wide positive behavior program. The program is built on clear, consistent expectations and the belief that everyone must work together to ensure that Lawn School is a positive, safe and supportive learning environment for all.

 The attached Lawn Ave. School R.O.C.Ks Behavior Matrix provides the foundation for the program, clearly outlining specific behaviors and expectations in all areas including classrooms, hallways, bathrooms, the cafeteria and outside areas such as the playground, bus and athletic fields. These expectations are shared with students early in the year through discussions and modeling in their “home base” groups and are revisited throughout the year in classrooms and in our Advisory program. Daily, during morning announcements, students and teachers say the R.O.C.K pledge together promising to focus on making these qualities the core of what we believe and how we behave. Students are regularly caught “living the R.O.C.K” and are publicly acknowledged for their efforts to make positive behavior choices.

 We ask you to join us in this effort to promote positive behaviors at Lawn School. Please review and discuss the Lawn R.O.C.Ks Behavior Matrix with your child. While some expectations may seem quite simple and straightforward, please talk with your child about how they all combine to ensure a positive school environment. Thank you for your ongoing support!

Sincerely,

Deborah DiBiase
Principal, Lawn School

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| We | **Respect** | **Own It** | **Rise to Challenges** | **Are Kind** |
| **Hallways** | Walk at all timesFollow adult directions the first time. Are considerate of classes in session.Use reasonable, inside voices Use polite and appropriate languageKeep hands, feet and objects to ourselvesTake care of school property Walk in singles or pairs Walk on the RIGHT | Keep movingGet to class on timeKeep hallways clean and unclutteredThink ahead and prepare for next classLeave electronics, jackets, cellphones in lockerZip backpacks and hang on hookShut lockers quietlyHave permission to be in the hallway | **Rise** | SmileHelp others Are friendlyGreet students and adultsAre courteousShare locker space with neighborsUse appropriate manners-Excuse me, etc.  |
| **Classrooms** | Enter quietlyHonor the learning and personal space of others Follow adult directions the first timeActively listen to othersUse polite, appropriate languageTreat classroom, materials and workspaces properlyWait for dismissal | Arrive prepared and on timeHave a writing tool ready to goActively participate Seek out teacher help when neededDo quality workShare our graded work with our parentsSign out and in when leaving the classroomAccept consequences without arguing or complaining. | **to**  | Are friendlyReach out and help othersTreat others the way we’d like to be treatedAre polite Greet and say goodbye to our teacher and peers. |
| **Bathroom** | Respect the privacy of others.Respect school propertyReport cleanliness issues to an adultUse reasonable, inside voices (Voice level 0-2)Use polite and appropriate language | Sign out and back in to classWash hands and use proper hygieneThrow paper towels into the trashReturn to class in a timely manner Report destructive, unsafe or inappropriate behavior | **the** | Respect the privacy of others. |
| **Cafeteria** | Follow adult directions the first time.Keep hands, food and objects to selfUse polite, appropriate languageStay seated unless we have permission to get upUse reasonable, inside voices Wait our turn in the lunch line.Leave the lunchroom the way we found it-Clean and tidy | Set a positive example Eat our own foodThrow away trash and recycle correctly Clean up table and floor around tableUse proper table mannersAsk permission and sign out when leaving the lunchroomAccept consequences without arguing or complaining.Report destructive, unsafe or inappropriate behavior | **R.O.C.K** | Use good manners- Please, thank you, etc.Are friendly and include othersTreat others the way we wish to be treated |
| **Outside** | Follow all adult directions the first timeUse polite, appropriate languageLine up quickly and quietly when whistle is blownShare a recess materials and play areasKeep hands, feet and objects to self | Set a positive example for othersWait our turn when entering an leaving the buildingWait our turn to getting on and off the busSit in assigned seat on busFollow school safety rules at all times.Report destructive, unsafe or inappropriate behavior | **Challenge!** | Are friendlyShare recess materials.Include everyone in games, activities, etc. |