

Appendix 1: Home Academy Agreement



WILMINGTON ACADEMY – HOME ACADEMY AGREEMENT

Anything is Possible | Believe in Yourself | Don't Just Fly – Soar! | Strive Further, Reach Higher

At Wilmington Academy, 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 and students for students to become independent, successful and positive contributors to their community and society.

Our home academy agreement recognises the importance of a successful partnership between the Academy, students and parents.

Wilmington Academy 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 meets the needs of all learners
- Build personal attributes in every student in line with the IB Learner Profile
- Provide high-quality pastoral support to every student
- Provide every student with a form tutor 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 promote international mindedness
- 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 wellbeing team
- Provide students with regular academic feedback and opportunities for reflection
- Provide students with a record of progress folder in all their subjects to retain core assessments and allow them to see their progress over time
- Provide parents/carers with progress reports as featured in the Assessment, Recording and Reporting Policy
- Offer at least one parents' 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
- Ensure the Anti-Bullying Policy is fully adhered to by investigating 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 (95% or above) and punctuality, 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 (MCAS) to keep up-to-date with my child's behaviour and attendance
- Inform the Academy if there are any factors which may affect my child's performance
- Fully support the Academy policies, including this policy and any sanctions that are issued if and when required
- Ensure my child has the correct uniform and equipment (including pencil case and its contents, appropriate uniform 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 the Academy in cases of malicious interference with Academy equipment, including the computers or fire safety equipment
- Ensure my child is always acting safely when using sharp instruments in practical lessons, such as technology and art
- Support any interventions that are put in place by the Academy (including external agencies) where required
- Take full responsibility for my child's appropriate use of technology including social media

As a Wilmington Academy 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 period one
- Remain on site during Academy hours
- Try my best and meet all course requirements, including home learning tasks
- Wear the full and correct Academy uniform as outlined in this policy
- Bring the correct equipment as outlined in this policy
- Adhere to Academy expectations and behave responsibly at all times (including to and from the Academy)
- Keep my mobile phone switched off and in my school bag when on site
- Complete any sanction(s) if and when required
- Not bring in any prohibited items as detailed in this policy onto the Academy site as this will result in confiscation and a sanction
- Not maliciously interfere with Academy equipment, including the computers or fire safety equipment
- 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 suspension or permanent exclusion
- Behave responsibly online including the use of learning platforms and social media