

EVELYN DICKSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT



Our EDS Code of Conduct applies to all students, staff, caregivers and guests engaging in any activity that may have an impact on our school culture. Our Code of Conduct follows the [Nechako Lakes School District Policy](#) and is in place to ensure that we learn, work and play in a safe, kind and caring environment.

At Evelyn Dickson Elementary School we C.A.R.E.

We are a **Community of Learners**, committed to creating a school that promotes **Acceptance of All, Achievement for all, Respect, Responsibility**, and the pursuit of **Excellence**.

At Evelyn Dickson Elementary School we:

- respect the diversity of our school community and the [BC Human Rights Code](#) which prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, sex, age, mental or physical disability, gender identification/expression, sexual orientation or sexual orientation as perceived by others. ([SD 91 Policy 302.3](#)).
- respect the rights of others within the school community including peers, staff, parents, and guests.
- work to the best of our abilities with the goal of always improving.
- Demonstrate the qualities of a good citizen including a positive attitude, cooperation with adults and other students, school service, leadership and sportsmanship.
- respect the school building, equipment, and the property, including property of others. Students (or their parents) may be held financially responsible for repairs or replacement of property purposely damaged.
- conduct ourselves in a safe and responsible manner at all times.
- treat others with kindness. We do not threaten, harass, bully, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within the school community. This includes cyber bullying.
- are not in possession of any object that is potentially dangerous. This includes any weapons, legal or illegal, including replicas/imitations, knives, and any object with a blade.
- are not in possession or under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or vape type products in school buildings, on school trips or on school property.
- follow SD 91 policy/regulations regarding student transportation on school buses ([406.1 / 406.1 R](#)).
- follow SD 91 policy/regulations ([401.1 / 401.1R](#)) regarding student use of district technology and restrictions for "Personal Digital Devices".

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Knives in Schools

SD91 reminds families that knives are strictly prohibited at school and on school buses. We understand that many families in our region spend considerable time outdoors and often use these items. However, knives, including Leatherman tools, are not appropriate in a school setting at any time.

We ask that all caregivers and students check backpacks and jacket pockets, especially after camping, fishing, or hunting trips to ensure these items are not brought to school. The District Code of Conduct will be followed to for these situations and appropriate consequences applied.

If you have any questions, please contact your school or the Safe School Coordinator at the SD 91 Board office.

Use of Technology

While using technology at EDS, we:

- ask permission first.
- only login, look at or delete our own files.
- use the technology only for the purpose we have been given.
- only use the communication tools with the permission of a staff member (e-mail, Teams, etc.)
- do not inappropriately communicate with others (cyber-bullying, making threats, etc.).
- never share personal information or arrange to meet with anyone.
- demonstrate respect for all EDS hardware and software.

In alignment with SD 91 Digital Technology, Consent and Privacy Policy and Regulations ([401.1/401.1R](#)) and the [policy](#) of the Ministry of Education and Childcare requirements for cell phones and personal digital devices for elementary students the following must be adhered to:

- A student's cell phone or personal digital device must be powered off and safely stored during the entire school day unless for instructional purposes and to promote digital literacy, and only with the permission and direct supervision of a teacher or other staff member. This extends to instructional time, while off school property (e.g. field trip).
- Taking pictures, videotaping and recording is not allowed.
- The school takes no responsibility for lost, missing or damaged personal digital devices that students choose to bring to school.

**Special considerations apply to students who are unable to comply with the School Code of Conduct due to having a disability/condition of an intellectual, physical, medical, sensory, emotional, or behavioural nature.*