

## **PARENT/GUARDIAN RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **Background**

For the purpose of this administrative procedure, student and child are considered to be one and the same. The Board is committed to establishing a working partnership with parents/guardians as an essential part of providing students with effective education programming and supports.

Responsibilities exist for both school and parents/guardians in achieving this objective. The Board recognizes that parents/guardians have the right to choose the kind of education programs and supports that will be provided to their child.

Parents/guardians act as one of the most influential role-models within their child's life. The Board believe that parents/guardians should become familiar with the STEM Collegiate program, policies, and operations, and effectively support expectations held by staff. Parents/guardians share responsibility with the school staff for the behaviour of students at school and school activities.

### **Procedures**

1. As partners in education, parents/guardians have the responsibility to:
  - 1.1. act as the primary guide and decision-maker with respect to the child's education;
  - 1.2. take an active role in the child's educational success, including assisting the child in complying with legislation and school policies;
  - 1.3. ensure that the child attends school regularly;
  - 1.4. ensure that the parent's conduct contributes to a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environment;
  - 1.5. cooperate and collaborate with school staff to support the delivery of specialized supports and services to the child;
  - 1.6. encourage, foster, and advance collaborative, positive and respectful relationships with teachers, administration, other school staff and professionals providing supports and services in the school; and
  - 1.7. engage in the child's community.

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