Peachland Elementary School

Family Handbook 2024-2025



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PEACHLAND MISSION STATEMENT

At Peachland, our mission is to facilitate high levels of learning for all and prepare and empower students to maximize their unique potential within a safe, nurturing learning community.

SCHOOL HOURS AND ATTENDANCE

One way to maximize student learning is to utilize every minute of instructional time. This is only possible when **students attend school every day and arrive on time**. Children may eat breakfast at school beginning at 7:15 a.m. Adult supervision on the playground is provided from 7:15 a.m. until instruction begins at 7:45 a.m. **Students should not arrive at school before 7:15 a.m.**

Regular Schedule - Monday through Thursday

7:40 am Lineup bell—all students should be in line by this time to enter the rooms with their

class.

7:45 am Instruction begins—all students are seated and ready to learn.

UPK/Kindergarten-----7:45am-1:35pm Grades 1-6----7:45am-2:30pm

Minimum Day Schedule- ALL Fridays and select days (see calendar)

All Grades UPK, K, 1-6 -----7:45am-11:50am

When absent, a student misses essential learning; consistent school attendance is paramount. While some make-up work can be sent home, most learning takes place in the collaborative atmosphere of the classroom. Essential learning and student/teacher interaction cannot be sent home if parents keep students out of school for reasons other than illness or justifiable personal reasons requested in advance; messages to students that school and learning are unnecessary.

Peachland School practices a "protect our children" program. All children not present at school are accounted for daily. We ask that parents follow this procedure:

- Please notify the school between 7:00-8:30 am the morning that your child will be absent or late.
- If your child is late, please accompany your child to the office to get a tardy pass.
- If your child is more than 30 minutes late, the parent is required to come into the office.

Every student's absence must be verified. We ask that parents send a note or call the school office. The following information should be included:

- Your child's name
- Your child's teacher's name
- Date of absence(s)
- Nature of illness or reason for absence

Once the attendance records are checked each morning, parents of any child not accounted for will be contacted to clear the absence.

If you wish to request homework for your child on a day when he/she is absent, please call the school office before 10:00 a.m. Teachers will do their best to prepare absent work as soon as possible, and parents may pick up the work that afternoon after 2:30 p.m.

Children leaving school with parents for part of a day must be checked out in the office and then checked back in upon return. Parents must show ID in order to check out a student.

Tardies interfere with student learning and interrupt the learning environment for others. Families of children with excessive tardies will receive a letter stating an attendance issue. This letter will ask the family to work with school personnel to discuss strategies to assist with the attendance issues.

Truancy-(Ed Code 48260) A pupil absent from school without a valid excuse three days in one school year or tardy without a valid excuse in excess of 30 minutes on each of more than three days in one school year is considered truant. Students who are truant will be reported to the Director of Pupil Services and may be referred to the Santa Clarita School Attendance Review Board (SARB). Students who exhibit a pattern of excessive absences and/or tardies will be referred to SARB.

California law provides for a policy used by the district called **Independent Study** to meet the educational needs of students who will miss school for an extended period of time. State law requires a minimum of 5 consecutive days of absence to qualify for this program. All students can apply to complete up to a three-week (15-day) maximum. Parents must complete a district form, available in our office, at least 48 hours before the requested absence. This contract is then given to the teacher who prepares the work for the student and provides instruction. The work must be completed and returned to the office on the first day the student returns from the absence. The work is time-stamped and given to the teacher (by the office) for grading.

Independent Study is a useful and appropriate tool. However, it should be used rarely and only when no other options exist. Children benefit most from direct classroom instruction.

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

Access to Campus

Peachland is a closed campus between 7:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. daily. All parents and visitors must enter the campus through the main office, sign in using our electronic system (requiring ID), and are expected to wear a visitor badge at all times.

Student Arrival

Our school cafeteria opens each school day at 7:15 a.m. There is no adult supervision on campus before this time. Between 7:15 and 7:40 a.m., students may eat breakfast in the cafeteria or participate in supervised **play in the yard beginning at 7:15 a.m**.

Walking to School

Students who walk to and from school should have a discussion with parents about the safest and most direct route to school, including the appropriate amount of time to allow for the trip. Students should only cross at corners and in the crosswalks and obey all traffic signals. Please do not cross over private property, through yards, over fences, grass, shrubs, or flowers. Never cross the street between parked cars or buses. Due to safety concerns, dogs and other pets may not be on school grounds. Students must say goodbye to parents with pets before reaching the school valet area. Students who walk home from school will exit the campus from the preschool gate on Peachland Ave. We ask that parents wait for walkers on the lawn closer to the staff entrance parking lot.

<u>Valet</u>

Students being dropped off or picked up by car may use the valet system in front of the school. Our primary concern is our students' safety and well-being. Please always follow the speed limit on our neighborhood streets. We also ask that parents drive slowly and stay alert through our valet line and visitor parking lot, as many children are present. Finally, please remember that our valet line is for drive-through ONLY. Parking in the drop-off/pick-up lane in the front or the back of the school is not permitted as it blocks traffic flow. Please do not leave your vehicle unattended for any reason. If you want to leave your car to walk your child onto campus, please park your car on the street. To minimize traffic congestion and allow for a safe and efficient traffic pattern, parents are asked to follow the traffic pattern below:

Drivers heading south on Peachland Avenue are asked to turn onto Happy Valley Drive, make a left onto Green Mill Avenue, turn left onto Peachland Avenue, and then turn right into the valet loop. Parents waiting to turn into the loop can stay on the side of Peachland Avenue before the valet entrance, leaving room for other traffic. During arrival and dismissal, drivers cannot cross traffic to enter the valet lane.



Staff Parking Lot

UPK-6 grade students may **not** be dropped off in our staff parking lot. In addition to regular traffic, large trucks use the lot to deliver food or equipment, making it unsafe for students at all times.

At our staff parking lot's entrance are several **designated** parking spots for our general education state preschool program. The spots are for preschool families only. Preschool parents should always walk their child to the appropriate area and be alert to all parking lot traffic.

Bicycles

Children in grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 may ride their bicycles or scooters to school with parental permission. The decision of whether a student can ride their bicycle to school is left up to parents. Parents should consider:

- Their child's age, maturity level, and physical condition
- Whether the child has demonstrated proficiency in riding a bike
- They should determine the safest riding route to school and discuss alternate routes if the primary route is inaccessible.

Students riding bicycles to school should consider the following guidelines:

- Students should ride their bicycles on the sidewalk when available. Stay to the right side of the sidewalk and watch for pedestrians.
- In the absence of sidewalks, ride as far to the right side of the road as possible, going with the traffic flow.
- When traveling in groups, ride in a single file.
- Wear a properly fitted bicycle helmet with a Snell and/or ANSI approval sticker.
- Obey traffic laws. See the Department of Motor Vehicle website for rules regarding bikes on the road. https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/about/bicycle
- Obey instructions of police officers, crossing guards, and safety patrols.
- Use hand signals so other bicyclists and motor vehicle operators know your intentions.

Roller Skates, Rollerblades, Roller Shoes, and Skateboards

Not allowed on campus

Dismissal

Arrangements must be made to pick children up at their dismissal time. Teachers are present at dismissal as a courtesy and for general safety precautions. Please have discussions with your child before school regarding expectations for after-school pick-up, after-school programs, bicycle riding, or walking home with other children. The parents should communicate any changes in pick-up procedures to their child and the classroom teacher **before** the school day starts. Students not picked up at the end of the school day (and are not riding the bus, riding a bike, or walking) will be taken to the office for parent contact. A parent/adult on the child's emergency card must come to the office with identification and sign the child out. Parents and children should follow these rules dismissing from school:

- Respectfully walk to the dismissal location without running.
- Keep hands to selves; no rough play.
- Stay on the sidewalks.

- Enter cars from the curb only. Do not step into the street to get into a car. Wait until it has come to a complete stop.
- Only crosswalks or street corners are used to cross the street.

School Buses

Students should arrive at the bus stop at most 5 minutes before the scheduled departure time. Private property must be respected. Students are to wait in public areas only. **Eating food, chewing gum, animals, insects, balloons, or breakable containers is prohibited on buses.**

Windows and emergency doors are to be opened with direction from the driver.

Nothing may be thrown inside or out of the bus windows. Heads and arms must be kept inside at all times.

All students must use low voices and remain seated until excused by the driver. The bus driver may direct children where to sit and has the authority to issue citations for misbehavior. Warnings and citations will be given for unsafe behavior, which may result in the loss of bus riding privileges.

COMMUNICATION FROM SCHOOL TO HOME

Communication may come home on paper, over email, via phone call, or text message, and may be posted online and on socials.

School Instagram: @peachlandavenue PTA Instagram: @peachland_pta

Paper Notifications

Informational flyers and notices from the school, our PTA, the district, or outside organizations are often sent home with students. These items are sent home according to the routines and schedules of each student's classroom. Please check your child's backpack frequently.

Parent Square: Texts/Email/Posts

Most school messaging will be sent via the Parent Square App regarding information about school and district events. In the case of a school-wide emergency, a phone message may go out with general information. This message will go to all phone numbers on file for a student.

Email messages are sent with information and reminders about school and district events. Links or attachments are sometimes included for more detailed information. Families may provide up to two email addresses.

Peachland Elementary Website

Visit our website anytime to view updated information, flyers, calendars, resources, links, etc.

Report Cards and Conferences

Report cards are issued thrice yearly in grades UPK-6 and can be viewed on the Aeries Parent Portal. Parents are invited to parent-teacher conferences in November, and optional conferences are held in March. Parents may request an appointment with a teacher anytime during the school year.

SCHOOL CELEBRATION AND FOOD POLICY

Wellness Policy

The <u>Governing Board Wellness Policy 5030</u> and guidelines must be followed during the regular school day. The Regular School Day is defined as normal school hours. It extends to activities and programs occurring at the school site immediately before and after school, attended primarily by students. Only foods and beverages that meet the nutritional standards described in the Wellness Guidelines will be offered to students during the regular school day. Wellness guidelines should be followed outside school hours when students participate in a learning environment experience. The committee defines a "learning environment" as an instructional setting. The Wellness Committee believes that parents should be responsible for their family's food choices on restaurant nights or PTA-sponsored events where parents are present.

Classroom Parties

If food is to be part of the celebration here at school, it may only occur in accordance with the NSD Wellness Policy that allows for the classroom teacher and room parent to plan one monthly classroom party, (including birthdays, seasonal celebrations, thematic events, etc.). Food items shall fall within the guidelines listed below. All food items must be store-bought and include a list of ingredients due to possible allergies on campus. Excess and non-compliant items may not be distributed and may be sent home with the student who brought them.

- The coordinating parent(s) must work directly with the classroom teacher and have all
 activities and plans approved. Celebrations with food may occur one time per month or
 less.
- Foods must be one of the following:
 - o Whole Grain, Dairy, 100% Fruit (including juice), 100% Vegetable
- Foods must also be:
 - o Less than 175 calories per serving and follow the 35/10/35 rule: no more than 35% calories from fat, no more than 10% calories from saturated fat, and no more than 35% total weight from sugar.

Cafeteria/School Lunches

Breakfast and lunch are served daily. The Santa Clarita Valley School Food Services Agency (SCVSFSA) posts the cost yearly. Currently, all students are eligible for free breakfast and lunch.

Good table manners are expected of everyone. All children are expected to eat lunch. A quiet voice is expected while visiting with friends while eating. Students must pick up all paper and food dropped on the floor immediately. Students are given at least 20 minutes to finish lunch and must remain seated until permitted to dismiss to the yard by an adult. Parents are encouraged to converse regularly about cleanliness, responsibility, and manners at mealtimes.

Classroom Interruptions

Classroom interruptions disrupt instruction and student learning. If you need to bring lunch or a forgotten item or instrument to your child, please check in with the office. Classroom instruction will not be interrupted to relay messages to students, except in cases of emergency.

Lost and Found

All coats, sweaters, and other personal items should be labeled with the student's name. Lost clothing, lunch boxes, and other large items are housed in the MPR. Small items, such as glasses, watches, jewelry, wallets, etc., are held in the school office.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVOLVEMENT

There are many opportunities for parents to be involved at Peachland Elementary. Our Parent Teacher Association (PTA) always seeks volunteers to help plan and run programs. There is a wide range of involvement opportunities, with something for everyone, including working parents.

Our **Site Council** is a leadership council comprised of elected parents, community members, and school staff. The commission serves in an advisory capacity, assisting with the planning and evaluation of school programs and providing guidance on budgetary decisions.

Classroom volunteers are essential to our school's success! Parents are encouraged to be involved in whatever way they feel comfortable. We understand that many parents' work schedules do not allow for volunteering in the classroom. Each teacher will discuss various opportunities for involvement throughout the year. In addition, parents may volunteer their time in the school workroom, assisting with projects or running copies for teachers. Children are not allowed in the workroom at any time for safety reasons. Younger siblings are not able to accompany parents who are volunteering.

School Events

Your family will have many opportunities to participate in school events and activities. Parents are welcome to attend our school-wide assemblies. Parents must sign in before going to the assembly area. Please check the school website for upcoming PTA and school-wide events.

Campus Visits

All parents and visitors MUST check in at the school office before entering campus. This includes all classroom volunteers and parents attending classroom events, meetings, and observations. Parents who want to observe in a classroom must make arrangements with the administration. To minimize interruptions in the classroom, site administration determines the number, frequency, and time of the observations. Observations are limited to 20 minutes in duration, accompanied by an administrator or school psychologist.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

We will conduct monthly emergency drills throughout the school year so students know what to expect in a real emergency. Teachers will give students instructions during the drill. Please be sure that the information for an emergency is completed and turned in to the school immediately with accurate contact information. This information must be updated if contact information changes during the school year.

Procedures and Expectations for Community Emergency

In the case of a school-wide emergency, our priority will be to maintain student safety. Once we have determined that all students are safe and accounted for, we will begin dismissing students to parents. In addition, we will need to account for the anticipated location of every student who leaves; therefore, we will keep accurate records of released students, who picked them up, and where they are taken. This information is then available for other family members who may arrive looking for children. We appreciate parents' support and patience in following the procedures outlined below.

- Parents and emergency contacts will enter the school near the bike racks. To minimize confusion, only a small number of adults will be allowed in at a time. Parents will check in and give their child(ren)'s name and teacher. An adult will bring the child(ren) to the parent and ask them to leave through the gate adjacent to the library.
- Parents should not use other entrances to the school grounds. Additional unauthorized adults on campus may jeopardize student safety. Parents should not climb fences or call children to leave their lines.
- For parent's safety, they should not enter any school buildings.
- We request that parents walk to campus so that emergency vehicles can access roadways and parking.
- Only individuals listed as emergency contacts will be allowed to check students out.
- Parents or their designees must present identification and sign an Emergency Student Release form held by the teacher.
- School staff will remain on site to supervise students while they wait to be picked up.

School Evacuation

If the school is evacuated to another campus in our district, parents will be informed of the location by phone and through signs in front of our school. Proceed to that location and follow the school's emergency release procedures.

Lock Down

In the event that local law enforcement directs us to lock down our campus, all students and staff will remain in the building with the doors locked. We will not open the doors to allow anyone in or out of the building until the lockdown has ended.

Please do not call the school office during an emergency so that we can keep our lines open for emergency use. We will do our best to share information through the Parent Square system immediately.

Thank you in advance for your courteous behavior, respect for procedures, and patience during emergencies. We sincerely hope we will never need to implement these procedures.

HEALTH AND MEDICATION

The Newhall School District, under Smog Regulation 6114.7(A), has adopted specific procedures for servicing children under actual smog episodes:

Level I Reduction of physical activities

Level II Children remain in the classroom, as on a rainy day

Level III Under the direction of the Superintendent, the school

could close.

When the temperature is predicted to exceed 100° F before or during lunchtime, the school will be placed on an "Inclement Weather Schedule." This means that lunch recess will be indoors, with children eating in the MPR and returning to their classrooms for quiet activities. In addition, afternoon outdoor activities will be canceled.

Children are not permitted to possess medication of any kind on campus. A Medication Authorization form is available in the school office and must be signed by the parent and the physician if medication is to be administered during school hours. Parents should bring any prescription medication to be administered at school to the office. All prescribed medications are locked and dispensed by office personnel.

Students who attend school with sutures, a cast, splint, limb braces, or crutches will be restricted from activities on the playground. This policy is in place for the safety of all students and will be strictly adhered to even with a Physician's note stating "No restrictions."

Newhall School District has a School District Nurse who serves as a resource to school personnel, assists the district regarding school health mandates, serves on required committees, and conducts state-required health screening. Each school site has a health assistant on campus during school hours. This person and other staff personnel have emergency first aid training and are available to handle most minor emergencies (cuts, bruises, etc.). They are not medical personnel and are not qualified to make medical judgments. An office staff member will contact the parent or School District Nurse in all matters beyond essential first-aid treatment.

Suppose a severe injury occurs on the school grounds or the school bus. In that case, the parents will be notified and asked to pick up the child for observation or examination by their family physician. Parents will be promptly notified of all injuries not considered minor. Emergency personnel (paramedics) will be called for severe injury or when the injury's severity is in question. If the parents cannot be reached, the student will be discharged to a person named on the emergency card. Parents must notify the office of any changes in contact information so that emergency cards are current.

Applications for student insurance are available in the school office. This insurance covers the pupil for accidents or injuries at or on the way to and from school. School-hours or 24-hour coverage is available. All pupils not covered by a family insurance plan are urged to take advantage of this coverage since the District is not liable for injuries to pupils while on their way to and from school. The completed form must be sent directly to the company and not returned to school.

SCHOOL BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

We are fortunate to have a school that reflects the quality and pride of our community. Our staff, parents, and students share responsibility for the care of our building, equipment, and materials. Roadrunners follow three main premises: Be safe, Be respectful, Be scholarly. We take PRIDE in our school, staff, and students. We understand that Respect Opens All Doors and Peachland is a place where academics and social interaction supports our 3 Be's and future success.

Students are expected to:

- Treat Safety Supervisors with respect. When students are on the playground, all staff have the same authority as the teacher or administrator.
- Treat others (peers and adults) with kindness and respect.
- Leave play or sports items at home unless given special permission from their teacher.
- Refrain from fighting on school grounds, including to and from school. Children may be suspended from the classroom/playground/school for this infraction.
- Refrain from using inappropriate, obscene, or rude language. Children may be suspended from the classroom, playground, or school for this infraction.
- Walk on campus. Running is not allowed between play areas or on blacktop areas except in organized games under the direct supervision of an adult.
- Wear appropriate shoes for physical activity. No sandals or open-toed shoes are allowed.
 Parents will be notified to bring a change of shoes.
- Line up at the start of school and the end of each recess.
- Eat in the cafeteria or designated snack areas. Chewing gum is not allowed on school grounds.
- Students are prohibited from bringing knives, sharp objects, or guns to school. Weapons (toy or real), tobacco, matches, and lighters are also prohibited. Students will be suspended or expelled from school for these infractions.

Dress Code

The Newhall School District adheres to a dress code (see Parent and Student Rules & Policies). While on campus or attending any school-sponsored event, pupils shall be dressed and groomed in a manner that does not distract or interfere with the educational environment. Parents have the primary responsibility for assuring that pupils are correctly attired. Students not dressed appropriately will be given "loaner" clothing from our health office for the day if parents cannot bring an alternate outfit.

Drug and Tobacco Policy

The Governing Board believes that the use of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs adversely affects a student's ability to achieve academic success, is physically and emotionally harmful, and has severe social and legal consequences. Naturally, students shall not have any drug, alcohol, or tobacco products while on school property, at any school-sponsored event, or while under the supervision of district employees when off campus. Students who violate this prohibition shall be subject to disciplinary procedures that may result in suspension or expulsion from school. **All** persons are prohibited from using tobacco, alcohol, and drugs on school property at any time, including evening events and weekends.

Non-Discrimination

District programs and activities shall be free from discrimination based on gender, race, religion, national origin, ethnicity, marital or parental status, and physical or mental disability (Board Policy #5145.3).

<u>Suspension and Expulsion Law</u>

Effective learning is most successful when children are well-behaved and attentive. Each school in the district has a clearly defined discipline plan based on the Discipline Code of the Newhall School District. We wish to maintain a nurturing environment while fostering positive behavior. There are times, however, when behavior results in suspending or expulsing pupils for certain infractions. Those infractions are:

- Causing serious physical injury to another person, except in self-defense.
- Possession of <u>ANY</u> knife, explosive, or other dangerous object of no reasonable use to the pupil at school or a school activity off school grounds.
- Possession of any controlled substance, as listed in Chapter 2 of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, is unlawful.
- Robbery or extortion
- Assault or battery upon a school employee.

The law allows the Principal or Superintendent to recommend in writing to the board why an expulsion for any infraction is appropriate. In addition, the violations listed above will result in a mandatory five-day suspension. Toy guns, water guns, BB guns, and air pistols are not permitted, and their possession is subject to similar rules for suspension and expulsion as other firearms.

Civility Policy

The Newhall School District policy on civility is strictly adhered to and enforced at Peachland School. All parents, staff, and other adults in the school environment must maintain a civil tone in all interactions. Uncivil conduct (including shouting, berating, or use of inappropriate language) is reported to the administration. Individuals who have displayed uncivil behavior may be restricted from school grounds.

Use of Cell Phones and Other Electronics

Cell phone use is not permitted during school hours. Cell phones must remain off and stored in students' backpacks at all times.

Handheld electronic games, toys, technology, etc., are prohibited on campus.

Students who do not follow these guidelines will have the item(s) taken away and held in the office for parents to pick up. If the student continues not to follow school rules, they will not be permitted to bring a cell phone to campus.

Sexual Harassment

The term Sexual Harassment is used for students in 4–6 grades. It includes but is not limited to, unwelcome advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal, visual, or physical conduct of a sexual nature (Board Policy #5214.7). Other types of conduct which are prohibited in the district and which may include sexual harassment include:

- Unwelcome leering, sexual flirtations, or propositions.
- Unwelcome sexual slurs, epithets, threats, verbal abuse, derogatory comments, or sexually degrading descriptions.
- Graphic verbal comments about an individual's body or overly personal conversation.
- Sexual jokes, stories, drawings, pictures, or gestures.
- Spreading sexual rumors.
- Teasing or sexual remarks about students.
- Touching an individual's body or clothes sexually.
- Cornering or blocking of regular movements.
- Displaying sexually suggestive objects in the educational environment.

Playground Rules

All students are expected to follow playground rules. Safety Supervisors have full authority in the yard. Citations for behavior problems will be sent home, and students may be removed from the playground.

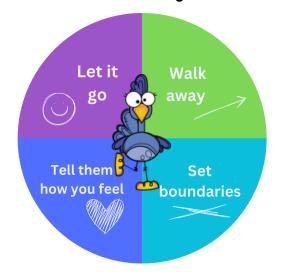
All children must follow school game rules. Safety Supervisors are trained to assist students in solving disagreements when they occur.

Children are not to climb trees, backstops, or fences. Balls are not to be bounced against buildings or in breezeways. Students are not to bring balls or other playground equipment to school.

Bathrooms and drinking fountains are to be used before the end of recess or lunch. At the bell, all play ends, and children are to go directly to their lineup area.

Water bottles are permissible on the playground. Students are expected to simply drink from the bottle and set it down to play. Any student throwing their water bottle at someone or throwing it on the ground will lose the privilege of being allowed a water bottle in the yard.

Peachland Problem Solving Wheel





Peachland PBIS Matrix

PEACHLAND ELEMENTARY ROADRUNNERS



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		AL Settings	Restroom	Arrival/ Dismissal	Walkways	Cafeteria/ Patios	Playground
	R I am Respectful to myself and others	Be kind with words and actions Use good manners	Respect others' privacy Use a level 1 voice	Respect others and their property	Use a level 0 voice	Use good table manners Use a level 1 voice	Use kind words Encourage each other Respect safety supervisors
	O I am On-Time and ready to learn	Be prepared Ask for help if needed	Go. Flush. Wash. Go! Bathroom	Walk directly to your line up area	Walk directly to your destination	Eat. Clean. Be Ready!	Use the restroom and drink water Go straight to your line when you hear the whistle
	A I am Aware of my surroundings	Be an active listener Keep hands and feet to self	Wash your hands with soap and water Report problems to staff right away	Know your dismissal routine	Walk outside of half-circles Walk facing forward	Eat your own food	Use the problem- solving wheel Report problems to safety supervisors
	D I am Dependable in all that I say and do.	Be honest and accountable Be a role model	Use bathroom supplies appropriately	Wait quietly	Allow other classrooms to learn	Clean up your area	Use the play equipment correctly Follow agreed upon rules Hake good choices