

# HOMESTEAD MIDDLE SCHOOL



**FOCUSING ON CULTIVATING CHAMPIONS: EXCELLENCE ON DISPLAY!**

January 10, 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians:

At its November 20, 2018 meeting, the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida adopted the newly revised *Code of Student Conduct* (COSC) which is aligned to recent local, state, and federal mandates with an emphasis on promoting a safe learning environment to ensure academic success.

The COSC sets the standards of conduct expected of students in a purposeful safe learning environment in which the principles of care, courtesy and respect for the rights of others is valued. It also addresses the role of the parents/guardians, the students, and school, but also focuses on core values and model student behavior, rights and responsibilities of students, addressing student behavior, and disciplinary procedures.

It is important that parents/guardians, along with their child take the time to review the COSC. There have been some substantive revisions that both parents/guardians and students need to review. Furthermore, it should also be noted that behaviors committed on or off the school campus may be violations of the COSC and may also be violations of Florida law. These violations may result in disciplinary actions imposed by local law enforcement authorities, in addition to those of the school/district.

The COSC can be accessed by visiting <http://ehandbooks.dadeschools.net/policies/90/> . If you do not have access to the internet, you may go to your child's school and request to review the *Code of Student Conduct* manual. Please take the time to review and discuss the importance of the *Code of Student Conduct* with your child or children. After reviewing the *Code of Student Conduct*, you and your child/children must sign, date, and return the accompanied **Parent Receipt and Acknowledgement Form to your child's school within 5 school days.**

I consider each and every parent/guardian a valuable partner of Miami-Dade County Public Schools and recognize that you share the same goal as all of our schools, which is to create a safe learning environment that promotes academic success. For this reason, we hope that you understand the importance of the District's expectations for student behavior, and the corrective strategies should misconduct occur.

Principal

# Acknowledgment of Receipt and Review

Each parent/guardian of a student and each student enrolled in Miami-Dade County Public Schools must sign and return this page to the student's school to acknowledge that he/she has accessed the online version or obtained a copy of the Code of Student Conduct. In addition, this page serves as acknowledgement that you have reviewed the Code of Student Conduct with your child. Each school will maintain records of such signed statements.

The online version of the Code of Student Conduct in English, Spanish, and Haitian-Creole can be located in the Parent Portal or by accessing through the following website address:

<http://ehandbooks.dadeschools.net/policies/90/index.htm>

If you do not have internet access to obtain a copy of the Code of Student Conduct, please visit your child's school to obtain a copy.

I acknowledge receipt of the notification regarding accessing or obtaining a copy of the Code of Student Conduct through the Parent Portal or via the internet web address and that I have read and discussed the Code of Student Conduct with my child.

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Parent's/Guardian's Signature

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Date

I acknowledge receipt of the notification regarding accessing or obtaining a copy of the Code of Student Conduct through the Parent Portal or via the internet web address and that I have read and discussed the Code of Student Conduct with my parent/guardian.

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Student's Name

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Date

**RETURN TO STUDENT'S SCHOOL WITHIN FIVE (5)  
SCHOOL DAYS UPON RECEIVING NOTIFICATION TO  
REVIEW THE CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT**

