## a Parent Guide to

# Class Dojo



#### What is Class Dojo?

Class Dojo is a website which also has free android and IOS apps that allow teachers to track classroom behaviors. Parents have access to the website and/or app to view behavior, receive messages from teachers, and send messages to teachers. Students can view their behavior and change their avatar/monster.

#### Positive and Negative Points

Throughout the school day, students are awarded positive and negative points for behavior. Positive points may include helping others, participating in class, following directions, etc. Negative points may include disrespect, talking out of turn, being off task, etc. If you have the app, you will receive instant notification when your child is awarded a positive or negative point. It will also show you what time of day the point was awarded

### How do I read the behavior pie chart?

When you log in to Class Dojo you will be shown a pie chart of your child's behavior. The pie chart shows green (positive points) and red (negative points). You will also be shown a percentage. This percentage tells you how much of your child's behavior is positive. Below the pie chart is a listing of all points by day, with the time they were awarded.

#### When should I be concerned?

If your child receives a negative point you should NOT be concerned I use negative points to re-direct student behavior. In our classroom I use the saying, "make mistakes, get messy." I want students to know that it is okay to make mistakes, and that we all (adults included) make mistakes. Making mistakes is how we learn. It is okay for your child to have negative points. It's just when the same negative behavior is occurring over and over again that you should be concerned

#### When do I talk to my child?

Class Dojo is a great way to see patterns of both positive and negative behaviors. It's my hope that you will use Class Dojo to check-in on your child's behavior patterns. If you see that your child is consistently helping other students, then make it a point to praise your child for their behavior. If your child is getting points for various positive behaviors, then tell them how much you appreciate their hard work in school. And if you see a PATTERN of negative behavior, then ask your child about it.

Please remember it is worth the effort to talk to your child. Your child wants to know that you are involved in their life, both at home and at school. Praise means the most when it comes from YOU!

#### Classroom Rewards

I will be rewarding students for positive behavior in the classroom. Every Friday, students will be rewarded according to their percentage of positive behavior. Below is our first breakdown of percentages...

92-97% - pick from reward cards (ex. wear a hat in the classroom, be the pledge/rules leader, use a pen for the day, pick next GoNoodle, etc.)

97% or greater - homework pass or prize box

#### Parent/Jeacher Communication

Class Dojo allows parents to send the teacher private messages. You can private message me by clicking on the "messages" option at the top of your screen. Feel free to message with questions you have about your child's behavior or any other questions or concerns you may have.

I will send private messages to parents about BOTH positive and negative behaviors. I use Class Broadcasts to send families pictures and reminders.

#### More information... Videos

How to Create a Parent Class Dojo Account:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MKTiy6M\_K34

Student Introduction to Class Dojo: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KaeNSYJvrn0">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KaeNSYJvrn0</a>

Link to make a Parent Login: https://homeclassdojo.com/#!/login

