

# Code of Conduct 2018-2019

## Mission Statement

Franklin Township Public Schools embraces its diversity, fosters excellent educational innovation, and empowers all students to achieve their highest potential.

The goal of the District Student Code Of Conduct is to promote a learning environment where students are expected to:

## Be Safe • Be Respectful • Be Responsible and Prepared

At Franklin Township Public Schools, we are dedicated to giving our students and staff places to learn and work that are safe, orderly and culturally responsive. We also want to provide our students with the supports they need to stay in school and continue to learn and mature.

All students have the right to learn, and no student has the right to disrupt the learning activities of others. Each year, the Franklin Township Board of Education adopts a districtwide Code of Conduct to provide guidelines for expected student behavior.

For more information; the entire Code of Conduct can be accessed by clicking on this link:

[2018-2019 Code of Conduct](#)

2018-2019 Code of Conduct – [Spanish](#)

Or you can click on each category below for the specific information needed:

## Be Safe

- [Controlled Dangerous Substances](#) and [Tobacco](#)
- [Firearms and Other Weapons \(Zero Tolerance for Guns Act\)](#)
- [Child Abuse and Neglect](#)
- [Handle With Care / Crisis Intervention](#)
- [Harassment Intimidation and Bullying](#)
- Student Safety (SSDS)
- [Transportation Rules](#)

## Be Respectful

- [Affirmative Action/ Equal Opportunity Employment](#)
- [Positive School Climate/Culture](#)

## Be Responsible and Prepared

- [Attendance](#) and [Residence](#)
- [Behavior Definitions and Examples](#) (includes Bus) / [Consequences/Suspension/Expulsion](#)
- [Dress Code](#)
- [Due Process](#)
- [Technology](#) & [Electronic Communication](#)

## **Positive Behavior Supports In Schools (PBSIS)**

This, district wide framework has been implemented to teach and promote positive behavior. Each school has tailored the framework to reflect the uniqueness and needs of their school.

Visit the district [PBIS webpage](#) for information on how this program works in each of our schools

### **Support Services**

- [Student Assistance Counselors \(SAC\)](#)
- [504](#)
- [Intervention & Referral Services \(I&RS\)](#)
- [Road to Success Alternative Programs](#)
- [Special Education and Related Services](#)

### **General District Information**

- [School Hours](#)
- [Board of Education Policies](#)
- [Parent to School Communication Protocol](#)
- [Focus on Franklin – District Video Newsmagazine](#)

### **Keeping Students in School is Key**

The district's primary goal is to keep students in school and engaged in learning. The district provides two alternatives to out-of-school suspension and expulsion for students in grades six through twelve. These alternatives, "Saturday School" and "In School Suspension", are supervised by certified teachers.

Students must follow the districtwide Code of Conduct before, during and after school. The Code is in effect inside school buildings, on school grounds, at school-related activities, and on the way to or from school or school-related activities. Students also must follow these rules on the yellow buses/vans or Charter buses that bring them to school, take them home or take them to and from school-related activities.

The Code of Conduct provides definitions of behavior infractions. Some definitions include examples. These examples are not intended to be exhaustive lists; that is, the behaviors covered by the definitions include, but are not limited to, the examples given.

In addition to the Code of Conduct, each school develops its own school-behavior plan. This plan includes activities for teaching and encouraging expected behaviors. Each school communicates its school-behavior plan to its parents/caregivers and students — including strategies for teaching and reinforcing behavior, and strategies for providing consequences for both positive and negative behavior.

Parents should be sure to know and understand the school-behavior plan at their child's school.

The safety and security of your child is our highest priority, and we are committed to providing a safe learning environment for your child. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the principal at the school where your child attends.