

The Mountain School Rules and Requests:

Thank you for reviewing these rules with your children in preparation for coming to TMS. Whenever a parent is on site (drop off or pick up, gatherings, etc) – You are the authority – therefore you will need to know these rules as well. Your understanding of the following is important for all of the children's safety. Please be sure and review these rules with your children before their first day at TMS.

Requests & Rules

- ❖ We ask that our older students (7-12) respect the space and mood of the younger children's play. Bullying is never accepted anywhere, amongst any ages at TMS. Older students are expected to be examples to younger children with proper manners, vocabulary, and treat the site, materials and friends with care and respect.

In the Classroom:

- ❖ Bring indoor shoes or go barefoot and leave outdoor shoes in cubby rooms where there are hooks and benches for belongings and shoes. Use indoor voice at all times and be respectful of toys and materials. If toys are carelessly broken, we may ask child and their family to fix or replace the object.

Animals & Farm area:

- ❖ All children need to ask a teacher before going into any animal corrals, the henhouse, bunny village, the bio-dome, or the pasture. Either a teacher needs to be in with children in these places or watching at all times.
- ❖ Children need close adult supervision around Lalita (our jersey cow) and the miniature horses.
- ❖ Catching chickens is okay, but no chasing just to chase.
- ❖ Miniature Horses: may bite or kick (like any horse). Do not walk behind them and be careful with your fingers near their mouth. When walking horses, do not let them stop and eat. No running with horses. They must stay on the pathways (not in the garden or in the sandbox). It is preferable not to tie them but to have someone hold the rope. A teacher will be present to help with any questions.
- ❖ You must be visible at all times to teachers. No one should ever be behind the barn.

Garden

- ❖ Please be reverent, quiet and walk carefully and slowly in the garden - it is not a play area. No stepping on garden beds, playing chase etc...
- ❖ Please ask before picking vegetables to feed to the animals!
- ❖ Clean your tools and then return the tools and the gloves to where they belong.
- ❖ Only teachers turn on the water faucets. Children can use hoses only with teacher permission.
- ❖ Compost piles are working systems. Please respect them. No climbing on them.

Yard

- ❖ Dig holes only in the sandbox.
- ❖ Return all toys to where they belong.
- ❖ Wagons: no running downhill with wagons & you will need an owner with them when moving.

Wilderness and Hiking

- ❖ We all need to be quiet and respectful of other creatures and people in nature. Staying together as a group (no running ahead), no stick carrying while hiking, and asking permission to throw a rock at any time is mandatory. Supervision by teachers near or in the water at all times is mandatory, NO exceptions.
- ❖ Follow all river and creek rules as discussed by your teacher.
 - Safe swimming practices that all must use:
 - No plunging others under water
 - No jumping off rocks or logs without a Teacher's permission
 - No jumping around other swimmers. You need a 10 foot radius from others.
 - All swimming is done under a teacher's supervision and permission.

Date: _____

Parent Signature

Camper Signature