

Student & Parent Code of Conduct

R.I.S.E. Academy prides itself in being a safe learning environment for all people involved (Students, Parents, Teachers, Administrators). It is expected that students, parents and guardians will be respectful to one another at all times and communicate with each other and staff in a professional manner.

- *Students at R.I.S.E. Academy will help maintain a positive school environment by being courteous and respecting others personal rights and feelings.*
- *R.I.S.E. Academy will not tolerate insults, disrespect to others and hurtful acts. There is a zero tolerance policy in regards to harassment, intimidation, threatening behaviours and profanity.*
- *Included in the zero tolerance policy is the acceptable use of technology.*

Unacceptable use of technology includes:

1: Copyright Infringement: R.I.S.E. Academy's Intellectual Property and/or Trademarks may not reproduce in any form or by any means, with the exception of doing so with written consent from the principal of R.I.S.E. Academy, Rebecca Chambers.

2: Harassment: R.I.S.E. Academy does not tolerate students sending electronic messages that cause a person and/or groups of people to fear for their own safety, or fear for the safety of others they know.

3: Obscenity: R.I.S.E. Academy does not tolerate students distributing, publishing or possessing any obscene material. Absolutely no such photos should be uploaded to the course portal or posted on or through any accounts created or used by a student for the purposes of an Unlearn course.

4: Hate Propaganda: Students at R.I.S.E. Academy should not disseminate messages, statements, images or other documents that promote hatred and/or incite violence against any identifiable group of people. By sending abusive, sexist or racist messages to anyone through the course portal or social media accounts, a student will be under investigation by the principal and will face necessary repercussions at the discretion of the principal.

5: Interception of Private Communications: (including electronic mail): Unlearn students shall not intercept any private communications through email, course portal or social media account/

6: Defamation: Unlearn students must write or send any statements that would likely injure the reputation of another student, teacher or person by exposing said person to ridicule, hatred and contempt.

7: Hacking and Computer Security: R.I.S.E. students will spend a significant amount of time online due to the nature of the courses offered, students must not do any of the following:

- gain unauthorized access of a device that does not belong to the students, use another student or teachers password to gain access to the course portal and/or social media accounts used to complete course requirements.
- attempt to eliminate or shut off any and all security features via anti-security programs, knowledge of another person's password or user ID, provide network configuration information or access codes to others, or by disabling anti-virus programs.
- spreading any computer viruses with intention to cause harm or gain access
- interfering with data through encryption, destroying data, or altering data with the intent of making it inaccessible to teacher, classmates, etc.
- being a part of electronic network mischief, including spoofing, using IP addresses without authorization, network sniffing, etc., attempting to probe, scan or test the vulnerability of a system or networks to breach security authentication measures.

If a student is in breach of the school code of conduct it may result in suspension or expulsion from R.I.S.E. Academy.

Members of the school community have a responsibility to maintain an environment where conflict and difference can be addressed in a manner characterized by respect and civility¹.

Responsibilities:

Students

As a student enrolled in an *R.I.S.E. Academy* course, there are several obligations that need to be fulfilled. Firstly, students must ensure that they have the tools necessary to access Unlearn courses on project jaguar, please see the required material section for more information.

It is also a students responsibility to ensure they are logging onto their course daily and spending the required 110 hours working on course material, please see the participation and

¹ Ontario Ministry of Education, 2016. Information retrieved from: "1.1.6 The Provincial Code of Conduct and School Board Codes of Conduct"

http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/policy/os/onschools_2016e.pdf

online attendance section for more information.

Students will also be responsible for handing in assignments and assessments on time according to their course outline(s). If a student requires additional support or an extension, they may request one but are not guaranteed additional time. If a student is ever confused or unsure about the expectation set out in their course outlines, they are responsible for clarifying with their teacher.

Teachers will be in contact with parents on a regular basis if any concerns arise in regards to attendance or progress with course material.

Parents

Parents are encouraged to monitor their child's progress in their *R.I.S.E. Academy* Courses through contact with their child's teacher as well as conversations with their child. Parents can support their children by ensuring they are spending adequate time working on their online courses, helping them schedule their time and checking that their child is completing assignments. Parents are always welcome to contact their child's teacher and/or the principal via the email address provided in each course outline.