

Northaven ES
School-wide Discipline Code of Conduct
2007 – 2008

The administration, faculty and staff at Northaven Elementary School (NES) believe that education is the result of many actions and interactions among students and staff. We must work cooperatively with families to promote the ideas of our democracy. Children must be taught and allowed to make corrections. *At NES every child will not get the same—every child will get what s/he needs.*

We will be fair and operate within the confines of Shelby County Schools Policies and Procedures. Each student's family received a copy of the SCS Student Parent Handbook, 2007 – 2008 at registration and as they arrive during the school year. A link to that handbook can be found by clicking on either of the following web addresses:

<http://www.scsk12.org/SCS/handbook/SCS-Handbook-07-08.pdf>

<http://www.scsk12.org/>

Parents/Caregivers should pay close attention to those offenses listed in policy #6207.1 Category A B C, pages 24 through 26.

Our goal is to have all students learn to self-correct and conduct themselves in a socially acceptable manner. NES will operate under one umbrella. This umbrella will hold to these tenets: *empathy, impulse control, social awareness and anger management.* In addition to traditional rules and consequences, students at NES will have choices inside a Code of Conduct. This *code* is taken from *Love & Logic, The Six Pillars of Character, Cooperative Discipline, Shelby County Schools Discipline Guide, and Second Step's Social Conscious Curriculum.* This Code simply states that *students are not to make problems. If problems are made the administration, faculty and staff, will do something.* Since all children are unique, an appropriate action/activity will be done/occur to solve the problem.

We have a Plan that targets self-correcting. Each teacher has a classroom plan that operated under this umbrella. The Code of Conduct for Northaven Elementary School, Memphis Tennessee:

Be Safe at Northaven

- I am **Trustworthy, Respectful** and **Responsible**
 - I know that problems can be solved without violence.
 - I know what empathy means and I can demonstrate the meaning to others.
- I am respectful.
 - I will treat you with respect, so you will know how to treat me.
- I am responsible
 - I am free to do anything that does not cause a problem for anyone else.
 - I can expect to solve the problems that I cause.

Be Smart at Northaven

- I am **Caring** and **Fair**

We are here to learn, Therefore, I will:

- Respect myself, others and the environment
- Cooperate with all school people.
- Do nothing to keep the teacher from teaching anyone, including myself.

Be Present at Northaven

- I am a Good **Citizen**, I care
- I will Attend and respect authority

- I will Focus
- I will cooperate.

We at Northaven will use every tool/ resource available to teach students to self-correct. We take advantage of the resources under the Safe Schools Healthy Student Grant funded programs to help our students succeed and learn. We communicate with parents daily and as necessary to keep them informed about the children. We start each day new with hope and expectations.

The code is fair and consistent. The Character Education lessons support this plan at Northaven. The lessons are taught to all students and communicated to all people involved with the students and staff at Northaven.