



THE CHILDREN'S HOUSE  
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### **Commitment to Nonpartisanship and Inclusivity**

The Children's House and Compass Montessori Junior High is committed to maintaining a nonpartisan educational environment that respects diverse political viewpoints and perspectives. As an independent institution, we do not endorse, promote, or align ourselves with any particular political party, ideology, or candidate. Our mission is to provide a well-rounded education that develops ethical, responsible, and engaged citizens, not to advance any specific political agenda.

We believe that open and respectful dialogue is essential for the growth and understanding of our students. To that end, we encourage the exploration of political issues, policies, and processes from multiple angles, empowering our students to think critically, form their own views, and engage constructively with differing opinions.

In the classroom, on campus, and within our broader community, we strive to create an atmosphere of inclusion, where all individuals feel welcomed, respected, and valued regardless of their political affiliations. We do not tolerate discrimination, harassment, or the silencing of perspectives based on political beliefs.

Our curriculum, extracurricular activities, and school-sponsored events are designed to be politically neutral, providing balanced information and opportunities for nonpartisan civic engagement. We expect our faculty, staff, administrators, and Board of Directors to uphold this commitment to nonpartisanship in their interactions with students, families, and the community.

Ultimately, our goal is to foster an educational environment that prepares students to become informed, empathetic, and engaged citizens, equipped to participate in the democratic process and contribute positively to their communities. We believe this can only be achieved through a steadfast commitment to nonpartisanship, inclusivity, and the free exchange of ideas.

This statement of neutrality serves as a guiding principle for our school's operations, decision-making, and community engagement. We invite all members of our community to join us in upholding these values and ensuring The Children's House and Compass Montessori Junior High remains a place of intellectual curiosity, respect, and growth.

### **Statement of Political Neutrality**

The Children's House and Compass Montessori Junior High is committed to maintaining a politically neutral environment that respects the diverse views and perspectives of our students, families, faculty, and staff. As an independent educational institution, we believe it is essential to provide a learning environment that encourages critical thinking, open dialogue, and the free exchange of ideas – without undue influence from partisan politics.



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To uphold this commitment, The Children's House and Compass Montessori Junior High will:

1. Remain nonpartisan in all school-sponsored activities, communications, and curricular content. We will not endorse, promote, or align with any particular political party, candidate, or ideology.
2. Foster an inclusive community where individuals of all political affiliations and beliefs feel welcome and respected. Discrimination or harassment based on political views will not be tolerated.
3. Teach students to think critically about political issues, encouraging them to form their own informed opinions rather than pushing any specific agenda. Our curriculum will present balanced, fact-based information on relevant topics.
4. Provide opportunities for students to engage in civic education and the democratic process, but without pressuring them to adopt particular political stances.
5. Ensure that school facilities and resources are not used for partisan political activities or the promotion of specific candidates or causes, unless part of a balanced educational program.
6. Encourage students, families, and staff to be active citizens and participate in the political process as individuals, while making it clear that these personal activities do not represent the views of the school.
7. Maintain clear guidelines for political discourse and debates on campus, prioritizing respectful dialogue over divisive rhetoric.
8. Regularly review and update this Statement of Neutrality to address evolving challenges and ensure it remains aligned with the school's core values and mission.

At The Children's House and Compass Montessori Junior High, we believe that our role is to educate, not indoctrinate. By upholding political neutrality, we aim to prepare students to be informed, engaged, and independent thinkers – empowered to shape the future of our democratic society.