

The success of Southwest Baltimore Charter School depends on the full cooperation and participation of every family. Parents and students are responsible for upholding the school rules, policies and procedures listed in the Southwest Baltimore Charter School Handbook and adopted by the Board of Directors, Executive Director and Director of Instruction throughout the year.

Adults will adhere to all SBCS policies and responsibilities as described in the Southwest Baltimore Charter School Handbook. Adults who do not observe these tenets will be asked to withdraw their children from the Southwest Baltimore Charter School.

Parents and Guardians agree to:

Abide by the “Code of Conduct for Adults”

All adults associated with the Southwest Baltimore Charter School will serve as role models for the students of the Southwest Baltimore Charter School. They will demonstrate excellent manners, polite language, and modulated tone of voice; will not hit their own or others’ children; will respect other people’s opinions; and pledge to resolve problems within the governance structure of Southwest Baltimore Charter School (outlined in the Handbook). Adults who do not observe these tenets will be asked to withdraw their children from Southwest Baltimore Charter School.

See that children complete and turn in all required homework

Failure to complete homework impedes a student’s progress. Repeated violations may be addressed with academic and/or disciplinary action, as outlined in the Southwest Baltimore Charter School “Homework Policy.” Failure to complete at least 80% of assigned homework may lead to a student being required to transfer from Southwest Baltimore Charter School.

Comply with the Dress Code

The uniform is to be worn every day. The Dress Code and consequences for Dress Code violations are described in the Handbook.

Comply with the school’s discipline policy

Student conduct must support the Southwest Baltimore Charter School’s academic mission. Disruptive, violent, destructive, and unsafe behavior shall not be tolerated. The Southwest Baltimore Charter School Handbook includes our discipline policy and specifies unacceptable activities and behaviors. Children who are continually disruptive in class or who engage in persistent fighting or violence toward others will not be permitted to continue their education at Southwest Baltimore Charter School. Parents and guardians agree to explain the discipline policy and student conduct rules to their children and to actively support full and fair enforcement.

Meet financial obligations

- a) All fees for field trips, student activities, instructional programs, or extracurricular activities must be paid in a timely fashion.
- b) Money collected in fundraisers and related records of fundraisers must be turned in to the school by the established deadlines.
- c) Southwest Baltimore Charter School will pass any bank charges for insufficient funds, etc. back to the family who made the payment. These funds must be paid back to the school in order to be considered in “good standing.”

Additional parent responsibilities include but are not limited to

- a) Dropping off and picking up children on time and following dismissal procedures
- b) **Ensuring that children have no more than 4 unexcused absences in a given school year**
- c) Providing up-to-date emergency contact information
- e) Ensuring that children attend school on testing days, unless excused by a doctor
- f) Attending report card conferences each trimester
- g) Reading and responding in a timely manner to all communications that are sent home with the student

By signing this contract, I agree to follow all rules, policies, and procedures outlined in the School Handbook and adopted throughout the year by the Board of Directors. The Board has the right to amend these policies and procedures as needed. I understand that my commitment to Southwest Baltimore Charter School is voluntarily made, and that a decision to not sign the contract is a decision to enroll my children in a different school.

Child(ren)'s Name(s) _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____