

BEHAVIORAL STANDARDS AGREEMENT  
For MathPath 2019

MathPath, as a community of learners, has as a fundamental principle RESPECT:

1. Respect for other MathPathers,
2. Respect for faculty and senior staff
3. Respect for counselors
4. Respect for the host institution, its staff and its facilities
5. Respect for others' property
6. Respect for others' privacy
7. Respect for truthfulness
8. Respect for the environment
9. Respect for oneself.

This general principle has many specific behavioral standards consequences, among them:

- a) Students will follow all instructions of all counselors, all instructors, and all senior staff. (At MathPath the fact that you are really smart is nothing special and does not grant you permission to ignore instructions.)
- b) No lying, especially when asked a direct question by staff.
- c) There will be no verbal or electronic bullying such as name calling and teasing.
- d) There will be no physical bullying such as fighting, pushing, or unwanted physical contact, or by hiding, damaging, or stealing another person's things, or by unwanted entry and activity in another person's room, even if intended in a light-hearted way.
- e) Instances of c) or d) observed or endured should be reported to your counselor or a senior staff member to whom you are comfortable speaking.
- f) Students will understand that people at MathPath come from various backgrounds (geographically, ethnically, economically, mathematically, by gender, etc.) and students will not show any disrespect because of such differences.
- g) There will be no disruption of breakouts or plenaries, for instance, by attempts to dominate the discussion or otherwise call attention to yourself, or by off-topic conversations or activities.
- h) Students will make a serious effort in all their breakouts and do all required homework. They will not use the fact that they are no longer the smartest person around as an excuse to give up or be disruptive.
- i) Students will be attentive during presentations that are advanced for them and will learn how to get as much as possible out of such presentations (we will help).
- j) There will be no video or computer/tablet/phone games at camp (math-related or otherwise).
- k) Students will obey the cell phone policy, which allows limited use (see Cell Phones in the PreCamp Briefing).

- l) Students will obey the policy for other personal electronic devices given in the Personal Electronics Agreement, which generally excludes their use.
- m) There will be no TV except when authorized by Senior Staff, e.g., for World Cup matches.
- n) Campus computers and any allowed personal computers are to be used only for emailing home, MathPath homework, and other mathematical activities specifically allowed **in advance**, e.g. a limited number of AoPS courses.
- o) When counselors say that their group must walk together, the group will do so; no one will run ahead or fall behind.
- p) Students will arrive at counselor meetings on time.
- q) Students will be in their rooms with lights out at the designated time.
- r) Students will respect college property and the people who feed us and maintain college property for us, e.g., no damage to furniture or locks, and no making messes (or experiments) in the dining hall, or in common rooms, in individual dorm rooms, or outside.
- s) To defend against illness rapidly spreading around camp, students will follow all staff hygiene requests, such as sanitizing one’s hands before entering the dining hall.

Therefore,

I, (print) \_\_\_\_\_, a student at MathPath 2018, and

I, (print) \_\_\_\_\_, parent/guardian of said student,

By signing this form below, do agree to the following policy: Both of us accept MathPath’s fundamental principle of respect and we agree that I the student will follow all the behavioral standards above during my entire time at MathPath. If I seriously violate these standards, this will result in a call home by the Camp Director, April Verser, with me present. If I violate these standards again, then at the discretion of Ms Verser I will be sent home, with all additional costs of returning home at this new time to be paid by the family, and with no refund of fees for the days missed by early dismissal.

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Date

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Signature of MathPather

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Date

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Signature of parent/guardian

**Must be signed by student and parent and submitted by May 31, 2019.  
If submitted in hardcopy, do not staple and do not print double-sided.**