



Voices College-Bound Language Academies Teacher Commitment to Excellence

The role of the teacher is key to the success of a child in school. Our students have unlimited potential, it is our job to draw every last bit out. Students' experiences here at Voices with you will form them into the people they will become. Children deserve opportunities to succeed so that they will have choices in their lives; it is up to us to provide this for **all** of them. If they fail, we fail and there are no excuses.

Whereas,

- I understand that students will spend the most important years of their lives in school, and I want to provide the best education possible for all students.
- I believe that **all** students can learn at high levels
- I am dedicated to the mission and vision of Voices College-Bound Language Academies,

I promise, and agree:

1. To always treat students with kindness and respect.
2. To always protect the safety, interests, and rights of all individuals in the classroom.
3. To respect everyone at Voices College-Bound Academies regardless of race, color, gender, handicap, age, religion, disability, lifestyle, sexual orientation, or national origin.
4. To always act in a professional manner when speaking with someone at Voices College-Bound Language Academies.
5. To strive to be the best teacher I can be, modeling excellence and taking no shortcuts in preparing our students for success in college and in life.
6. To always teach in the best way I know how, and to do whatever it takes for every single one of our students to learn.
7. To plan and execute rigorous lessons to prepare our students for success in college and in life.
8. To hold *all* of our students, parents, fellow staff members, and myself to Voices' high expectations.
9. To be committed to results.
10. To collaborate and plan with colleagues on a regular basis.
11. To be committed to my professional growth and constant learning.
12. To share my expertise with the community (conferences, educational open houses, presentations, classroom visits, etc).
13. To attend all Voices Academies retreats, in-services and professional development.
14. To teach at Voices Academies during the summer as needed.
15. To make myself available to students and parents during the school day.
16. To mentor students as needed.
17. To regularly provide parents with updates on their children's progress. (e.g. progress reports, conferences, home visits, etc.)
18. **To make no excuses!**

I understand that ultimately I am responsible for the education and achievement of my students.

Teacher Name: _____

Teacher Signature: _____

Principal Signature: _____

Date: _____