# DVD Student Code of Conduct for Virtual Learning Opportunities During Campus Closures

Our classroom environment has transitioned for the time being to virtual (online) instruction as a result of the COVID-19 related safety requirements; nonetheless, it is expected that students meet the same standards of behavior as though we were on a physical campus together. In other words, our DVD virtual classrooms are real classrooms with real teachers, and appropriate student behavior is expected. To ensure that all of our DVD students understand how appropriate behavior is defined for an online environment, we have developed a code of conduct that all students are required to follow. This code of conduct addresses student integrity, accountability for individual action, interaction with other DVD students, and interaction with DVD staff.

This code of conduct for virtual instruction is in alignment with the established Da Vinci Code of Conduct as established in the Student and Family Handbook.

## Da Vinci Code of Conduct (via DVD Student and Family Handbook)

In order to provide an effective, safe, focused, and enjoyable learning environment, Da Vinci Schools has behavioral expectations for all students. The following is an outline of what is expected for our students and consequences for misconduct.

Please adhere to the Da Vinci Code of Conduct at all times.

- I will treat everyone with courtesy and respect.
- I will treat personal and school property with respect.
- I will help create and maintain a positive and safe environment.
- I will come to school prepared for learning.
- I will act responsibly and accept consequences for my actions.
- I will connect and contribute to the community and world around me.
- I will strive to make my community a safe, healthy learning environment for all.

#### Appropriate Use of the Internet

1. Da Vinci Schools students are subject to all local, state, and federal laws governing the Internet. Consequently, program administrators will cooperate fully with local, state, or federal officials in any investigation related to illegal activities conducted through Internet access.

2. In the event there is a claim that a student has violated this policy, they will be notified of the suspected violation and given an opportunity to present an explanation.

3. Any student that violates this policy will be subject to disciplinary action that may result in removal from DVD course(s), as well as other disciplinary or legal action.

#### Interactions with Other DVD Student Users

1. All communications with other students enrolled at DVD must be of a course-related nature. Any sending of unsolicited email to other DVD classmates is prohibited.

2. All communications with other students in any forum, email, discussion post, etc., are expected to be polite, courteous and respectful.

3. The integrity and authenticity of student work is something that Da Vinci Schools takes seriously, and that teachers check using a variety of technologies. Copying the work of others, allowing others to knowingly copy a student's work, and/or misusing content from the Internet could result in removal from courses. Students are expected to abide by the Academic Integrity Policy that is accepted as part of enrollment in Da Vinci Schools courses.

4. With the exception of Project Based Learning activities, students are not to collaborate with other students (work with) on assignments unless directed to do so by the teacher. While working together is useful in the traditional classroom, it is not appropriate nor is it permitted in the online environment without specific teacher instructions to do so. In addition, appropriate levels of parent support for on-line lessons are indicated through parent communication portals and teacher communications.

5. Students are not to communicate in a manner that is obscene, profane, threatening, or disrespectful (in language, images, audio, or video) in any interactions with other DVD

students. These actions are prohibited as indicated in our student handbook and board policies for student discipline.

### Interactions with DVD Staff

1. Students should address all DVD staff members with the courtesy expected for education professionals, including a staff member's preferred name and/or title.

2. Students should phrase communications with DVD staff in a polite and courteous manner appropriate for speaking to education professionals. The tone of emails and phone conversations must be respectful. It is recommended that students communicate with teachers in language that is acceptable, including in complete sentences.

3. Since our online environment is a learning environment, students should not use excessive "slang" or language that they might use in other, more casual, environments.

4. Students are not to communicate in a manner that is obscene, profane, threatening, or disrespectful (in language, images, audio, or video) in any interactions with DVD staff. These actions are prohibited as indicated in our student handbook and board policies for student discipline.

5. Students must use the school authorized email address appropriate for the educational environment. Email addresses that use profanity, or may otherwise be construed as offensive, shall not be permitted in correspondence with staff. Posting of any profile pictures should be a head-shot of the student only and may not be offensive or inappropriate in any manner. The DVD administration reserves the right to determine if a student email address and/or profile picture is inappropriate. Students using an inappropriate email address and/or profile picture will be required to update their user profiles.