# The Woodlands College Park High School Honor Code

The students, faculty, and staff of The Woodlands College Park High School strive to uphold the school's four pillars of excellence: *Commitment, Pride, Honor*, and *Success*.

#### **Student Responsibilities**

## Respect

Cavaliers will demonstrate a high level of professionalism and integrity both at school and in the community. Students will abide by a strong set of principles regarding respect toward their peers, teachers, administrators, property, and themselves. Examples of behavior that go against the venerable character of a Cavalier include but are not limited to:

- Vandalism
- Bullying
- Defiance of authority
- Public displays of affection
- Unsportsmanlike behavior at events

#### Honesty

Students will uphold high ethical standards regarding academic performance and conduct. TWCP's standards include the expectation that no student will engage in fraudulent behavior, which will include but not be limited to:

- Cheating
- Plagiarism
- Obtaining an unfair advantage
- Falsification of records or official documents
- Fabrication
- Aiding and abetting dishonesty

#### Faculty & Administration Responsibilities

#### Respect

Teachers and administrators will strive to uphold the Cavalier image by serving as role models. Faculty and administrators should strive to treat every student, faculty member, and TWCP guest equally and courteously.

#### Honesty

Teachers and administrators will provide a fair and consistent environment for all students at TWCP and will:

- Enforce all school rules, policies, and punishments for students equally and consistently (i.e. tardy policy, dress code, truancy, etc.)
- Demonstrate importance of school policies by personally following rules (cell phones in class, professional dress, odd/even test days, etc.)
- Report all Honor Code violations

#### **Parent/Guardian Responsibilities**

### Respect

Parents or guardians of TWCP students will strive to support the Cavalier mission to provide respect and courtesy to every member of the Cavalier family. Parents may demonstrate this respect by:

- Maintaining positive and professional communication with TWCP staff members at all times
- Encouraging student accountability in both academics and behavior
- Playing an active role in helping students achieve academic excellence

## Honesty

Parents or guardians of TWCP students will strive to support the Cavalier mission to uphold academic integrity. Parents may assist in the educational goals of TWCP by monitoring the work of their students and stopping dishonest behavior. Parents should understand the student responsibilities for the Honor Code and monitor their student's compliancy.

#### **Honor Cords**

Students who complete their senior year with no violations of the Honor Code may be eligible to receive a cord to wear at graduation. The cord will signify their commitment to uphold the Cavalier image of integrity and high honor.

#### **TWCP Honor Council**

Designated individuals of the TWCP student body and faculty will represent the school as members of TWCP's Honor Council. Throughout the year, students accused of certain violations of the Honor Code may undergo a hearing with select members of the Honor Council. Each Honor Council hearing will consist of at least three students and one teacher. The Honor Council also will work in conjunction with a student's assistant principal to determine whether or not an offense is a major or minor violation of the Honor Code.

#### **Reporting Violations**

- A student who witnesses another individual violating the Honor Code must report the violation to a faculty member serving on the Honor Council.
- The Honor Council faculty member must fill out the designated violation form and turn the form in to the accused student's assistant principal.

## **Consequences for Honor Code Violations**

- 1<sup>st</sup> minor offense: Serve two hours on a Saturday serving community service toward the school, such as planting/weeding flower beds, picking up trash, specific school beautification projects, etc.
  - O Students who only have one Honor Code offense may still be eligible to earn their honor cord for graduation if they do not have any other Honor Code offenses while they are attending TWCP.
- Additional offenses: Additional violations of the Honor Code will result in extra Saturday community service hours. After three violations, a conference must be conducted with the student, parent/guardian, Honor Council faculty member, and assistant principal.
- **Major offenses:** Consequences for severe violations of the Honor Code will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.