

## VPK Parent Handbook Acknowledgement

In order to conserve resources, schools will not distribute paper copies of the parent handbook to every student. An electronic copy of the Parent Handbook is available on the District website at: <https://www.manateeschools.net>  
 If you require a paper copy of the parent handbook, one should be available in the front office of your child's school. If there is not an available copy at the school, please check the box below and one will be sent to you.

- I would like to have a printed copy of the parent handbook.

### **VPK PARENT HANDBOOK**

This parent handbook has been developed to provide our students and families information on the policies and expectations for VPK in the School District of Manatee County. Parents are encouraged to review the parent handbook and partner with us as we begin your child's formal educational journey.

**FAILURE TO REVIEW THE PARENT HANDBOOK WILL NOT RELIEVE A STUDENT OR PARENT/GUARDIAN OF THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE POLICIES OR ACCOUNTABILITY FOR LOSS OR DAMAGE TO SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANATEE COUNTY PROPERTY.**

I have read, understood and agree to the School District of Manatee County VPK Parent Handbook:

         **VPK Attendance Policy (pg.10) Initials**

If your child has more than three unexcused absences and/or tardies per month, your child may be removed from the program. All absences must be documented. Parents are required to sign and date a monthly attendance certification form and teachers are required to maintain them for auditing purposes.

**Late Pick-Up Fees:** It is expected that your child will be picked up promptly at the end of the instructional day. If a parent is tardy in picking up his/her child after dismissal time, a late pick-up fee will be charged. Parents will be assessed a \$12 late fee for every 15 minutes past the end of the day. A student may be withdrawn from the program if there are repetitive late pick-ups.

         **Personal Care and Toileting Issues (pg.11) Initials**

Children who are enrolled in the VPK program are expected to be toilet trained. Please contact the school if there are medical issues that require accommodations. The SDMC complies with all state statues including the requirements of Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

         **VPK Discipline Policy (pg.10) Initials**

We recognize that positive discipline teaches and encourages healthy social and emotional development. If a child is having difficulty in this area, the parent (guardian) and teacher will work together on meeting the needs of the child and the classroom. All Manatee County students must adhere to the SDMC Student Code of Conduct, if there is a pattern of extreme and disruptive behavior the child may be withdrawn from the program

By placing your signature below, you are confirming that you have read, understood and agree to policies and expectations in the parent handbook.

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Parent or Guardian Signature

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Date

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Child's Name

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School