Trust Card Program Summary Smithfield Middle School

The goal of this program is to enhance the climate of respect at Smithfield Middle School (SMS) by developing responsibility, understanding, social skills, and trust through the use of a student identification card for 8th Grade students.

Objectives of the trust card program include the following: to develop a student's sense of time management, level of personal responsibility, communication with authority figures and peers, and life-application skills that contribute to building and maintaining healthy relationships with others.

Possessing and displaying a trust card offers a student additional privileges. All privileges are subject to the teacher's individual discretion (per individual classroom expectations) and campus-wide rules. In the event that a student violates a campus-wide rule the student forfeits the trust card to the faculty member, administrator, staff, or other school personnel who asks for it.

When a trust card is forfeited, the student will be without it as deemed appropriate by the faculty, staff, or administrator involved. It is the student's responsibility to hold a conversation with the faculty, staff, or administrator to resolve the issue and earn it back.

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