

Academic Class Expectations - for Parents

FA is intended as an **addition** to your family’s homeschool program. In the academic classes, our teachers provide a structure for students. You—the parent(s)—are expected to provide direction at home for these classes.

FA meets once a week; it’s not possible to cover all the material in only one class per week. Homework is required, then, to achieve the desired standard of excellence our teachers are proud to offer. To that end, FA requires parents to hold their children accountable to complete assignments at home.

Parents are students’ primary educators. Therefore, parents are expected to make the following commitments when you enroll your student in FA. Please initial by each statement and sign at the bottom.

___ I acknowledge that a primary way for me to be involved in my child’s education is by monitoring his/her homework, behavior, and performance.

___ I will monitor and support the completion of all homework assignments. I will do this by reviewing his/her homework, classwork, and projects for accuracy, completeness, and neatness before they are due.

___ I will maintain contact with my child’s teachers, especially if my student is struggling.

___ I will take the initiative to monitor my student’s academic performance.

___ I acknowledge that parents, not the school, are responsible for the behavior of my child.

___ I will ensure that my child has the necessary school materials and a clean, quiet place to do homework (ie: free of monitor distractions such as televisions, smartphones, and tablets).

___ I understand that it’s my job as a parent to teach organizational skills, time management, and study skills.

___ I will ensure that my child comes to FA on time, rested, and prepared for classes.

___ I will ensure that my child dresses in an appropriate manner conducive to learning, including but not limited to his/her FA t-shirt, per school policy.

___ I will treat teachers, office staff, and students in a dignified and professional manner and insist that my student does as well.

___ I will help my student by supporting him/her and encouraging him/her to adhere to a commitment to excellence.

___ Failure to adhere to these commitments may cause my student to face Academic Probation and/or Dismissal.

Academic Probation and Dismissal

If it is determined a student is not meeting Academic Expectations (missing several assignments, is not giving best effort, or has a failing grade) please be advised this is the stated course of action:

1. The teacher will take the student aside to discuss the situation. Parents will be contacted at this time.
2. Steps will be outlined for dealing with factors that are negatively impacting the student's academic performance.
3. If student effort is not changing due to the direct intervention of the instructor, the Academic Advisor and/or FA Board will institute a probationary period for the student with a specific set of expectations and deadlines.
4. Goals will be established to measure the student's progress and an academic contract will be written which the student/parent/guardian will sign.
5. A follow-up meeting will take place with the student and the parent(s) or guardian(s).
6. Further action or dismissal will be determined by the FA Board, based upon the student's response to the probationary expectations.

Student Name

Grade

Signature of parent(s)

Date