Supervision of Students Policy

Teachers and parents who have completed criminal record checks will be the monitors responsible for supervising students. Supervision will include the conduct and safety and direction of play and activity of students who are on school grounds before and after school and during recess and other intermissions.

Supervision times outside of scheduled Instruction time:

8:30-8:45 am Monday-Thursday: One monitor will supervise students once they enter school grounds, outside only, before school starts

10:30-10:45 am Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays: Two monitors will supervise students outside, on school grounds, during recess.

10:00-11:00 am Tuesdays only: Two monitors will supervise students during recess/DPA when they go off school grounds for mini field trips to the park, the community hall, the yoga studio.

12:00-1:00 pm Monday-Thursday: Two monitors will supervise students indoors while they eat and then outdoors, on school grounds during lunch recess.

3:15-3:30 pm Monday-Thursday: One monitor will supervise students outside, on school grounds, after school dismissal while students wait to be picked up by parents.

Discretion will be given to monitors to decide if indoor recess is required due to weather or other factors.

Supervisors are required to:

- Read this policy to ensure they are aware of their responsibilities
- Clearly identify supervision zones and require all supervisors to remain at assigned locations from which they can observe their entire zone of supervision.
- Consider the nature of the supervision zone, and, as applicable, the size of the playground area, the playground equipment, the number of areas that are not immediately visible, and the age and disability status of the students
- Each play area uniquely determines the amount of supervision needed. Supervisors should be able to visually have control of the play area as well as have vocal control of the children involved.
- The Principal will determine what is reasonable and prudent based on the number of children and the areas and types of play.
- Student behavior monitoring and intervention according to school rules and code of conduct must be enforced.
- Supervisors must intervene when children behave aggressively.
- Supervisors must follow-through on reports of playground aggression and bullying.

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- Supervisors must communicate and coordinate with other school staff about children's behavior at recess/lunch.
- Bullying behavior is not tolerated.
- Communicate rules often with students.
- Act to control repeated violators of playground rules.
- Controlling the play environment is essential. Keep in mind the student's behavior before allowing him/her to enter the play area: Was the student just disciplined? Is the student feeling ill, or is there some other obvious reason for hostility? Is the student prone to violent behavior?

*A copy of this summary will be included in the parent handbook family commitment package at the beginning of every year.