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The purpose of Prairie Rose School Division's "Student Code of Conduct – Expectations and Responses to Behaviour" is to promote a healthy school culture where high levels of achievement occur within a positive school environment. Prairie Rose School Division believes that everyone has the right to be treated with dignity and respect and that all Prairie Rose School Division schools will promote the development of beliefs and attitudes that foster a safe and caring learning environment.

Responses to behaviour can vary depending on the circumstances and will take into account the needs, the developmental stage, and age of the individual student. Under normal circumstances, consequences will be consistently applied.

The following are possible consequences: informal interview, support personnel involvement, parental involvement, formal interview, withdraw from classroom setting, removal of privileges, detention of students, restitution, involvement of other agencies, behavioural/performance contracts, in-school suspensions, out-of-school suspensions, withdrawal from a course, expulsion, and/or police involvement.

All out-of-school suspensions will be reported to the Superintendent/CEO, who in turn, will report both in-school and out-of-school suspensions to the Board of Trustees.

## **BULLYING/CYBER-BULLYING/VIOLENCE/RACISM/DISCRIMINATION/HAZING**

### ➤ **Expectation**

Students are expected to exhibit student behaviour which promotes student responsibility, inclusion, self-discipline, and respect for others.

### ➤ **Response to Behaviours**

Students found to be engaged in any form of physical, social, or emotional aggression that uses gestures or spoken or written language to impair the emotional or physical well-being of a student or staff member may be suspended for three to five days. The suspension may be extended by the Superintendent/CEO.

Definitions for bullying and cyber-bullying are as follows:

- **Bullying:** Bullying are negative actions, usually repeated, and committed by one person or more against another person. It is any deliberate act that hurts, threatens, upsets, or frightens others. Implicit is the imbalance in real or perceived power between bully and victim.
- **Cyber-bullying:** Cyber-bullying means using the internet or other information or communication technologies, such as e-mail messages or text messages sent by cell phone or pager, etc., to support deliberate, repeated, and hostile behaviour by an individual or group that is intended to harm someone else.



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## ELECTRONIC DEVICES – CELL PHONES

### ➤ Expectation

Students are expected to use their personal electronic devices and cell phones in a mature and respectful manner and respect the school's expectations of cell phone usage during instructional hours.

### ➤ Response to Behaviour

Students will be reminded of the expectation. If the inappropriate behaviour persists, or if students refuse to respond in a positive manner, administration will confiscate the electronic device.

## USAGE OF SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY

### ➤ Expectation

Students are expected to use the school's technology in a mature and respectful manner and in accordance to Prairie Rose School Division's ICT Agreement.

### ➤ Response to Behaviour

Students will be reminded of the expectation. If the inappropriate behaviour persists, or if the student usage is deemed unacceptable by the teacher, a referral will be made to the administration. Students may be suspended up to five days and the police services may be notified.

## OFFENSIVE LANGUAGE

### ➤ Expectation

Students are expected to use language appropriate for a learning environment.

### ➤ Response to Behaviour

Students will be reminded of the expectation. If the inappropriate behaviour persists teachers will refer the student to the administration. Offensive language directed to an individual may result in a suspension by school administration for up to five days.

## ACADEMIC DISHONESTY AND RESPECT OF EVALUATION DUE DATES

### ➤ Expectation

Students are expected to turn in work that is entirely their own and respect the evaluation due dates set by the teacher. Students are responsible for knowing the expectations regarding academic dishonesty and evaluation due dates as set by their teachers.

### ➤ Response to Behaviour

Students found to be academically dishonest may be reprimanded, have to resubmit the assignment, be required to complete a different assignment, accept a zero for the assignment, fail the course and/or be suspended up to five days from school. Disrespect and/or disregard of due dates are subject to penalization set out by the teacher in accordance to school guidelines.



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## ATTENDANCE

### ➤ Expectation

Students are expected to be on time and attend school every day. Parents are expected to contact the school when their child will be absent.

### ➤ Response to Behaviour

Students who do not attend school every day are subject to the school attendance policy.

## STUDENT STANDARD OF DRESS

### ➤ Expectation

Students are expected to respect the standard of dress policy set by Prairie Rose School Division. Student standard of dress expectations take into account safety, health, and the maintenance of an atmosphere suitable for a learning environment.

### ➤ Response to Behaviour

Students will be reminded of the expectation. Students choosing to wear clothing that is not acceptable to the student standard of dress will be asked to cover up or change. Students choosing to not respect the school requests will be considered insubordinate and may be suspended for up to five days.

## SMOKING/VAPING

### ➤ Expectation

Students are not allowed to smoke, vape, and/or use any tobacco products in the school, on school property, and during school approved activities.

### ➤ Response to Behaviour

Students will be reminded of the expectation. If the inappropriate behaviour persists, staff members will make a referral to the school administration. If students choose to smoke on school property following a school administration conversation, students may be suspended up to three days.

## INSUBORDINATION

### ➤ Expectation

Students are expected to interact in a respectful manner and comply with the direction of all staff members.

### ➤ Response to Behaviour

Students will be reminded of the expectation. If students are in disagreement with a staff member, the student will be referred to the school administration. Students whose behaviours are disrespectful will receive the opportunity for restitution and may be suspended up to five days.



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## THEFT AND VANDALISM

### ➤ Expectation

Students are expected to respect the properties of all staff, students, and the school community.

### ➤ Response to Behaviours

Students found to be disrespectful of the property of others may be responsible for associated costs and may be suspended up to five days.

## DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

### ➤ Expectation

Students are not allowed to use or be under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or any controlled substances in the school or on school property.

### ➤ Response to Behaviours

Students suspected of being under the influence will be referred to the school administration and will be suspended for three to five days and may be referred to the Addictions Foundation of Manitoba to complete an assessment. The suspension may be extended by the Superintendent/CEO.

## TRAFFICKING

### ➤ Expectation

Students are not allowed to sell drugs and/or alcohol to students.

### ➤ Response to Behaviours

Students caught for trafficking drugs, alcohol, or any controlled substances will be suspended for thirty days, recommended for expulsion to the Superintendent/CEO. Police services will be notified.

## GANG ACTIVITY

### ➤ Expectation

Any form of gang activity, recruitment, harassment, violence, threats, and promotion will not be tolerated on school property and at school activities.

### ➤ Response to Behaviours

Students will be referred to school administration and will be suspended for five days. The school suspension will be reviewed and may be extended up to thirty days by the Superintendent/CEO. The Superintendent/CEO may forward for an expulsion recommendation to the Board of Trustees. Police services will be notified.



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## WEAPONS

### ➤ **Expectation**

The possession of any weapon or replica of a weapon, as defined in Section 2 of the Criminal Code of Canada will not be tolerated on school property.

### ➤ **Response to Behaviours**

Students will be referred to school administration and will be suspended up to five days. The suspension may be extended or the student may be recommended for expulsion with approval from the Superintendent/CEO. Department. Police services will be notified.