# The Cardiff Way

Each student has the right to live and learn in a safe, orderly environment. We at Cardiff School believe we can ensure a better place for learning by having clear and consistent school rules. There are adults always ready to help our students to solve disagreements, to counsel, and to give love and support when needed; however, the desired outcome is for our children to think for themselves, make appropriate decisions and become responsible for their own actions.

Please review the following rules, positive consequences and negative consequences with your child. This will give all of our students the greatest opportunity for a safe and successful school year. Live and act in THE CARDIFF WAY!



**Act Responsibly** Follow adult directions • Always do your best • Use self-control • Think before you act - consider the consequences • Take responsibility for your actions • Take care of school and personal property

**Be Honest** Speak the truth • Be reliable - do what you say you'll do • Have the courage to do the right thing

**Care for Others** Use kind words, tones and actions • Try to see others' point of view • Express appreciation • Help people in need • Be an active listener • Encourage others

**Show Respect** Treat others with respect • Accept differences in others • Use good manners • Be considerate of the feelings of others • Keep hands and feet to yourself • Respect others' personal space • Deal peacefully with anger, insults and disagreements • Play fair and include others

POSITIVE CONSEQUENCES	NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES
Cardiff Way Tickets	Warning
Verbal Praise	Time Out / Loss of Recess
Recognition at Awards Assemblies	Discipline Notice
	Send to Principal
	Contact Parents

**Severe Action:** When a child's safety is at stake, or a theft or bullying is involved, the child will be sent to the principal's office and the parent will be contacted.

# PLAYGROUND RULES

### Bells

- STOP playing when bell rings
- PUT AWAY any equipment you used
- WALK to your line
- · SIT quietly until teachers come

## Blacktop

- No running
- No kicking playground balls

## Equipment

- No chase or tag
- Swings:
  - -One direction only, bottom on swing only
  - -No twisting chain or jumping off
  - -Take turns (100 count)
- · Slides:
  - -Down only with bottom on slide
  - -One student at a time
  - -No sand on slides
- Bars/Rings:
  - -One direction only
  - -Take turns
  - -No sitting or standing on top
- "Zip Line":
  - -One way ride only
  - -One student at a time
- · Sand:
  - -Keep sand off sidewalks
  - -No throwing sand

#### Fields

- Keep balls away from fences
- No wrestling or tackling

## General

- All games are open to all students.
- Stay on the playground unless you have permission to leave.
- Use the playground or lunch area bathrooms and drinking fountains only.
- Stay away from picnic and barbecue area.
- Students must wear safe and appropriate footwear for running, jumping and playing on a daily basis no open toed shoes.
- Bullying is not tolerated.
- Students may not bring toys to school without teacher permission. Laser pointers and imitation weapons are never allowed.

# NO BULLYING

# What are bullying behaviors?

- Actions or words that purposely hurt other people's feelings or body, and continue after requests to stop.
- Negative behaviors that are repeated over and over.
- Behaviors that make the person feel like it cannot be stopped.

# What can I do if I am being bullied?

- Never keep it a secret.
- I can tell an adult (teacher, recess supervisor, nurse, principal, parent).
- I can expect the behavior to stop. Make sure the principal knows if it does not stop.
- I can choose to play with supportive friends.