



Young Marine Obligation

From this day forward, I sincerely promise, I will set an example for all other youth to follow and I shall never do anything that would bring disgrace or dishonor upon my God, my Country, and its flag, my parents, myself, or the Young Marines. These I will honor and respect in a manner that will reflect credit upon them and myself.

Semper Fidelis

General Standards

1. Young Marines (YM) will adhere to the Sarasota County School Board Code of Conduct, Venice Middle School (VMS) Student Handbook and Agenda, and the YM Code of Conduct.
2. YM will address adults using Yes/no ma'am/sir or by title (Dr., Major, Mr., Mrs., Ms.)
3. YM will address other YM using rank and last name in all YM settings (PFC/Private/Cadet _____)
4. YM will have a positive attitude and show appreciation for other's efforts, "Attitude with Gratitude."

Use of the Agenda

1. The VMS Agenda is a means of communication between the student, family, and school. The YM Team feels strongly that use of the Agenda is an effective tool for organization, enhances responsibility, and greatly increases student achievement. YM Staff will utilize the Agenda to assist the YM and to communicate with parents/guardians.
2. YM is responsible for completing his/her Agenda as directed by team/staff, in every class, every day. Each staff member utilizes the Agenda slightly differently.
3. YM will record NO HW (no homework) if there is no assignment.
4. YM will keep Agenda open and accessible throughout each class period.
5. YM will complete assignments on time, giving best effort and following directions provided.
6. YM will ask parent to review assignments and sign Agenda each night.
7. YM will keep Agenda in good condition and use it as a reference and organizational tool.

Protocols/Service Etiquette

1. YM quiet/halt signal is a raised fist. Silently pass it on.
2. YM will enter and leave classrooms in a quiet and orderly manner.
3. YM will take the most direct route while traveling on campus.
4. YM will travel clockwise throughout team area unless traveling to adjacent classroom.
5. YM will sit in assigned seat, prepare for class, and follow staff expectations and procedures.
6. YM will take all needed materials/supplies from backpack at the beginning of class.
7. YM will use appropriate voice level and language.
8. YM will stow backpack as directed by staff.
9. YM will clean up after his/herself on VMS campus: classrooms, cafeteria, hallways, and buses.
10. YM will push in chair when leaving seat.
11. YM will use classroom supplies and materials as directed, leave in same condition as found.
12. YM will "pack-up" when directed by staff or YM designee.



Protocols/Service Etiquette (continued)

13. YM will remain in seat until end of class period and directed to be dismissed by staff or YM designee.
14. YM will return all forms, monies, and communication as directed by staff. Meeting deadlines, responsibilities, and obligations are important to success.
15. YM will adhere to the acceptable use policy for technology established by Sarasota County School Board, VMS, and staff.
16. YM will learn and use military time, date, and vocabulary.

Supplies and Materials

1. YM are required to have materials and completed assignments in every class, every day.
2. YM must work toward maintaining an organized and neat binder system.
3. YM staff strongly suggested that YM carry a backpack to assist with organization.
4. YM will utilize a 2" 3 ring binder/Trapper Keeper type organizational system.
5. YM will replace and replenish supplies as needed, on a weekly basis.
6. YM must organize the binder by class order. Use a 2 pocket folder, one for each class.
7. YM needs a supply of notebook paper (20-25 sheets is plenty for a week).
8. YM needs a supply pouch with pencils (mechanical pencils are discouraged), pink and/or cap erasers, pens, highlighters, & USB drive.

****Colored pencils and markers will be needed for homework and project. Store these at home.**

9. YM will NOT possess SHARPIE MARKERS!
10. YM will use a calculator as directed by math teacher, 7th and 8th grade only.
11. YM will charge personal devices at home.
12. YM will have PT gear on Tuesday and Thursday and as directed.
13. YM will wear service uniform on Wednesday and as directed.

Breakfast/Snacks/Water:

1. Breakfast is available daily from the VMS cafeteria.
2. If YM is having school breakfast, they must pick up breakfast as soon as they arrive to VMS.
3. Breakfast must be eaten in Period 1 and finished and cleaned up by 0730.
4. YM will dispose of all food refuse in large garbage can in middle room. Please recycle.
5. YM must carry water bottles and keep filled with WATER ONLY. Correct use of water container is expected. YMs will fill them on their own time, e.g. lunch and/or during passing time.
6. Healthy, nutritional snacks (fruit, snack bars, or yogurt) are permitted according to student's schedule, needs, and staff direction.

Protocol for using the head (bathroom):

1. YM will not interrupt instruction unless in an emergency.
2. Use sign language "H" for "head."
3. Sign in and out.
4. Do not disturb other classes/team members.
5. Keep bathrooms neat and clean.
6. Report any issues to teacher before using facilities, last person to use head is responsible.



CrossPointe Portal:

1. YM Staff will work to update the grade system weekly or more often as needed and as time allows.
2. YM should check the grading system at least weekly to monitor his/her progress.
3. YM parents/families are asked to monitor his/her YM's progress using the Parent Portal.
4. Use Parent Portal to contact staff regarding progress concerns.

Discipline Action Report (DAR)

1. The purpose of the DAR system is to assist the YM in changing/correcting behaviors that are disruptive to the learning/team environment. The ultimate goal is for YMs to be highly successful and to create a highly successful learning environment for all YMs.
2. YMs experiencing difficulties may receive a reminder/redirection about expectations before receiving a DAR.
3. YM will return DARs, with parent's/guardian's signature to the issuing YM staff member, the next school day before 0730.
4. Excessive DARs will result in a referral to the VMYM Advisory Council and may cause removal from the YM Program.

Use of Middle Room:

1. Must have staff permission.
2. Do not use to travel around team area.
3. No more than 4 people per table.
4. Keep voices low; do not disturb other students and classes.
5. Leave room neat and orderly.
6. No use of the team refrigerator.

First Endorsement

I have read, understand, and will follow the YM PROTOCOLS/SOP.

YM's Printed Name: _____

YM's Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian's Printed Name: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Comments: