

BSSWA's Scholar-Activist Respect Guidelines

The *Scholar-Activist Guidelines* are based on five core values. Our commitment, first and foremost, to: (1) achieve **academic excellence**, (2) extend a **helping hand** to those in need, (3) maintain a **peacekeeping** culture, (4) summon the courage to express our **creativity** (“think differently!”), and (5) demonstrate pride in our school work as well as the accomplishments and gains of others (**school spirit**), define what it means to be a *scholar-activist* at BSSWA.

RESPECT NORMS

Student-to-Student RESPECT! Treat every classmate as you wish her/him to treat you.	Staff-to-Student RESPECT! Treat every student as you wish her/him to treat you.	Student-to-Staff RESPECT! Treat every teacher & staff member as you wish her/him to treat you.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Celebrate the successes of every classmate. Encourage them to push through challenges and take intellectual risks. 2. Lend a “Helping Hand” to classmates. 3. Avoid all forms of bullying (physical, verbal, or cyber) and gossiping at all times; you know where these actions lead! 4. Work with classmates toward swift and equitable compromises and resolutions when conflicts arise. 5. Monitor your tone & language. Yelling (or cursing) at classmates is never acceptable; even when you’re frustrated or in a bad mood. 6. All fighting, including “play fighting,” is strictly prohibited. You know where that leads too! 7. Sexual harassment – verbal or physical – is never acceptable ... ever. 8. Reflect constantly and take full responsibility for your work and actions. 9. Respect everyone’s personal space and property. Let’s <u>all</u> agree to keep our hands to ourselves and off one another’s person or property without expressed permission. 10. Extend everyone 100% respect, 100% of the time; regardless of color, race, nationality, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or age. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Listen carefully to every student in the class. Hear us! 2. Encourage us. Be patient with us – especially, when we don’t understand. 3. Strive to teach every student you encounter. 4. Work with your students toward swift and equitable compromises and resolutions when conflicts arise. 5. Monitor your tone and language. Yelling (or cursing) at students is never acceptable; even when you’re frustrated or in a bad mood. 6. Avoid playing favorites by taking the time to learn the many sides of every story. 7. Arrive to class prepared, on time, and well organized (i.e., don’t lose our work). 8. Reprimand us privately when possible. Always correct us in way that maintains our dignity (i.e., Don’t shout us out about personal or academic issues). 9. Respect everyone’s personal space and property. Let’s <u>all</u> agree to keep our hands to ourselves and off one another’s person or property without expressed permission. 10. Extend everyone 100% respect, 100% of the time; regardless of color, race, nationality, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or age. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Arrive to class prepared, on time, and well organized (i.e., don’t ask to retrieve something from your locker moments upon arriving to class). 2. Avoid disrupting the lesson or class time. 3. Share the air space in class. Honor the “One Person, One Mic” rule. 4. Work with faculty and staff toward swift and equitable compromises and resolutions when conflicts arise. 5. Monitor your tone & language. Yelling (or cursing) at faculty or staff is never acceptable; even when you’re frustrated or in a bad mood. 6. Complete every assignment on time and to the best of YOUR ability. 7. Be open to new ideas and routines. 8. Reflect constantly and take full responsibility for your work and actions. 9. Respect everyone’s personal space and property. Let’s <u>all</u> agree to keep our hands to ourselves and off one another’s person or property without expressed permission. 10. Extend everyone 100% respect, 100% of the time; regardless of color, race, nationality, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or age.