



## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

### **1.0 Rationale**

District School Board Ontario North East is committed to supporting a strategy for promoting a safe, inclusive, and accepting school climate. The purpose of the Code of Conduct is to ensure the rights and responsibilities of all members of the school community. Practices will focus on prevention and will foster dignity and respect while ensuring the safety of all through firm, fair and progressive strategies designed to promote both self-respect and respect for others.

### **2.0 Definitions**

**Personal Mobile Device:** A personal mobile device is any device that is both portable and capable of collecting, storing, transmitting or processing electronic data or images. The term implies wireless communications.

**Progressive Discipline:** Progressive Discipline is a range of early and later interventions, supports and consequences that are developmentally appropriate. It includes opportunities for students to learn from mistakes and focus on improving behaviour.

**School Community:** The School Community includes trustees, all staff of the Board (administrators, principals and vice-principals, teachers, support staff), students, parents, police services, community partners, and community groups who use Board facilities.

### **3.0 Policy**

It is the policy of District School Board Ontario North East to maintain a safe and inclusive learning and teaching environment through the adoption of a Code of Conduct. A Code of Conduct promotes responsibility, respect, civility and academic excellence. It sets clear standards of behaviour for all members of the school community. The goal is to create a positive school climate where all members of the school community feel safe, included and accepted.