

Walsall Studio School Home-School Agreement

Student Name:

Staff and Governors at Walsall Studio School believe that students will have the best opportunity to achieve their full potential if school, local employers, parents and students themselves work together in partnership. This Home School Agreement defines some of the relationships and responsibilities that are part of such a partnership.

Student

I will:

- Follow school rules, work hard and make a positive contribution to the life of this school, our local community and wider society.
- Respect other students, staff, visitors and myself and behave professionally and courteously at all times demonstrating behaviours that employers would value.
- Be aware that racism, intolerance and bullying are unacceptable in our school.
- Keep myself and others in school safe.
- Attend school regularly and on time, avoiding ALL unnecessary absences.
- Be well prepared for the school day (well-rested, well-fed and equipped with the right stationery and equipment).
- Wear appropriate clothes in line with the school uniform/dress code and be tidy in my appearance.
- Complete classwork and homework on time to the best of my ability.
- Make sure that my mobile phone is handed to my tutor / personal coach at the start of the day to be stored on the ground floor during lesson time and morning break. I understand that the school would prefer me not to bring a mobile phone to school and takes no responsibility if they are lost, stolen or damaged.
- Not use drugs, alcohol or other substances.
- Take good care of the school environment and help to keep the school free from litter and graffiti.
- Log on to school computers using only my own login and password, which I will keep secret.
- Not access other people's files.
- Only use the school computers for school and homework.
- Not visit internet sites that I know may contain material of an unsuitable nature.
- Respect copyright rules, other people's beliefs and views.
- Not post or forward inappropriate, illegal, abusive or obscene content to anyone.
- Report any unpleasant material or messages sent to me.
- Understand that my actions on school computers or systems are scrutinised and monitored to ensure internet safety to all.
- Understand that the use of the computer systems without permission or for a purpose not agreed by the school could constitute a criminal offence under the Computer Misuse Act 1990.

Signed: Date:

Print Name:

Parents and Carers

As a Parent/Carer I will:

- Ensure my child attends regularly and punctually as required by law.
- Keep the school informed of anything which I believe might affect my child's progress in school especially absence, illness, and change of family situation.
- Avoid ALL unnecessary absences, including holiday at times when the school curriculum is being delivered.
- Provide a place at home that is as quiet as possible, to encourage completion of any homework and personal study.
- Take an interest in my child's schoolwork, looking at their exercise books and other work regularly.
- Make contact with staff where there are any concerns.
- Attend Parents` Evenings to meet my child's teachers.
- Support the school rules (such as those on dress code) and discipline code and reinforce punishments given by the school in terms of misbehaviour.
- Ensure that my child gets adequate sleep, is well-fed and does not have access to drugs, alcohol and other substances.
- Send my child to school, prepared for the school day with all books and equipment required.
- Encourage my child to take every advantage of the opportunities offered, both educational and extra-curricular.
- Acknowledge that Walsall Studio does not want mobile phones in school and is not liable for any loss. I understand that any communication with my child during the school day should be through school reception.
- Communicate with all staff at Walsall Studio School in a respectful manner.
- Give permission to Walsall Studio School to give my child access to electronic information services.
- Ensure my child uses the ICT systems appropriately, supporting the school in dealing with any incident of misuse.
- Not use the school website or social media pages to post queries, complaints, concerns or issues relating to my child specifically; I will use the appropriate pastoral channels for these.

Signed: Date:

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Staff and Governors

Staff will:

- Fulfil their legal duty to keep students safe.
- Promote high standards of work and behaviour as set out in the school's aims and policies.
- Provide a broad and balanced curriculum that meets the needs of children of all abilities, developing their abilities and talents to the highest possible standard.
- Set and mark work regularly, giving students frequent feedback on their progress.
- Keep parents/carers informed about school matters in general and students' progress in particular.
- Communicate with parents and carers in a respectful manner.
- Provide a caring, safe and supportive environment to promote learning and well being.
- Monitor students' behaviour, taking fair and consistent action if necessary and informing parents/carers of any concerns.
- Help a student to leave school well prepared to make the most of future career/educational opportunities.
- Ensure equality for all.
- Develop greater involvement in extra-curricular activities within school and the wider community.

Governors will:

- Carry out their legal responsibilities to the school.
- Provide school policies that care for every student.
- Ensure that funding received by school will be used responsibly to provide curriculum and support services.
- Visit the school regularly for both statutory meetings and to stay informed of progress.

Signed: Date:

On behalf of Walsall Studio School