

Leigh Academy Tonbridge

Home-School Agreement

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At Leigh Academy Tonbridge we are dedicated to ensuring that our Academy environment supports the learning and wellbeing of all students and staff. We recognise and value the partnership between school, parents/carers and students for students to become independent, successful and positive contributors locally, nationally and internationally. Our Home Academy Agreement recognises the importance of a successful partnership between the Academy, students and parents.

Leigh Academy Tonbridge agrees to:

- Provide every student with a broad, balanced education that maximises potential and encourages high aspirations
- Provide academic and vocational programmes of study that meet the needs of all learners
- Build personal attributes in every student inline with The IB Learner Profile
- Provide high quality pastoral support to every student
- Provide every student with a College Team (including form tutor, Student Manager and Director of Progress) who will be the first port of call for parents
- Challenge, support and encourage every student so they can become the best they can be
- Provide every student with social, moral and spiritual education opportunities (including Religious, Sex and Health Education)
- Provide opportunities to learn about British Values and become Internationally-minded
- Develop a range of enrichment and extracurricular activities
- Provide a secure, stimulating and well-disciplined environment
- Provide regular home/independent learning opportunities
- Access to emotional support through our Place2be counselling service
- Provide students with regular academic feedback and opportunities for reflection
- Provide parents/carers with progress reports
- Offer at least one parent's evening each year
- Communicate with parents/carers to discuss any difficulties or concerns that may arise
- Ensure the safety of staff and students by involving external agencies, where necessary
- Act swiftly and fully investigate any reports of bullying or discrimination and take necessary action

As a parent/carer I agree to:

- Fully support and work with the Academy to encourage a positive attitude to education
- Encourage excellent attendance (96%+) and punctuality including attendance to the schools enrichment programme on Thursdays; informing the Academy on any day the student is unable to attend or will be late
- Avoid family holidays during Academy term time.
- Make time to discuss and listen to my child about any home learning and recognise effort and progress my child has made
- Attend any parents evenings and relevant academy functions in which my child is involved; including any meetings that are requested by the Academy
- Regularly review 'My Child At School' to keep up to date with my child's behaviour and attendance
- Inform the Academy if there are any factors which may affect my childs' performance
- Fully support the Academy policies; including the Behaviour Policy and any sanctions that are implemented if and when required
- Ensure my child has the correct uniform and equipment (including Chromebook, pencil case and its contents, appropriate footwear and correct PE kit)

- Pay for the repair or replacement of any damage caused by my child (including lost books, equipment or damage to property)
- Support my child in full-time education or training to the age of 18
- Support any interventions that are put in by the Academy (including external agencies) where required
- Take full responsibility for my child's appropriate use of technology including social media

As a Leigh Academy Tonbridge student I agree to:

- Treat all members of the Academy community with understanding and respect
- Show respect for the Academy environment and property
- Attend and be punctual to all lessons, including morning line-up
- Try my best and meet all course requirements, including home learning tasks
- Wear the full and correct Academy uniform as outlined in the Behaviour Policy
- Bring the correct equipment as outlined in the Behaviour Policy
- Adhere to Academy expectations and behave responsibly at all times (including to and from the Academy)
- Keep my mobile phone in my school bag and switched off when on site
- Adhere to any sanction(s) if and when required
- Not bring in any prohibited items (aerosol cans, chewing gum, make-up or nail varnish) into the Academy as this will result in confiscation and a sanction
- Not bring in any tobacco, vapes, alcohol, illegal drugs or offensive weapons into the Academy as this may result in permanent exclusion.
- Not maliciously interfere with Academy equipment; including the desktop computers, Chromebooks or fire safety equipment as this may result in permanent exclusion
- Not misuse ICT devices, systems or services as this will result in loss of access to technology in school or a more serious sanction; such as a Fixed-Term exclusion or permanent exclusion
- Behave responsibly online including the use of learning platforms and social media

Student Name:	
Signature of student:	
Signature of Parent/Carer:	
Signature of Principal:	(on behalf of Leigh Academy Tonbridge)