

### Parent Contract 2011-2012

We would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the following school rules:

- Parents are to contact the office if their child is going to be absent. On the day he or she returns to school, parents must send a handwritten note explaining the reason for their child's absence. A maximum of 10 handwritten notes will be accepted per school year. After 10, a referral will be issued.
- Students may not exceed more than 10 unexcused absences per school year. For every five unexcused absences, the student will receive a referral. Receiving any three referrals a school year will impede a student from registering the following year. Planned vacations are not considered excused.
- ONLY 5 CHAPERONES WILL BE PERMITTED PER FIELD TRIP AND/OR CLASS PARTY.
- Arrival time for students is from 8:00 a.m. to 8:25 a.m. Students must be in their seat by 8:30 a.m. Any student arriving after 8:30 a.m. will be issued a late pass. After ten unexcused tardies, the student will be issued a referral form that will be placed in the student's permanent record. Please be aware that whenever a student receives 3 referrals in a school year, he/she is subject to dismissal. In the event there is an emergency, please send a letter signed by the parent /guardian explaining the reason for being tardy. Please note that parents will NOT be allowed to walk their child/children to class or speak to the teachers after 8:30 a.m. Somerset Academy is NOT responsible for students who arrive prior to 8:00 am. unless they are enrolled in the before care program.
- Dismissal time for the following grades will be as follows: Kindergarten 2:00 p.m., First through Third Grade 3:00 p.m. Students will remain with a faculty member fifteen minutes after dismissal. Students who are not picked up within those fifteen minutes will be issued a late charge of \$1.00 per minute. Please be aware that all late charges must be made by the last day of school in order to register your child for the upcoming school year.
- Students will be dismissed at 12:00 p.m. on the first Friday of each month. Parents must arrange for transportation.
- Students who wish to be dismissed early (on a regular school day) need to provide proof of a medical/dental appointment no later than that same school morning to their teacher. **Students will not be dismissed 30 minutes prior to dismissal time without previous notice. There are NO EXCEPTIONS!**  
Referrals are issued to students who continuously leave early without a doctor's note (one referral for every five unexcused early dismissals).
- Transportation must be provided or arranged by the parent or guardian. The school is not responsible for any child's transportation to and from school.
- Uniforms must be worn everyday. Students who arrive to school without proper uniform will be sent home. Navy uniform jackets and sweaters are to be worn on cold days; no other cold weather clothes may be worn! Please refer to uniform policy.
- No rolling book bags are allowed for students in Kindergarten through Third Grade. No Exceptions!
- All parent volunteer hours must be completed prior to the last day of school. Failure to complete the 30 hours will affect your child's registration for the following school year.
- I have read and will abide by the terms in the Somerset Grace Parent & Student Handbook.

We understand the rules of Somerset Academy Charter School, a Miami-Dade County Public School, and will abide by them.

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Parent Signature)

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(Date)