

STUDENT'S RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

Students have rights and responsibilities relative to the knowledge and observation of school rules. They also have definite rights and responsibilities in the areas of attendance, right to learn, participation in school programs and activities, respect for persons and property, privacy, assembly, and free speech and student publications. Following is a listing of the specific responsibilities relative to the many aspects of their educational experiences.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Students are responsible for knowing and observing FPTC policy, procedures and rules.
- Students have the responsibility to take advantage of their educational opportunity by attending all classes daily and on time.
- High school students must follow FPTC calendar, policies and procedures as well as home school policies and procedures.
- Students have a responsibility to take advantage of the appropriate FPTC programs and not infringe on the rights of others to learn.
- Students have a responsibility to involve themselves in the courses in which they are enrolled through participation as directed by the teacher.
- Students have a responsibility to involve parents and school personnel in making certain program & curriculum choices.
- Student organization officers and representatives have the responsibility to be alert to the needs of FPTC, the concerns of the student body, and to work toward the satisfaction of these needs and concerns to the best of their ability.
- Students have the responsibility to:
 - Respect the persons and property of other students and the FPTC staff.
 - Take care of the property of the Washington County school system.
 - Agencies who are working actively and constructively for the benefit of the student, of anything that may be useful in making appropriate educational decisions.
 - Students have the responsibility not to carry or conceal any such material that is prohibited by law or would detract from the educational process.
 - Students have the responsibility to plan, seek approval, and conduct those activities which are consistent with the educational objectives and responsibilities of the school.
 - Students have the responsibility to accept the rights of other individuals, to have differing viewpoints, and to express themselves on those issues in which they disagree in a manner which does not infringe upon the rights of others or interfere with the orderly educational process of the school and is not obscene or libelous or in violation of the school rules.

RIGHTS

- Students have a right to expect clear and understandable policies, procedure, rules and regulations to be furnished by FPTC. They may expect these policies, procedure, rules, regulations, and laws to be enforced fairly with the right of due process afforded.
- Students have the right to clearly defined information on School Board Rules and individual FPTC program policies dealing with attendance.
- Students have a right to participation in the appropriate FPTC programs at all levels of instruction and in an atmosphere conducive to the teaching-learning process.
- Students have the right, under the direction of a faculty advisor, to form and operate within the appropriate FPTC student organizations.
- Students have the right under the direction of a faculty advisor to seek office and participate in activities and organizations regardless of race, sex, color, creed, or political beliefs.

- Each student has the right to expect that his or her person and property will be respected by other students and the FPTC staff.
- Each student has the right to expect FPTC property to be safe, clean, attractive, and well maintained.
- Students have the right to be protected by legal provisions which prohibit the release of personally identifiable information to other than legally authorized persons and to inspect, review, and challenge such information as provided by law.
- Students have the right to privacy in their personal possessions unless administration has a reasonable cause to believe that the student is concealing material, which possession of, is prohibited by law.
- Students have the right to assemble peacefully on FPTC grounds or in FPTC buildings. Exercise of this right shall be denied when it substantially and directly endangers physical health or safety, damages property, or disrupts FPTC programs.
- Students have the right to express themselves and to petition and survey student opinion in accordance with the established procedures.