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### Personal Code of Ethics

As an educator, I have the responsibility of helping others to develop both mentally and emotionally. To do this, I must understand the values and principles that guide my own life and work. The following is my Personal Code of Ethics on which I base my personal and professional decisions.

Firstly, I recognize my responsibility within the education field to continue to expand my knowledge. I am committed to continuing my education, because I believe that learning is a lifelong process. My learning will not be limited to the subjects that I teach, but instead will cover a broad range of information to supplement my understanding of the topics that I do cover in my classroom. I will work to improve myself as a member of society by means of my learning.

As I communicate with students, coworkers, and parents, I will listen actively and respond in a positive and professional manner. I will make a constant effort to communicate effectively and efficiently. I believe communication is a two-way street. I will be open to the new ideas of others and make use of constructive criticism.

I will promote the idea of mutual respect within the classroom and with my coworkers. My classroom will be a safe place for students to learn and make mistakes. I will help my students to grow from the mistakes that they have made, with encouragement and patience. I will show my students respect by practicing

equality and fairness. I will not treat anyone preferentially, but I will make every effort to give students the individual attention that they need. I will not allow my personal beliefs or biases based on any characteristic to influence my treatment of any student, and I will expect and encourage my students to do the same.

I am committed to my role as an educator and model to others, both inside and outside of the classroom. My beliefs will be clear to my students, their parents, and my peers. In all of my dialogues and interactions with others, I will show my belief in the importance of continuation of education, efficient communication, and also mutual respect.