Dear Promise Families,

To ensure that we are all on the same page, we feel that we must reinforce some common-sense guidelines, most of which you have been made aware of in the formal program paperwork.

Cell phones are allowed; however, they are to be used appropriately. They are not to be used in class, including text messaging. They are not to be used for making calls while riding in vans, though text messaging is allowed; cell phone calls can become a distraction to the driver.

When meetings are in session, cell phones are not to be used in any manner. Infractions of these rules is grounds for dismissal from the program.

Part of the "bonding" experience is to spend time together in the "commons area" in the dorm, on campus, and at scheduled events.

All Davidson College Public Safety and Housing rules and regulations are strictly enforced. Not adhering to these items as noted in the Guidelines and Regulations may be grounds for program dismissal. We are confident that you will make good decisions while at Davidson Summer Promise.

No friends or relatives are to "show up" on campus unless it's move-in or move-out day. This is our time together. You will have every opportunity to have fun and make many new friends. You will be very busy during your stay. If special circumstances arise, please contact the program director to discuss.

Note that fraternizing with non-DSPP participants is grounds for dismissal from the program.

Regarding appropriate dress: the Summer Promise Program expects that students' clothing will be neat, clean, in good taste, and appropriate for the occasion. While we recognize that the definition of "in good taste" varies, in general, dress or grooming that attracts undue or negative attention is not acceptable. All bodies must be always covered well with clothing.

Summer Promise will be an experience you will never forget. We will help you create some of the best memories of your youth. Get involved. Talk to your mentors if you have any concerns.

Keep the lines of communication open. We are here to help make this a successful week.

We think this will be your best summer ever!

Guidelines/Regulations

DSPP wishes to provide all participants a safe and productive environment in which to live and in which to study. Toward this goal, the following regulations, which are consistent both with state-wide policy and with common sense, apply to student participants in Davidson Summer Promise Program.

1. Automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, mopeds, any other motorized vehicles, and bicycles are not allowed at DSPP, and students are strictly prohibited from operating them. Also, skateboards (motorized or traditional), scooters, and rollerblades are prohibited at Summer Promise.

2. Possessing alcoholic beverages is not permitted. Drinking alcoholic beverages will result in program dismissal AND possible legal action.

3. Possession or use of illegal drugs (including marijuana) will not be tolerated and will result in program dismissal AND possible legal action.

4. Possession of firearms (including BB guns), other weapons, or explosives will result in immediate program dismissal AND possible legal action.

5. Destruction, defacing, or theft of Davidson College property or any other property on or off campus during the program will result in program dismissal and legal action.

6. The Davidson Summer Promise Program is tobacco free. All forms of tobacco, as well as electronic cigarettes/vape pens, are prohibited.

7. Students are not permitted to ride in any private vehicles of any kind unless prior written permission is granted by parents/guardians stating specific permissible persons. These persons must produce identification to the program director prior to such a ride.

8. Students are expected to attend all classes, report to class on time, and be alert and participatory in class. Instructors take roll. Sleeping in class is not allowed and will be addressed directly.

9. Each student is responsible for reporting to their program mentor or co-teacher poor choices made by another suitemate/ roommate.

10. In the residence hall, male students are not allowed to visit female students on the designated female residence floor, and female students are not allowed to visit male students on the designated male residence floor. (Program dismissal.)

11. Students should lock their rooms when leaving. Be careful not to lose your key/access cards, as you would be responsible for a replacement charge totaling around $60.00.

12. The evening curfew in the Residence Hall for all students is 9:00 p.m. Room curfew is 10:00 p.m. Students must stay with the program mentor in charge and return to the residence hall with the whole group.

13. Cell phones may not be used during classes or meetings in any way, nor for conversation while riding in vans. Compliance with any rules set forth by DSPP program staff regarding cell phone use is mandatory.

14. Residence Halls are locked at 10:00 p.m. Unauthorized persons are not allowed in the Residence Halls at any time.

15. Students who are not participants in DSPP are not permitted in the Residence Halls in which Summer Promise students are housed during the weeklong program.

16. A student is not allowed off his/her floor of residence or outside the Residence Hall(s) until 7:00 a.m. without the permission of the Assistant Director.

17. Rooms must be kept neat and clean out of respect for other roommates/suitemates. Trash should be emptied daily. Food items should be kept in closed containers. Lobbies, corridors and bathrooms also must be kept clean.

18. Fans, lights and all other electrical appliances should be turned off when students leave their rooms.

19. Roommate assignments are made by DSPP staff, and those decisions are final.

20. Students are not permitted to leave campus unless approval has been given personally by the Program Director to leave with an authorized adult.

21. Summer Promise students may not enter any other residence hall for any reason.

22. In case of illness, injury, or other emergency, students should notify the Program Director or Assistant Director. The 24-hour campus emergency phone number is Campus Police: 704-894-2178.

23. For student safety, sitting on, leaning on, or standing on the outside window ledges of any building is not permitted. There will be no tolerance of throwing items from windows.

24. Students are prohibited from engaging in disruptive, harassing, intimidating, threatening, bullying, lewd, obscene, violent or other offensive behavior.

25. Plagiarism by students in research papers or other assignments is prohibited.

26. Any criminal law violation by the student will result in his or her expulsion from the program.

27. Students are expected to adhere to all policies of the College. All students must also respect and abide by rules set forth by Promise Mentors and other staff members.

The Davidson Summer Promise Program is an enrichment program for students who have exhibited academic promise. The program has been designed to expose them to collegiate academic activities. At the same time, a co-curricular and residence life program is provided to balance the academic purpose with social activities and recreational excursions. Student participants must work cooperatively with each other and with the Summer Promise instructional and mentoring staff. Any violation of the above regulations and guidelines may result in being sent home from the Davidson Summer Promise Program.