

School Council Community Agreements

Attentive Listening

- Acknowledging the speaker (eye contact, appropriate nodding, responsive)
- One speaker speaks at a time
- No interrupting
- Asking questions
- Paraphrasing ideas
- Open to new ideas
- No domination

Appreciations/No put downs

- Acknowledging someone who makes an effort
- Giving positive feedback / reinforcement
- Expressions: good job, congratulations, thank you
- Refrain from using sarcasm to emphasize point of view
- No critical comments; use constructive criticism

Right to Pass – Right to Participate

- Pass when asked to do something you are uncomfortable with doing or saying
- Okay to listen and not give opinions
- Not putting a person on the spot
- Allowing someone to listen and participate when they are ready
- Including all voices

Mutual Respect

- Respecting individual differences
- Treating others as equals, don't judge
- Treat others how you like to be treated
- Listening to other ideas
- Allow everyone the opportunity to complete their thought
- Considerate of other person's feelings
- No rolling of eye