

Apples of Character

Monitoring behavior in a way that is accountable and respectful

Crown Pointe Academy

Kindergarten

Here's how it works:

1. Kindergarten monitors student behavior using "green, yellow and red apples". Students displaying disruptive or unsafe behaviors will move a clothespin with their name to a colored apple, with resulting consequences as outlined below. Students may or may not be given warnings prior to moving a clothespin. As a class, students are reminded of school rules often and should not need additional individual reminders.
2. Students having continued difficulty with behavior will be placed on a Behavior Plan that is developed by the classroom teachers, administration, and the parents.
Please note that consequences may be modified for students on a Behavior Plan.
3. Each day, students who have not moved their clothespin receive a reward. Students who have not moved their clothespin all week earn a trip to the treasure box.
4. Positive behavior is also recognized on the Character Education sticker charts.

Steps for students moving clothespins:

- Those students who move their clothespin to the green and/or yellow apple will lose a portion of their center time or afternoon recess. A note will be sent home which needs to be signed and returned.
- Students getting to the red apple will lose center time or afternoon recess, will receive a phone call home as well as serving after-school detention on the same day when possible or the next detention day. A note will be sent home which needs to be signed and returned.
- Students who have moved their clothespin four times in a week, or to the red apple, will receive a 30 minute after school detention that will be served on the same day if possible.
- On the fourth after-school detention, a conference will be scheduled to include the parent, teacher, student & administrator, and a Behavior Plan will be developed.
- Upon the fifth after-school detention the student will be given an out of school suspension because of continued disruptive behavior.
- The second suspension will come after three additional detentions and the third suspension after two additional detentions. For additional discipline, the school will reference Colorado Revised Statute 22-33-106.

Clothespins will be moved to the green, yellow, or red apple for behaviors that do not follow the school or classroom rules.

Behaviors that are automatic red apple offenses are:

- Intentionally harming another child (physically or verbally).
- Disrespecting a teacher, parent helper, or other staff member.
- A behavior that warrants being removed from the classroom (such as constant disruptive behavior).
- Forgery
- Possession or use of inappropriate items at school such as cell phones, ipods, CD players, etc. Items will be confiscated and parents must come to school to pick up the items.